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#MeToo inspires a change in conversation at Stan State



by Kristen Dias

From the time that women began to come forward about their experience with Hollywood Producer Harvey Weinstein, which sparked the national #metoo campaign, students and faculty have been encouraged to speak out about their experience with sexual harassment and how they're putting a stop to it.

Sexual harassment is no longer just about fulfilling a state requirement for an individual who finds themselves on a college campus. The #metoo campaign as well as the women's marches that have taken place across the nation this past January have shifted the conversation.

Students and faculty are speaking out, and they're saying enough is enough.

Empowered

Alyssa Kelly (senior, Business) was just one of the students from Stan State, along with many other faculty members and alumni who attended this year's Women's March. She was surrounded by both women and men from all different ethnicities and cultures.

They were marching for more than just women's rights that day, Kelly said, they were marching for equality. She added that the march was an "empowering" experience.

Vanessa Padilla (senior, Sociology) has also noticed the shift in the conversation regarding sexual harassment. She felt that the

perspective people have taken before towards stories of rape and sexual assault have been misaligned, and hopes it is just the beginning to change.

"I know people around me who have faced sexual assault, and it hurts knowing the people I love have gone through that pain," Padilla said.

The #metoo campaign has created hope for the future for many students including Jaycie Wildermuth (junior, Kinesiology).

"It empowered me to stand up and know that I deserve to be treated with respect even in a situation that is not sexual harassment," said Wildermuth. "Any sort of workplace harassment, that is not okay, and it empowered me to take a stand and come forward for others."

Like Wildermuth, Demi Gonis (junior, Criminal Justice) felt the #metoo campaign has empowered people to take the opportunity to "step up" in situations where they would have otherwise been silent in the past.

The fact that many people have been silent for so long about the topic of sexual harassment was something that Mayah Chambers (junior, Criminal Justice) also found to be particularly unsettling. She added that the #metoo campaign has been a sufficient outlet for people to voice what they have been keeping in for so long.

"This lets them know that there's people behind them, and they can seek justice," Chambers said.



Women's March in Sacramento. (Photos Courtesy of Dr. Ann Strahm)

As Dr. Keith Nainby, Professor and Chair for the Department of Communication Studies, sees it, the #metoo campaign goes far beyond the statement, “that this happened to me also.”

“This is not something that happens only to a subset of women who are subjected to violence at the hands of a subset of men. This is a system that is in place,” Dr. Nainby stated.

Student athletes respond to #metoo

#Metoo has also played a role in the conviction of Larry Nassar, the former USA Gymnastics national team doctor who sexually abused over 100 gymnasts. Female athletes at Stan State say the movement has changed the way they view the topic of sexual harassment and assault.

As a member of Stan State’s women’s soccer team, Chambers said the #metoo campaign has put into perspective how many people, even athletes, have been affected by crimes of sexual harassment and assault. She said it also puts into perspective how many situations similar to Nassar’s victims people have experienced and “repressed” or “not realized,” even with training on sexual harassment.

According to Julie Johnson, Title IX Coordinator and Discrimination, Harassment and Retaliation Administrator at Stan State, athletes and other student organizations on campus must undergo mandatory sexual harassment training twice a year.

“Most of the ways it’s [sexual harassment training] has been brought to us is either through an online course that people don’t pay attention to, or people sitting in a school setting, or reading an email at work that they don’t pay attention to,” Chambers said. “When you hear stories of people you can relate to, it’s a lot more effective... Our culture is becoming zero tolerance.”

Gonis, also a member of Stan State women’s soccer team, said

the required sexual harassment learning programs has given her the idea that sexual harassment is common, but seeing the multitude of stories of victims come out in the media has been a “Wow factor” for her.

Wildermuth, a member of the Stan State women’s track team, said it was important that “predators are being put on notice,” so that they can’t get away with disrespecting others any longer than they already have.

“Harassment periods run rampant in female sports, and I’d like to see people come forward,” Wildermuth said. “I had somebody tell me ‘You’re lucky it wasn’t sexual harassment,’ but harassment of any kind should not be tolerated. I think in female sports, there’s a need for a movement that is about stopping harassment and bringing equality in all aspects of female sports.”

Faculty’s frustration with “the structural issue”

The battle with sexual harassment within society is nothing new to many historians who study the subject.

Dr. Bret Carroll, Professor of Gender in U.S. History in the Department of History, said for years people have been afraid to speak out about their experiences with sexual harassment and assault for fear of the consequences that would follow.

Though he believes that the #metoo movement certainly helps raise awareness to the subject, the movement is incomplete because of its “lack of diversity and the foundation to make structural changes.” Dr. Carroll added the lack of diversity, in this case, is an economical one.

“The problem is not just getting more women to speak out. I mean, women speak out, Harvey Weinstein gets fired, big deal. Men who abuse their positions and power are like shark’s teeth. You knock one out, another one grows in and replaces it,” said Dr.

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Photos Courtesy of Dr. Ann Strahm

More than a month: Celebrating black history



by Nicole Dunlap

The campus and the surrounding communities have planned fun and educational events to celebrate Black History Month (BHM) this February. It is a time of celebration and recognition of contributions made by many black people in the United States.

Two groups in the campus' community who have worked together to plan the events on campus are the Black Student Union (BSU) and the Diversity Center. Both BSU and the Diversity Center aim to educate the community.



Photo of Mi'Shaye Venerable and Dr. Aletha Harven. (Signal Photo/Jesus Valdez)

How to get involved

There have been calendars and fliers around campus for BHM events. There are many ways for everyone to get involved in the celebration.

Dr. Aletha M. Harven, Assistant Professor in Child Development in the Department of Psychology and Child Development, is the faculty advisor for BSU.

She stated that she is particularly excited about the showing of the film "I Am Not Your Negro" on Feb. 16 in the Library Circulation Hall. The event will begin with a reception at 6:30 p.m., followed by the movie screening and a discussion.

"The film explores the history of racism in the United States, so for me as an academic, I want to show the film and have a critical discussion of the film. I have invited a professor from UC Merced to join me in leading that discussion," Harven said.

Mi'Shaye Venerable (junior, Social Science), President of BSU, is also particularly excited about the upcoming events for the month. One event that BSU has been preparing for is the Black Excellence Ball on Feb. 23 at 7 p.m.

"It's basically a dance ball, like your high school prom or a gala. This is a night where you can get dressed up and embrace your blackness and your beauty. It's a night of celebration to have fun," Venerable said.

Stephanie Hubbard, Special Assistant to the Vice President of Student Affairs, who has been helping to get the Diversity Center up-and-running, also shares how the Diversity Center plans to participate in the celebration of BHM.

"I'm part of the president's Commission on Diversity and Inclusion, and we have been working on bringing speakers such as Dr. Claybourne Carson in," Hubbard said. "I thought it was important to serve as a hub for knowledge and to make sure we had one communal calendar, so we were able to get our message out to the whole campus."

In addition to the events on campus, the Turlock community will be hosting other events. The King-Kennedy Memorial Center in Modesto will be holding a BHM Celebration on Feb. 23 at 6 p.m.

The importance of celebrating Black History Month

Venerable explains why it is important to educate others about BHM.

"Many of my peers and fellow students question why there is a Black History Month and not a white history month. They don't know at all, so we have to kindly explain the purpose of having Black History Month and the purpose of celebrating black accomplishments," Venerable said.

Dr. Harven said that she is excited about all of the events that will be hosted during BHM.

"I think it is so important to celebrate black people and what black people have done for this country. I don't think it should just be one month," Harven said.

Celebrating BHM is important in the inclusion of black students in college, particularly at Stan State.

According to the fall 2016 Stan State census, students who identify as Black or African American make up 2.2 percent of the school population. With such a small number, it is important to provide inclusion to an underrepresented group.

Dana Grisby, an Ethnic Studies lecturer at Stan State, explains the importance of celebrating BHM and teaching African American studies in school.

"You are teaching students about the histories of people of color that are often left out of mainstream education," Grisby said. "As someone who teaches Ethnic Studies, I think I have a more critical eye, but I do appreciate that the history of black people is acknowledged and should be shared."

Hubbard stated that there is a lack of black history in students' educational process, and when it is taught, it is only a small portion of the larger historical occurrence.

"We are working to create culturally competent students who can continue to build a better future," Hubbard said.

Dr. Harven stated that BHM is an excellent way for black students to feel "a sense of belonging."

"If I feel that I belong to my university and that people care about me and want me to

BLACK HISTORY MONTH EVENTS

February 14

FLOWER GRAMS
with Black Student Union
Stanislaus State Quad
at 11:00am - 1:00pm

LOVIN' THE SKIN I'M IN
with Black Student Union and
the Diversity Center
Diversity Center—Library 201
at 4:00pm - 6:00pm

February 15

STANFLIX MOVIE NIGHT:
MARSHALL AND DIALOGUE
with University Student Union (USU)
Village Café at 8:00pm—10:30pm

February 16

AFRO-PUERTO RICAN MUSIC &
DANCE WORKSHOP
with Ms. Reyes, Dr. Roberts, and Dr.
Haven
MSR 130 at 3:30pm - 5:00pm
I AM NOT YOUR NEGRO

with Dr. Aletha M. Harven
and the University Library
Library Circulation Hall
Reception at 6:30pm
Movie at 7:00pm
Discussion at 8:30pm

February 19

BLACK HISTORY AWARENESS
with Housing & Residential Life
Table in Main Dining
at 11:00am - 1:00pm

February 21

BLACK ARTIST APPRECIATION
with Black Student Union
Stanislaus State Quad
at 11:00am - 1:00pm

GROWING UP AFRICAN
with Dr. Conteh,
Dr. Seidu, and Dr. Harven
Diversity Center—Library 201
at 3:00pm - 5:00pm

February 22

BLACK LIVES MATTER: PAINT
WITH A PURPOSE
with the Diversity Center &
Housing & Residential Life
Diversity Center-Library 201
at 2:30pm - 4:30pm

PERCEPTIONS OF BEING BLACK
AND QUEER
with Love Evolution &
Black Student Union
Diversity Center-Library 201
at 6:00pm - 7:30pm

February 23

BLACK
EXCELLENCE BALL
with Black Student Union
Faculty Development Center
at 7:00pm - 10:00pm

February 26

LOCAL INSPIRING EXCELLENCE
with Mr. Bivens, Mr. Smith, Dr.
Harrison & Dr. Haven
Diversity Center - Library 201

FROM CIVIL RIGHTS TO
HUMAN RIGHTS:
THE RADICALIZATION
OF THE BLACK FREEDOM
STRUGGLE IN THE 1960'S
with Phi Alpha Theta and
Dr. Wolfe Hunnicutt
Diversity Center-Library 201
at 5:00pm - 7:00pm

February 27

I HAVE A DREAM MODERN
SPEECH WINNER ANNOUNCED
with Housing & Residential Life
Diversity Center - Library 201
at 2:00pm - 3:00pm

February 28

CREATING INCLUSIVE
ENVIRONMENTS FOR
DIVERSE STUDENTS
with Dr. Lowe and Dr. Harven
Diversity Center-Library 201
at 12:00pm - 1:30pm
LEADERSHIP SERIES:
RACIAL IDENTITY
DEVELOPMENT
with the Diversity Center
Diversity Center-Library 201
at 3:00pm - 4:00pm

succeed, and if I feel that people care about my cultural identity, then I'm going to feel much more connected to the school and feel like I matter to the institution," Harven said.

Bringing Black History Month into Schools

Sterling Fountain is the President of the King-Kennedy Memorial Center Board of Directors. She is also the first African American employee of the Modesto Irrigation District.

Fountain shares the importance of having BHM celebrated within educational institutions.

"Being born and raised in Modesto, we never were taught black history in school. As I became older, I was made aware of the contributions that black people had made to this country," Fountain said. "It became a real concern of mine to make sure that other children are made aware of our contributions as well."

Audrey Spearman is also a member of the King-Kennedy Memorial Center Board of Directors. She recalls her experiences with teaching black history in schools.

"I can remember us protesting and fighting to get black studies initiated. I taught black studies after I graduated from the University

of Michigan. I remember teaching class, and the students were complaining about learning about slavery. I realized there is more to our history than just slavery. We are to be celebrated," Spearman said.

According to Spearman, this year's theme for the BHM celebration is, "they gave us lemons and we made lemonade."

"This year we are going to focus on the progress that we have made as a race regardless of how difficult it may have been at the beginning," Spearman said. ■

Students unclear over Trump's immigration stance



Poster that MEChA members created for their march in support of a “clean” DREAM Act at Cesar E. Chavez Park in Modesto, CA, on November 2017. (Photo Courtesy of MEChA)



by **Jesus Alvarado**

The topic of immigration has always been on the United States-Mexico agenda. American politicians have made it an effort to offer a comprehensive immigration reform that leads to citizenship but has failed to do so.

In current times, former President Barack Obama's executive order, Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA), has been the closest one to present an opportunity to young undocumented immigrants, allowing them to work in the country with a legal permission and granting them immunization against deportation for up to two years.

However, his executive order was rescinded last September under President Donald Trump's administration, giving Congress a deadline of March 5 to come up with a solution for the so-called DREAMers.

Though there is the March 5 deadline for all protections to end for

these young undocumented immigrants, Trump has been unclear as to what will happen to them.

He has even mentioned that if there are no talks about a “desperately needed WALL” then there will be no deal for DACA recipients, according to his tweet early this month.

After reading Trump's tweet, Monica Calderon (senior, Psychology) emphasized the fact that using DREAMers's lives as leverage for his infamous wall is difficult to watch.

“I'm hoping that there will be a clean DREAM Act for the children who came here at a young age,” she said. “Thousands of lives are at stake and it's difficult to watch the President using lives as leverage for his wall to be built.”

Crystal Guzman (senior, Nursing) expressed uncertainty about Trump's stance regarding a comprehensive immigration reform, fearing for a last-minute decision that might not be inclusive due to its deadline quickly approaching.

“With the comprehensive immigration reform deadline quickly

approaching, and after hearing the current U.S. President's stance on certain immigration policies, I feel wary that policymakers will settle and not develop an inclusive, thorough reform," Guzman said.

Gloria Vallin (senior, Communication Studies), Movimiento Estudiantil Chicano de Aztlan (MEChA) Publicist, says that politicians and other leaders of the country should have been prepared with a plan for a comprehensive immigration reform even before the March 5 deadline.

"I believe Congress, the Senate, Majority Leader Kevin McCarthy, 45 (the President) and other leaders should have had a permanent solution way before the March 5 deadline," she said. "When March 5 comes around, I hope to hear the words, 'the clean DREAM Act has passed,' because this will allow families to be together and not separated, students to continue their education and for individuals who work hard every day to continue their everyday routine."

For every day that Congress does not act on a comprehensive solution for DACA recipients, 122 of them are losing their protected status, which makes 851 people each week, according to a Center for American Progress (CAP) study.

"A comprehensive immigration reform should be more of a permanent solution and not a temporary one. Yes, [it] should include the following: a pathway to citizenship, family visas and diversity visas," Vallin said, while explaining why she did not view DACA as a comprehensive immigration reform due to it being a temporary act.

MEChA and Students for Quality Education (SQE) are currently in the talks about an action depending on the outcome of March 5.

Likewise, Vanessa Mota (senior, Psychology), a Resident Assistant (RA) at the dorms, has been in the talks with her colleagues involved in the Social Justice Community Impact Group (CIG) about offering an open discussion about the resources there is on campus for students fearing their protected status.

She also encourages everyone to be in touch with their local representatives and let them know that they are in support of a comprehensive immigration reform that helps everyone in the country.

"If no solution towards this issue is yet to be made by this date, I encourage others and myself to use our voices to aid those who may not have the same privileges and access to resources I may have since I was born in this country,"



Veteran taking a stance for DREAMers during the Women's March in Sacramento, CA, this past January. (Photo Courtesy of Dr. Ann Strahm)

Mota said. "Contacting our representatives and reaching out to the appropriate people is what I intend to do so that more awareness so this issue comes to light to benefit many human beings."

This past January, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) announced it will still be accepting renewal applications for those who have been recipients of DACA, not for new recipients, however. It is urgent to renew during this time until the March 5 deadline comes around.

For more information about the DACA renewal process, visit the DREAMers university website. In the website, documents such

as DACA renewal and other aid is available for students to apply.

"To everyone out there, we must come together as one and continue pressuring Congress, Senators and other leaders to pass the clean DREAM Act now. We shall overcome these hard times. Como siempre, la lucha sigue!" Vallin said as words of encouragement for others to not feel defeated. ■

Estudiantes preocupados por estatus de DACA

por Jesús Alvarado



El tema sobre la inmigración siempre ha estado en la agenda de los Estados Unidos y México. Los políticos norteamericanos han hecho esfuerzos para ofrecer una reforma migratoria comprensiva que también ofrecería ciudadanía, pero nada han logrado.

Hoy en día, DACA, la orden ejecutiva del expresidente Barack Obama, ha sido la única orden que ha ofrecido oportunidades a jóvenes indocumentados, dándoles permiso para trabajar legalmente en el país y protegiéndolos de posible deportación por dos años.

Sin embargo, esta orden ejecutiva fue revocada el pasado septiembre por la administración del presidente Donald Trump, dándoles a miembros del congreso una fecha límite para aprobar una solución para los “DREAMers” este cinco de marzo.

Aunque la fecha límite del cinco de marzo exista para que varias protecciones de los DREAMers se terminen, Trump ha sido poco claro en lo que quiere hacer con ellos.

Hasta él ha mencionado que si no pláticas sobre su famoso muro, entonces no habrá solución para quienes benefician de DACA, de acuerdo a su publicación en Twitter.

Después de haber leído la publicación de Trump, Mónica Calderón, estudiante de psicología, enfatizó que el hecho de que él esté usando a las vidas de los “DREAMers” como palanca para su muro es difícil de ver.

“Espero que haya un DREAM Act limpio para quienes vinieron acá durante temprana edad,” dijo Calderón. “Miles de vidas están en riesgo y es difícil ver al presidente usarlas



Members of MEChA and other supporters arriving at Cesar E. Chavez Park in Modesto, CA, during their November 2017 march for a “clean” DREAM Act. (Photo Courtesy of MEChA)

como palanca para construir su muro.”

Crystal Guzmán, estudiante de enfermería, expresó incertidumbre sobre la postura de Trump sobre la inmigración, diciendo que ella teme a una decisión mediocre que posiblemente no será inclusiva por su fecha límite acercándose rápidamente.

“Con la fecha límite acercándose, y al escuchar la postura del presidente de los Estados Unidos sobre la inmigración, temo que los políticos establecerán una reforma que no sea inclusiva,” dijo Guzmán.

Gloria Vallín, estudiante de comunicaciones y publicista del club Movimiento Estudiantil Chicanx de Aztlán (MEChA), dice que los políticos y otros líderes del país deberían haber estado preparados con un plan para una reforma migratoria comprensiva.

“Creo que el congreso, el senado, líder de la mayoría Kevin McCarthy, [el presidente] y otros líderes deberían haber tenido una solución permanente mucho antes que el cinco de marzo,” dijo Vallín. “Cuando el cinco de marzo se acerque, espero escuchar ‘un DREAM Act limpio ha pasado’ porque

esto hará que las familias se queden juntas y no separadas, a que estudiantes continúen su educación y para que individuos que trabajan duro cada día continúen su rutina.”

Por cada día que miembros del congreso no proponen una solución comprensiva para los beneficiarios de DACA, 122 de ellos están perdiendo su estatus de protección, lo cual quiere decir que son 851 personas a la semana, de acuerdo a un estudio hecho por el Centro para el Progreso Americano (CAP).

“Una reforma migratoria comprensiva debe de ser permanente y no temporal. Sí, debería de incluir lo siguiente: un camino a la ciudadanía, visas para familias y visas de diversidad,” dijo Vallín mientras explicaba por qué ella no considera al programa DACA como una reforma migratoria comprensiva, puesto que solo es una orden temporal.

MEChA y otros miembros de Estudiantes para una Educación de Calidad (SQE) están planeando un día de acción, dependiendo en el resultado después del cinco de marzo.

Igualmente, Vanessa Mota, estudiante de psicología y asistente de residente en los

dormitorios, ha estado planeando con sus colegas involucrados en un comité de justicia social en ofrecer recursos para los estudiantes quienes temen perder su protección de DACA.

Mota resalta el hecho de que todos tienen que estar en comunicación con sus representantes locales y dejarles saber que están apoyando una reforma migratoria comprensiva la cual ayuda a todos en el país.

“Si no hay una solución para esta fecha límite, yo animaría a los demás y a mí misma a que usen su voz para ayudar a quienes no tienen los mismos privilegios ni el acceso a los recursos que uno sí tiene por haber nacido en este país,” dijo Mota. “Contactando a nuestros representantes y comunicándome con la gente apropiada es lo que intento hacer para atraer más atención hacia este tema para que los demás beneficien de ello.”

Este pasado enero, Servicios de Inmigración y Ciudadanía de los Estados Unidos (USCIS) anunció que aún estará aceptando aplicaciones de renovación para quienes ya benefician de DACA, no para solicitantes nuevos. Es urgente renovar durante esta fecha hasta el cinco de marzo.

Para más información sobre el proceso de renovación, visite el sitio de la universidad para DREAMers. En este sitio encontrará documentos para la renovación de DACA y otros recursos para ayudar a estudiantes.

“A todos por ahí, debemos unirnos como uno para seguir presionando al congreso, los senadores y otros líderes para que pasen un

DREAM Act limpio ahora. Venceremos a estos tiempos difíciles. Como siempre, ¡la lucha sigue!” agregó Vallín como palabras de ánimo para quienes se sientan derrotados.



Illustration by Simarjit Kaur



MEChA members marching for a “clean” DREAM Act in Livingston, CA, back in November 2017. (Photo Courtesy of MEChA)



Alejandro Garcia (senior, Business) walking on the side of highway 59 during MEChA's march in favor of a “clean” DREAM Act in November 2017. (Photo Courtesy of MEChA)

Every dog has its year

by Andrew Cabrera



Chinese New Year 2018

Smoke filling the air with red lanterns dangling from wires that are strung from building to building. The sound of fire crackers popping and crackling is heard throughout the streets of China Town in San Francisco. To some, this might just be a show of lights and colors, but to others this means one thing, The New Year is coming.

Background history

Chinese New Year is just around the corner, landing on Feb. 16. There is no set day like Christmas or Valentine's because Chinese people go by their own calendar. These do not correlate with Western calendars because the Chinese New Year would land on the 23rd day of the 12th Lunar year. 2018 marks the year of the dog, the 11th animal in the Chinese Zodiac. The animals are placed in this cycle because an old Chinese tale.

Thousands of years before Columbia Broadcasting System's (CBS) Amazing Race, there was an even greater one. The Great Race is a tale about a group of animals chosen by The Jade Emperor to race each other to be given one of the 12 places in the Chinese calendar. This story has been passed down from generation to generation and is told to children on Chinese New Year.

Preparation

Before they can sit and listen to the story of The Great Race,

the kids of the house had some chores to do. According to Janet Cabrera, a Hong Kong citizen and the author's mother, "Prior to the New Year (Sun Leen) my siblings and I would clean the house to give our family a clean slate. I would sweep out the old and bad spirits to let in the new ones." To some people these traditions seem odd, but to the Chinese people that celebrate this holiday, these are rules that could affect your whole year. A make or break for the families luck, wealth and prosperity.

Traditions and the day of

The New Year brings many wishes to a family. The main three wishes are to be blessed with a lucky year, to bring their family wealth, and for everyone to have prosperity. When visiting relatives, families will give each other something always in a pair. A pair of red apples is given to bring luck to the family. Oranges symbolize vibrant colors which brighten up the home owner's life and house. Two Lai See (red envelopes) are exchanged with two single dollars enclosed, one from the father and one from the mother. These are only given to people that aren't married and are younger than the person handing them out, to help spread wealth in the family.

After the Lai See is dispersed amongst the family, a food offering is brought out to pay respects to the ancestors. The food offering consists of different items that all serve a purpose. If a chicken or fish is offered, both the head and tail need to be presented to symbolize a beginning and end. Lotus roots are cooked for luck while their seeds symbolize fertility. Gum Boi (dry the cup) is said while offering a glass of wine which is poured for the ancestors to drink as they protect and watch over the family. Finally, the fake money is burned so they will be able to buy something new for the New Years in the afterlife.

Next, the family eats and shares stories. There is always a great amount of food which creates a lot of dishes needed to be washed. New Years is unlike most nights. "We were told not to wash them at all. Doing so would wash away all the good luck you received on the New Year," Cabrera said. Like

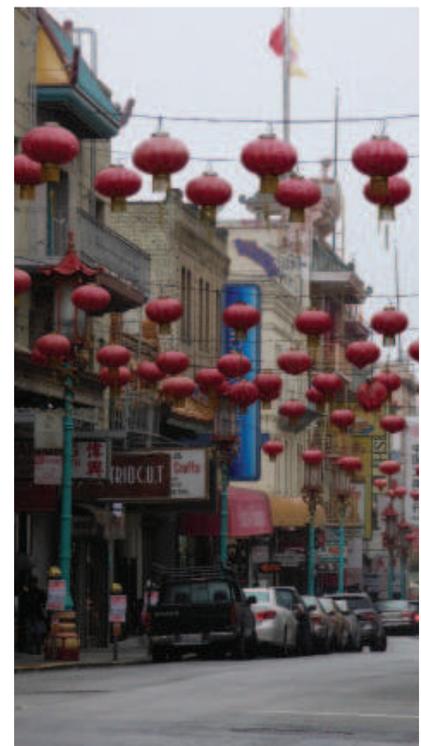


Leung's White Crane "Lion & Dragon Dance Association USA" let their lions rest before having their eyes dotted, at this year's Chinese New Year celebration in San Francisco. (Signal Photo/ Andrew Cabrera)



**Welcome this
New Year clean
so the new luck
will stay, bless
you with lots of
wealth, and keep
your families
with
prosperity.**





this small superstition, there are many others that take place during this celebration.

Chinese superstitions

Chinese New Year is filled with many superstitions; some are good and will bring great things to the family. Some are bad and can ruin a person's entire year with just one mishap. At the stroke of midnight many Chinese people will go outside of their homes and set off rows of firecrackers in front of their door. This is done to prevent any bad spirits from entering the house, much like the jack-o-lanterns used during Halloween. For the first day of the New Year, everyone has to wear new clothes to show their wealth and to keep their new luck. If a family were to go to a friend's home without bringing them something to celebrate, this is seen as very disrespectful and bad luck on the individual.

With the New Year coming fast, remember to clean your slate of all debt, grudges, and sins. Welcome this New Year clean so the new luck will stay,

bless you with lots of wealth, and keep your families with prosperity.

If you are looking for some places to celebrate the New Year, here are a few in your area:

46th Annual Chinese New Year Party (Modesto)

Stanislaus Chinese Association

Date : February 18, 2018 -

Time : 5:00pm - 9:00pm

Location : Centre Plaza

Address : 1000 L Street Modesto, CA 95354

Description : Celebrating the year of the Dog!

The 46th Annual Chinese New Year Party will feature culture, Chinese food, a raffle & entertainment.

Tickets: \$20 for adults & \$12 for children (6-12yrs.)

Contact : Stanislaus Chinese Association

Phone : (209) 651-0388 Provided by <http://www.visitmodesto.com/calendar/default.asp>

Chinese New Year Parade (SF Chinatown)

One of the grandest nighttime illuminated parades in the U.S., the parade started in

the 1860s and has grown to be one of the largest celebrations of Asian culture outside of Asia. Parade highlights include elaborate floats, lion dancers, folk dancers, and costumed elementary school groups, marching bands, stilt walkers, Chinese acrobats and a 268-foot-long Golden Dragon.

This year's parade will be held on Feb. 24 and will start on Second and Market Streets. If this is your first parade, bleacher seats might be a good suggestion. Arriving between 3:30 to 4 p.m. is recommended. Ear plugs are suggested for all ages; firecrackers are an integral part of the parade. Parking south of Market is usually easier; garages in the Union Square area will be impacted by crowds and street closures. Muni and BART are excellent options to get to and from the parade. And bring an umbrella. Even in drought years it will often rain on the parade, and it is considered good luck, so everyone takes it in stride. Provided by Cindy Hu with San Francisco Traveler. <http://www.sftravel.com/article/chinese-new-year-2018-parade-events>



The Tiko Drummers finish their performance with an echo of their drums and a loud yell to the sky. (Signal Photo/ Andrew Cabrera)

Stan State officials encourage survivors to come forward

by contributing writer Lesly Juarez

With the recent storm of women coming forward about being sexually assaulted or harassed by their male co-workers, bosses and others, there is no better time to discuss the various resources Stan State has to offer to its students who may have been a survivor of a crime of that nature.

Some may never be able to understand or comprehend what survivors of sexual assault or domestic violence have been through. However, most can agree that coming forward, or even talking about the subject, is not something that comes easy.

Survivors of sexual assault need to be reminded that if they do choose to say something, there are resources available to them and there are people on and off campus that can help with the healing process. Whatever choice the survivor decides to make, supporters must be educated on the subject and ready to be an ally with the survivor.

Most of the campus' sexual assault prevention is carried out through education, starting with the Title IX "Not Anymore" program. As explained on the Stan State website, the "Not Anymore" program deals with sensitive topics such as consent, difference between healthy and unhealthy relationships, domestic and dating violence, stalking, rape and other forms of sexual assault and harassment.

The main goal of the program is to educate and help make college campuses safer.

"'Not Anymore' is helpful, but I understand it's online, so we always try to supplement that. We have a grant with Haven Women's Center, so they provide us a Haven Educator," Associate Vice President and Coordinator of Title IX Julie Johnson said.

Johnson added that the Haven Educator works closely with Title IX and the Campus Sexual Assault Victims Advocate (CSAVA) to help educate students on sexual assault and prevention.

One of the main reasons survivors feel discouraged when coming forward is because of the fear that their personal information may end up in the hands of someone other than the person who the survivor disclosed to.

CSAVA is one of the few resources available to Stan State students that is completely confidential.

"If somebody comes to me and they do not want to move forward with any charges or anything, they just want resources from Haven, I will not tell anybody," Campus Sexual Assault Victims Advocate Lead Miriam Moreno said. "[Stan State] definitely wants students to know that there's help and resources for them. [They] want to make them feel more comfortable with coming forward,

because we understand how difficult it is to come forward."

Coming forward about sexual assault does not necessarily mean that a victim must press charges or file any sort of documentation—though they can, but it is ultimately the survivor's decision. As Moreno said, there are resources available to those just seeking help with healing or accommodations.

When asked what Title IX does to help survivors of sexual assault, Johnson replied, "We refer them to psychological counseling and to the health center. We provide information about the CSAVA, who is another confidential source."

Johnson added that they offer academic and housing accommodations and assist with any other needs the survivor may have.

"I can refer them to the Stanislaus Family Justice Center or Haven if they need help getting a restraining order. We enforce restraining orders on campus, so if anyone has a restraining order we file it with UPD, so they're aware," Johnson said. "Those are mainly the services that students need."

There are many things that Stan State, Title IX, and the CSAVA have done, and will continue to do, for Stan State students who have ever been affected by sexual assault, harassment, dating and domestic violence, stalking and rape, or people who are simply wanting to become educated on the topic.

These resources all have the same goal: to make students feel comfortable about coming forward, asking questions, and starting an overall conversation about a topic that has been stigmatized and silenced for a long time. Anyone can contribute to changing the environment in which people live in, education may be the first step. ■



Miriam Moreno, Stan State Victim Advocate.
(Signal Photo/Jesus Valdez)

Diversity Center to offer inclusive workshops

by Emiliann Parga



The Diversity Center has fully opened and has many upcoming events for this spring semester, as well as other available resources.

Many workshops will be hosted during this semester that will focus on areas of diversity, such as first-generation college students and DREAMers workshops.

The center is intended to be a space where students can come study, both individually and in groups. There will also be couches and beanbag chairs where students can come to hang out, talk and learn more about the diversity Stan State has on campus.

“Diversity means inclusion and equality regardless of your background. This space is meant to have conversations, events and gatherings that revolve around social justice. And, our organization will utilize the Diversity Center for meetings at the end of the semester,” Mi’Shaye Venerable, (junior, Social Science) President of Black Student Union (BSU), said.

Also provided is a multipurpose room, which is available to clubs and organizations to hold meetings as long as the focus is on social justice issues or about an aspect of diversity.

The multipurpose room offers privacy for meetings or workshops, and also includes a television, whiteboards, a projector and a screen.

Moreover, DREAMers Services is located within the Diversity Center. Their walk-in hours are mostly on Tuesdays 2-3 p.m. There will be student representatives from The Coalition for Humane Immigrant Rights (CHIRLA), the DREAMers Committee and other student advocates.

“The DREAMers committee is excited that the Diversity Center is up and running. They are looking forward to working with the center on programming for DREAMers,” Noelia Gonzalez, Co-chair of the DREAMers Committee, said.

“With DREAMers services we are also trying to do a DREAMers Ally Program and looking to, at some point, bring in immigration lawyers for DREAMers to meet with,” Stephanie Hubbard, current coordinator for the Diversity Center, said.

DREAMers Services will be holding DREAMer Ally training on Feb. 23 from 2-3 p.m. and 3-4 p.m. The first session will be understanding the basics, while the second one will be learning the best tips and practices, as well as other DREAMer workshops.

The Diversity Center is also helping coordinate many events with BSU for Black History Month. For the month of March, events regarding women’s issues will be in the planning. As for April, it will be dedicated to Identity Weeks; for example, DREAMers week will be Apr. 5-9 and Pride week Apr. 16-20.

“I’d love for people to come and be a part of it,” Hubbard said.

President Ellen Junn will also be in the Diversity Center on a monthly basis for this semester. She will be there to listen to the students’ concerns. This will make her more accessible to the students and allow her to interact more personally with them.

To visit the Diversity Center, go to the second floor of Vasche Library room 201. ■



Stephanie Hubbard, current coordinator of the Diversity Center, standing next to a mural that represents social justice, which was done by Housing and Residential Life students. (Signal Photo/Emiliann Parga)

The Diversity Center has been furnished with new chairs and beanbags. (Signal Photo/Emiliann Parga)



Policing the smoking ban

by Jesus Valdez



It has been one semester since the Stan State smoking ban has been in effect. Yet, people are still seen smoking on campus.

According to an article on Stan State's website, "Stan State Going 100 Percent Smoke-and Tobacco-Free on Sept. 1," products containing tobacco are not allowed on campus. Such products may include cigarettes, vape pens and e-cigarettes.

The American NonSmokers' Rights Foundation, (ANRF) stated that many campuses are either becoming smoke or tobacco free because of how various companies are issuing their policies in becoming smoke free. Furthermore, there have been societal views towards smoking that have changed.

ANRF found that there are 2,106 campuses

that have been committed to going 100 percent smoke-free

Kellie Marshall, who is the Smoke-and Tobacco-Free Task Force Chair, explained how the University Police Department (UPD) is involved in policing the ban.

"University Police will not issue citations, but will inform those who smoke or use tobacco products that the campus is a no-tobacco zone," Marshall said.

One of the aspects of Stan State becoming a smoke-and tobacco-free campus is the decrease effects of secondhand smoke that can irritate the lungs of people who have asthma.

Asthma Prevalence in California: A Surveillance Report conducted by the California Department of Public Health said, "[there are] approximately 4 million adults and 1.2 million children in California who have been diagnosed with asthma, and 2.3 million adults and 851,000 children in California who have current asthma."

Brian Marciel (freshman, Computer Science) is affected by asthma and welcomes the ban.

"I think it's a good thing. I'm against all that tobacco use anyway. I have asthma, and if other people are smoking, you're just wanting to murder me is how I see it. Just don't smoke and let's leave it at that please," Marciel said.

According to Marshall, there have been no

incidents involving students or faculty smoking, and there have been no visible smokers throughout campus.

However, there are consequences for people who do not comply with the ban.

"If an individual were to exhibit complete disregard for the policy, the situation will be brought to the attention of Human Resources for employees, or Student Judicial Affairs for students, for disciplinary actions," Marshall said.

Kimberly Gutierrez (senior, Business) related her experience attending the Stockton campus in relation to Stan State.

"When I first started, I was at the Stockton campus, I did notice a few people smoking there but never in my face. Here I notice that not that many people smoke," Gutierrez said.

Gutierrez added that society has seemed to change the way they view smoking, and people have become more aware of the dangers of secondhand smoke.

Marshall offers advice for students who want to know what they can do if they see someone on campus smoking.

"They can kindly ask the person to extinguish their cigarette and give them the address for the campus website, which has information on available resources for quitting," Marshall said.



Illustration by Maggie Lunt

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Carroll. “Obviously it’s a good place to start, but the real issue is teaching people power doesn’t mean [prerogative] always.”

Like Dr. Carroll, Dr. Tamara Sniezek, Department Chair of Sociology and professor of courses such as gender studies and sociology, believes that the campaign is a response to the structural issue of sexual harassment within American society.

Being a mandated reporter for the campus has posed many challenges within her classes where she often hears student’s stories of sexual assault.

“Generally speaking we have had women report being raped, being a victim of domestic violence not just once but repeatedly. These are stories we hear all the time and they are heartbreaking, and it’s just sad, frustrating that we can’t really do anything but say, ‘Okay here’s your referral to the counseling center’ or in some cases where we say call the police,” Dr. Sniezek said.

Dr. Sniezek said she is required to put in her syllabus that she is a mandated reporter, which she is afraid will cause a chilling effect amongst her students.

“What happens typically is that they will miss an assignment, and it’s because they were assaulted. Or, they are starting to fail the class, and it’s because, you know, they have PTSD or some dealing with the after affects, and they have to tell professors what happened to them,” Dr. Sniezek said.

Dr. Nainby also felt that the #metoo campaign has had a great impact on the way in which people view the “complex nature of systems and how they function.” He added that people are more willing to recognize that the structural system of society is flawed in some ways.

One structural issue that Dr. Nainby has faced personally is his experience with the campus Title IX office. He stated that, generally speaking, Title IX offices are very policy oriented, and often move very slowly and cautiously when it comes to investigations of sexual harassment and assault.

“If I’m trying to support a woman on campus who’s been a victim of sexual violence, you want that to be the sort of investigation that moves swiftly because you want her to feel like she can move through a healing process,” said Dr. Nainby. “I’ve also had men confide in me, who were the subjects of investigations as people who were accused of violence, then have communicated to me that they also feel frustrated when the investigation moves slowly.”

He added that federal legislation and Title IX legislation has made quite a significant impact on how public universities act in support of students. “That’s a good thing to have on your side, but it comes with consequences,” Dr. Nainby said.

The institutional response to #metoo

Over the years, Stan State has taken many precautionary measures to prevent sexual harassment and assault from occurring on campus.

According to the Stan State annual security report, there was one instance of dating violence recorded in 2016, two instances of domestic violence in 2016, three instances of stalking in 2016, and zero instances of fondling in 2016. These statistics all reflect the same number of instances there were in 2015. However, there were zero cases of rape reported in 2016, which had decreased from four reported rapes in 2015.

In compliance with Executive Order 1095, Stan State’s Title IX



Photos Courtesy of Dr. Ann Strahm

office stands ready to listen and help any student who has been sexually harassed or assaulted on campus.

Johnson stated that Executive Order 1095 has expanded the current prevention training required of students in order to create a barrier of safety around the campus's learning environment.

Johnson said that every freshman receives a pamphlet with resources available to them should they experience any type of misconduct or harassment. Such resources include the University Police Department (UPD), psychological counseling services and Haven Women's Center.

According to Officer Matt Dillon, UPD handles cases of sexual harassment in "bullet-point" fashion to make sure that all parts of the case are properly reported. He stated that it is a team effort to do those things well.

Sergeant Cheri Silveira stated that UPD accepts the reports of sexual assault or harassment from a reporting party. A report for each instance of reported sexual assault or harassment is filed and kept within UPD's Records Management System.

"Once we take the initial statement, we investigate the crime, make sure the person has contacts to a variety of resources..., and refer them to Title IX, who also assists with helpful resources and does their own investigation," Silveira said in an email. She added that cases of sexual assault are top priority when they are reported to UPD.

Turlock Lead Advocate Joshua Palmer from Haven Women's Center has been helping victims of harassment and assault since July of 2016.

"In the last year we've gotten over 2,500 clients in total, that's including women, men and children... Women are our dominant clientele," Palmer said.

Palmer stated that the Turlock Haven Women's Center has a staff

of about eight to nine people, which allows them to help around 50 or more people per month. The center helps students navigate how to file a restraining order, go through the Title IX process, and helps the victim find the best course of action that would make them the most comfortable.

"We encounter so many people that didn't know that we were here, and so conversations like #metoo can help us advertise our services," said Palmer. "We try to provide what we can, and education is one of our big components, so if there are people that are wanting to know more about domestic violence, sexual assault, human trafficking, we can provide those resources too."

Alexander Aust, Stan State's Residential Life Coordinator, stated that the campus works closely with Haven Women's Center to train resident assistants (RAs) on how to handle situations involving victims of abuse, and has a non-retaliation policy to encourage victims to come forward.

"If someone comes to you and tells you that they've been assaulted, they're confiding in you because they trust you, and your job in that situation is to believe them and support them," Aust said. "I think out of people's good nature they want to fix the problem, but your job isn't to fix the problem. Your job is just to provide support and help. Part of that is believing them and validating that what happened to you is terrible and it was not your fault."

Aust added that "bystander intervention" is an important way to prevent assaults from occurring in the first place.

To receive support and guidance through a case of sexual harassment or assault contact UPD at (209) 667-3114, the Title IX office at (209) 667-3351 or Haven Women's Center at (209) 577-5980.

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College student hacks for Valentine's Day

by Kimberly Fischer



Valentine's Day is one of the most beloved and hated holidays for college students.

After Christmas, most students take a big sigh of relief that the spending is over. However, Valentine's Day is probably one of the most expensive holidays celebrated.

College students have a dilemma when it comes to their Valentine's Day plans; which includes their budget, their work and class schedule. These factors come into consideration when making Valentines plans.

Full-time students who also hold a job must decide what is more important to them; their classes and their job, or spending a day celebrating love. Deanna Orosco (junior, Kinesiology) is experiencing this dilemma.

"Due to my current job I end up working most holidays which can create difficulty in making plans for holidays, so instead of going to a fancy dinner, my boyfriend Hugo and I will be celebrating by getting tacos and having some dessert," Orosco said.

Other students have to attend class or work instead of celebrating the holiday. Kylie Smith (freshman, Business) said she will be celebrating her Valentine's Day at work and then attending class.

"I have class on Valentine's day, so I probably won't be doing anything special. Probably just spend time with my family," Smith said.

While some students decide to spend what little time they have with their significant other to do something nice like get food or dessert, other students like Chanel Anhar (senior, Communication Studies) choose to have a relaxing holiday.

"I do celebrate Valentine's Day with my boyfriend, but we do not make a big deal out of it or go over the top. Typically, we get each other a card, grab something to eat and watch a movie or do something very simple for a date," Anhar said.

"Being a student can interfere with plans if you took Valentine's Day "festivities" seriously, but because I do not, I don't find being a student a burden for that day. I don't find myself limited when buying things for that day because my boyfriend and I always agree to not do much on

that day," Anhar added.

For students who have a limited budget using student discounts are a great way to celebrate the holiday without breaking the bank. Stan State students have two ways to get discounts.

The first is that the Associated Student Incorporated (ASI) has the Warrior Discounter which offers discounts from big businesses around Turlock.

The second is Student+, an app designed by two Stan State Students Nathan Straubinger (senior, Psychology) and Logan Martinez (senior, Business). Student+ has local businesses in downtown Turlock that offer discounts to Warriors who shop using their warrior ID or show the App.

Some students are more inclined to use discounts than others

As a full-time working student Orosco is all for discounts.

"In addition to paying tuition and books I also have to pay rent



Kylie Smith (freshman, Business). Photo courtesy of Kylie Smith.

and bills, so I think student discounts are a great way to save some money on dates while still doing something nice," Orosco said.

While other full-time working students like Smith are less likely to use discounts.

"I personally wouldn't use student discounts if I was going on Valentine's Day, just because I have a job and I don't pay for my tuition so I have money to spend," Smith said.

Other students like Anhar are more situational when it comes to using the discounts.

"If there was an opportunity to use a student discount for an occasion or commodity that you were to partake in anyways, I think it is worth using," Anhar said. ■



Deanna Orosco (junior, Kinesiology) and her boyfriend Hugo Cervantes. Photo courtesy of Deanna Orosco.

Wellness Workshops

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10:30am – 12pm

Student Health Center Conference Room

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Self-compassion involves treating ourselves kindly, like we would a good friend we care about. You will learn ways to stop being so hard on yourself and gain practical skills to help bring self-compassion into your daily life. This workshop will be experiential and full of discussion so be prepared to participate!

Presenters: Jennifer Staffero, LCSW

Julia Rosas-Nieto, LMFT

Wednesday February 28, 2018

1:30pm – 3pm

MSR 200

Suicide Prevention Training

QPR (Question, Persuade, Refer) training can help you become an important part of the CSU Stan “safety net” for someone who may be dealing with despair or overwhelming difficulties.

Students who attend this workshop will complete 1.5 hours of training and receive a certificate as a QPR gatekeeper.

Presenter: Dr. Dan Berkow, Director

Thursday, March 1, 2018

1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.

MSR 130

Mindfulness

This workshop will provide helpful information and techniques for developing mindfulness and increasing positive outlook in our lives.

Presenter: Susan Brumm, LPCC

Thursday, March 8, 2018

10:30am - 12:00pm

MSR 130 C

Diversity Awareness and Marginalization: On Campus and Beyond

Presenter: Dan Berkow, Ph.D., Director,

Psychological Counseling Services

Tuesday, March 13th

2:30 pm – 4:00 pm

Diversity Center, 2nd floor in the Library 201

Anxiety and Depression

We all experience anxiety and depression in our lives, sometimes to the point of feeling totally overwhelmed. This workshop will provide useful information and tools, to reduce and manage anxiety and depression.

Presenter: Lee Bettencourt, LCSW

Wednesday, March 14

12:30pm - 2 pm

MSR 200

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The Vista: A new style of student life

by Audrey Thomaston and Isabel Tardif

As soon as you walk into The Vista’s bright and welcoming office, you’re greeted by cheerful employees and a sweet Black Labrador, Modelo. Modelo belongs to Courtney Jurasko, General Manager of Turlock’s off-campus, pet-friendly housing, The Vista.

Jurasko was excited to tell us about her home and place of work. She is passionate about The Vista; they are attuned to the need of college students and they build their practice around it. The Vista offers various lots of amenities, safety features, and a sense of community.

Amenities include the ideal summer set-up: a resort style pool and a modern outdoor living area with BBQ grills, plus student-friendly features such as private study rooms, a computer lab with free printing, and much more. Read more about it at vistaturlock.com.

Safety features at The Vista are extensive, and they include: Emergency call boxes, security cameras, courtesy patrol, gated entry to the property, and keyed entries to get into

residence buildings. The Vista also has emergency text message and email alerts that are sent to students and their parents.

Rosario Cornejo (Junior, Liberal Studies) enjoys the opportunities to socialize in particular.

“I like how they do community events,” Cornejo said. “We meet a lot of new people and the events are really fun.”

Jurasko, too, is both proud of the events as an employee and enjoys them as a resident. Community events can be anything from movie nights, video game tournaments, or ice cream socials.

“A lot of the students have gotten really close here,” Jurasko said.

The Vista empowers residents to feel independent, while understanding the needs of

college students. Their All Inclusive Living setup bundles all of the utility bills, including cable and Internet, into one easy to manage bill. Even better, residents don’t have to worry about bringing their own TV or pitching in to buy a couch; every living room comes fully furnished with a flat screen TV.

The Vista strives to provide a great experience for college students by encouraging a community of peers, providing a learning environment, independence, and safety. The Vista is affordable for students, and they accept financial aid.

For further information, text THEVISTA to 47464 to find out more, or send them a message through Instagram, Facebook, or Snapchat. You may also call The Vista at 209.585.3845 or visit vistaturlock.com. ■



Photo Courtesy of The Vista

February

- 15th** WBB at Cal State LA 5:30pm
MBB at Cal State LA 7:30pm
- 16th** BB vs Chico State 5pm
SBALL vs Cal State East Bay 2pm and 4:30pm
- 17th** BB vs Chico State 12pm
SBALL vs Cal State East Bay 12pm and 2:30pm
WBB at Cal State Dominguez Hills 5:30pm
MBB at Cal State Dominguez Hills 7:30pm
- 18th** WTN vs Modesto JC 11am
WTN vs Mills College 3pm
BB at Chico State 1pm and 4pm
- 22nd** WTRACK at Chico Multi Events TBD
MTRACK at Chico Multi Events TBD
WBB vs Cal State East Bay 5:30pm
MBB vs Cal State East Bay 7:30pm
- 23rd** WTRACK at Chico Multi Events TBD
MTRACK at Chico Multi Events TBD
SBALL at Humboldt State 12pm
BB at San Francisco State 2pm
SBALL at Humboldt State 2:30pm

- 24th** SBALL at Humboldt State 11am
BB at San Francisco State 11am
WTN vs Academy of Art 12p
SBALL at Humboldt State 1:30pm
BB at San Francisco State 2pm
WBB vs Cal State Monterey Bay 5:30pm
MBB vs Cal State Monterey Bay 7:30pm
- 25th** BB at San Francisco State 11am
WTN vs Mills College 12pm
- 26th** MGOLF at East West Bay Area Invitational 8am
- 27th** MGOLF at East West Bay Area Invitational 8am
MBB vs First Round TBD
WBB vs First Round TBD

- 3rd** WBB vs Semi Finals/ Final TBD
MBB vs Semi Finals/ Final TBD
MTRACK vs Kim Duyst Invitational 1:30pm and 10am
WTRACK vs Kim Duyst Invitational TBD
SBALL vs Chico State 12pm
BB vs Sonoma State 2pm
SBALL vs Chico State 2:30pm
BB vs Sonoma State 5pm
- 4th** BB vs Sonoma State 12pm
- 5th** MGOLF at Pioneer Shootout 8am
- 6th** MGOLF at Pioneer Shootout 8am
- 9th** BB at Cal State East Bay 2pm
WITF vs NCAA Indoor Championships TBD
SBALL at San Francisco State at 12pm and 2:30pm
WTN vs Cal State LA 12pm
- 10th** WITF vs NCAA Indoor Championships TBD
BB at Cal State East Bay 11am
SBALL at San Francisco State 12pm
WTN at UC Santa Cruz 12pm
BB at Cal State East Bay 2pm
SBALL at San Francisco State 2:30pm
BB at Cal State East Bay 11am

March

- 2nd** BB vs Sonoma State 6pm
WBB vs Semi Finals/ Final TBD
MBB vs Semi Finals/ Final TBD
MTRACK vs Kim Duyst Invitational TBD
SBALL vs Chico State 4pm and 6:30pm

Stan State Music Department

Spring Concerts

February

- 22nd** Faculty Recital: Dr. David Chapman, Classical Guitar
- 23rd** Sunset Brass Quintet and Mass Brass Performance

- 28th** Stan State Opera Production: Gianni Schicchi

March

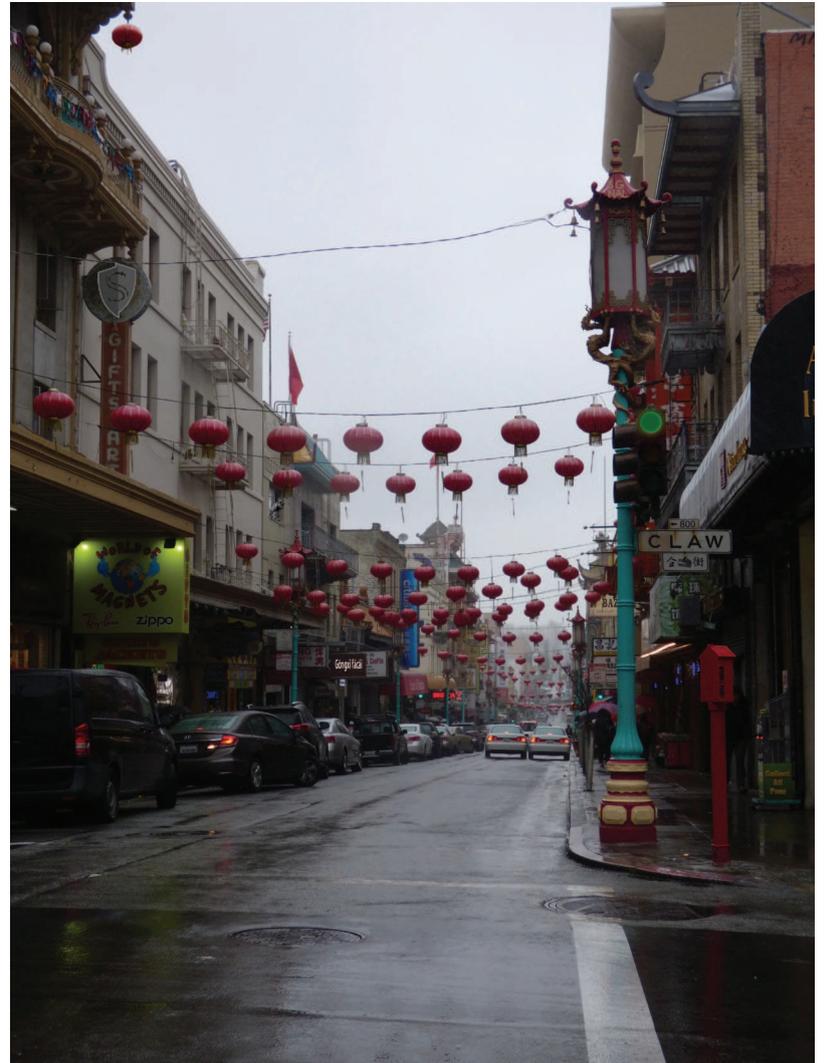
- 1st** Stan State Opera Production: Gianni Schicchi

- 2nd** SSJF: Orrin Evans with Stan State Jazz Ensemble
- 3rd** SSJF: Orrin Evans Trio
- 5th** Guest Artist Recital: Friction String Quartet

CAMPUS REC INTRAMURAL SPORTS

SPORT	REGISTRATION	PLAY BEGINS WEEK OF MONDAY:	TEAM MEETINGS (REQUIRED)
4 vs 4 Volleyball			February 15th
3 vs 3 Archery Tag Tournament	January 29th - February 12th	February 19th	
5 vs 5 Basketball			February 15th
Bagg Toss Special Event	March 5th (Onsite Only)	March 5th	
Tennis-Singles Tournamnet			
3 vs 3 Archery Tag	February 9th - March 5th	March 12th	March 8th
5 vs 5 Futsal			March 8th

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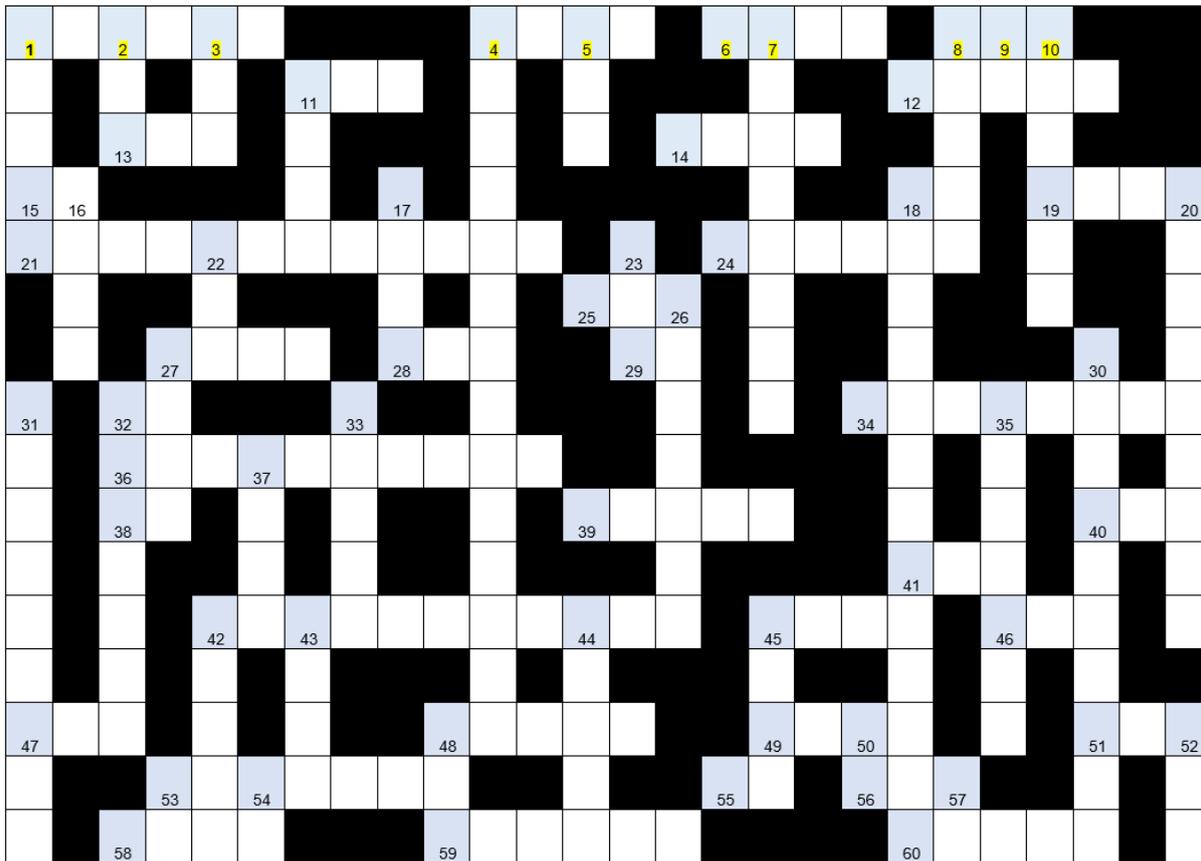
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ACROSS:

- 1. too much pride in one's own appearance
- 4. popular crustacean best served with drawn butter
- 6. "a real ____ in the face"
- 8. worn by babies as well as lobster eaters
- 11. what to do to the lights to create a romantic mood
- 12. the # anti-sexual harassment campaign
- 13. goes well with chips

- 14. "____ for" (desire)
- 15. "pretty ____ a picture"
- 18. their first date was just "____ - so"
- 19. "truth or ____"
- 21. aggregate fruit sold at stand on Monte Vista
- 24. itemized allotment of funds
- 25. Actress who plays Arwen, the half-elven daughter of Elrond
- 27. hate (antonym)
- 28. with Adam, the first Valentines?

- 29. 3.14159.
- 32. "of" in Paris
- 34. it has 28 days
- 36. to be unreasonably in love
- 38. Central Valley's main business (abbrv.)
- 39. what one's heart will do when in love
- 40. teen with lots of black clothes and angst
- 41. gene code
- 42. BE MINE, HUG ME, etc.
- 45. where on-campus residents

- live
- 46. "she loves me, she loves me ____"
- 47. to help
- 48. get up
- 49. how a lion says "I love you"
- 51. "neither this ____ that"
- 53. Valentine's Day sweet, seedy treat: -----fruit
- 55. with 33 down, online dating site
- 56. Warriors "paint the town" this color
- 58. term of affection for mom—or an insult to a stranger
- 59. pokes fun, sometimes as a flirtation
- 60. with 14 across and 16 down, a dozen should do

DOWN:

- 1. documents needed to cross borders
- 2. non-verbal assent
- 3. bottom (antonym)
- 4. Year of the Dog
- 5. fulfill your C1 req. with this class
- 7. conventional structure of communication
- 8. to make stupid with drink (or desire)
- 10. what separates Mexico and the U.S.
- 11. couples go on one on the 14th
- 16. what is studied in Naraghi Hall (acronym)
- 17. not false
- 18. giver of flowers signed "anonymous"
- 20. Logic's 3rd studio album
- 22. to gain the love of another
- 23. what to leave on the restaurant table
- 26. "____ are blue"
- 27. organ full of air
- 30. love note
- 31. traditional Valentine's gift
- 32. concentrated pure carbon
- 33. God of desire
- 35. favorite genre of 33 down
- 37. famous ski resort in Utah and tiny town in NorCal
- 42. best whipped and served on 21 across
- 43. minimally processed crushed cacao beans
- 44. goes higher
- 45. with 31 down, cocoa's "healthy" choice
- 48. nobody wants one of these at the picnic
- 50. Arkansas (abbrv.)
- 52. tear forcibly
- 53. father
- 54. "yes" in La Letra Ñ
- 57. "I ____!" (altar exclamation)

