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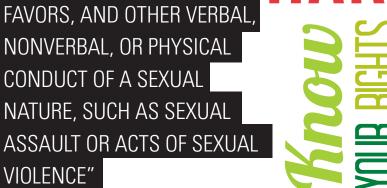
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# Back to school: a day in the life of a freshman

**BIANCA SANTILLIAN** 

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IT IS 7:30 MONDAY morning and the alarm sets off. Pablo De la Cruz wakes up as an official college student of California State University, Northridge.

Weeks shy of his 18th birthday, the communications major prepared his outfit and school essentials the night before: they lay beside his bed and are ready to go when he is. Filled with nerves and anticipation, he bustles through his morning routine. He checks his hair one last time and heads out of his apartment door accompanied by only his backpack and scooter.

De la Cruz is one of 5,900 incoming freshman this semester. It is largest freshmen class in the history of CSUN, estimates Elizabeth Adams, vice president of undergraduate affairs. The spaces of green scenery in the middle of campus are now covered with the traffic of students, many of which who are carrying a printed copy of the campus map. Looks of both excitement and confusion were seen in the crowd.

"It's my first time living alone and it's pretty chill right now," said De la Cruz. "Besides orientation I have not met another freshman. I just don't know what to expect."

On campus, De la Cruz scoots past the Oviatt lawn and reaches his destination: Bayramian Hall. He weaves through the floor oversaturated with students waiting to receive news on their financial aid and takes the elevator up to the third floor. Five minutes before 9 a.m., he is faced with the overwhelming task of finding a seat among the sea of students.

"I was thinking I was going to get a good seat, but actually the class was pretty full," said De la Cruz. "I ended up sitting in the [second to last row]. Next time I'll just come earlier and get a seat in the middle."

Though math is not his favorite subject, he enjoyed listening to his professor's advice on 'not limiting yourself and living your life.' Sitting in front of the sundial fountain outside of his previous class, De la Cruz begins to take his professor's words into mind. He plans to try out for the track team and join a club on campus, but will wait to see what his first semester sculps out to be.

On his way to lunch, he runs into a former high school friend and invites him to his apartment across from the dorms for lunch. He makes sandwiches and is quite pleased with his skills.

"We just caught up over summer and kicked back in my apartment," said De la Cruz. "When it got closer to 2 o'clock we both had to head back to school to make it to our second class."

This time, allowing himself sufficient time to find his preferred seat, De la Cruz climbed all three flights of stairs and waited in the hall with his soon-to-be classmates. Excited to see what Journalism 100 brings to him, he starts the line in front of the door and walks in.

But his experience ended in a bit of disappointment when his professor went on talking about his life and did not go into much detail of the class. However, the upsetting event did not stomp on his first day in college.

"My first day was great and went smoothly. I didn't get lost and it was pretty much what I expected it to be," said De La Cruz. "I'm going to stay on campus a little while longer and [take advantage] of the free wifi."

### FOR MORE...

Go online to http://sundial.csun.edu/ to see footage of Pablo's day.

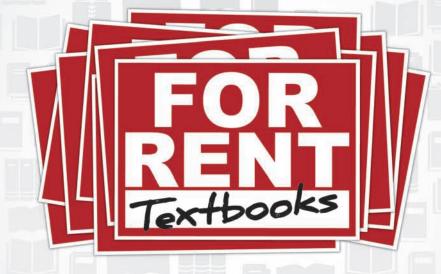


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Pablo De La Cruz, freshman, a communications major, stands on the steps of his new apartment near campus. He is excited to be able to walk to his classes.



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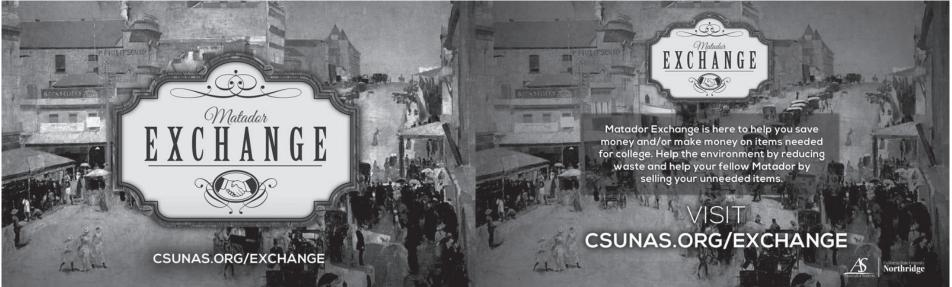
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### Lots filled to capacity

Many parking structures on campus fill up by 10 a.m.



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During the first week of classes, cars slowly move through parking lot B3. Captain Alfredo Fernandez of university police said that 36 officers were placed around campus to manage the traffic.

VERA CASTANEDA

**DESPITE ADDITIONAL** traffic enforcement officers, parking at CSUN remains a hassle for students.

Elisabeth Damavandia, a CSUN student who lives seven miles away from campus, knows she has to set aside 20 minutes to search for parking. Damavandia adjusts her schedule for parking during the beginning of the semester and for test dates. This year, Damavandi plans to set aside even more time because of the greater number of incoming students for the fall.

"It takes longer to park than to get here," Damavandi said.

Although there aren't any plans to build additional parking structures, some measures have been taken

to alleviate the situation. There are about 8,469 student parking spaces available on campus, far less than the 10,000 incoming freshman and transfer students.

"G4 has been converted to 100 percent student parking, when last semester it was all faculty," said Ken Rosenthal, interim associate vice president of Facilities Development and Operations.

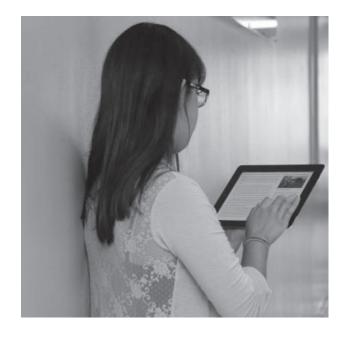
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Employee and student parking in lot B2 is filled to capacity. Captain Alfredo Fernandez said that parking management will run for one to three weeks to help direct traffic.

during the beginning of the semester, but officials say it shouldn't last more than a few weeks.

"We found once you get past the third or fourth week the traffic in parking lots slow down," said Alfredo Fernandez, captain of CSUN Parking and Transportation.

Fernandez recommends to park in the F10 lot later in the morning. There are extra shuttles, which are available to transport students closer to their classes. However, Fernandez said most parking structures are designed for students and only B2, D6 and E5 are for faculty.

Since heavy traffic is anticipated, over 36 police and traffic officers are helping with monitoring and directing parking.

During the first day of this semester, the G parking lots were filled by 9:30 a.m., which is one hour earlier than it usually fills up, according to Fernandez. All parking spaces were full and traffic officers had to send some students to the north lots.

"As a student I hated looking for parking. It is one of the reasons I moved closer to campus," said Breanne Valbuena, a CSUN alumna and sign language interpreter.

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### Sexual assault endemic to college campuses

In the wake of several sexual assault cases, students and lawmakers are taking action against school officials

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DAILY SUNDIAL

THE ALLEGED MISHANDLING of sexual assault cases on college campuses nationwide has proliferated over the years, the most recent case occurring at University of Southern California.

USC is currently under investigation by the Office of Civil Rights (OCR) for allegations made by students accusing the school of mishandling 16 rape and sexual assault cases.

Some of the accusations include dismissing cases despite sufficient evidence and refusing to accommodate alleged victims who share classes with the accused rapist.

"(We) can neither confirm nor deny that the case involves sexual violence allegations, or provide additional comment regarding the specific allegations," said Stephen Spector, assistant press secretary for the Department of Education.

The investigation is expected to last several months. USC is not the first campus to be investigated for mishandling sexual assault cases.

Over the years, similar claims have been made about college campuses such as Amherst, the University of North Carolina, Wesleyan, Yale, and recently, the University of Montana.

Thelma Vickroy, a cinema and television arts professor at CSUN, received a grant last year to work on student-produced documentaries about sexual assault on college campuses. Vickroy was invited to participate in this year's Panhellenic Sorority Pre-Recruitment event. During this meeting Vickroy discussed the prevalence of sexual assault on college campuses.

"If you look at four women next to you, one of you, including yourself, will be sexually assaulted in college," Vickroy said.

According to the blueprint, or plan, sent to the University of Montana by the Department of Education and the Department of Justice, sexual harassment is an "unwelcome conduct of a sexual nature and can include unwelcome sexual advances, requests for sexual favors, and other verbal, nonverbal, or physical conduct of a sexual nature, such as sexual assault or acts of sexual violence."

"So, if someone asked you out once it is not sexual harassment, but if they continue to ask you out even though you already let them know you were not interested then it becomes pervasive," said Susan Hua, CSUN interim director and Title IX coordinator. "Or if they ask you out once and he/she is violent and threatening, then though it is not pervasive, it is severe."

The blueprint also offers a range of guidelines for handling sexual assault on college campuses. This includes making information and resources about sexual assault more accessible and revising procedures to ensure compliance with Title IX, a federal law requiring schools to adequately respond to sexual violence.

"There really shouldn't be just one way to report. The importance is to know the resources," CSUN Police Chief Anne Glavin said. CSUN has several on-campus departments and off-campus resources that students can contact if such an event ever occurs. According to Glavin, two main departments deal with sexual harassment reports on campus:CSUN's police department, which deals with the criminal aspects of the case (if there are any) and the Department of Equity and Diversity.

"Because I am an international student I

might not know who to contact," said Taesik Yoon, a 31-year-old CSUN master's student. "I think I would rather contact my friends first then after that if the harassment was really serious I would go to the CSUN Police Office because it is the closest and only place I know."

Due to federal complaints regarding failure to address sexual

assault cases, California lawmakers recently approved an audit request to review policies at four colleges, including two CSU campuses.

The audit request came after students from UC Berkeley filed a Clery Act complaint, accusing the campus for neglecting to report and properly address sexual assault cases. The Clery Act is a federal law that "requires colleges and universities across the United States to disclose information about crime on and around their campuses."

Gabby Danis, a 21-year-old journalism major and current president of Delta Delta Delta, was a keynote speaker at the Panhellenic Sorority Pre-Recruitment gathering.

"I was sexually assaulted, but not at CSUN or (in the) Greek system, but at another school party," Danis said. "I think it is important today because it is a prevalent issue within college society."

According to CSUN's website, 25 percent of college women have reported acquaintance rape or attempted rape and more than 80 percent of rape cases are committed by an assailant the victim knew.

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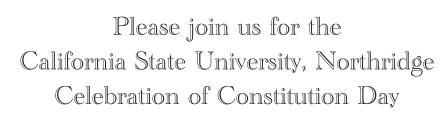
journalism major

"Statistically, a percentage does suffer from sexual assault and we want to make panhellenic members (aware) that this is out there and that it can happen," Danis said.

According to CSUN's Clery report, the Department of Police Services received six reports of rape on campus between 2009 and 2011. In addition, four off-campus rapes were reported around that period. All but one of the victims knew their assailant. In 2010, CSUN was also among six colleges accused for failing to follow the Clery Act policies and guidelines.

Eric Hanson, a 21-year-old psychology major at CSUN said sexual assault is a serious issue that needs to be talked about on all college campuses and men need to be included in the discussion.

"What men can do to prevent the problem is to know and inform each other about the importance of consent," Hanson said. "If someone changes their mind about being intimate, that decision should be respected, put yourself in the other person's shoes for a second."





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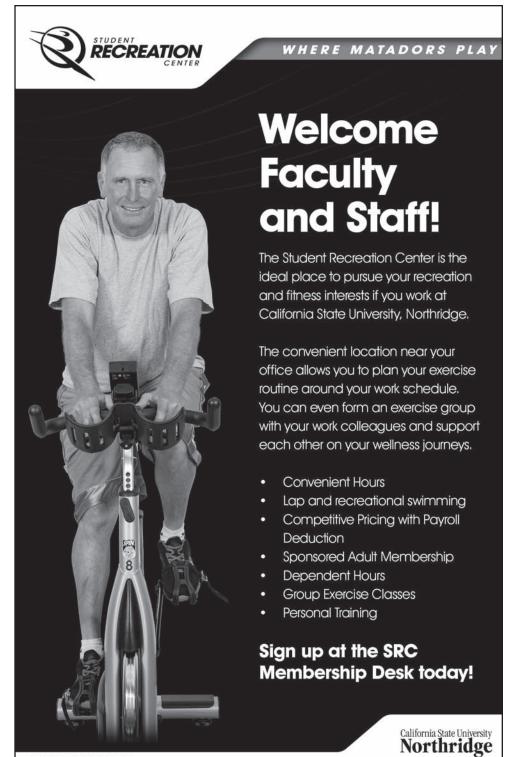
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### A.S. discusses new tech

**ELIZABETH OHANIAN** 

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(A.S.) President Christopher Woolett discussed the new CSUN mobile app on Monday, Aug. 26 during the first A.S. meeting of the semester.

"Our mobile app is the only one from the 23 school systems that can add and drop classes," Woolett said.

The CSUN mobile app also provides students with access to moodle, a map of the campus, and student/faculty contact information. It can be downloaded via both the Apple iTunes Store and Google Play Store.

A.S. discussed the start of another resource called MyC-SUNsoftware. This program will give students free access to select software such as Microsoft Office and Windows Upgrade.

This year, CSUN has welcomed the largest freshmen class in history. A.S. University Advisor Thomas Piernik is optimistic about the large number of new freshmen and said that A.S. has provided a great freshmen orientation experience and made freshmen feel welcome at CSUN. Seven hundred freshmen attended this year's orientation.

It is important for students to know that new classes



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A.S. Vice President, Talar Alexanian introduces the first A.S. meeting of the fall semester held on Monday, August 26. A.S. President, Christopher Woolett explained the features of the new CSUN mobile app.

are being offered this year to accommodate the high demand, according to Piernik.

"A full slate of classes are there for the taking," Piernik said.

More than 400 housing units have been added to CSUN student housing to accommodate the new students, according to Piernik.

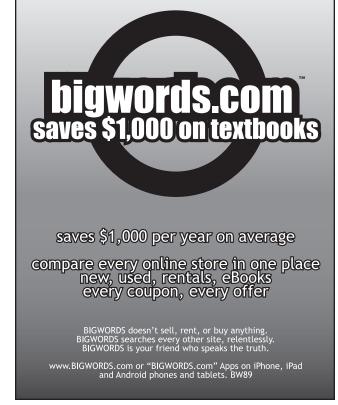
A.S. welcomed three new senators onto their government today. Sebastian Taborda is the new upper division senator, and Josselyn Partida and Heidi Vacaflor are the new lower division senators

A.S. announced that Afrojack, a dutch music producer and well-known DJ, will be performing at Big Show this semester. The show will be Saturday Oct. 5 at the Oviatt Lawn. The tickets are on sale now for \$10, but the price will go up Sept. 21.

On Wednesday the 28th CSUN will have its President's Picnic on the Bayramian Hall lawn. The first is from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. and the second is from 5:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

### PRESIDENT'S PICNIC

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## Culture of victim blaming has to go

You don't stop rape by teaching women how to avoid rape; you stop it by telling men not to rape

**ANA RODRIGUEZ** 

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AT ONE POINT IN my life catcalls (when men yell or make a noise of a sexual nature at women to get their attention) were annoying, harmless, and sometimes funny. That was before I learned that one of my female cousins had been raped at the age of 16.

It was a horribly touchy subject within my family and we hardly ever talked about it. My parents were already very protective of me. They enforced an early curfew and constantly checked in on me, but it was shortly after my cousin was raped that my mom sat me down and explicitly warned me.

"If you let them, men will take advantage of you," she said.

I grew up in the city of Lynwood, near Compton in South Los Angeles. That was enough reason for my parents to give me a bottle of mace to keep with me at all times. Whenever I would leave home, my mom would take it from my purse and slip it into my pocket.

"It'll be faster to pull out if you need it," she said.

I felt like I was stepping onto a battlefield.

My cousin's experience transformed those once harmless catcalls into threats and scared me into never wanting to walk anywhere alone. It was normal to see me walking down the street clutching my purse with my other hand in my pocket wrapped around that black cylinder of mace while constantly glancing over my shoulder.

My life as a young woman had been pushed to the edge and all the fear of rape had me wondering if I would truly be able to defend myself when the time came.

It was during my first year at CSUN that I had to commute a few times a week, which really worried my family. It was a threehour trip each way, but my parents saw it as six hours that I would spend on a bus with dangerous, strange men.

It was later in college that I began to take gender and women's studies classes and these interested me so much that I decided to make it my minor. It was in one of these classes that the topic of violence against women was frequently discussed. These discussions struck



close to home because of all the experiences my family has had and made it almost difficult to participate.

BYSTANDER INTERVENTION.

We discussed many rape cases and what we realized was that women were not only victim to the crime itself but to the criminal system as well. They would be forced to recount their experience to countless individuals, only to be questioned over and over again, and possibly not believed.

She would become faceless, only a body of evidence being retraumatized for the benefit of others. It seemed like no matter what the circumstances, the woman was always at fault for her own rape because of the steps she could have taken to prevent it.

This includes the usual: not walking alone at night, not drinking at a bar with strange men, learning some form of self-defense, being more selective when it comes to your outfit and being as loud as you can in the event of an attack. The only thing these tips do is put more blame on the victim than the attacker.

Recently, writer and political analyst Zerlina Maxwell appeared on the Sean Hannity show on FOX News. The main argument of this segment was that all women should have the right to own a gun in order to defend themselves against rape.

It was here that Maxwell explained that putting the responsibility of owning a gun on the woman just adds more blame to the victim. She explained that she had been raped by someone she knew and did not want to be told that having a gun may have prevented it.

Maxwell has written, "... many of us would rather advise women on the precautions they should take to avoid being raped as opposed to starting at the root of the problem: teaching men and boys not to be rapists in the first

Her idea has become almost revolutionary because she stresses that women are not responsible for their own rapes and that they should not feel the need to constantly protect themselves. If anything, she believes that it is society that has failed to make prevention a priority.

Although men might feel the need to defend themselves and say that they don't need to take any violence prevention courses, it's important for them to connect with the experiences of women who have been raped.

Maxwell outlined five ways to teach men not to rape:

- 1. Teach young men about legal consent.
- 2. Teach young men to see a woman's humanity, instead of seeing them as sexual objects.
- 3. Teach young men how to express healthy masculinity.
- 4. Teach young men to believe women who come forward and not to blame the victim.
- 5. Teach young men about bystander intervention.

When it comes to a man's masculinity, Maxwell believes that it should be expressed in a healthy manner. I believe a healthy masculinity includes ignoring all the stereotypes of what a man should be. This includes being stubborn, aggressive, overly confident, rebellious, and even promiscuous.

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It may be through these steps that prevention can begin in order to save women from such a traumatic experience and to stop blaming them for being raped. Although I still do take steps to protect myself, I now believe preventative measures should not just be taken by women but by men as well.

I used to blame my cousin for getting raped because she didn't take the necessary precautions, but now I see how blameless she really was. There is an obvious need to educate men on a woman's humanity instead of giving women tips on how to prevent rape. One can only hope that once this effort has been made, women will not only no longer be victims of this violent crime, but the criminal system as well.

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- to speak
- 22 Backpack part 24 Daily Planet cub
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- 27 Pirate on the Jolly
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- 35 Sticks around
- 36 Wish undone 37 "For
- goodness \_\_!" 39 European peak 40 Aromatic burner made from
- vegetable wax 42 Lake \_\_: "Prairie Home Companion"
- town 45 Thin coin
- 46 Colorado natives 47 Valuable violin 49 Persian Gulf
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- 52 Arduous expedition
- 56 Flow back 57 Seafood
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- 61 Artist Rousseau 62 Pisa place
- 63 Pay dirt
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- 12 Betty's role in "Hot in Cleveland" 13 Have a bawl
- 18 Desirable quality season ...
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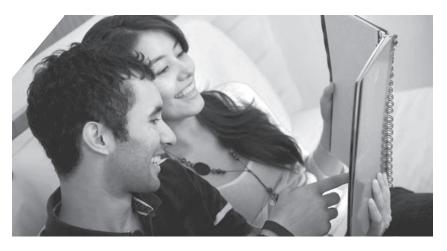
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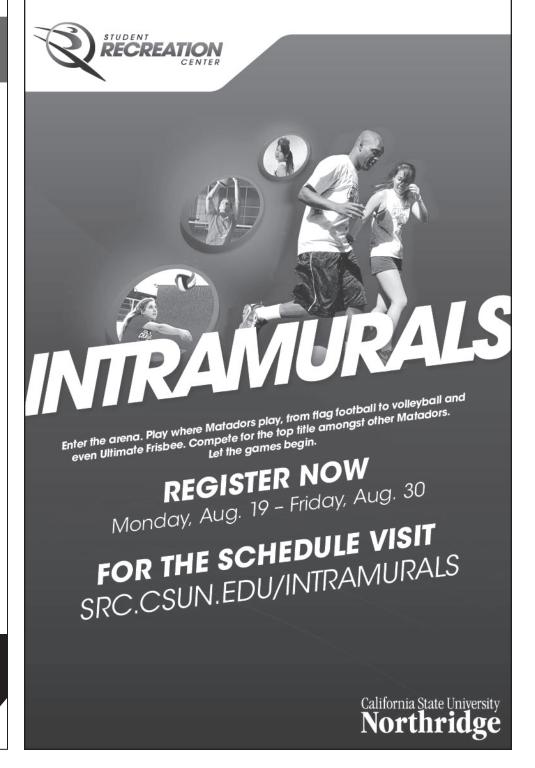
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### NFL FOOTBALL

## AFC preview: Broncos reloaded

Patriots, Broncos, and Texans will battle it out to represent the AFC in the Super Bowl

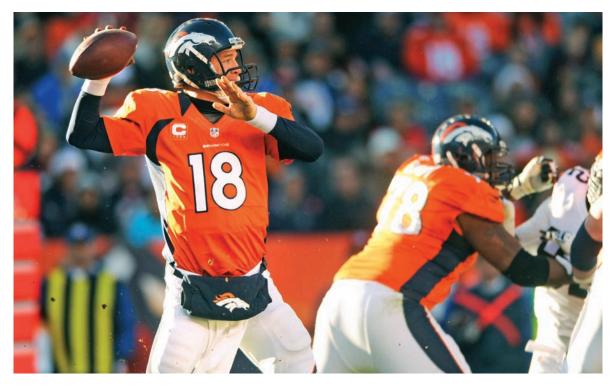
**DARKO DEBOGOVIC** 

**DAILY SUNDIAL** 

**AFC WEST-** The Denver Broncos are the understandable favorites coming out of the AFC West, thanks in large part to John Elway's lucrative offer last year that brought Peyton Manning to the mile-high city. In his first season with Denver, Manning set various records including most game-winning fourth quarter or overtime drives, and a franchise record for yards, completions and touchdowns, putting all neck related questions to rest. With the acquisition of Wes Welker, the Bronco's already potent receiving corps is poised to scorch the secondary of any opponent they face. Expect them to win 12 games or more and contend for a title.

Neither California teams are worth mentioning as postseason contenders, leaving the Kansas City Chiefs as the sleepers in this division. Last year, Alex Smith recorded a career best 70 percent completion rate before losing his job to Colin Kaepernick. With Jamaal Charles in the backfield and Dwayne Bowe threatening the secondary, Kansas City can have a balanced attack and a legitimate shot at making the playoffs.

AFC EAST- No other team in recent ed receiving corps would spell disaster



Denver Broncos quarterback Peyton Manning drops back to throw in a game against the Cleveland Browns last season.

memory has dominated the gridiron like the New England Patriots, so they are better equipped than any other team to deal with adversity. No other team had a more tumultuous offseason than the Patriots, with Welker's exit, Rob Gronkowski's injury, and Aaron Hernandez's arrest. This depletfor any other team except the Pats because they have Tom Brady, who could make head coach Bill Belichick look like a top notch receiver if forced to. Second year running back Stevan Ridley provides a balanced running game, finishing seventh among backs last year with 1,263 yards.

The Bills and Jets round out the

irrelevant picks in the division. Buffalo hasn't done anything since their last playoff appearance in 1999, and New York's deflating defense and stagnant offense epitomize disaster. The addition of Mike Wallace strengthens the Dolphins receiving corps, but don't expect the Fins to derail the Pats fifth run at a division title.

AFC NORTH- A Ravens team without nine starters. A Steelers team missing James Harrison and Mike Wallace. A team in Cincinnati lacking an identity and the Cleveland Browns. What do they have in common? None of them are viable contenders for the AFC title. Sorry Ravens fans, expect a huge Super Bowl hangover.

AFC SOUTH- Utilizing an elite running game, a top-5 receiver and a smothering defense, the Houston Texans have one of the most balanced teams in the NFL. Earning their second consecutive division title, they have high expectations coming in to the 2013 season and all eyes will be on quarterback Matt Schaub. The return of middle linebacker Brian Cushing should improve their stingy defense, which finished seventh in overall defense last year.

Coming off an impressive 10-win season, the 2013 season looks promising for the Colts, holding the third easiest schedule in the league. The Titans can expect more hardships, so long as Jake Locker is playing quarterback, and Jaguars fans can get ready to put those paper bags back on their heads. Without a doubt, the Texans will get their three-peat.

Broncos will finish the season first in the AFC, followed by the Patriots in second and the Texans in third.

### WOMEN'S SOCCER

### Fifth ranked Bruins maul Matadors on the road

**BRIAN BERNSTEIN** 

DAILY SUNDIAL

**IN A NATIONALLY** televised game, the Matadors (0-2) fell to fifth ranked UCLA (2-0) 3-0 Sunday evening at Drake Stadium.

UCLA came out aggresve and scored all three of their goals in the first half, putting CSUN on their heels from the start.

It did not take long for the Bruins to strike first as senior midfielder Jenna Richmond found the back of the net from 25 yards out in the third minute of the match. The Bruins added two more goals before halftime, one in the 15th minute and the other in the 39th.

The Bruins' 3-0 lead at halftime prompted a change at goalkeeper as freshman Jovani McCaskill replaced freshman Rebecca Harper for the second half. McCaskill faced eight shots in the second half but did not record a save.

Along with the porous defense in the first half, head coach Keith West was not happy with the physicality of his team.

"When you don't win enough 50/50 balls, you were not physical enough," West said. "But what if the other team is physical? You just got to keep getting better."

The speed of UCLA disrupted CSUN's ability to gain any offensive momentum by creating multiple turnovers at midfield.

"That's a very fast team," West said "I would not say it was an issue for us. They have a little more experience than us and had better qualities at times than us."

The Matadors had chances to go on the counter attack but couldn't put together a series of passes to create regular opportunities like the Bruins were able to.

Sophomore midfielder Taylor Hobson noticed how well UCLA passed the ball around.

"They were connecting very well, and getting on the sides of us," Hobson said. "But at the same time, we also covered back and defended well at times."

The Matadors began the second half much more aggressive, yet still found themselves defending more than attacking. Senior defender Chloe McDaniel was happy with the way her team did not let down in the second half.

"I thought the character in the second half stood out," McDaniel said. "With a first half like it was, a team could easily break down and let five or six goals in."

CSUN had more touches in the second half and held the Bruins scoreless in the last 45 minutes.

"I think keeping a shutout the second half was a suc cess overall," McDaniel said.

The Bruins pointed out a few of the Matadors early season weak spots, but McDaniel is confident that they are easily correctable.

"I think it's easy stuff we can fix. Stuff like communication, some rotations, stuff that every team needs to work on," McDaniel said.

UCLA controlled the ball for most of the game and outshot the Matadors 14-3. While McDaniel sees the areas of improvement easily correctable, coach West is pleased with his team at this stage.

"I like the progress we are making," West said. "If we plan on winning some games, we got to pick up our quality when it counts."

The Matadors are back in action on Friday, August 30th at USC at 3 p.m.



Sophomore defender Hayley Greep battles a UCLA forward as sophomore midfielder Taylor Hobson runs downfield.