The University Center is in need of several structural improvements, including leaking parts of the roof and burst sewage pipes which have caused a strange smell in the building, according to the chair of the University Center Governance Board.

University Center (UCen) Governance Board Chair Lucy McCray explained that pipes in the UCen are "burst regularly" because they are made of an outdated type of steel no longer used for plumbing.

Improving the UCen will cost approximately $5.5 million dollars, according to documents from UC Santa Barbara Housing, Dining and Auxiliary Enterprises from Jan. 12 this year.

The UCen is very outdated. There’s a lot of aspects of just the infrastructure alone that hasn’t been updated since the building opened in 1966, McCray said.

All of the original sewer cast iron lines need to be replaced, specifically in the central kitchen and bathrooms, according to the documents. The original piping was created in 1996 and has received partial repairs, most recently in Sep. 2016 at a cost of $2,000.

The entire piping would cost approximately $315,000, according to the documents.

McCray said the UCen still has noticed that the smell and students have brought it to the governance board’s attention. He explained that there is currently no way to get rid of the smell.

"If the UCen is rotting from the inside out, it doesn’t make sense to put all this money in something that is still burning. It’s more of a safety hazard more than anything else...we know there’s a lot of leaks in the UCen because of the joints," he added.

Discussion above the HUB and the Information Desk have "several known leaks" that need to be repaired with new waterproofing, according to documents. Approximately 34,500 square feet of the existing roof would need to be replaced as well because it is over 25 years old and has "several known leaks." There is also additional "water intrusion at expansion joints" at Corwin Pavilion and SB Printer.

UCen fee rises with inflation rates

While the UCen ballot petition language was approved by the AS Board, the new fee that was proposed to be voted on was the fee to fund the UCen renovation.

The fee for the proposed ballot initiative, was first proposed by Le in January. Before the 30-year fee was adjusted for the last UCen expansion, voted through in 1994, has not risen from an initial figure of $20.42 from an initial figure of $20.42.

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Not many other student fees at UCSB appear to be affected by inflation. For instance, the fee for the last UCen expansion, voted through in 1994, hasn’t risen from an initial figure of $20.42.

The inflated costs are lower than what real inflation rates will look like over the next 34 years. University economist professor Potency told the Nexus, "There’s an argument that inflation is going to be more like two percent," said Rupert, who also directs the local Economic Forecast Project. "Right now it’s incredibly low, it’s the lowest it’s ever been."

If the UCen renovation, dubbed the "NewCen" initiative, was first proposed by Le in January. It would provide expanded office space to student services like Food Banks, Counseling and Psychological Services and Campus Learning Assistance Services. In addition, a renovated UCen would provide a 24/7 study space and a campus pub.

Despite the drop, the fee will rise with inflation.
Maria Popova - the creative mind behind Brain Pickings, the immensely popular online compendium of treasures spanning art, science, poetry, design, philosophy, history, anthropology and more - in conversation with Pico Iyer.

Popova shares her discoveries online at BrainPickings.org. Join us for a six-figure Twitter following, the site explores how different disciplines illuminate one another to give us some insight into that great question of how to live, and how to live well. Popova has written for The New York Times, The Atlantic, Wired (UK) and Harvard's Nieman Journalism Lab and is a MIT Futures of Entertainment Fellow.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 11

THE RAPE OF RECY TAYLOR

MCC THEATER | 6PM

Recy Taylor, a 24-year-old black mother and sharecropper, was gang raped by six white boys in 1944 Alabama. As was common in Jim Crow South, few women spoke up in fear for their lives. Not Recy Taylor, who bravely identified her rapists. Our film exposes a legacy of physical abuse of black women and reveals Rosa Parks’ intimate role in Recy Taylor’s story. An attempted rape against Parks was but one inspiration for her ongoing work to find justice for countless black women like Taylor. The 1955 bus boycott was an end result, not a beginning.

FRIDAY, APRIL 13

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SATURDAY, APRIL 14

U.S. IMMIGRATION POLICY IN 2018

MCC THEATER | 2PM

Since 2017, the Trump Administration has drastically limited access to American citizenship, be it for refugees seeking to escape violence and start a new life in the United States or young undocumented immigrants brought to this country as children. Julie Rodrigues, state director and senior advisor to U.S. Senator Kamala D. Harris, will survey U.S. immigration policy in 2018 and its impact on notions of citizenship. A former senior public engagement official to President Obama, Rodrigues will also address recent efforts to solve the immigration crisis and conclude with current efforts to resist and organize against the Trump Administration’s deportation force.

This event is co-presented by the Critical Issues in America Series, sponsored by the College of Letters and Science with co-sponsorship from the Office of the Executive Vice Chancellor, the Office of the Associate Vice Chancellor for Diversity and Equity and the Academic Senate.

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Sanya Kamidi
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Reporter

The Isla Vista Community Services District has faced difficulties implementing the motions passed at their Deltopia Town Hall last month as the university and county have denied its requests leading up to the weekend party.

The Community Services District (CSD) held the Town Hall to discuss the structure of the event and address resident concerns regarding parking, law enforcement presence and other factors related to increasing the overall level of safety on the weekend.

The CSD requested that the university forego fencing on El Colegio Road, have Community Service Officers (CSOs) present at the Safety Station near Del Playa Drive and arrange alternative parking for students who live on Del Playa Drive, Sabado Tarde Road and Trigo Road.

While the CSD was able to schedule CSOs to work at the safety station during the day on April 7 — as opposed to their regular night shifts on the weekend — the board was unable to prevent the university from installing fences on El Colegio Road. Their request to the county to use the Solar Lot on Encampado Del Mar as alternative parking was also rejected.

CSD Secretary Spencer Brandt said after identifying that the university was financially responsible for the fencing on El Colegio Road as opposed to the Santa Barbara County, the board put in a request with the university to avoid putting up fencing in response to the request the county to use the Solar Lot on Encampado Del Mar as alternative parking was also rejected.

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"We put in the request and essentially never heard back," Brandt said. "A couple of us, myself included, feel very disheartened by the fact that the university is not willing to listen to a bunch of concerned community members."

University spokesperson Andrea Estrada said fencing had been installed on El Colegio Road despite the motion that the CSD passed.

"In the interest of public safety and traffic concerns, and in consultation with county officials and law enforcement, the decision was made to once again use the fencing during the weekend," Estrada said when asked why the CSD's request was denied.

University Board appointee George Thurlow referenced two incidents in Santa Barbara in which pedestrians were killed in car accidents while walking to explain why the university and UC Santa Barbara Police Department (UCPD) chief of police were adamant about installing the fencing.

"At the end of the discussion, it was concluded that that fence needed to be there, and if it saves one life, then it was worth it," Thurlow said.

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"We've seen a volunteer program just spring up out of nowhere, totally student-led, that really wants to try to dull down the number of people that are interacting with law enforcement, that are being arrested and being cited," Brandt said.

Brandt also spoke about the importance of peer-to-peer relationships between students and CSOs, saying he felt the motion to have CSOs present at the Safety Station during Deltopia was a positive step.

He said he believes it's important for the CSOs to be both the friends of the students that are interacting with law enforcement, that are interacting with law enforcement, that are interacting during events like this, when residents might not feel comfortable approaching law enforcement personnel with critical information.

Plans regarding the creation of alternative parking for residents living on Del Playa Drive, Sabado Tarde Road and Trigo Road were halted after the Santa Barbara County Community Services District rejected the board's request to use the Pardall Solar Parking Lot, Brandt said.

He also said the County was "concerned about the loss of revenue" if the parking lot was used by residents of impacted streets for free.

Thurlow said the board was working with Transportation & Parking Services in order to create alternative parking, particularly with concerns for students who use their cars to get to their jobs.

Originally, it was assumed that only Del Playa Drive and Sabado Road and Trigo Road would have restricted parking. Brandt then found out on April 4 that parking on Trigo Road would also be controlled and that parking would not be permitted within 100 feet of the barricades.

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Millard also could not give an exact number on how many officers will be present during Deltopia, regardless of the weather, during Deltopia, but said "around 60 to 70 officers" out during Deltopia, which "helps to reduce our units if we don't need them then to bring them in if we do need them," McKeard said.

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"Rain or shine we will be staffed because it's easier for us to reduce our units if we don't need them then to bring them in if we do need them," McKeard said.

"This is my first year as a lieutenant for Deltopia," Camarena said, "and the whole thing for me is just making sure that people are safe."

"I can't say that I actually even heard that enforcement was doing this," Millard said.

UCPD and IVFP currently have no plans to adopt the projected level of police presence during Deltopia, regardless of the weather, according to IVFP Deputy Chief Michael Millard.

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A UCSB Summer Experience, as Told by a Gauchos

Hannah Park
Third-year Communication Major

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Deltopia 2018 parking restrictions in Isla Vista may affect you!

No street parking in Isla Vista from 9am on 4/7 until 7am on 4/8 for Del Playa residents (6500, 6600, 6700); Camino Del Sur residents between Del Playa and Trigo; Camino Pescadero residents between Del Playa and Trigo; El Embarcadero residents during Deltopia weekend, including no parties, music, or events; no street parking in Isla Vista for Deltopia festival or event.

Isla Vista Parking

No overnight guest parking is allowed on the UCSB Campus from Friday April 6th through Sunday April 8th.

UCSB Campus Parking

No Overnight Visitor Parking is allowed on the UCSB Campus from Friday April 6th through Sunday April 8th.

Registered UCSB Students with an Annual Night & Weekend parking permit can park in designated lots on campus beginning at 11am on Friday, April 6th (visitor section).

All other campus lots and areas will be closed to public parking.

Note: Fines may vary due to circumstances

- Furnishing alcohol to a minor: $4,070
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- Music that is deemed to be in violation of the festival ordinance (6-70.01) is in effect from Thursday, 4/5 through Monday, 4/9, from 6 p.m. to 7 a.m. the following morning. This ordinance means no live or recorded music can be heard outside your residence. Festival Ordinance violations can run as high as $500 to administrative fines and a misdemeanor on your record. Music will be allowed each day from 7am to 9am as long as it is not loud enough to create crowds in front of the property or is targeting the street. Any property that has music that is deemed to be in violation of this may be evicted. Keep it small, keep it quiet.

PARKING INFORMATION – ISLA VISTA

- On the Residents list below, it is recommended that vehicles are moved off the street in an alternative parking location. Vehicles will not be towed. However, vehicles will not be allowed to enter or exit the area through roadblocks from 7am Saturday 4/7 until 12pm on Sunday 4/8
- 6500-6700 blocks of Del Playa
- 6500 block of El Nido
- Camino del Sur between Del Playa & Trigo
- Camino Pescadero between Del Playa & El Embarcadero
- Camino Majorca between Del Playa and Pispado
- Sabado Tarde Residents on 6500-6700 blocks.

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- The cost for the undergraduate Night & Weekend parking permit is $17.50 plus $10.95 service fee = $28.45. Apply online today! Order online by March 23rd (guaranteed to arrive by the 7th).
- All other campus lots and areas will be closed to public parking.
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- The roadblocks will prevent vehicle access to Del Playa, Sabado and Trigo roads, from 6500 through mid-6800 blocks.

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Abortion Pill Clears Hurdle on Path to Public Universities

Katie Wolf
Staff Writer

New reports confirm the safety of the Mifeprex pill, a hormonal pill used in first-trimester abortions, which could sway legislators on their vote regarding Senate Bill 320.

Senate Bill 320, which is scheduled to go to a vote in the State Assembly this year, will determine whether Mifeprex is allowed for distribution at all California public university Student Health centers, including UC Santa Barbara.

The Government Accountability Office (GAO) was asked to review the FDA’s report in response to concerns raised to Congress about the safety of the drug in light of the 2016 changes, according to Maria Crosse, a director at the GAO’s Health Care Team.

The GAO is a department of the U.S. Congress that examines operations made by the executive branch, which includes the FDA, Crosse explained. The GAO began their research in the report in April of 2017. The Nexus previously reported that the bill was approved by the California Senate in January. If the bill is approved by the Assembly and signed by Governor Jerry Brown, all California public universities will offer the pills by Jan. 1, 2022.

Support for this bill comes largely from the Women’s Foundation and the Tara Health Foundation that, along with other anonymous backers, are fully funding the implementation of SB 320 into public institutions, according to a press release by the Tara Health Foundation and the Women’s Foundation.

“One student has decided to end a pregnancy, they shouldn’t be forced to go off campus to see a provider they don’t know,” Sarah Khan, CEO of the Women’s Foundation of California, said in a press release. The National Academy of Science, Engineering and Medicine (NASEM), a non-partisan council, also released a report on March 19 that confirmed that the Mifeprex pill is safe and effective.

In a study published by NASEM, 96.7 percent of abortions performed by Mifeprex before 63 days of gestation were effective, and 99.1 percent of abortions performed between 64 to 79 days after gestation were effective.

“The study confirms what research has shown for decades—that medication abortion can be safe and effectively provided in a variety of settings,” said Senator Connie Leyva, the author of SB-320. “I urge my colleagues in the Assembly to consider these findings and swiftly pass SB 320.”

These changes, which were implemented in 2016, include a change in the dosage regimen from 600 mg approved in 2000, to 200 mg. The

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Kunal Mehta  
Staff Writer

Losers of three of their past four games, the No. 17 CSUN women's soccer team will play this weekend with a matchup against No. 19 Cal State Northridge in Santa Barbara on Saturday.

Santa Barbara comes into this game with an 11-3 overall, 4-2 conference record, with a loss in their most recent game against No. 7 UC Irvine by a score of 2-0. Sophomore midfielder Sarah Snyder led the way with two goals for the Chos with one coming off of an assist from freshman attacker Zabdiel Bullock. Cal State Northridge, currently 15-3 overall, has been on a hot streak as of late, winning four of its past six games by an average margin of nine goals.

Two key players for ECU during this stretch have been seniors Madeleine Sanchez and Niki Van Vugt. Sanchez leads the Matadors offense with 45 goals, which is the second highest tally in the Big West so far. The attacker has done a great job of sharing the ball as well, notching 38 assists on the season. Van Vugt has been one of the best goalkeepers in the conference so far, actually leading the Big West in saves with 163.

The Matadors are fresh off a heartbreaking loss against No. 14 Long Beach State where they lost in overtime by a score of 18-8. Senior attacker Katelyn Fairchild netted a hat trick, giving her 42 goals on the year while Vugt had 14 saves on the day. UCSB will be looking to overcome the offensive struggles they dealt with over the last two games. They have scored an average of just two goals per contest, far below their season average of nine. In order to regain their momentum, the Gauchos will depend on their successes and failures from the early parts of the season. Although UCSB has had a turbulent season, playing well for the most part throughout the entire season.

Outside of those two, however, Irvine has struggled in doubles play, having a winning record of 8-0 on the season. The Rainbow Warriors have also accumulated losses against teams that they easily handled, losing convincingly earlier this year to both Pacific and UTEP. But with sports — particularly with conference play — comes unpredictability, as Hawaii proved when it asched a conference victory last week against UC Davis to give them a 3-0 conference record.

The Rainbow Warriors' only other victory this year came against Sacramento State, which they easily handled with a 6-0 win. Thus far, Hawaii has only played three true road matches and has split both.

And Hawaii doesn't lack talent on paper. Senior Felix Albert was All-First Team Big West last season. Despite starting the season 1-5, the Antelopes have a chance to start fresh, to build on their successes and failures from the early parts of the season. Most importantly, they now have a chance to have a lasting legacy by winning their fourth straight title.

The Gauchos will take on Hawaii on Friday at 1:30 p.m. at the Rec Cen Courts, and will take those same courts once again for their match against Irvine at Sunday on May 6.
UCSB Hopes to Dominate Big West Challenge Cup

Patrick Hunter  
Staff Writer

The UCSB track & field team will turn its attention to one of the most exciting meets of the season as it participates in the Big West Challenge Cup this upcoming Friday. The Gauchos will face off against meet-host UC Irvine as well as Cal State Fullerton and Long Beach State, where the women's team will look to repeat as champions, while the men's side will try to improve on their third-place finish from last year.

Last weekend, the team sent representatives to both the UCLA Legends and Stanford Invitational.

Several Gauchos posted personal records and season bests but perhaps none were more impressive than senior Patrick Bourke's mile run, which etched him in at No. 10 in the all-time UCSB record books.

After their strongest showing of the season to date, the Gauchos have the necessary momentum to continue their good stretch and make a splash against some fellow Big West competitors.

Despite losing several key contributors from last season's championship effort, the UCSB women's team still has plenty of strong pieces to help them defend their crown.

Senior hurdler Hope Bender has emerged as a budding star in both the 100m and 400m hurdles this season, while senior long jumper Kyla Gode will hope to improve on her season-best jump of 20’ 2 1/2”, a mark that ranks comfortably with the top-20 in the nation this season.

Senior Karla Thayer will make an impressive showing in the throwing field, as one of her recent discus attempts fell just short of 184’ 3”, a distance that would rank comfortably with the top-20 in the nation this season.

Senior decathlete Jeff Lam finished third in last year’s long jump and hopes to leave his mark in several events for the upcoming meet. While all of the athletes will hope to make an impact to help bring home first place, look for senior standouts Hinkle, Ano-Iron and Hampton to leave their marks on the meet and their respective events.

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UCSB is still searching for its first Big West win after being swept by CSUF last weekend. The last time Santa Barbara played UC Davis at La Rue Field, the Gauchos swept the Aggies by a combined total of 16-10.

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When the beat drops on "Pray in Hell" on his latest single, "Goodbye to a Better Version of Me," Mecsey Darko is gushing a hook about putting "money over bitchez on [his] headstone," it's clear that the Zombies are back from the dead again, and they brought their trademark grittiness with them. This will be their sophomore album, and their first didn't quite live up to their expectations. You can blame stale production and verses that didn't know when to end themselves. "Headstones," though, has a syncretized but catchy beat, and even more loses his mind in verses clearly riddled with references to hip-hop greats.

Unknown Mortal Orchestra, Sex & Food: April 6

Ruban Nielsen's brainchild will follow up their critically acclaimed 2015 effort. Multi-Love with Sex & Food, and its singles promise a plethora of psychedelic doctored guitars, vocals and perhaps even the whole band busying around. In "Not in Love We're Just High," Nielsen pretty much uses his voice as a siren and he satirizes it through a hollering, bloated core melody. "American Guilt," however, is a fuzzy, drooping expression of paranoia, flying on the back of a distorted hard rock riff. Here's to hoping the rest of the songs deliver on the visceral tone that the album's title implies and these songs promise.

Thirty Seconds to Mars: America; April 6

Thirty Seconds to Mars decided to come back and this time they're not even pretending to be a rock band. Well, kings. Single "Walk on Water" and "Dangerous Night" sound like Imagine Dragons meets Ed Sheeran and top-40 default sound boards meet Jared Leto's singing voice.

John Prine, The Tree of Forgiveness: April 13

Prine is set to release his 24th studio album. This has been thirteen years since he's released an album of all new material, and The Tree of Forgiveness's singles show that time has been on Prine's mind. "In Summer's End," time goes "I wanna walk through the park in the dark at midnight if I want to." It maintains the persona of a man who has stated that Prince actually worked on the album's title implies and these songs promise. "Make Me Feel" is a groovy bit of dance pop along with their music videos late last January. "Django Jane," on the other hand, is all filth bars and dissonance. Janelle Monae is beyond crushing the competition at this point.

Courtney Barnett, Tell Me How You Really Feel: May 18

Following up her collaborative album with Kurt Vile that came out last year, Courtney Barnett is set to release her second solo studio album this May. Lead single "Nameless, Faceless" sports more dozing lyrics and louder guitars than is usual for Barnett. The chorus goes "I wanna walk through the park in the dark at midnight if I want to." "Men are scared of how much sex and glory there is at them! / I wanna walk through the park in the dark at midnight if I want to." and with song titles like "I'm Not Your Halloween" and as always with Barnett, she brings her trademark grittiness with her. "Doubt and a General Lack of Self Confidence," I have no doubt that it is a masterclass of the rated-R superhero film. If "Deadpool" is a bad actor's origin story, "The Incredibles" is a superhero replacement with Ron Howard. I am torn with this film: Despite its production issues, I hope it will be a cruel stain on his memory. That's just me. I am excited to see what the Brad Bird sequel will be. I hope it will be a riotous affair.

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No, there's not really a point to this little essay. I've just been trying to write that with a straight face, but I'll just be blunt. I think this movie just plays a scientist who's befriended a silverback gorilla named George. George, an animal that's been trained to fight off two more mutated animals: a crocodile and a shark.

Frankie Cosmos, Apathy: May 18

The advent of Frankie Cosmos awakened when Cosmos, lesser known as Greta Kline, sought an alternative way to express her archetypal dreams. Her most recent album, "Apathy," is replete with personal, poetic lyrics. In an interview with "The FADER," she says, "For a long time, being in a band was on my mind. I was on this journey of discovering myself and what I want to do, and I think that journey is never ending. But I didn't want to be buried under the weight of it. Now, I just want to make the music that I want to make."

Young Fathers, "Holy Ghost"

Adele's official music video for the Scottish band's "Gospel," was released on April 27. The song's title comes from a religious reference, "Holy Ghost." The video shows Adele performing in a church setting, surrounded by various religious symbols.

Azizi Gibson, "Electric Life"

"Electric Life" is the second song in Azizi Gibson's short EP, "Electric," which was released in January 2015. The song features a soft, jazz-inflected beat and Gibson's signature spoken word delivery. The lyrics explore themes of love, desire, and the power of电 (electricity).

"Avesteros: Infinity War"

In the world of "Avesteros: Infinity War," a group of friends embarks on a dangerous mission to save the planet from certain doom. They face numerous challenges, including battling against powerful enemies and deciphering complex codes. The story is set in a futuristic world where technology and magic coexist.

"Eat the Elephant"

The opening track of Janelle Monae's latest album, "Eat the Elephant," is a powerful statement of agency and empowerment. The lyrics explore themes of self-love, self-acceptance, and the importance of embracing one's true self.

"Jurassic World: Fallen Kingdom"

"Jurassic World: Fallen Kingdom" is a sequel to the popular "Jurassic Park" franchise. The film explores themes of corporate greed, environmental destruction, and the ethical implications of playing God with the natural world.

"Rampage"

"Rampage" is a science fiction action film based on the video game franchise of the same name. The story revolves around a character who must team up with fellow heroes to save the world from a global threat.

"The Incredibles 2"

"The Incredibles 2" is the sequel to the 2004 animated film "The Incredibles." The story follows the Parr family as they continue to balance their super-powered lives with normal life, facing new challenges and threats.

"Sola: A Star Wars Story"

"Sola: A Star Wars Story" is a fan-made project that explores the backstory of a character named Sola. The story is set in the Star Wars universe and delves into Sola's past and her relationship with the main characters.

"The Commitments"

"The Commitments" is a musical film about a group of friends who form a makeshift musical act in 1990s Dublin. The film explores themes of friendship, ambition, and the power of music to bring people together.

"A Perfect Circle, Eat the Elephant"

"A Perfect Circle, Eat the Elephant" is a tribute to the heavy metal band Alice in Chains. The song's lyrics explore themes of grief, loss, and redemption, and feature a powerful vocal performance by David Del Rio.
Cowabunga! 10 Things to Do if It Rains During Deltopia

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The weather forecasts are out, and let's just say that the future isn't looking too bright — literally. This Saturday, on the most legendary day of the year, it might rain. Come drizzle or drought, you need to be ready. Make like Game of Thrones because spring may be here, but winter is coming.

1. Eat Three Cartons of Halo Top
You dieted all spring break for this? How dare it rain on the one day you picked your outfit for three months ago. But let's not go too crazy here. Keep it ~low-cal~ because even with a raincoat on, dayger season is still around the corner.

2. Break Out the Mimosas
Who said this carefully crafted beverage should go to waste just because the sun won't come out? Mimosas are good any day, rain or shine.

3. Buy Out the Local Supply of Rain Ponchos
Only give them to your friends to ensure that your Deltopia is better than everyone else's, all things considered.

4. Raid Freebirds
Today of all days is when we spare all expense and opt for the guac, even though it does, in fact, cost extra.

5. Wish People a "Happy Birthday" on Facebook
Is this still a thing?

6. Binge Watch "Harry Potter"
Let's be honest, this has been on the bucket list for quite some time now. But, like the bucket item, you won't do this. Not today or any day. No one should take 19 hours and 38 minutes of the wizarding world in a row.

7. Check Your Stock
If your grandparents didn't invest in stock in your name when you graduated high school, then I don't believe you, and you should call them to double check. Does anyone know what they invested in? No. Do you know how it's doing? Definitely not. For all of our purposes, it's just another iPhone app taking up storage.

8. While You're at It, Check Out Apps You Never Use
Did you know that your iPhone has a compass on it? Or that you can use your phone to check your heart rate? And, most importantly, when was the last time you looked at iTunes?

9. Call Your Mom
She misses you.

10. Go out Anyway
Come on, party people! Where's that Isla Vista charisma? Deltopia is happening whether you're there or not. So stop complaining about the rain and make your own good time!

Gia Capital is a fourth-year sociology major who wants you to call your mom instead of going to Deltopia.

In his never-ending quest to woo the ladies, Your Upstairs Neighbor Bryan has recently picked up the guitar. Fancying himself as a white, fratty Carlos Santana, Bryan took to the internet to teach himself "Maria Maria." However, upon realizing the advanced skill required to execute the song, Bryan switched to a simpler melody, opting instead for ultimate banger: "Allstar."

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Since diving headfirst into YouTube tutorials, Bryan has quickly expanded his repertoire.

"Yeah, we've definitely banned Bryan from playing 'Hotel California,'" Bill clemmons, Bryan's roommate said. Downstairs neighbors Caroline Booth and Lauren Vance agreed.

"Honestly, I was pretty into Bryan until I went back to his place," said a partner of Bryan's who wished to remain anonymous. "Like, everything was going really well until he whipped out his guitar and played a shitty rendition of 'Wonderwall.'"

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Speaking to the Nexus from his twin mattress on the floor of his room, Bryan said, "This guitar is an extension of myself. I'm an artist, I'm not gonna let my haters stop me from doing me."

When asked if playing the guitar has increased his sexual activity, Bryan declined to comment.

Hannah Jackson is really tired of hearing acoustic covers of "Bohemian Rhapsody" on repeat.
**ON THE MENU**

*I Scream! You Scream! We All Scream For Choppa Ice Cream!*

Choppa Ice Cream opened its doors in Goleta this past weekend. Welcoming residents with a buy-one-get-one-half-off deal for its soft opening, the shop is located in Hollister Village by Pickles and Swiss. Serving up Thai rolled ice cream, Choppa is setting itself apart from the typical run-of-the-mill soft serve and frozen yogurt.

There’s no doubt in my mind that I will be back; Choppa Ice Cream already holds a place in my heart, and I’m sure the same will soon be true for others. With temperatures set to rise in the coming week, Choppa is sure to be brimming with customers longing for a sweet treat. Whether you’re just starting to drink coffee or just looking to add something new to your morning routine, it’s important to know what type of coffee you’re drinking because caffeine levels and coffee flavors depend on which type of coffee roasts you’re buying. There are many other factors that contribute to how it tastes, like the origins of the coffee beans, the processing method and the brewing method, but it’s definitely good to know what type of coffee roasts you to better plan your day. It’s suggested to start your morning off with a lighter roast, drink a medium roast during lunchtime and enjoy your day with a dark roast paired with dinner. So now that you have this knowledge, be sure to get the full coffee experience, and maybe you’ll appreciate coffee as something more than just a means to get through the day.

**CHOICE COLUMN**

*Winnie Lam*

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You walk into your go-to coffee spot excited to try something new. Maybe today you’ll order something other than the usual vanilla latte to get your morning started. But one look at the complicated menu covered with words like “half city roast” and “continental roast” overwhelms you to the max. Trust me, I’ve been there. Choosing between all these roasts of coffee can be kind of intimidating, and it probably seems unnecessary if you’re just looking for something to keep you awake through lecture. But if you are looking to try something new, here’s a simple guide on the different types of coffee roasts you need to know to expand your horizon of coffee knowledge!

Before we dive in, let’s talk about the roasting process itself and why it’s important. Coffee beans are normally in a green state, and roasting them brings out the coffee aroma and taste in the bean. Roasting is a process in which coffee beans are rapidly brought to very high temperatures that cause the oil and moisture from the coffee bean to come out, then the rapidity brought to very high temperatures that causes the oil and moisture from the coffee bean to come out, then the beans are quickly cooled, resulting in a crunchy texture that can be brewed. The coffee roasting process can take as little as half a minute to as long as half an hour, depending on the level of roast. The temperature at which the beans are roasted at also varies from 350°F to 485°F, depending on the level of roast. This process is extremely important to get a diverse range of different caffeine levels and flavors in coffee.

**LIGHT ROAST**

Light roast coffee is light brown in color and is generally associated with milder coffee beverages. Contrary to popular belief, light roasts actually have a slightly higher caffeine level than dark roasts! They are roasted at a lower temperature (350°F – 400°F) compared to the rest, resulting in high acidity levels, which give it an earthy flavor.

**MEDIUM ROAST**

Medium roasts are stronger and browner in color than light roasts because they are roasted in slightly higher temperatures (410°F – 430°F). Medium roasts have virtually no acidity to them. These roasts are roasted in a higher temperature (about 435°F – 445°F), bringing the oil to the surface of the beans. The beans are a dark brown color and the flavor is bitter sweet. Medium-dark roasts have virtually no acidity to them.

**FULL CITY ROAST • DINNER ROAST • VIENNA ROAST**

These roasts are roasted in a higher temperature (about 455°F – 485°F) have a shiny surface because of all the oil and have the darkest brown color. They also contain the lowest amount of caffeine and taste the most smoky and bitter.

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Grey Sharks’ Unusual Contribution to Reef Environments

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The balance in any ecosystem comes from the organisms inhabiting that community, and the Palmyra Atoll is no different.

A study led by scientists from Imperial College London in collaboration with marine biologists from UC Santa Barbara found that predatory grey reef sharks are vital nutrient transports to other shallow reef ecosystems. The researchers specifically examined the role of grey reef sharks, Carcharhinus amblyrhynchos, a predatory species commonly associated with coral reefs but whose ecological role has long been debated.

"Our study shows that large mobile predators such as sharks may be a very important source of nutrients for even the smallest reef ecosystems, such as corals," co-author Jennifer Caselle, a research biologist at UCSC's Marine Science Institute, said. "The role of sharks as top predators is well understood, but their role as nutrient vectors is far less studied."

Palmaya Atoll is a remote, relatively undisturbed coral reef ecosystem, and is part of a U.S. National Wildlife Refuge within the central Pacific Ocean. Because of its protected status, Palmaya has a healthy predator population, with grey reef sharks being the most abundant predator on the fore-reefs.

The grey reef shark population at Palmaya is at carrying capacity and may play a significant role in the transportation and flow of nutrients in the reef and throughout the atoll. Grey reef sharks are often detected on drop-off habitats but on occasion are detected within lagoons.

"These research findings have implications for understanding the role of mobile species that transport nutrients between habitats have the potential to impact new primary productivity and contribute to the modification of the physical environment. How mobile marine predators such as sharks facilitate this nutrient transport, how much they contribute and how this is subsequently distributed across shallow, productive reef habitats remains unexplored," Caselle said.

The researchers analyzed tracking data as a spatial network of movements and were able, for the first time, to estimate the quantities of nutrients deposited around the remote, undisturbed reef of Palmaya Atoll via the sharks’ fecal material. Results estimate that this specific population of grey reef sharks, believed to number approximately 8,300 individual animals, contributes a combined total of 94.5 kg, or 208.3 pounds, of nitrogen to the reef ecosystem per day, an amount that likely contributes substantially to reef primary productivity.

"Coupled with their better-known role as predators, our study underlines another, less obvious role played by reef sharks in improving the resilience of these fragile habitats and underscores the vital importance of conserving these and other wide-ranging predators," Caselle and co-author David Jacoby of the Zoological Society of London's Institute of Zoology said.

The study extends the understanding of grey reef sharks' movements across various reef systems which is crucial for developing effective conservation approaches and species vulnerability assessments. It was recently classified as "near threatened" by the International Union for the Conservation of Nature Red List.
Ole Gaucho’s Gotta Go

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“How [mapache] is not the mascot we need, but the one we deserve.

These are the words of Mario Infante, a man on a mission for change. Despite starting roughly two weeks ago as a joke, the mapache has quickly blossomed into a movement. Be it our current political climate, or our ongoing examination and appreciation of our own histories, it’s clear that we’ve crossed the Rubicon and must all strive to do better.

In 1936, a student-led effort to change the mascot that Infante suggested. As such, it is without question that the mapache is of worth to students excitedly took the mapache moniker with pride. As such, it is without question that the mapache is of worth to us all. No, all that Ole personally aspires to be in Gaucho Joe and the Phantom of the Dome.

Lastly, the icing on the cake comes from Ole’s implication of immigration status, as Ole refuses to state his date of birth, as it’s on the IRS to find out. Such implications are distasteful and insensitive, especially with the uncertain futures many undocumented immigrants face in our current political climate.

Aside from simply redressing Ole to resemble a true gaucho, to negate this whole matter, we could try to do something new. Retire the old gaucho and let the Mapache take the stage.

Racoon’s have an important part of Isla Vista’s culture, myths and history. Be it their daily interactions with our roofs, streets or the trash cans, the infamous trash bandits can be found foraging for their next meal or just having fun. Like UCSB students, the furry critters are creatures of honor, nobility and cleverness.

While in droves, they are akin to the swaths of students that wander back and forth through campus each day. In legends, the albino raccoon wanders through the streets of LV, and it’s said to be the spirit of UCSB. So much so that some students believe the campus is haunted by a spirit that I didn’t know UCSB students to. For reasons unknown, the mapache just seems to connect with UCSB students.

What’s more, the mapache just seems to be the mascot students. Taking a look at UCSB’s meme page, you’d be hard pressed to find many posts that doesn’t have some mention of the mapache. From just the few alone, the use of mapache has skyrocketed on both Facebook and Google’s search engine. Even further, the mere mention of the mapache to a group of UCSB students excites them. For reasons unknown, the mapache just seems to connect with UCSB students.

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An article from the Daily Nexus predecessor in which Gauchos of yore discuss the mascot name change and other historically significant university events.

First, we learn that Ole dawns his mask as a reference to the “Phantom of the Dome,” a masked man that rid UCSC sports crowds during the ’90s, and not as a reference to any kind of gaucho. Next, Ole dows his look to Fairbanks’ character, nor any actual gaucho at all. No, all that Ole personally aspires to be in Gaucho Joe and the Phantom of the Dome.

The “With the Winds” blowing over the campus, many changes have taken place since the last summer session.

The opening season of 1934 found the school’s name changed from the Roadrunners to El Gauchito, the Argentine cowboy in the past of the raging wind was the passage of Ole. And is said to be an omen of light and life. What’s more, the mapache just seems to connect with UCSB students. Taking a look at UCSB’s meme page, you’d be hard pressed to find many posts that doesn’t have some mention of the mapache. From just the few alone, the use of mapache has skyrocketed on both Facebook and Google’s search engine. Even further, the mere mention of the mapache to a group of UCSB students excites them. For reasons unknown, the mapache just seems to connect with UCSB students.

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Moreover, the adoption of the Mapache doesn’t mark the end of any of UCSB’s time-honored traditions. If anything, this would seem to be the beginning.

For example, tortilla throwing, a cherished UCSB tradition, offers no sense from a gaucho’s point of view, (why waste foliage) which does it from a mapache’s. Throwing of the tortillas means more food for our beloved trash pandas. Likewise, the chants that UCSB student stammers don’t have to end either. Substituting “Mapache” in place of “Gaucho” seems to have little to no effect on either the meaning or the chant.

Taking things from a logistics perspective, the tradition could happen easily, and swiftly.

From petitions, to designs, to excitement, the mapache wholeheartedly enchanted everything that is the fighting spirit of UCSB. So much so that some students excitedly took the mapache moniker with pride. As such, it is without question that the mapache is of worth to champion UCSB and its students.

Keali‘ō Kalani Akita wants our favorite furry friends to be elevated to the mascot status they deserve.