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# the **d**-brief

## Good Morning!

It's midterms week and your el Don news staff has been hard at work reporting on everything from the future of campus construction to where you can grab a healthy bite to eat near campus.

Our first print issue of the semester dropped on Monday and can be found across campus, but if you can't make it in person we have you covered.

Sergio reported on the RSCCD board of trustees' plans to seek more [funding](#) from taxpayers for needed repairs and renovations, while Carrie covered the recent [gains](#) the district has seen in enrollment.

Lifestyle editor Emily talked to [ceramics](#) students about their feelings on returning to publicly showing their art and Lesly tells us all about [Everytable](#) in the Bristol Marketplace, where you can get some healthy food at affordable prices.

In sports, check out Edgar's [softball](#) recap and Isaac's [baseball](#) coverage and a look at the life of recently passed Dons baseball alumni Micah [Pietila-Wiggs](#).

And for views, Eduardo talks about how social media [desensitizes](#) us to tragedy and the staff ed questions the [priorities](#) of the district's planned bond.

Have a fun-filled and refreshing spring break, SAC fam!

--Carrie Graham  
News Editor, Spring 2022



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# NEWS

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## District eyes another bond

By Sergio Gutierrez

Paint chips away from the exterior wall of 40-year-old portables on a hot, sunny day at Centennial Education Center. An outdated classroom reveals stained walls and an old fan struggling to cool Santa Ana College's non-credit students. From time to time, school officials say the water main breaks, potentially shutting the school down to students entirely. "We're planning for the ...



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## Enrollment bounces back

By Carrie Graham

After losing one in ten full time students during the pandemic, officials say the district has recouped its losses through non-credit and high school programs. According to statewide enrollment data, Santa Ana College had the largest enrollment gains across the top 15 California Community Colleges by size over a three year period. The district has seen the addition of the ...

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# LIFESTYLE

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## Ceramics students are throwing it down

By Emily Hernandez

Isabel Gonzalez crossed the Mexican border when she was only 7 years old. She and her younger brother left everything behind with no parents to guide them. After settling into the American way of life, Isabel's mother cautioned her to not speak of her undocumented status. She told her it was for her protection. Her midterm project this semester speaks ...



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## Everytable opens across the street

By Lesly Ruelas

For the same price as a Big Mac combo, you can walk to the Bristol Marketplace and buy a nutritious alternative that is fresh and more filling. Everytable – an L.A.-based prepared-food company with more than 30 retail locations – carries a variety of breakfast items, salads, wraps, hot plates, and snacks made daily in a Vernon kitchen. The recipes are ...

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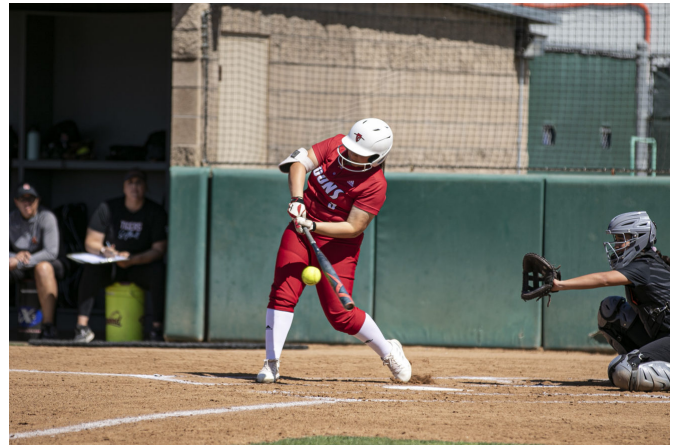
# SPORTS

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# Rolling through undefeated

By Edgar Galvan

With half of the games ending by way of mercy so far this season, the Dons are ranked first and are undefeated in conference play. The Dons have a perfect 10-0 and aren't letting the rest of the Orange Empire Conference catch up. Leading the Dons this year is sophomore pitcher Emily Rosas, who completed 10 shutouts and three no-hitters. ...



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## Mid-season recap: Early success to start the season

By Isaac Hernandez

The Dons are off to a hot start in the season with a current record of 18-5-1. The team currently stands in fourth place in the Orange Empire Conference, with plenty of important games remaining. After two years the team was able to have a full schedule of games in the month of March before the conference started. The team ...

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# Remembering Micah Pietila-Wiggs

By Isaac Hernandez

As a business major, Micah Pietila-Wiggs was beginning the spring semester at San Diego State University. On Jan. 22, 2022, the former Don lost control of his truck and fatally hit a barrier near the US-Mexico border. Known for his hard work and athleticism the Little League superstar was a leadoff hitter for the Dons last season. Previous teammates remember ...



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## The Distraction

In our most recent episode, Miranda talks to students and faculty about mental health on campus.

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# VIEWS

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# New buildings overshadow current ones with repair needs

By el Don News

While SAC is focusing on the newly constructed buildings, it seems as though the old ones are slipping into disrepair in the process. Some students have complained about their programs being hosted in outworn, cramped and potentially hazardous buildings. Concerns of mold, bad smells and other issues are not unreasonable, given that over half of SAC's main buildings are more ...



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# Social media is making us desensitized

By Eduardo Velasquez

The world is on fire but we don't feel the heat anymore. Or at least that's how it feels while doom scrolling on my phone in the middle of the night. With social media playing such a big role in our daily lives, it has become hard to not be aware whenever a major crisis is happening. But I find ...

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