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## TEXTBOOK TAX RELIEF

Assemblyman proposes bill to have textbooks be exempt from sales tax, saving students \$59 a year

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A bill has been introduced to the California State Assembly to help counter-balance the rising cost of college tuition by making the purchase of textbooks exempt from state sales tax.

AB 479, the Textbook Tax Relief Act, was introduced Feb. 19 by Assemblyman Tim Donnelly (R-Twin Peaks), who said a major impetus in introducing this bill was from survey results conducted by the U.S. Public Research Interest Group.

“(That) study said seven out of 10 college students have skipped buying a textbook because they’re too expensive,” Donnelly said. “This is a way for students to be able to afford books they need to be successful.”

According to the National Association of College Stores, the average college student spends \$655 a year on textbooks. With the Los Angeles sales tax of 9 percent, CSUN students have the potential to save an average of \$59 a year if this bill is passed.

Employees of the Matador Bookstore see this as a plus for CSUN students.

“We are committed to driving student access with affordable textbook options,”

said Amy Berger, director of the Matador Bookstore. “We fully support efforts that contribute to this same mission.”

Berger said she is not sure if this bill would attract more students into the Matador Bookstore.

Donnelly said the biggest argument against the sales tax exemption is that it could cost the state money, but he believes that income tax from graduated college students who enter the workforce would offset this potential cost.

“I’d argue that helping students get out of school quicker (by making school costs cheaper) will save the state money by getting student paying income tax quicker,” Donnelly said. “Personal income tax is the biggest way California makes money.”

Donnelly said that the Textbook Tax Relief Act could also benefit the state by encouraging out-of-state students to come to California schools.

“Giving students a little more money in their pocket could make California a more desirable place to go to school especially at a time of rising tuition costs and particularly at a time of rising administration costs,” Donnelly said.

Some students support AB 479.

“In community college I saw the value of education because textbooks were costing more than tuition,” said Jade Flader, 25,

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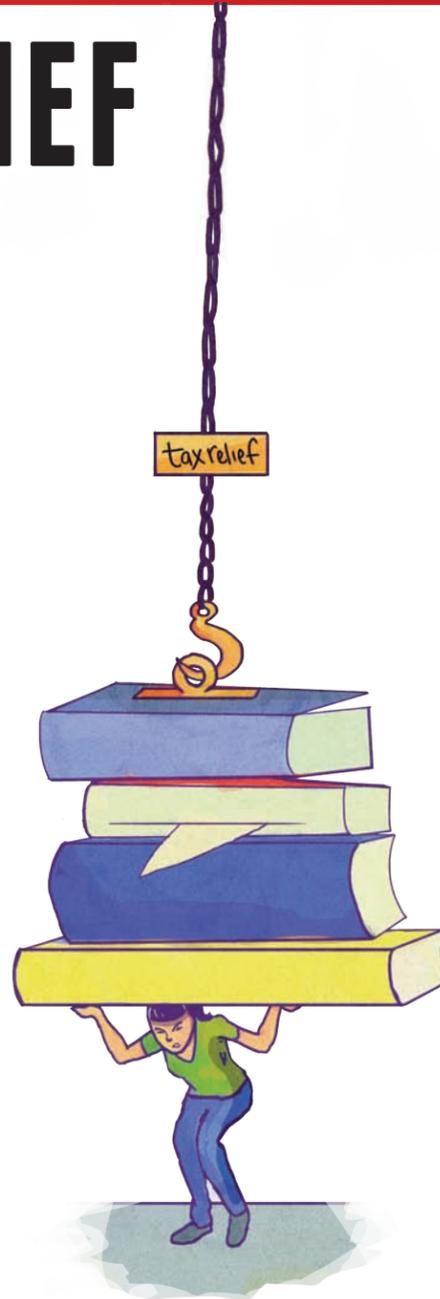


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## Pass the veggies, please

Three students opt for a healthier diet

MEGAN DISKIN  
DAILY SUNDIAL

Heather Swann first decided to become a vegetarian after seeing what she called a “horror film” of an animal slaughterhouse. In the beginning of her quest to go meatless, she actually had a dream of an emaciated cow with doleful eyes staring back at her asking, “Why?”

Swann, 20, junior and microbiology major, has been going meatless for three years now and can finally be in good company with the rest of Los Angeles. Well, at least on Mondays.

Last February the Los Angeles City Council became a supporter of the international campaign, “Meatless Monday.” According to a webpage on the campaign’s website, the campaign intends to reduce the consumption of meat for health and environmental reasons. It started in 2003 with the help of the Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health and has spread to 23 countries.

According to an article written by the same school of public health, there are several environmental health repercussions from industrial agriculture. They include a devastation in animal and plant biodiversity from the use of monocultures, water, air and soil pollution from fertilizers and pesticides, soil erosion and unsustainable water consumption.

“It’s our general responsibility to take care of the environment,” said Shlomit Ovadia, 20, sophomore linguistics and Japanese major.

Ovadia has been a vegetarian for almost five years. She took an environmental science class back in high school where she learned about the meat and fishing industry’s unsustainable effects on the planet.

There are some health-related

See **MEATLESS**, page 5

## A.S. gears up for elections

Kick-Off event includes debate between presidential candidates, voter information guide

TAYLOR VILLESCHAS  
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Associated Students discussed funding for the Women’s Rugby Team, A.S. awareness month, bicycle and skateboard safety and the upcoming election during their Friday meeting.

With elections happening Tuesday and Wednesday, Election Chair Breanna Kyle

reminded the senators to get the word out to their constituents and attend the Election Kick Off event on the Bayramian Hall Lawn on Monday.

“We’ll be having free food, a DJ and handing out voting information. It’s a great time for everyone to come learn about the candidates,” Kyle said during open forum.

The event will also feature a debate between the two opponents. The “Vision in Unity” slate, headed by current Vice Pres-

ident Christopher Woolett and Senator Talar Alexanian and the “N-Gage” ticket with Senator Bijan Nasseripourtwosi and Sahar Maknoui, president of the Iranian Student Association.

“The kick off is like a voter’s fair,” Alexanian said. “And it’s the day before so the information really sticks in everyone’s minds.”

A voting guide with information on

See **A.S.**, page 4



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Upper Division Senator Talar Alexanian, journalism student with an emphasis in public relations, is running to be the next A.S vice president. Polls will be open March 26-27.

# CALENDAR OF EVENTS // march 2013

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## "VRC Operation Gratitude"

**WHEN:** 7 a.m.  
**WHERE:** USU Sol Center, SRC, VRC  
**DESCRIPTION:** Donations for care packages for veterans are now being accepted. Drop them off at any of the above locations from March 25 through May 6. More details about what to donate can be found at [www.vrc.csun.edu](http://www.vrc.csun.edu)

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## "A.S. and BOD Elections Spring 2013"

**WHEN:** All day event  
**WHERE:** USU  
**DESCRIPTION:** Vote for the next USU board of directors and Associated Student officials.

## "Baseball vs. San Diego"

**WHEN:** 3-5 p.m.  
**WHERE:** Baseball field  
**DESCRIPTION:** This game costs \$5 for adults and \$3 for youth (17&under), senior (60+), CSUN faculty/staff, military, and CSUN Alumni Association (bring ID).

## "Tuesday Talks"

**WHEN:** 7-8 p.m.  
**WHERE:** USU Pride Center  
**DESCRIPTION:** Anyone welcome to join the weekly talks about issues that arise in the LGBTQ community.

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## "Work for the USU: Job Info Session"

**WHEN:** 12:30 p.m.  
**WHERE:** USU Flintridge Room  
**DESCRIPTION:** Learn about jobs at the USU and SRC. The event will occur again at 5 p.m. in the Reseda Room.

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## "3rd Annual Cesar Chavez Service Fair"

**WHEN:** 11-2 p.m.  
**WHERE:** Cleary Walk West  
**DESCRIPTION:** A day for anyone to connect with nonprofit organizations that will be present. Learn how to get involved with the community through volunteering, internships and networking.

## "T-Time"

**WHEN:** 1-2 p.m.  
**WHERE:** TBD  
**DESCRIPTION:** Anyone can join the ongoing discussion about issues that arise with gender and identity.

## "Ragtime"

**WHEN:** 7:30 p.m.  
**WHERE:** Nordhoff Hall 100  
**DESCRIPTION:** CSUN's theater department presents the musical "Ragtime." The cast and an orchestra tell the story of some famous pioneers, such as Booker T. Washington. Tickets are \$15 for students with I.D.

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## "Art 180"

**WHEN:** 11-2 p.m.  
**WHERE:** USU Plaza del Sol  
**DESCRIPTION:** Watch Ronnie Robles create art on stage, then enjoy refreshments and make your own art.

## "Noontime Concert"

**WHEN:** 12-1 p.m.  
**WHERE:** USU Plaza del Sol  
**DESCRIPTION:** Weekly noontime concerts continue for students to take a break and enjoy live music on campus.

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## "Men of Color Enquiry"

**WHEN:** 12:30-2 p.m.  
**WHERE:** USU Northridge Center  
**DESCRIPTION:** Students of Pan African Studies 325 present posters about Black men. Speaker Dr. Frank Harris III will be speaking. This is a free event to attend.

## "LGBTQ Coffee Nights"

**WHEN:** 5-7 p.m.  
**WHERE:** USU Pride Center  
**DESCRIPTION:** The weekly meetings continue, all welcome to enjoy coffee, light snacks, and conversation with friends.

## "CSUN Cinematheque"

**WHEN:** 7-9:45 p.m.  
**WHERE:** Armer Screening Room  
**DESCRIPTION:** The showings of Krzysztof Kieslowski Retrospective continue with the free showing of "Decalogue IX & X"

## "John Mauceri"

**WHEN:** 7-8:30 p.m.  
**WHERE:** VPAC Kurland Lecture Hall  
**DESCRIPTION:** The "Commerce of Creativity Distinguished Speakers Series" features composer John Mauceri. Mauceri will talk about his experiences and participate in a Q&A. This event is free to attend but space is limited. RSVP by March 25.

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## "Tennis vs. Rice"

**WHEN:** 1-3 p.m.  
**WHERE:** Tennis courts  
**DESCRIPTION:** This game is free to attend.

## "FIFA Console Gaming Tournament"

**WHEN:** 2-6 p.m.  
**WHERE:** USU Games Room  
**DESCRIPTION:** Show off your virtual soccer skills and get a chance to win a \$25 gift card to Game Stop. Free to participate.

## "Tech Series-Photoshop"

**WHEN:** 3-4 p.m.  
**WHERE:** Computer lab training lab  
**DESCRIPTION:** Another chance for to learn photoshop. Space is limited.

## "Open Mic Night"

**WHEN:** 8 p.m.  
**WHERE:** USU Games Room  
**DESCRIPTION:** Students can make others laugh as they attempt stand up comedy in the games room. Free admission.

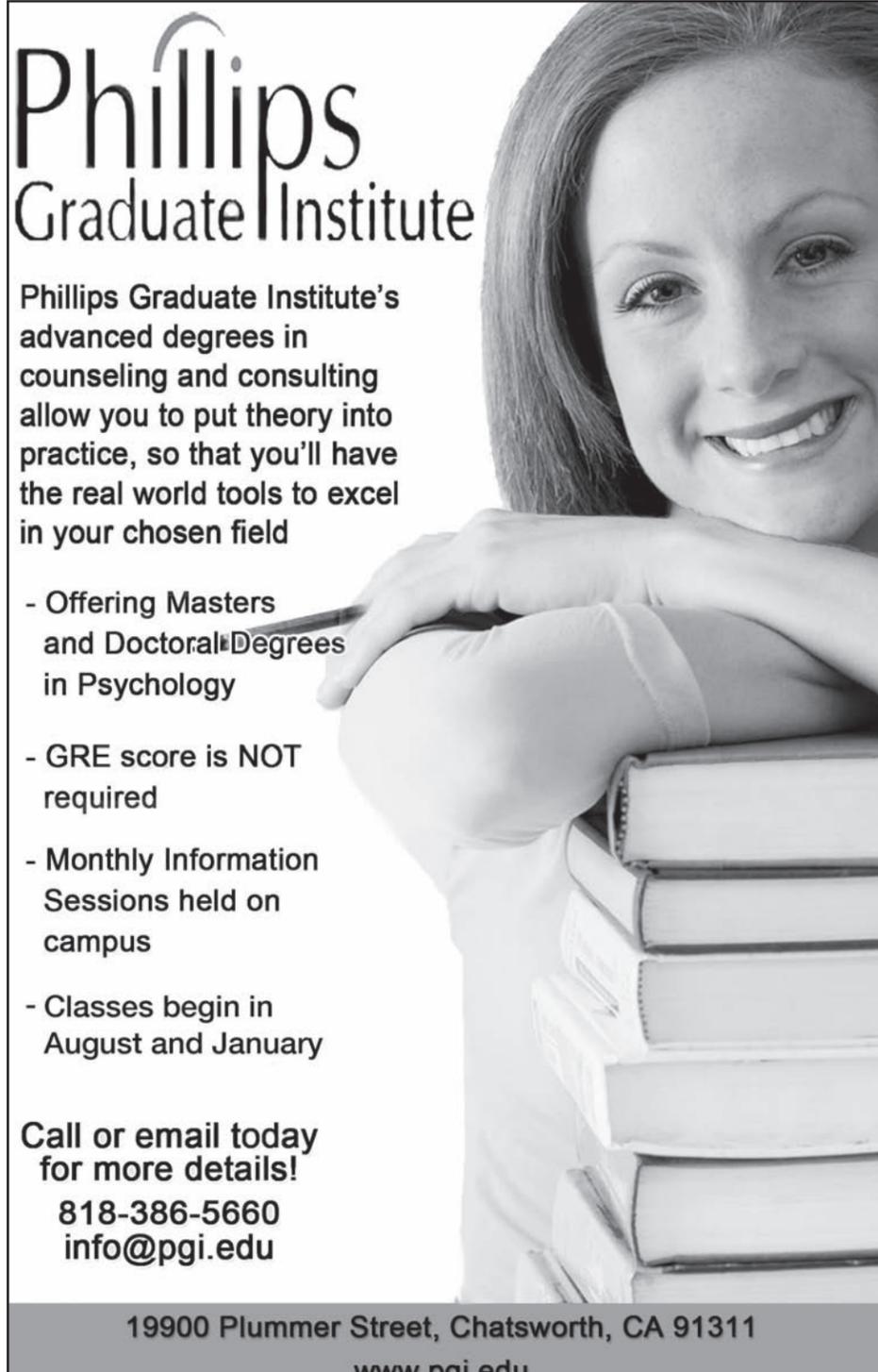
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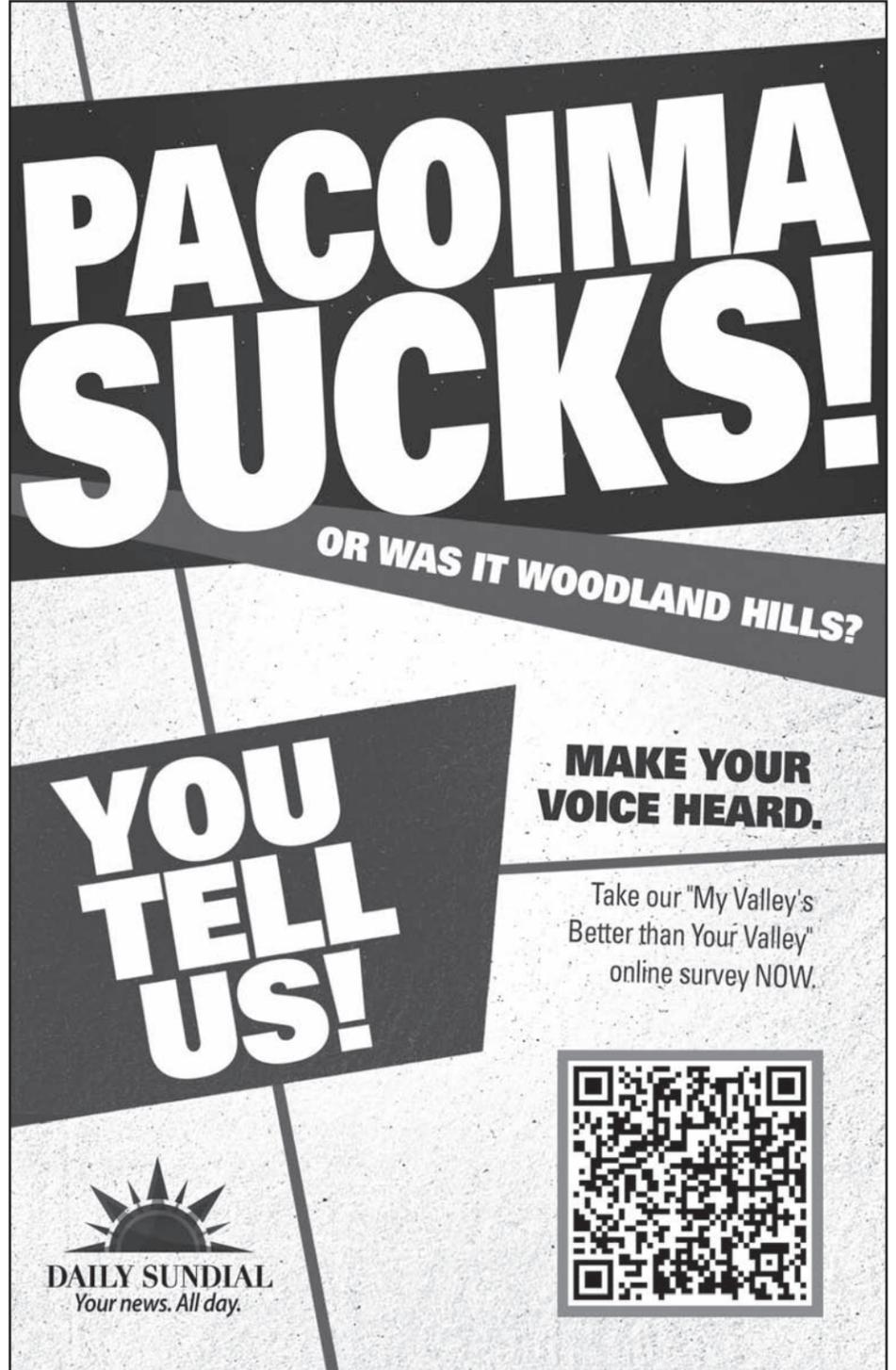
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## TEXTBOOKS

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junior cinema and television arts major. "With the (board of governors) fee waiver, I was only paying \$50 a quarter for tuition, but my textbooks were between \$150 and \$200."

Flader said this bill has the potential to help students keep their textbooks to reference throughout their college career.

"With the lower cost, this would give most students a chance to own their books instead of rent them," she said.

Other students disagreed with one of Donnelly's perceived perks of the bill.

"I don't think this would encourage out-of-state students to come to California schools," said Mercedes Ortiz, 22, senior urban studies major. "They would have to pay out-of-state tuition so how would this save them money?"

At this time, the text of the bill is unclear whether digital textbooks would be exempt from sales tax, but Donnelly said he would want this act to make them exempt as well.

"The whole point of this bill is for it to apply to educational tools that help students succeed," Donnelly said. "I'm in favor of (the bill) applying to all types of textbooks."

AB 479 has now been referred to the Assembly Committee on Revenue and Taxation. They will consider the bill on April 1.

# Assembly bill would eliminate health caps

## Dr. Richard Pan proposes to end high-cost medical bills for students attending UC campuses

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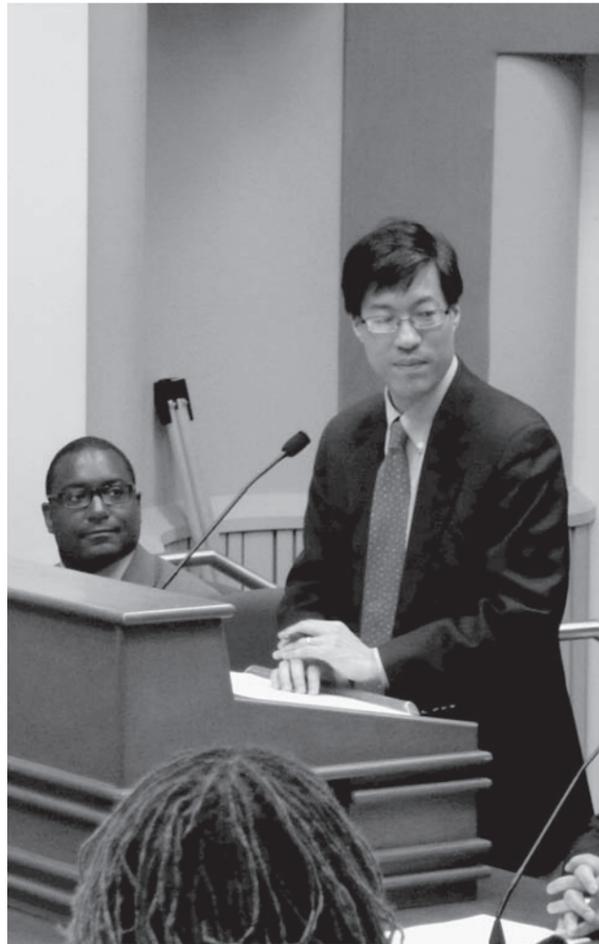
**C**alifornia Assemblyman Dr. Richard Pan, representative of the 9th district, has introduced new legislation that would impact student health insurance for UC and CSU students.

AB 314 was introduced to the Assembly Health Committee, which passed March 19. The bill would end medical coverage caps for students under the UC health plan and is now going to the Assembly floor.

"AB 314 ensures that students have the same insurance coverage any other employee gives under the Affordable Care Act," Pan said of the bill.

UC schools require their students to have medical insurance and has created its own health plan to provide for students. UC Berkeley graduate student Kenya Wheeler has been heavily involved in the fight to pass the bill.

Wheeler was diagnosed with a rare form of blood cancer called primary CNS



COURTESY OF THE OFFICE OF DR. RICHARD PAN

UC Berkeley graduate student Kenya Wheeler and Assemblyman Dr. Pan at the office of the UC President.

lymphoma located in his brain in October 2011. Surgery and chemotherapy

were part of his treatment. Wheeler quickly found that he was reaching the caps to

his medical coverage and eventually faced bankruptcy.

"Not only did I have cancer but how would I afford the medications," Wheeler said during a press conference.

Wheeler said that just the medication alone was expensive because he needed a special kind of drug to treat his illness. Wheeler even married his girlfriend of three years so he could be eligible for Caltrans health insurance.

But the UC cap on medical coverage wasn't enough.

Wheeler joined Pan at the State Capitol to testify before the Assembly Health Committee about the need for the lifetime caps to be eliminated. He said that President Barack Obama's Affordable Care Act made it illegal for there to be lifetime caps on medical coverage, a detail which Pan recognized as well.

"The Affordable Care Act does not address student health plans. And it is not regulated by the federal government, but states can regulate it," Pan said.

The CSU system is different than the UC when it comes to health insurance because the CSU system does not require that stu-

dents have health insurance.

"Our main mission is to provide (health care) access to students. Whether or not you have health care or not, we want to provide higher education," said Stephanie Thara, web communications specialist for the CSU.

Pan said that currently the CSU system contracts their student health coverage plans out to other companies, but that if in the future the CSU formulates and offers their own plan these lifetime caps would be eliminated.

"We want to make sure that that health plan doesn't have lifetime caps. The UC is currently in with this issue but it's something we want to protect all students from," Pan said.

Pan also said that many CSU students go to UC schools for graduate programs and that they may finally be able to get treatment for something that they were diagnosed with during their undergraduate education.

"I'm very proud to carry these bills. We want to ensure that students have all the protections that other Californians have," Pan said. "It's all about empowering students."

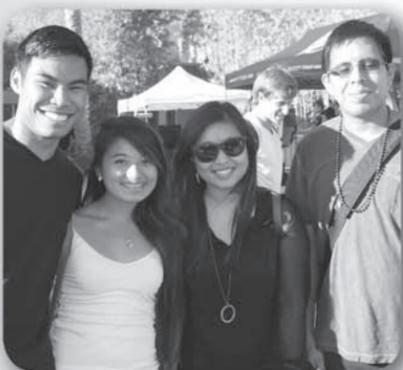
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#### MONDAY

**Table Tennis Tournament**  
4 p.m. Games Room, USU

#### TUESDAY

**BOD Elections**  
9 a.m. - 8 p.m. Various Poll Locations

**Billiards Tournament**  
4 p.m. Northridge Center, USU

**Tuesday Talks**  
7 p.m. Pride Center, USU

#### WEDNESDAY

**BOD Elections**  
9 a.m. - 8 p.m. Various Poll Locations

**Fall 2013 Job Information Sessions**  
12:30 p.m. Flintridge Room, USU  
5 p.m. Reseda Room, USU

**Tech Series: Photoshop**  
1 p.m. Computer Lab, USU

**T-Time**  
1 p.m.

**Poker Tournament**  
4 p.m. Games Room, USU

#### THURSDAY

**Art 180**  
11 a.m. - 2 p.m. Plaza del Sol, USU

**Noontime Concert**  
Plaza del Sol, USU

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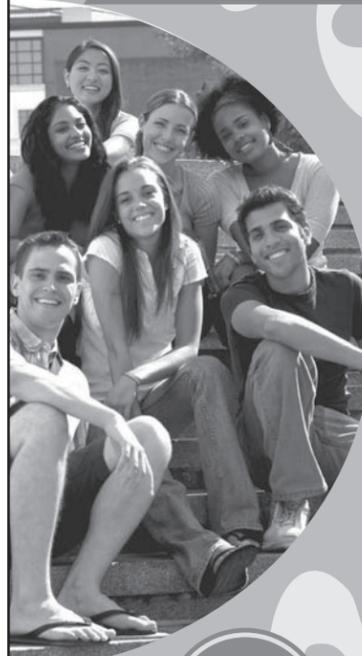
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**FIFA Gaming Tournament**  
2 p.m. Games Room, USU

**Tech Series: Photoshop**  
3 p.m. Computer Lab, USU

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**PREVIEW**

# Campus elections

The Spring 2013 elections for both Associated Students and University Student Union are being held online Tuesday and Wednesday.

Students can vote for a new A.S. president and vice president, senators from colleges and divisions (lower, upper and graduate), and members of the USU Board of Directors.

Bijan Nasseripourtowski, broadcast journalism major, is running for president alongside Sahar Maknoui, business law major, for vice president.

Christopher Woolett, current A.S. vice president and liberal arts major, is running for president with Senator Talar Alexanian, journalism major, running for vice president.

The voting will be available online for students from 8 a.m. Tuesday to 7 p.m. Wednesday with email access on or off campus.

Polling stations on campus will be available from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Oviatt Library, Bookstore Lawn, and outside the entrance of the SRC. On Tuesday voting will be available at the Satellite Student Union from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. and Wednesday 4 p.m. to 7 p.m.

—Cynthia Gomez

## A.S.

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all of the candidates is available online on the A.S. website.

The Senate also approved two new resolutions: the establishment of an A.S. Awareness Month and bicycle and skateboard safety.

This year A.S. Awareness Month will be in April, but in the future will be every February. The goal of the monthlong event is to “increase face-to-face interactions” with the student body and get them more involved and aware of the services offered by A.S.

Senators will be required to hold outdoor office hours, participate in a tabling event each week and organize an A.S. fair at the end of the month.

The Senate then passed a resolution to help promote bike and skateboard safety on campus. The resolution will establish “dismount and walk zones” in areas where foot traffic is heavy and accidents are more likely to happen. One of the proposed dismount zones will be between Cleary and Matador Walk, on the west side of the Oviatt Library.

The resolution cites specific incidents where both riders and pedestrians were injured across campus. It reports that from 2011 to 2012, skateboarding injuries increased 108 percent from 47 to 98 accidents, and bicycle injuries 60 to 74 or 23 percent. The Klotz Center has also reported multiple injuries due to skateboarding accidents, including about 20 sprains in 2012.

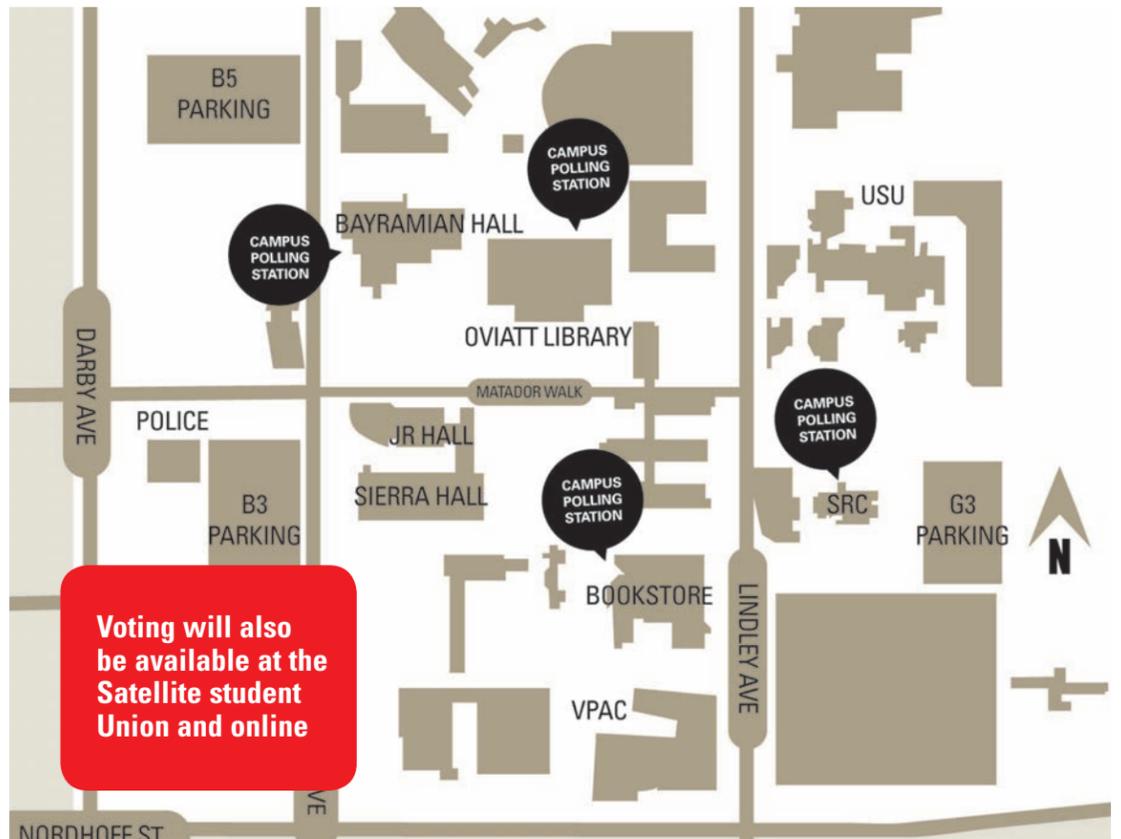


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The resolution also “discourages” vehicles from driving on walkways in pedestrian heavy areas to avoid forcing students into the bike lanes and harm’s way.

The Senate allocated more than \$5,000 for an event hosted by the women’s rugby team. The benches, canopies and bleachers will be permanent on the field, and can be used by the other teams who practice there, such as flag football or men’s rugby.

The team is hosting the Women’s Rugby Southern California playoffs, which is the first of its

kind. As first in the league, the team was given the opportunity, but need help paying for supplies. They play on the North Field, which has no team benches or bleachers for an audience.

The team is expecting between 250-500 people to be in attendance and will be hosting teams from Cal State Long Beach and Cal State Fullerton, among others.

“CSUN has been really supportive of rugby,” said Gillian Chance, president of the rugby club. “We’ve been so successful because of our fans.”



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**MEATLESS**

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consequences of eating too much meat as well. As stated in a report from the Environmental Working Group, eating large quantities of meat is linked to higher rates of health problems including heart disease, cancer and obesity.

Junior cinema and television arts major Garrett Kynard, 20, became a vegetarian with the help of his mother, a doctor and former vegetarian. He began limiting the amount of meat he ate to improve his future health.

Ellen Bauersfeld, registered dietician at CSUN's Klotz Student Health Center, thinks that the campaign is a great way to educate the population about the many possible benefits of going meatless.

"There are certain diseases to lower your risk of getting including cardiovascular disease, some cancers, diabetes, obesity and possibly hypertension," Bauersfeld said. "Plus, an increase possibly in your life span."

Bauersfeld said that the immediate perception is that people won't know where to get their protein from, but said that it's not that difficult if somebody is really educated about food.

"You can be as unhealthy as a vegetarian as a meat eater," Bauersfeld said. "The key is education and

doing it correctly."

Bauersfeld said there are some nutrients that vegetarians should focus on: protein, iron, calcium and zinc. Making good choices is key to meeting your protein intake as vegetarian, she said.

Beans, nuts and tofu are a source of protein.

Iron can be found in dark leafy greens such as spinach and kale, dried fruits such as apricots and raisins, whole grains and iron fortified breakfast cereals.

Calcium and vitamin D can be found in milk and soy milk.

Zinc can be found in kidney, garbanzo and white beans.

"The most basic referral would be the United States Department of Agriculture's government website," Bauersfeld said. "It's a good starting point to see what makes a healthy meal."

This is the same website Bauersfeld uses in her one on one sessions with students. It also provides examples and ideas for vegetarians.

Swann said that one thing she really needs to do is pay attention to her body.

"If I'm feeling lightheaded I need more iron or a supplement," Swann said. "If my nails are getting brittle I have to start upping my calcium intake."

Vegetarians have to be in tune and comfortable with their bodies, Kynard said. Listening to his body has become even more crucial

with his meatless diet.

"Your body goes through a lot of changes getting used to not having meat in it," Kynard said.

But both Kynard and Swann said that the lifestyle change has given them more energy and made them feel lighter.

Aside from health benefits, a meatless lifestyle can help save money. An entry from the journal Health Prospect stated that a vegetarian diet is cheaper than a meat inclusive diet. The raw ingredients and vegetarian choices at restaurants often cost less money. Lentils, beans and other nutritious foods can maximize the savings.

"You don't have to spend a lot of money to be a vegetarian," Kynard said. "Fruit and vegetables fill you up. The healthier the food you eat is, the more it fills you up."

Swann said meat is expensive and that her grocery bill has definitely benefited from this meatless lifestyle, totaling only \$20.

When it comes to campus cuisine, however, options at CSUN can become a little pricey.

"They have the tiny little packs of veggies that are horrendously expensive," Ovidia said. "I'd rather just get the \$1 energy bar."

Kynard said that he'll get a Subway sandwich on campus sometimes but doesn't like that he has to pay for avocado.



Heather Swann, 20, junior microbiology major and vegetarian enjoys a refreshing salad at the CSUN Botanical Gardens.

JOHN SARINGO-RODRIGUEZ/DAILY SUNDIAL

"Things that should be free for vegetarians, such as avocados, aren't free," Kynard said.

However, the overall added benefits that come from a meatless lifestyle

like reducing a carbon footprint and the risks of cancer and saving a little money can make buying that pesky avocado an easier pill to swallow.

Seasoned CSUN veg-

etarians recommend Subway, Arbor Grill veggie burgers, Bamboo Terrace tofu salads, pasta, pizza and El Pollo Loco bean and cheese burritos to prospective vegetarians.

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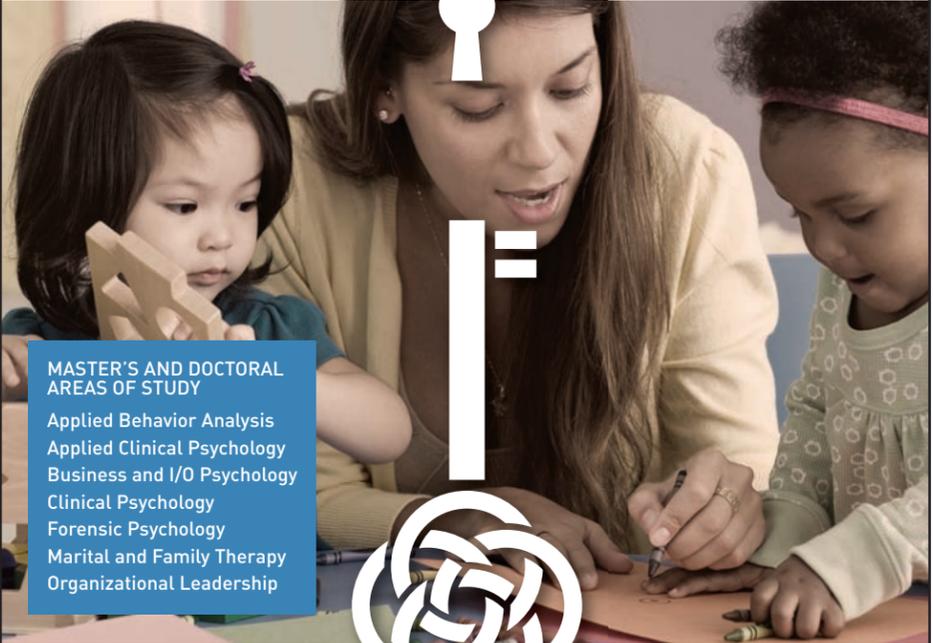
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# Opinion

## Mind your money and vote

**TAYLOR VILLESICAS**  
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This isn't high school anymore, kids. This is college. Student government can make more important decisions than what color palette should be used for prom this year. And as the annual elections for Associated Students dawn upon us, it's important that we the students stand up and take notice of who is representing our interests, what they're doing and consequently, flex our voting power.

CSUN's A.S. wields around \$7 million worth of power over students and clubs across campus this year alone. That kind of money shouldn't be thrown around while the student body isn't paying any attention. It could end up funding something incredibly pointless, like a Matador football team.

The power of A.S. is supplied by students. I'm not speaking metaphorically here, I mean literally. Students paid a fee of \$84 a semester and summer students paid \$49 so that A.S. can disburse funds as they see fit. We also pay other additional fees that A.S. has control over. For example, students pay \$15 for the Instructionally Related Activity Fee (IRA) that helps fund academically-related events. There is also the Campus Quality Fee, which is \$104 per semester for students and supports a range of on-campus things, like Intercollegiate Athletics and student support services.

That is \$203 a semester, \$406 a year of your money (let's not get into what happens if the fees go up next year). Aren't you interested in what they're doing with it?

You should be.

The 2012-2013 budget is posted online on their website, along with every agenda and its corresponding list of minutes from every meeting since Spring 2009. Like everything in the world, the information is easily available at our fingertips. And to their credit, the Senate is open about the decisions they make every week and maintain decent transparency. However, they are not very loud about any of it so students never know where to look for informa-

tion or help.

So what are they doing with everyone's money? Giving it away of course! A.S. rations out money to different clubs and organizations. From the entire Greek system down to the Daily Sundial itself, just about everyone on campus is getting a little money from the Senate. Most of the funds go toward helping to pay for certain speakers and fund some club travel, or sometimes they will even sponsor events.

A.S. can also approve the creation of clubs and organizations. Last week they approved the creation of a new dance club and before that, they approved the creation of a fast-pitched softball team on campus. However, organizations also have to have their constitutions approved.

But between midterms, chapter readings, 10 page papers and a part-time job, it's hard to stop and look over what is on the agenda for this week's meeting. This partly explains why barely 8 percent of the student body participated in last year's student elections, but by no means does it excuse it.

By taking the time to read about the candidates and their positions, students can start working on being well informed citizens. In our democratic society, knowledge is power, and voting is how we flex it. By practicing being a good citizen here in school, students can take those skills along to the mayoral election later in the spring, the next congressional elections and the presidential election in 2016.

Students have the chance to go even further than voting and actually speak directly to the Senate itself. Every meeting, there is an open forum section of the agenda where anyone in the public has three minutes to speak about issues concerning CSUN. Usually, clubs who are up for financial recommendations use this time to make their case, but the microphone is open to anyone. Students need to take advantage of this face to face time with the Senate and speak about important issues on campus.

For those of us with stage fright, speaking to the entire Senate can be a near-death experience. But you would be surprised how different the meetings go when there is actually people in the audience.

During a meeting a few weeks ago, Dr. Bernadean Broadous brought her Pan-African studies 161 class in and filled the entire Senate gallery. The audience made the senators act more professional: they sat up straighter, spoke clearly and explained everything to the audience. Perhaps more importantly, they smiled.

By attending meetings, students can hold their senators responsible and remind them who they are working for.

Paying attention to politics can seem tedious, but by taking an active role in what's going on around you, you can actually make a difference. It's a sign of maturity and like paying rent and establishing credit, it's something you need to learn the importance of during college.



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### POLL OF THE DAY: MULTIPLE CHOICE

QUESTION: Do you intend to vote?

**A.**

Of course!

**B.**

Who cares.

**C.**

I didn't even know there were elections

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# Fellowship celebrates Jesus Week on campus

Students say event strengthens faith, helps others understand it, and allows them to share their experiences

**REANNE ROGERS**  
DAILY SUNDIAL

**S**tarting today, H.O.P.E. Fellowship will host Jesus Week, where they will fellowship with their peers in hopes of strengthening faith in God and providing students with resources.

H.O.P.E. stands for hope, opportunity, purpose and encouragement.

"The purpose of Jesus Week is to exemplify the love of Christ through people," said Jonathan Hollingsworth, 23, senior radiology major and vice president of H.O.P.E. Fellowship. "It's not a way to shove Jesus down peoples' throats, but it's just to let other people know who Jesus is to us and to share that experience."

In reflection on past Jesus Week events, Hollingsworth said it has had a tremendous effect on him both spiritually and professionally. It broke the stereotypes of what a Christian is and the stereotypes of religion that had him shy away from the church through interaction with others who were just like him.

Jesus Week began Sunday evening at 11:45 p.m. during the Jericho Walk. Students and members of H.O.P.E. Fellowship walked

around the campus to "pray over it, pray against anxiety, for financial support, no injuries at Student Recreation Center, and for productivity on campus," said Trudy Pilgrim, 19, sophomore and treasurer of H.O.P.E. Fellowship.

The Praise Yard Show will be held at the basketball courts in the dorms Monday at 7 p.m. Different organizations were invited to step in the show. The step show will provide attendees with opportunities to evangelize, and gift cards and food will be given out.

Unity Night will be held on Tuesday at 7:30 p.m. in the Northridge Center in the University Student Union. Students will be invited along with ministries from other campuses such as UCLA to discuss what it means to be a Christian and evangelize on campus.

On Wednesday, Cometry Night will be held at 8 p.m. in the Northridge Center, where special guests including comedian Jonnae Thompson will be present. Cometry is a mix of comedy and poetry.

"There is so much power in words and so much power in testifying," Pilgrim said, who orga-

nized Cometry Night.

On Thursday, the Catwalk for Christ event will be held in the Northridge Center at 7:30 p.m. A fashion show will be held where students will model clothing from local designers. The entrance fee is \$5.

"People get transformed (that night) - people who wouldn't normally walk," Pilgrim said. "We want to give them confidence and eliminate self-hate and be proud in the skin that God gave them."

H.O.P.E. Fellowships will be raising funds on Wednesday and Thursday to give back to students.

"A lot of people are hungry and need books and tuition and things paid for," Pilgrim said. "We are asking for green books, old textbooks, pens, paper, canned or boxed food and monetary donations."

The final goal is to stock up a pantry for CSUN students to have when they are in need. All proceeds raised at the Catwalk for Christ will go toward providing students with these resources.

The last event of the week, Jamfest, will be held on Saturday at H.O.P.E.'s House Christian

"It's just to let other people know who Jesus is to us and to share that experience."

- Jonathan Holling  
vice president of H.O.P.E.

## JESUS WEEK EVENTS

### MONDAY

**Praise Yard Show**  
7p.m. at the dorm basketball court

### TUESDAY

**Unity Night**  
7:30p.m. at the Northridge Center in the USU

### WEDNESDAY

**Cometry**  
8p.m. at the Northridge Center in the USU

### THURSDAY

**Catwalk for Christ**  
7:30p.m. at the Northridge Center in the USU

### SATURDAY

**Jamfest 11**  
7p.m. at the HOPE's House Christian Ministries, 10654 Balboa Blvd., Granada Hills

Ministries at 10654 Balboa Blvd. It is a concert that will be promoting Darnell Edwards, a staff member at CSUN and member of H.O.P.E.'s House, who will be releasing an album.

Saturday morning, H.O.P.E. Fellowship will be having a resource fair where they will provide showers and a food bank for the homeless.

This year's theme for Jesus Week is, "It's Just Time to G.O." G.O. stands for God-given opportunities.

Pilgrim said the G.O. movement is telling people to go for

what they want and to embrace all the opportunities that CSUN has, whether being self-confident through the fashion show, expressing themselves through Cometry Night or just finding new people to fellowship with.

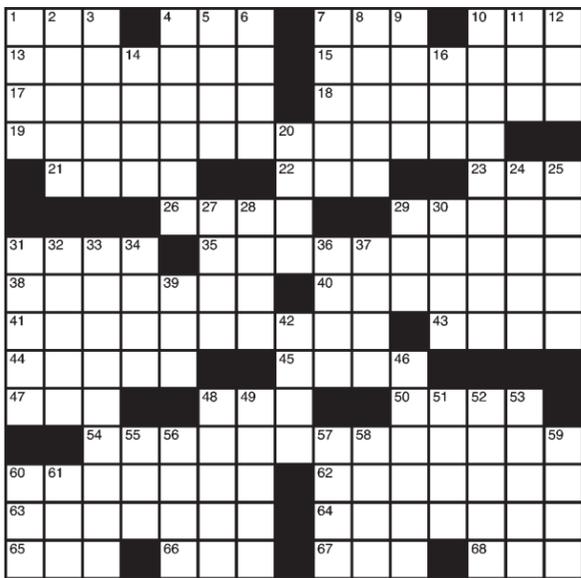
"There is a lot of stigma as to who Jesus is and about Christianity. It's to show us having fun and what it means to be a Christian," Pilgrim said of the events. "Over the years, it has evolved into a week full of events where we evangelize and give back to the community and have a good clean time on campus."

## Los Angeles Times Daily Crossword Puzzle

Edited by Rich Norris and Joyce Lewis

### ACROSS

- 1 Playtex purchase
- 4 Org. with a "Most Wanted" list
- 7 Bygone fast flier, briefly
- 10 Salsa or guacamole
- 13 Borscht vegetable
- 15 Aromatic hybrid blossom
- 17 Corroded
- 18 Having material that "may not be suitable for children," per the MPAA
- 19 Original M&M's filling
- 21 Very wide shoe size
- 22 Downs' opposites
- 23 Suffix with web or nanny
- 26 Considers really cool
- 29 South American pack animal
- 31 Vegas rollers
- 35 Product of boiled sap
- 38 Monogram component
- 40 Buffalo nickel or Mercury dime
- 41 Tree with brilliant foliage
- 43 Feminine ending
- 44 Orange container
- 45 Tickle Me
- 47 Above, to Shelley
- 48 " had enough!"
- 50 "This is \_\_\_ test"
- 54 Brown cow product?
- 60 Helter-skelter
- 62 Surround with troops
- 63 Beverage blend using buds
- 64 The color of embarrassment
- 65 Haven't yet paid
- 66 Sphere
- 67 Mandela's org.
- 68 Some SAT takers



By David Steinberg

3/25/13

### Thursday's Puzzle Solved



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### DOWN

- 1 Author Stoker
- 2 Fix, as shoelaces
- 3 One-named singer of "Skyfall"
- 4 Used an épée, say
- 5 "Little Women" woman
- 6 "Was \_\_\_ harsh?"
- 7 Razor sharpener
- 8 Flipped fish eaters
- 9 "Hasta la vista!"
- 10 Twelve-sided figure
- 11 Way to the www
- 12 ... square \_\_\_ in a round hole
- 14 Mountain wheels
- 16 No longer working: Abbr.
- 20 Tip of a crescent
- 24 With all one's strength
- 25 Strategic WWI French river
- 27 Muslim official
- 28 Elaborate celebration
- 29 '60s psychedelic drug
- 30 Fortune magazine founder
- 31 Bee Gees genre
- 32 Get used (to)
- 33 Holder of Cubans
- 34 State, to Jacques
- 36 Laze
- 37 Grades K-6: Abbr.
- 39 Wrath
- 42 Banana throwaway
- 46 "Be right there!"
- 48 More slippery, as roads
- 49 Eng. lesson with synonyms
- 51 Neglect to mention
- 52 Wedding cake layers
- 53 Author Horatio
- 55 Tough row to \_\_\_
- 56 Director Preminger
- 57 "Mamma Mia!" quartet
- 58 New driver, typically
- 59 Sneakers brand
- 60 \_\_\_-Magnon
- 61 By what means

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5	8	9	1	7	2	3	4	6
4	6	1	3	4	8	5	9	7
2	6	1	3	4	8	5	9	7
4	7	3	9	5	6	2	1	8
6	5	8	2	9	4	1	7	3
9	2	7	5	3	1	8	6	4
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### sudoku

#### How to play:

Fill in the grid so that every row, every column, and every 3x3 box contains the digits 1 through 9.

Solution above.

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## BASEBALL

# Weekend of wins for Matadors

Led by new designated hitter sophomore Kyle Ferramola, Northridge sweeps Utah State University on Saturday

JOELL GRAGER  
DAILY SUNDIAL

**W**inning both games in Saturday's doubleheader against visiting Utah Valley University, CSUN (9-12) broke out of their four game losing streak, winning 4-3 and 5-4.

Striking first in the first game, the Matadors jumped out to an early 4-0 lead by the third inning with a succession of singles.

The Wolverines caught up to Northridge in the sixth inning. Loading the bases with one out, Utah Valley scored three runs without getting a hit once the bases were loaded as walk, a fielder's choice and a wild pitch brought in the runs, giving CSUN a slim 4-3 lead heading into the seventh.

CSUN won the game after setting down the Wolverines in the seventh, allowing just one runner to reach base on a throwing error.

"We needed a weekend to get some momentum going into conference play," said head coach Matt Curtis. "We played a really difficult schedule."

Going into the second game



Senior outfielder Nathan Ring readies to swing at an incoming pitch against St. Mary's on Saturday, March 16 at Matador Field.

of the doubleheader, redshirt sophomore designated hitter Kyle Ferramola was the hero for CSUN.

Recently converted from a pitcher to be the team's new designated hitter, Ferramola struck out in his first two at-bats.

In the sixth inning, howev-

er, Ferramola smashed a ball over the left field fence, giving CSUN a two-run lead and himself his first career collegiate home run.

"One day coach pulled me aside and told me to get in some batting practice and I just got in a few games ago," Ferramola said.

For a second straight game, the Matadors struck first against the Wolverines, jumping out to a quick 2-0 lead in the third inning on a double by sophomore second baseman Ryan Raslowsky, a fielder's choice and a wild pitch.

Utah Valley would chip away at the CSUN lead one

run at a time over the next two innings, cutting the score to 3-2 in the fifth.

Holding the Wolverines to two runs over five innings of work, junior starting pitcher Brycen Rutherford gave up five hits, struck out four and walked one.

Handing over the ball to the middle relievers, Northridge needed to use four pitchers to close out the final four innings.

"Overall the pitching was fine; (we had) quality middle relief," Curtis said.

Sophomore pitcher Brandon Warner was handed the reins at the top of the sixth with a 4-2 lead, and he shut down the Wolverines offense over his two innings pitched, allowing only two hits.

Unable to match the performance of his pen mate, freshman pitcher Oscar Sandoval was pulled after one out. Getting roughed up for two runs, walking two batters and recording two wild pitches, Sandoval allowed Utah Valley to tie the game 4-4 before being pulled.

Freshman pitcher DJ Milam came on with a runner on first and got the next two batters out.

Already giving the Matadors a lead earlier in the game, Ferramola came up with another big hit in the bottom of the eighth. A second home run to left field gave Northridge a 5-4 lead, which it was unable to extend after loading the bases with two outs.

Redshirt junior utility player Joshua Goossen-Brown locked up his second save of the day with a 10-pitch ninth inning as the Matadors closed out.

## WATER POLO

# CSUN holds strong against Pacific

CASEY DELICH  
SPORTS EDITOR

**C**oming out fast and firing in goals at a furious speed, the 13th-ranked Matadors (20-8, 2-1 BWC) women's water polo team fended off 20th-ranked Pacific's (15-8, 0-1) mid-game surge and came away with a 9-6 win to finish off a perfect 3-for-3 homestand Saturday afternoon.

Scoring three times within the first two minutes of the game, Northridge looked as if it was going to cruise to victory over a seemingly overmatched Tigers team.

Led by sophomore center Marisa Young, CSUN would head into the second quarter up 4-0, aided by two of Young's three goals on the day.

The next two quarters were not as friendly to the Matadors as the Tigers rebounded and start putting balls into the net. Pacific outscored Northridge in the second quarter 2-1, getting

on the board early in the quarter and scoring their second goal with seven seconds left before halftime.

"I'm not sure if they figured something out, or we just had a quick lull, but it was two quality opponents going at it," Young said.

Northridge was unable to come out of halftime and do anything to separate themselves from the Tigers. For the third straight period a team scored a goal within the first minute of play. Pacific came out looking to even the score with the Matadors and scored the only two goals of the period in the first and sixth minute.

"Pacific's defense was very strong and we just needed to get our shots on cage and needed to be patient and play our game," Young said.

Ahead by only one goal heading into the fourth quarter and being held scoreless for 10 minutes, the Matadors struck first on a goal by junior attacker Celena Photopolos within 30 seconds.

Pacific would get the next two goals by freshman two-

eters Gracie Smith, tying the game for the first time of the day with 5:32 left to play.

Answering back, Young scored the game winning goal, bouncing the ball underneath Pacific junior goalkeeper Michelle Relton's right arm with 3:48 left to play. The Matadors would tack on two more goals for extra measure over the next two minutes, winning the game 9-6.

CSUN sophomore goalkeeper Kiernan Davis ended the game with 12 saves to Relton's nine. Six different Matadors scored at least one goal, including two by senior attacker Leah Janke.

"It's exciting. It's a good start to our (Big West) season and it really shows that what we've been doing and how hard we've been working has paid off. I'm just having fun," Young said.

Northridge has now won five games in a row and will head on the road for a three game trip against Big West opponents Long Beach State, UC Irvine and Hawaii before their final game at home against UC Santa Barbara on April 19.



Junior attacker Lindsay Nelson (5) fires a goal against Marist College at Matador Pool.

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