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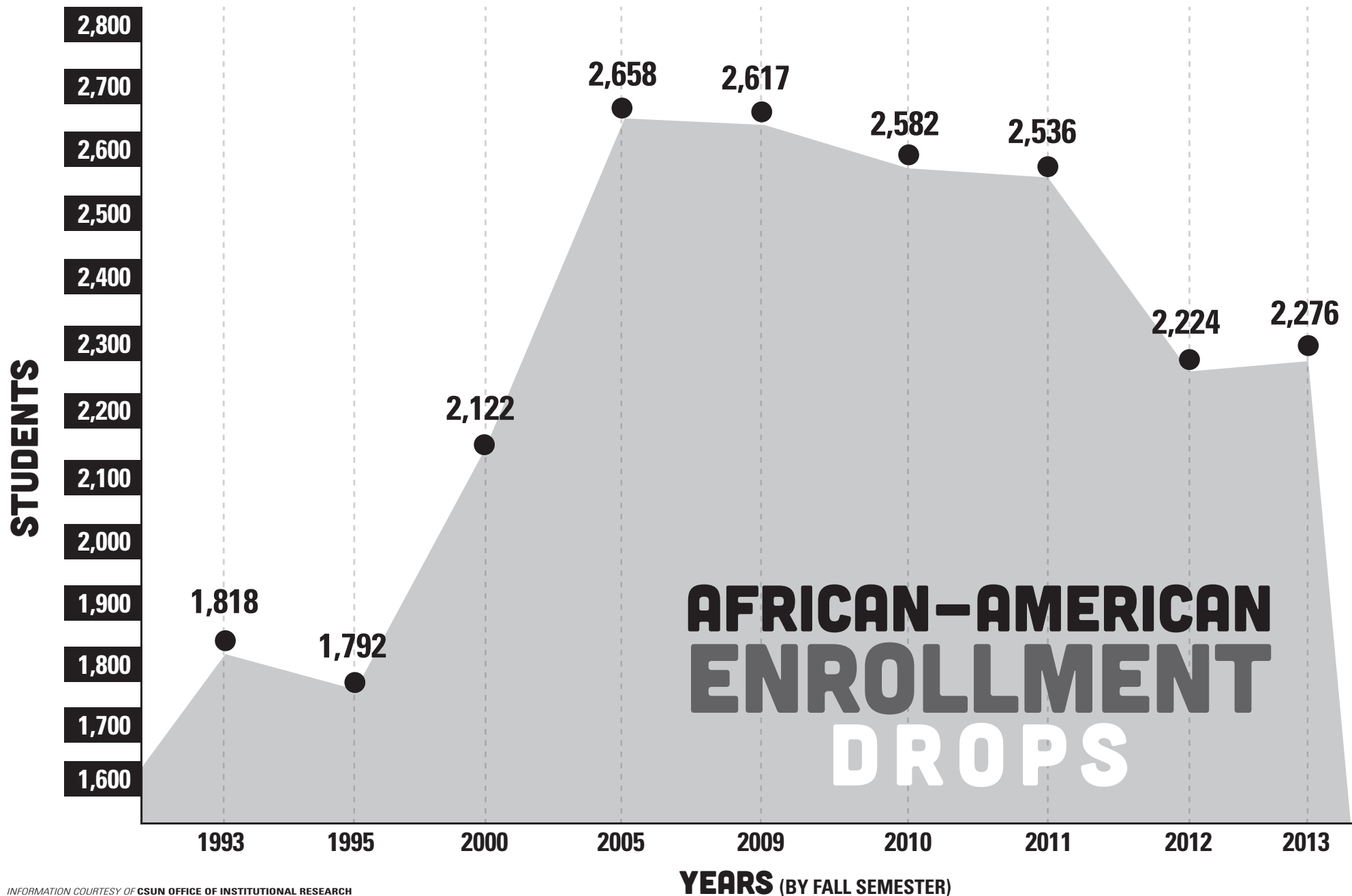
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African-American student enrollment is at 5.9 percent for the Fall 2013 semester, the lowest percentage since 1993

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OPINIONS EDITOR

**D**AWAUN LUCAS, 21, an African-American senior majoring in marketing and finance, and also a member of the Black Student Union (BSU) and Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc., has noticed the low numbers of African-Americans at CSUN.

"It's evident," Lucas said. "Coming in as a freshman until now, I've seen a diminishing population (of) African-Americans, especially in the incoming freshman, in particular with African-American males."

In spite of the Fall 2013 semester having the largest freshman class as reported earlier by the Daily Sundial, overall African-American enrollment at CSUN has declined, according to reports by the Office of Institutional Research.

African-American enrollment rates are the lowest out of the four largest student ethnic/racial groups: white, Asian, Latina/o and African-American. As of 2013, African-Americans only make up 5.9 percent of the entire stu-

dent population, a decline since 2005, according to a report by the Office of Institutional Research that traces enrollment rates for all reported ethnicities, among other breakdowns.

This is the lowest percentage of African-American enrollment since the Office of Institutional Research began recording figures in 1993.

Dr. Anthony Ratcliff, associate professor in the Pan-African studies department, sees this as an alarming trend and attributes it to lack of concentrated recruitment done by CSUN.

"I think a lot of it has to do with the way the university recruits students," Ratcliff said. "I know in the 90s, they would go out through all of Los Angeles and do a really good job of going to Dorsey High and Crenshaw, (places) that had larger numbers of African-American students where a lot of (recruiting) programs have been stopped."

**FRESHMAN IMPACTION**

Because the CSU anticipates more students than they can enroll, freshman impaction takes place and priority is given to freshman from designated local areas.

Incoming freshmen who apply to any CSU have to meet the CSU eligibility index, which is a combination of high school GPA and SAT/ACT test scores. Local applicants have a lower eligibility index than non-local applicants to secure enrollment for applicants in the most immediate areas around CSUN.

Freshmen who reside in CSUN's Local Guaranteed Admission Area (LGAA) have a lower eligibility index score than freshman outside of the area.

The LGAA is quite large, including 30 districts in both Los Angeles and Ventura counties. Private high schools are also included with the districts.

Ratcliff said that enrollment impaction may have negatively affected CSUN.

"There are places like EOP and a few other organizations on campus that will still go into those communities," he said. "But by and large, really it's this thing called impaction where they only really focus on the surrounding community, and so since the surrounding community doesn't have as many African-Americans, then you have few African-Americans coming to this school."

As a member of Alpha Phi Alpha, Lucas works with their national program Go-to-High School, Go-to-College where members go to schools in ethnic communities to teach students the benefits of going to college as opposed to the military.

Seeing the importance of continuing this legacy of helping communities of color get into college, Lucas sees a deficit in the African-American student population.

"People of color who want to better their communities should care about getting out of their communities and (be) educated, because education will be for people to bring back education to their communities," he said. "It's the best way to complete a different type of cycle. Instead of a gang cycle, it should be an education cycle."

**THE AFFIRMATIVE ACTION FACTOR**

Of the 23 CSU campuses, California State University, Dominguez Hills has the highest enrollment of African-American students at 2,481, according to a 2012 CSU Enrollment by Ethnic Group report. That same year CSUN followed closely behind with 2,224 of African-American enrollment but the

group currently only comprises 4.8 percent of the student population.

According to UCLA's Undergraduate Admissions, African-American enrollment this fall quarter is at 3.8 percent which prompted students to create the Nov. 4 viral video "The Black Bruins" to raise awareness about the issue and urging people to sign a petition to create help the problem.

UCLA Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs Janina Montero released a statement responding to the video saying that, while they are concerned with the low number of African-American students, enrollment is at its highest this fall quarter since 1995.

The statement goes on to say that due to race not being part of the admissions process, it is difficult to change low enrollment for African-American and other underrepresented students and calls for a return to affirmative action.

"That is why all 10 UC chancellors and the UC system's president have submitted friend-of-the-court briefs in support of affirmative action in two recent cases taken up by the U.S.

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# Zipcar may offer campus rent-a-car services

ELIZABETH OHANIAN  
DAILY SUNDIAL

CSUN Associated Students (A.S.) passed a resolution this Monday to provide the services of Zipcar on campus.

Zipcar is a car rental service that allows students to rent a car of their choice either for a couple of hours or for an entire day.

Natalie Iorlano, the vice chair of Environmental Affairs for A.S., wrote the resolution.

"Zipcar will not only benefit students, faculty, staff, and the surrounding community but it will lower gas emissions, parking congestion, and encourage students that do drive to take public transit in combination with Zipcar," Iorlano wrote.

Universities such as USC have been using Zipcar services on their campus successfully and now the same service will be available at CSUN.

Whether it be for an hour or a day, students will be able to rent a car, with gas and insurance included, through the Zipcar service.

With Zipcar, students either purchase a membership or pay by the hour. Memberships start as low as \$6 a

month and the cost of driving by the hour ranges from \$8 to \$10.

Once students have registered and been approved, they will receive what is called the Zipcard. This card will give students access to the car of their choice.

Sedans, hybrids and vans are some of the few types of cars students can choose but the fancier the car, the higher the price per hour.

Andreas Cano, 20, business major, thought the service would be helpful to students.

"I think it's a cool idea if you just need a car to get you around for a couple of hours," said Cano, who was in the gallery during the A.S. meeting.

A.S. also announced the Member of the Month award during this week's meeting.

The award for the month of November went to Elsa Lewis, the Family Child Care Network supervisor.

Lisa-Mone LaMontagne, A.S. chair of personnel, awarded Lewis with a certificate and a bouquet of red roses.

"It was really tough choosing the member of the month this time," LaMontagne said. "There were so many great nominees, thank you for your support."

A.S. General Manager David Crandall also stepped



PILAR DE HARO / CONTRIBUTOR

CSUN Associated Students passed a resolution on Monday to provide the car rental services of Zipcar on campus. Zipcar will make vehicles accessible to students for a small fee.

up to the podium during the open forum to congratulate Lewis on receiving the award.

"Not only is she helping students (at) CSUN but also children that are younger," Crandall said.

In other news, A.S. allocated \$24,400 to several organizations on campus.

The Inter Fraternity Council for recruitment

workshops received \$3,000. They are the collective governing body and policy-making organization of the fraternity system at CSUN, according to their website.

The CSUN Photojournalism Club was given \$2,700 for their talk with American photojournalist Ed Kashi.

\$850 was allocated to the CSUN Peace Club for their

Peace Education Program. This is a class that the peace club attends along with others who wish to join in order to get more educated on the meaning of peace and how to live more peacefully.

A.S. also allocated \$800 to the Tau Sigma National Honor Society for their annual budget and about \$2,050 went to the CSUN

Theatre Guild for their production of "Dog Sees God: Confessions of a Teenage Blockhead."

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The last and largest allocation of \$15,000 went to the CSUN A.S. for future event accessibility.

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# CSUN partners with law school to offer 6-year degree

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DAILY SUNDIAL

**CALIFORNIA STATE** University, Northridge recently signed a partnership agreement with Southwestern Law School that will allow students interested in the program to earn their law degrees in less time.

The 3+3 Bachelor of Arts (B.A.) and Juris Doctor (J.D.) degree program will begin in Fall 2014 and will enable students to earn the above-mentioned degrees in six-years as opposed to the usual seven.

The program will allow students' fourth year of undergraduate education to count as their first year of law school. CSUN will award the baccalaureate degree to students after successful completion of their first year at Southwestern.

"I am pleased CSUN is partnering with Southwestern to give students who are committed to pursuing a career in law an opportunity to get a head start on achieving their goals," said CSUN President Dianne F. Harrison in CSUN Today.

CSUN began recruiting students for the program this year.



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University officials anticipate up to 35 students from every department at CSUN to sign up during the initial enrollment period and \$10,000 scholarships will be awarded to each student admitted into the program.

If a 2.7 GPA is maintained, the scholarships will be renewed in subsequent years according to Southwestern Law School. As specified on the website, program participants must start the program in their first year of undergraduate studies and must be classified as full-time freshman.

In addition, an application to the program must be submitted to Southwestern Law School at the time of admission to CSUN and students must have a high school GPA of at least 3.0 and either an ACT score of at least 25 or a minimum SAT score of 1140.

Stella Theodoulou, dean of the College of Social and Behavioral Sciences was instrumental in creating the new program. She called the partnership "truly a wonderful path for our students who know early on that they wish to pursue graduate

education in law," and went on to say "a CSUN-Southwestern program is a significant extension of both institutions' commitment to providing our students with a relevant educational experience so that they are competitive members of the region's workforce and future leaders of California," as reported by CSUN Today.

Kevin Melchor, a business administration major, was surprised to hear that CSUN has more students serving in the Los Angeles judiciary system than any other undergraduate institution.

"CSUN having a B.A./J.D. program would be great because this would give students who are interested in law a chance to study law compared to going to UCLA or Harvard," Melchor said.

For students interested in judicial internship opportunities, CSUN sponsors an extensive program with the L.A. County Superior Courts. The program began in 1990 and has more than 575 student participants. The internship is designed to provide juniors and seniors with exposure to the inner workings of the Los Angeles County Superior Court.

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**MICHAEL DEVIN**

POLITICAL SCIENCE MAJOR

"President Harrison made a great decision with this program. This makes CSUN more unique and it will benefit it. Students will graduate faster and be more prepared."



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## Ballet Folklorico group shares Mexican culture with CSUN community

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COPY EDITOR

**THE SOUND** of dance shoes hitting the ground and Mexican music echoed through Jerome Richfield Hall on a Friday evening. Following the sounds led to room 118, where Ballet Folklorico Aztlan de CSUN (BFA de CSUN) practices every week.

The group was founded in 1970 and is composed

primarily of students who want to learn the various styles of Mexican dance called "ballet folklorico."

While all levels of dance are welcome, some members of the group do have prior experience. Graciela Vargas, treasurer, has been dancing since second grade.

"We do it because most of us have a lot of passion



JONATHAN DIAZ / COPY EDITOR

Ballet Folklorico Aztlan de CSUN members practice a Nayarit Mestizo dance outside Jerome Richfield Hall.

for it," she said.

Vargas, 21, sophomore sociology major said she gets along with the other people in the group.

"I have a lot of fun because we're all really loud," she said.

Noelle Hayikian, a 21-year-old CTVA major, was encouraged to join BFA de CSUN by her mother who also danced ballet folklorico, and was a member of the club in the 1970s.

"She said, 'It's hard work, but you're going to have a lot of fun,'" Hayikian said. "Technically, you can say I'm a legacy."

Hayikian, who is also the group's public relations officer, has been perform-

ing various forms of dance since she was a child. However, she wasn't prepared for the amount of footwork involved in ballet folklorico.

"At first I kind of didn't get the footwork, but it's a lot easier now," she said.

Hayikian has performed various forms of dance from ballet to modern, hip hop to belly dancing and loves to dance no matter the type.

"I love hearing the music and moving my body to it," she said.

Erika Lopez, president of BFA de CSUN, comes from a family that dances ballet folklorico.

"I've been dancing pretty much since I was born,"

she said.

Lopez, a 22-year-old senior said she joined the group after her sister, who did not attend CSUN, enjoyed the experience.

"It's mostly students and alumni (in BFA de CSUN), but it is open to community members" she said.

Lopez added that no experience is required to join.

"We take all different levels of experience," she said.

The group invites different dance teachers or "maestros" to instruct the class, but also has the students themselves teach dance moves from various states in Mexico.

Adviser Diana Cabral said BFA de CSUN is different from other clubs on campus because although

they are chartered by Associated Students, they welcome community input.

"A few times we've invited maestros, maestras from Mexico to provide workshops," she said.

Cabral said the group has thrived in part because of the Chicana/o studies department.

"We're one of a few university folklorico groups that has survived," she said.

Cabral added that the members share pride in the CSUN community, so much so that during the 1990s the name of the group was lengthened to include "de CSUN."

"We're extremely proud to be from this university and be this university's folklorico (group)," she said.

## BFA DE CSUN

Ballet Folklorico Aztlan de CSUN



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# Opinion

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## Marissa Alexander case not unique

Florida, the nation's racism epicenter, locked up Marissa Alexander, stereotyping her as an "angry black woman"

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NEWS EDITOR

**DOES** "justice for all include everyone, regardless of gender, race or aristocratic dichotomies?"

The only appropriate answer to your question, Marissa Alexander, is absolutely no, especially if you are a black woman living in a capitalist, white, patriarchal society.

I know. Most of you probably feel inclined to stop reading right about now,

considering that I just used politically incendiary words such as "patriarchal" and "racist," which today either makes most of us uncomfortable or flat-out bored.

And by now, you are almost certainly making the assumption that the writer has to be an angry black woman (probably a man-hating feminist as well) who seems unable to stop dwelling on the past and instead insists on talking about archaic issues. After all, we live in a post-racial, post-patriarchal and post-whatever society, so why dwell, right?

Let me start by saying that I am a black woman and I do consider myself a feminist (and yes, occasionally I do hate men). But this is not why I decided to write this article. Nor do I think this should be the reason.

Cases like Marissa Alexander's should fuel anger in all of us, no matter what race, gender, religion, sexual orientation, etc. It should make us all ashamed of the society we live in, which we help to perpetuate when we choose to walk blindly and respond apathetically to issues that violate humanity — the race we all supposedly belong to.

Alexander is a young African-American woman from Jacksonville, Florida. She has three children and as a law-abiding citizen (whatever that means nowadays), she has never been arrested. That is, until the day she decided to protect herself from her abusive husband, believing that our so-called color-and-gender-blind justice system would protect her.

Undoubtedly, that was her first mistake. Between 1977 and 2004, the female prison population

grew by nearly 800 percent and two-thirds of women in prison in the United States were women of color, most of them for non-violent offenses.

While racial disparity has been decreasing during recent years, our society is still more inclined to see black women as the aggressor, as the "angry black woman" who does not deserve a second chance because her "attitude" most likely put her in that situation.

This explains why the judge did not even take into consideration that prior to the incident, Alexander already had a restraining order against her estranged husband, Rico Gray. And when Alexander went to her old house, she didn't intend to start a fight (which by the way should be her right if that was the case) but actually thought that her husband was gone. But when Gray saw her, that's when an argument erupted.

Alexander went to her vehicle that was parked in the garage to get a gun she legally owns and came back into the house. She ended up firing a shot into the wall as a warning shot, resulting in no injuries.

When the case went to court, Alexander tried to invoke the Stand Your Ground defense, which the court denied. As a law, this defense often removes individuals' obligation to retreat when facing possible danger and instead allows them to use deadly force if "the person is presumed to have held a reasonable fear of imminent peril of death or great bodily harm to himself or herself."

Of course, the Florida court did not have any problem allowing George Zimmerman, who shot and killed a young black man, to use a self defense argument and walk as a free man (but then again, he only shot a young black man, which we tend to see as dispensable beings).

Meanwhile, the court claimed that Alexander had a chance to run out of the house to escape her husband (as if Zimmerman did not have the same option).

It took the jury 13 minutes to sentence Alexander to a minimum of 20 years behind bars. Yes, you read it right; 13 min-

utes. In the "freest" country in the world, where our prized freedom of "bearing arms" is always in hot contention, how is a 20-year minimum sentence for a warning shot just?

Now some of you might wonder (at least I hope you do) why such a harsh punishment? Well, you can blame the justice system's "mandatory minimum prison sentences," which puts people who are found guilty of certain crimes behind bars for a minimum number of years, often times neglecting their background.

A new report by the American Civil Liberties Union, shows that more than 3,000 people are serving life sentences without parole for nonviolent offenses and most were sentenced under mandatory sentencing policies.

Even Attorney General Eric Holder recently acknowledged the inhumane criminal justice system when stating that "it's clear — as we come together today — that too many Americans go to too many prisons for far too long, and for no truly good law enforcement reason."

Yes Holder, I could not agree with you more, but why haven't you done anything so far? I am assuming it was all about politics, not really about the people whom you claim you want to protect.

Alexander has now spent three years in prison and while she was recently released on bond so she can spend time with her children (well, thank you Florida court for showing some humanity), she is still facing a retrial. But the damage has already been done, especially to those considered "crime's invisible victims."

Today, almost 3 million minors have a parent in jail or prison. This means that 1 in 28 American children have an incarcerated parent; a number that has gone up from 1 in 125 just 25 years ago.

If you have a hard time imagining the psychological and emotional suffering these children have to go through, here is a small excerpt from a young child whose mother was sent to prison:

"I got to visit my mom every week when she was gone to jail. My dad took us. It was hard because I wanted to touch her but she was on the other side of a glass wall. The visits weren't too long, we only had a certain amount of time before they told us it was time to leave. When the visit was over, I wanted to stay with her for a long time. I thought about it all day. I didn't cry but I felt really bad. It stayed with me for a while after I went."

Alexander's case is not unique and had it not been for her friends that made sure the world knew about her situation she probably would have been one of those citizens we lock up in prison and throw away the key. And yet sadly, this may still be the fate of Marissa Alexander.



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Supreme Court," Montero said in the statement.

California used race, sex or ethnicity as a factor in admission into state government institutions, including colleges and universities, up until 1996 when Proposition 209 effectively banned this practice.

After 1996, enrollment for African-Americans and Latinas/os specifically at UCLA quickly dropped, according to an article published by NPR. The U.S. Supreme Court recently debated whether or not affirmative action is constitutional, citing two states where it was banned: Michigan and California. Although arguments have been heard, there has been no final ruling by the Supreme Court.

Since 1993, the two biggest ethnic/racial groups enrolled at CSUN are white and Latina/o, with Latinas/os surpassing white student enrollment this year at 14,553 - an all-time high in Latina/o enrollment, with white students at 10,432, according to the Office of Institutional Research.

Thomas Kollie, 21, junior art major, is an African-American at CSUN that works in the EOP department as an office assistant/mentor. He was a high

school student at Dorsey High School.

"I don't know the exact reason (for the drop in African-American enrollment) but I would relate it back to the San Fernando Valley State issues when we had to fight just to get here," he said, referring to the founding of ethnic studies courses and departments such as Chicana/o studies and Pan-African studies.

He, like many students and faculty, have noticed the low African-American presence on campus. But a good way to fix this, Kollie said, is to continue to build the mentor-mentee relationship that encourages college enrollment and attainment. Additionally, he advocates for more ethnic solidarity and unity for this issue, among others.

"I think it should be unified and togetherness," Kollie said. "I think that'd be great. I think it would bring back some things that used to happen, like the type of movements that used to happen."

## BLACK COLLEGES AND A DISCONNECTION WITH CULTURE

EOP at CSUN has been actively focusing on students that meet the criteria of being in financial need, that are part of underrepresented communities, meet family income guidelines and are first-generation college students.

"Because the populations in California have grown so much over the last decade, we are also now looking for first generation-type students," said José Luis Vargas, director of EOP. "It's not the official criteria, but that's another element that we look at. That's fairly recent, for about the last five, seven years. The program has been around for 43 years."

In addition to searching for students, EOP also integrates students into transitional programs, typically for six weeks, to prepare them for the college experience.

In spite of budget cuts, funding for EOP grants at CSUN

"I would think it would be a good thing about teaching them about themselves, just to love themselves. It's kind of corny but it's an important thing that young people don't really get when they come here."

—DR. ANTHONY RATCLIFF

Associate professor in the Pan-African studies department

have remained steady at \$1,706,698 per year for the last nine years, according to Sharon Eichten, associate vice president of Budget Planning and Management.

But low African-American enrollment at CSUN may mean something else, according to Vargas. More historically black colleges have been concentrating on college recruitment here in California. Although, as mentioned in a KCRA article, even these historically black colleges have experienced a decline in enrollment.

"The whole issue of black students in higher education is such a topic of conversation in higher education in general, you have institutions all over the country recruiting black students," he said.

Ratcliff suggests that there also might be a lack of connection between incoming students and college. If more classes were to focus on African-American issues, there might be an improvement in enrollment and retention.

"I ask my students when they get here, how many have taken a class where you learn about African-Americans and most of them have never taken one," Ratcliff said. "They are very disconnected from their own culture and own identity... I would think it would be a good thing about teaching them about themselves, just to love themselves. It's kind of corny but it's an important thing that young people don't really get when they come here."



## CAMPUS VOICE

DAILY SUNDIAL STAFF

Should race be a factor in admitting students to college?



**DORIYON BROWN**  
FRESHMAN, BIOLOGY

"I think it's good in a way but I think everyone should get a fair, equal chance. I like equality so I don't think they should consider it. I think everything should just be equal."



**URSULA SUASTEGUI**  
CULTURAL ANTHROPOLOGY

"Yes, in order to give less advantaged ethnic groups a chance to go to a university. I still believe their grades should be considered for being admitted."

## Los Angeles Times Daily Crossword Puzzle

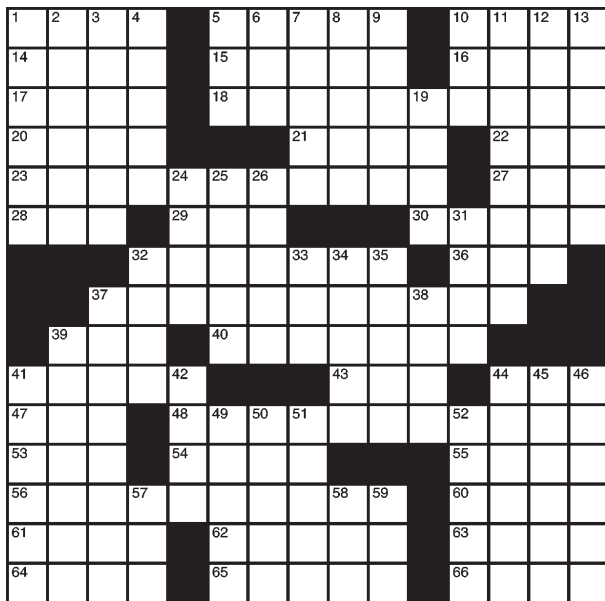
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### ACROSS

- 1 Cathedral area
- 5 Tons
- 10 Reps: Abbr.
- 14 Garden center supply
- 15 Dot in the ocean
- 16 Circus performer?
- 17 Tune
- 18 Thin, decorative metal
- 20 What a 63-Across may speak
- 21 The last Mrs. Chaplin
- 22 Grand Rapids-to-Detroit dir.
- 23 Gets married
- 27 This, to Michelle
- 28 Morose
- 29 Geometric suffix
- 30 Like potato chips
- 32 Lulus
- 36 Mass transit carrier
- 37 Dangerous things to risk
- 39 Retirement destination?
- 40 Wimps
- 41 Underworld group
- 43 Printer's widths
- 44 Cookie container
- 47 Renoir output
- 48 Equestrian's supply box
- 53 Spoil
- 54 Alabama, but not Kansas?
- 55 "Picnic" playwright
- 56 One, to one, e.g.
- 60 "Ain't Misbehavin'" Tony winner Carter
- 61 Throw hard
- 62 Hero's quality
- 63 Hebrides native
- 64 Desires
- 65 Burning desire?
- 66 Chop \_\_\_

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- 1 Valuables
- 2 Illinois city that symbolizes Middle America



By Mike Peluso

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### Monday's Puzzle Solved

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- 4 Barely beats
- 5 Member of the fam
- 6 CBS drama with two spin-offs
- 7 "Everything's fine"
- 8 Exeter's county
- 9 Dictation whiz
- 10 The K.C. Chiefs represented it in Super Bowl I
- 11 High school choral group
- 12 Dollhouse cups, saucers, etc.
- 13 Protected condition
- 19 Pied Piper followers
- 24 End-of-the-workweek cry
- 25 Pebble Beach's 18
- 26 China's Zhou \_\_\_
- 31 SALT concerns
- 32 "\_\_\_ say something wrong?"
- 33 Elected ones
- 34 '50s automotive failure
- 35 Goo
- 37 There's a lane for one at many intersections
- 38 Superlative suffix
- 39 Like Bach's music
- 41 Boggy
- 42 Solar system sci.
- 44 Alaskan capital
- 45 "Crouching Tiger, Hidden Dragon" director
- 46 "I Believe I Can Fly" singer
- 49 Stadium
- 50 More desperate, as circumstances
- 51 Some portals
- 52 Adornments for noses and toes
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- 58 Lacto-\_\_\_ vegetarian
- 59 Years in a decade

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## MEN'S SOCCER

# Recapping record-setting season

**DARKO DEBOGOVIC**  
DAILY SUNDIAL

**THE CSUN** men's soccer team (15-7-1) concluded the 2013 season with a heart-breaking 1-0 loss to the Stanford Cardinal (10-6-4) in the second round of the NCAA Tournament Sunday night at Matador Soccer Field.

Despite the early exit, the Matadors managed to string together seven consecutive wins to start the season, tying the 1979 school record for the best start in program history.

CSUN started play this season hosting the Ryan Rossi Memorial Tournament, where they defeated Albany (0-1) 3-0 and Memphis (1-1) 4-1, en route to the tournament title.

Junior forward Sagi Lev-Ari netted three successive goals in the championship match against Memphis, securing a resounding victory for Northridge.

Next, the Matadors hosted the University of San Diego (0-2), the team that knocked them out of the NCAA Tournament last year.

Northridge was able to exact

revenge thanks to two first half goals, handing the Toreros their second straight loss of the season behind a 2-1 victory.

Following a narrow 2-1 win over Saint Mary's (2-1-0), the Matadors made Division I history with four consecutive wins to start the season. Senior forward Brian Behrad had both goals for CSUN, including the game winner with six seconds left in overtime.

In the opening match of the 2013 TLC Plumbing, Heating & Cooling Lobo Invitational in Albuquerque the next weekend, the Matadors routed Central Arkansas (3-2-0) 4-1. Lev-Ari led the way with two goals.

CSUN clinched the title with a shocking 3-2 win over UNM, (3-1-1) despite conceding 22 shots to the Lobos.

After winning six straight, the Matadors garnered national recognition and were ranked third in the nation by the National Soccer Coaches Association of America (NSCAA).

Northridge followed that up with a 2-1 home win over UNLV (2-4-0) before losing for the first time this season to the No. 11 UCLA Bruins (4-2-1), 4-2. Sophomore

goalkeeper Adam Hobbs had four saves in the match.

CSUN blanked Sacramento State (2-4-3) 3-0 on the road to begin Big West play, recording its sixth straight win in Big West Conference openers. Seven different Matadors had at least one point in the match.

The following week, conference foe UCSB (8-4-0) handed the Matadors their second loss of the season, converting on a controversial penalty kick with eight seconds remaining in overtime. Hobbs had a season-high six saves.

The Matadors would bounce back two days later, routing Cal Poly (8-6-0) 3-1 behind two goals from Lev-Ari and two assists from sophomore midfielder David Turcios. For his efforts, Lev-Ari picked up his second Big West Player of the Week Award.

Head coach Terry Davila earned his 150th win in the opening match of the Big West Conference Tournament, as CSUN crushed Cal Poly (10-9-2) 4-1 at Matador Soccer Field. Seven different Matadors contributed with at least one point in the match.

As astounding as Lev-Ari was throughout the season, his most impressive game came



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CSUN was put in the national spotlight after jumping to a No. 3 ranking after their win against New Mexico.

on the road in the Big West Conference Semifinals against No. 10 UCSB (12-5-3).

The junior striker registered a hat trick, including the game winning goal in the 82nd minute, giving Northridge a 3-2 victory and a shot to repeat as Big West Conference Champions.

Two days later those

aspirations were cut short by the No. 18 UC Irvine Anteaters (14-4-3) who shutout the Matadors 1-0.

Despite failing to capture a second straight Big West Title, Northridge was awarded a bye in the first round of the NCAA Tournament before losing to Stanford in the second round.

Although the Matadors

will be without the services of senior players Carlos Benavides, Chris Smith, Beto Velasquez and Behrad for the 2014 campaign, most of their squad will remain intact.

Next year CSUN will look to regain the elusive Big West Conference Title and make a deeper run into the NCAA Tournament.

## MEN'S BASKETBALL

# Matadors drop La Sierra

**BRIAN BERNSTEIN**  
DAILY SUNDIAL

**THE MATADORS** (4-4) returned home from their four-game road trip and recorded a 97-79 victory over the La Sierra University Golden Eagles (2-8) to return back to .500 on the season.

After a lackluster first half, the Matadors took care of business in the second and outscored the Eagles by 12 to secure the 18-point victory.

"The end results were really good," head coach Reggie Theus said of his team's performance. "I thought that us only being up by six at halftime was not acceptable. We should have been up significantly more against this team. But when all is said and done, we played well."

The Matadors controlled the first half from the jump. They grabbed an early eight-point lead by dominating the glass with a 45-29 rebounding advantage.

Junior forward Stephen Hicks and junior forward Stephen Maxwell both led the Matadors in scoring with 21, and both earned double-doubles in points and rebounds.

Maxwell was the game's leading rebounder. He used his physicality to total 13 boards, seven on the offensive glass.

"It's something I work hard on every day," Maxwell said of his rebounding. "I work hard in practice to rebound and it has been a part of my game my whole career."

The game changed in the second half when CSUN's sophomore forward Tre

Hale-Edmerson blocked two consecutive shots, then ran down the floor and was fouled on a missed dunk attempt that got everybody out of their seats. From that point on, the intensity level set by CSUN never fluttered.

This spark energized the whole team as the defense picked up and in the following CSUN possession senior guard Josh Greene converted a four-point play. He finished the game with 17 points on 5-8 shooting, 4-4 from behind the arc, and 3-3 from the free throw line.

The Golden Eagles had the game's two leading scorers, guard Wolfgang Woods led all with 31, and Daveon Woods put in 21.

CSUN doubled up the Eagles in fast-break points, 16-8, while the other two categories, bench points and points in the paint were 38-11 and 46-24, both in favor of the Matadors.

Theus acknowledged the accomplishment of his team's effort with these stats, but stressed four 50/50 balls his team did not come up with.

"All those statistics in all those places, we're supposed to be up in those statistics," Theus said. "But what we didn't do is come up with the 50/50 balls, and that's going to be detrimental to us down the stretch if we do not get better at (it)."

Theus stated that regardless of playing a tired La Sierra team, who played three games in four days, he is happy his team was able to get the win and return to a .500 winning percentage.

The Matadors have a chance to increase that number in their next game on Tuesday Nov. 3 against Southern Utah at home.



JOHN SARINGO-RODRIGUEZ / PHOTO EDITOR

Sophomore forward Trevone Williams scores off a putback in a victory against La Sierra on Sunday night. Williams finished with eight points and two rebounds off the bench.

## WOMEN'S VOLLEYBALL

## Big West Champs reach NCAA Tournament

Completing their best season in recent memory, the Big West tri-champion Matadors have reached the NCAA Tournament, for the first since 2004.

The Matadors, who finished 41st in the regular season NCAA rankings, received an at-large bid after tri-champion UC Santa Barbara received the Big West auto-bid by way of tiebreaker.

Coach Jeff Stork's squad will look to improve on his last appearance, when the Matadors were dropped by Kansas State in straight sets in the first round at USC in 2004.

CSUN will open postseason play on Thursday at USC, where they will take on Colorado State at 5 p.m. at the Galen Center. The winner will advance to a second round match Friday at 7 p.m. at the Galen Center.

- ANDREW MARTINEZ