

A.S. Executive Office: 2017-18 Term in Review

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As the current Associated Students elected officials' terms are coming to a close, the *Nexus* has asked our current executives to look back on the past year and their time in A.S. They reflected on the challenges posed by natural disasters, their proudest moments in office and their hopes for the future.

Hieu Le, the A.S. president, was responsible for addressing student needs, overseeing the executive department and acting as a representative of A.S. on a federal, statewide and local level.

Jasmine Sandhu, the internal vice president, was tasked with advising the president and senate about university affairs and being an intermediary between A.S. and campus organizations.

Batsheva Labowe-Stoll, the external vice

president for local affairs, acted as an advisor to the senate and A.S. president about local issues, and managed local Isla Vista and Santa Barbara County matters that have an effect on students.

Kristin Hsu, the external vice president for statewide affairs, was mandated to be a representative of A.S. in the University of California Students' Association (UCSA) and the United States Students' Association (USSA) and in other statewide affairs.

Jack Tannenbaum, the student advocate general, was expected to act as a nonpartisan official and help educate students about university policies and their rights on campus.

Though each elected official faced different challenges and had different aspirations, they all looked back on their term with pride in their work and optimism for the future.



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Clean surf in the AM



THIS WEEK'S UP & COMING



SATURDAY, MAY 19

AGING: THE LIFELONG PROCESS THAT UNITES US ALL

CAMPBELL HALL | 3PM

Santa Barbara is the place we call home. We want to celebrate it, nourish it and, above all, see it thrive through engaged citizens and productive dialogue. This town hall is an opportunity to hear from specialists, ask questions and participate in a public conversation about a community issue. Why is society's view of aging so grim when the lived reality is so different? Anti-ageism activist and author Ashton Applewhite declares that it's time for age pride. A leading voice in an emerging movement dedicated to dismantling ageism, Applewhite was named PBS Next Avenue's 2016 Influencer of the Year and has been recognized by *The New York Times*, NPR and the American Society on Aging as an expert on ageism.

SUNDAY, MAY 20

EXTRAVAGANZA 2018

HARDER STADIUM | 1PM

Extravaganza is an annual free campus music festival held at the University of California, Santa Barbara that began in 1979 and has been held every year since 1989. It takes place toward the end of the Spring quarter and is planned, promoted and run by the Associated Students Program Board, part of the Associated Students of UCSB. From Drake in 2010 to Chance the Rapper in 2014, the free event has hosted a ubiquity of today's biggest musical acts. Last year, ScHoolboy Q headlined the festival with Thundercat, Tinashe, GRiZ and Twin Peaks performing preceding sets. This year, taking the stage before Dillon Francis this Sunday will be Charli XCX, DRAM and Coast Modern.



WEDNESDAY, MAY 23

HONOR AND DUTY: THE MISSISSIPPI DELTA CHINESE

MCC THEATER | 6PM

This film tells the story of the early Chinese immigrants to the Mississippi Delta during the 19th century. It explores how the community steadily grew in the early part of the 20th century, as Chinese families across the Delta opened grocery stores that served both the black and white populations. The film's importance arises not only from its focus on an almost unknown Chinese community in the heart of the Deep South, but also from what it reveals about the immigrant experience in America.



FRIDAY, MAY 18

IMPROVABILITY: THE APOCALYPSE

8PM EMBARCADERO HALL | \$3

MAGIC LANTERN FILMS:



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7PM & 10PM IV THEATER
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2 years experience is helpful and wine knowledge is a plus
A genuine well caring attitude a must, with great communication skills
a great team player, and ability to succeed in a

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THE SAMURAI OF PUZZLES By The Mepham Group

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SOLUTION TO FRIDAY'S PUZZLE

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Complete the grid so each row, column and 3-by-3 box (in bold borders) contains every digit, 1 to 9. For strategies on how to solve Sudoku, visit www.sudoku.org.uk

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ACROSS

- 1 Stands
- 7 Load in a basket
- 11 Label
- 14 Busts
- 15 Potent introduction?
- 16 Nabokov novel
- 17 Source of mints, at times
- 19 With "on" and 59-Across, a hint to the theme hidden in three places in this puzzle
- 20 7-Across destination, eventually
- 21 New York City's ___ River
- 22 Chowderhead
- 23 They often accompany stretches
- 25 "I Loves You, Porgy" and others
- 26 House on TV, e.g.
- 30 Poker star Hansen
- 31 River from the Cantabrian Mountains
- 32 Invasion leaders of the '60s
- 39 It prohibits illegal search and seizure
- 41 The recent past
- 42 Huit + trois
- 43 ___-Aztec languages
- 44 Buyer, in legal usage
- 46 Love
- 49 Roundup need
- 52 Zoom
- 53 Sub
- 54 Once and again
- 59 See 19-Across
- 60 Subject of a 1922 archaeological discovery
- 62 Santa ___ winds
- 63 One who often doesn't pick up?
- 64 Some chickens
- 65 Craving
- 66 Show closers, perhaps
- 67 Balmoral attraction

DOWN

- 1 Start of a tots' song
- 2 1922 physics Nobel
- 3 "___, old chap!"
- 4 Taj Mahal topper
- 5 Developmental stage
- 6 Prescott-to-Tempe dir.
- 7 Smith attendee
- 8 Round up
- 9 Hissy fit
- 10 Went underground
- 11 Attraction near U.S. 395
- 12 Go with the flow
- 13 Jenga and jacks
- 18 Remote letters
- 22 Broom alternative
- 24 Prefix with -pod
- 25 Pair
- 26 Challenge
- 27 Clarinet cousin
- 28 French vineyards
- 29 Agony
- 30 Blues and others
- 33 It's cut and dried
- 34 Morph ending
- 35 Emmy-winning Arthur
- 36 Provided temporarily

- 37 Auto designer Ferrari
- 38 Prank ending
- 40 Head of Québec
- 45 Lepidopterous opponent of Godzilla
- 46 Orderly grouping
- 47 "Tell It to My Heart" singer Taylor
- 48 Expanse with crests
- 49 Reveal

- 50 Most Syrians
- 51 Cain was the first
- 53 Dance with flowing gestures
- 55 Distance
- 56 "___ a man with seven wives"
- 57 Forearm exercise
- 58 Start of Massachusetts' motto
- 60 Medicine amt.
- 61 "Original, crispy or grilled?" co.

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE:

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Former A.S. President Hieu Le Reflects on His Time in Office

Evelyn Spence
County News Editor

Despite the volatile nature of UC Santa Barbara's 2017-2018 school year – which included two natural disasters – soon-to-be former A.S. President Hieu Le said it was “everything [he] expected it to be.”

“I know it was going to be challenging,” Le said in an interview with the *Nexus*. “But I know what I signed up for and I'm proud. I would do it again if I could.”

Le, who ran with Campus United during 2017 Spring Quarter elections, was elected over his Isla Vista Party opponent Nawar Nemeh and became UCSB's first transfer student president.

“I think having someone who isn't shy to stray away from conventional norms was a very positive thing in terms of being a transfer,” Le said. “I think having a fresh, innovative perspective [is good] as someone who hasn't been bogged down by the politics of A.S.”

He ran on a platform of lowering student fees, “reclaiming” higher education by focusing on college affordability, creating student-owned businesses and “opening up” A.S. to historically marginalized communities.

Throughout the one-year term of his presidency, he was effective in tackling issues involving sexual assault, addressing college affordability and opening up A.S.; however, he fell short on creating student businesses and working to lower student fees.

Le addressed his first platform item, tackling college affordability, in part due to his work as a delegate within the California Democratic Party.

“Being a delegate to the California Democratic Party put me in a unique position to address [college affordability] first hand,” Le said.

Le said the position allowed him and UCSB Lobby Corps to successfully address college affordability, particularly food insecurity.

“We had brought forth the concept of food insecurity, which at that time was kind of a new concept, and we had told [Monique Limon] that 48 percent of UCSB students were food insecure,” he said. “Subsequently, after her term began in 2017... she introduced legislation on our behalf.”

He explained the bill “ended up becoming multiple different things” but eventually Assembly Bill 451, which was adopted into the state budget, resulted in \$3.5 million in state funds that would be used to address food insecurity system wide.

UCSB received \$250,000 of that money, according to Le.

He explained that the Democratic Party adopted “the most progressive party platform in the country,” which included having tuition-free colleges.

“I was proud and fortunate to be a co-sponsor for that resolution,” Le said.

Additionally, Le said he and Lobby Corps lobbied against the proposed UC Regents tuition hikes, when the regents proposed another tuition increase.

Since the year 2000, 90,000 students have been enrolled systemwide, but UC still receives the same level of funding, according to the UC website.

In mid-march, the Regents raised out-of-state tuition and postponed the vote on in-state tuition. The Regents will vote on whether or not to raise in-state tuition later this month.

While not an item on his platform, Le said he is proud of “protecting the health and safety of students” during the Thomas Fire by asking UCSB Chancellor Henry Yang to delay Fall Quarter final exams.

When the Thomas Fire first hit the Santa Barbara and Ventura Counties during early December, Yang initially said the Fall Quarter would continue as scheduled.

However, following several power outages and “hazardous” air quality, Le “pushed back against faculty who did not want to be inconvenienced” and met with Yang to discuss moving finals.

Le said he sent an email to Yang, asking him to cancel finals and classes, and Yang had responded asking to meet.

“[He] wanted to hear what my consultation was, in terms of what the student body needs,” Le said. “I told him, as I stated in my letter, that classes needed to be canceled, and finals need to be canceled, and that is what happened... I remained firm in my belief in protecting the health and safety of the students.”

Winter Quarter began a week later than initially scheduled and Fall Quarter finals took place the week of January 8.

“Having test anxiety ... in addition to horrible conditions, no student should ever go to school when it was that unsafe,” Le said.

On women's issues, particularly regarding sexual assault, the A.S. President's office was involved in the creation of a UC-wide Title IX student advisory board, according to Le.

The board is composed of one undergraduate student and one graduate student from each UC.

Le said he, UC Title IX coordinator Kathleen Salvaty, UC Los Angeles student body president Arielle Mokhtarzadeh and several staff members from



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the UC Title IX office worked so students could have an opportunity for “real, substantial change.”

“[We wanted] to be able to address many of the dangerous things that were happening federally, especially with the Title IX rollbacks from the Obama-era guidelines,” Le said.

Salvaty later resigned in part due to the daily commute of the job and the board is currently working on potential amendments to the UC system-wide policy.

While Le succeeded in several items on his platform, he failed to lower student fees and worked to raise them during Spring Quarter with the “NewCen” project.

The project, which involved an innovation lab, renovated food bank and a drastic remodel of the University Center, would have eventually increased student fees by close to \$100 a quarter, a number that would rise due to inflation.

It failed with 81.69 percent of students voting no on the A.S. Elections ballot, but not before the project became a source of controversy across campus.

“I wouldn't say there's anything I would have done differently with the NewCen, but I would say that I still stand by my decision to push forth that measure,” Le said.

He said his decision to push for the renovation was “in line with [his] campaign values” because the UCen is a “dying building.”

“It's very shortsighted for students to be paying into a building right now that's dying,” Le said. “The fact that the value of those dollars that would be spent on revitalizing is worth a lot more than what is currently being paid into a building.”

To the point of addressing student-owned business, Le said he was unsuccessful with his promise of student-owned businesses, because this would have been addressed in the failed UCen proposal with the innovation lab.

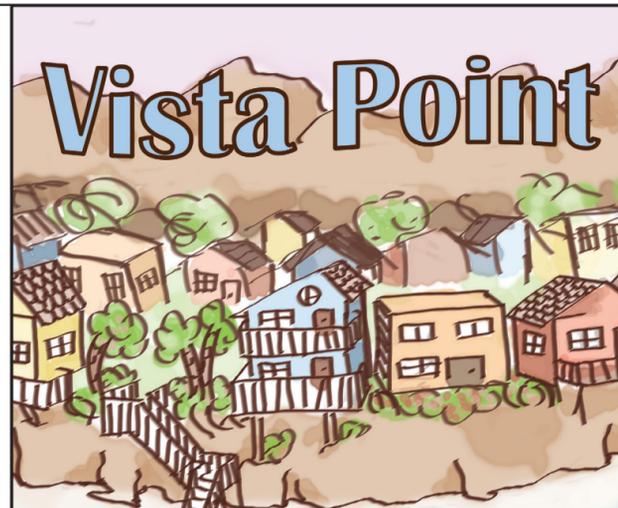
“We formulated a very comprehensive plan... to be able to give students the opportunity to go innovate, start their own business, and take their own ideas to the marketplace,” Le said. “We attempted, and that is just the way that democracy works.”

Le's successor, Campus United candidate Brooke Kopel, won by a narrow margin of 2.04 percent over her opponent Justice Dumlaio, who ran with the Isla Vista Party.

Kopel, a third-year political science and history double major, is currently on the A.S. Senate as a letters and science senator and was the first senate pro-tempore.

Le praised Kopel's capabilities and encouraged her to take time to do the things she loves outside of the job.

“She's gonna do a great job,” Le said. “One piece of advice I would say is try to enjoy your senior year as well.”



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Weekly Goings-On in Isla Vista

Staff Report

WORD UP!

WORD Magazine is holding their annual music and arts festival this Saturday, May 19 from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. at Rincon Brewery in IV. The festival will include live performances from Odd Army at 1 p.m., funk, hip-hop and rock 'n' roll band Backwood Bishops at 1:40 p.m. and indie rock band Frisson at 2:20 p.m. There will also be tie-dye stations, henna artists, face painters and artists from WORD Magazine drawing caricatures. And on top of all that, the event is free!

BEACH BASH

The Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers Student Branch at UCSB is hosting their annual end of the year beach BBQ Saturday from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Goleta Beach. There will be hot dogs and frisbees as students are able to celebrate the school year coming to a close. RSVP on Facebook by noon on Friday, May 18 to attend.

BROS AND BALLADS

UCSB's all male capella group, Brothas from Otha Mothas, are hosting their prom-themed spring concert Saturday from 8 p.m. to 10 p.m. in IV. Theater. They will be performing covers of songs as well as doing a senior dance. Tickets are \$5 at the door or \$4.50 using the link on BFOM's Spring Concert Facebook Page.

EXTRAVAGANZA

One of A.S. Program Board's most anticipated events is happening this Sunday, May 20 from 1 p.m. to 6 p.m. Extravaganza's 2018 lineup includes DJ Dillon Francis as the headliner, Charli XCX, DRAM and Coast Modern. Vendors in the stadium will also be selling food. Stop by the Harder Stadium in Isla Vista this weekend!

FREE FILMS

A.S. Program Board is presenting a free showing of “Game Night” in IV. Theater on Tuesday from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. This hilariously funny and action-packed movie follows a night in the life of Max (Jason Bateman) and Annie (Rachel McAdams), a game-loving couple who get unsuspectingly involved in a real-life mystery they believe to be a part of an intricate game night.

DELTACAKES

If the sound of all-you-can-eat pancakes makes your mouth water, be sure to attend Tri Delta's House of Pancake charity event. On Wednesday, May 23, there will be unlimited pancakes at the Tri Delta chapter house on 6547 Cordoba Road for people who purchase tickets which are \$7 at the door or \$5 for presale. All proceeds will be donated to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital.

Internal Vice President Jasmine Sandhu



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Jasmine Sandhu served as internal vice president during the 2017-2018 term. She primarily focused on the internal processes of A.S., enforcing accountability,

Sanya Kamidi
Social Media Manager
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Labyrinth Editor

While Jasmine Sandhu feels grateful for the opportunities she has had to participate within Associated Students, she said serving as the 2017-18 internal vice president was the most rewarding.

“[The end of my term is] welcomed because I'm exhausted, but it feels great because I'm very proud of the work that I've accomplished,” Sandhu said. “I'm very proud of the work that I helped others accomplish, and I'm incredibly grateful for all the skills that I've gained, the experiences [and] the friends.”

Sandhu was elected to the position of A.S. internal vice president (IVP) during the 2017 Spring Quarter Elections after running with Campus United (CU).

She ran with the intent to streamline A.S. and improve communication between the Boards, Commissions and Units (BCUs) and the A.S. senators.

Before serving as IVP, Sandhu served as a College of Letters & Science senator within A.S. Senate. She also served as a student representative in the Internal Affairs Committee the year before.

Early on in her term, Sandhu said she had to adjust her approach to the position after realizing the weight of her role as a resource to the 25 senators in A.S. as well as her own office staff. This involved connecting senators with the resources they needed and giving them guidance as they worked to pass legislation and accomplish their personal projects and goals.

“I'd say my primary focus was really empowering the senators, and I feel like I did a pretty good job of doing that,” Sandhu said.

When training senators, Sandhu said she focused more on logistics such as legislative procedure and how meetings ran.

During the A.S. Senate retreat, she said she tai-

lored senate trainings to include what was taught in previous years as well as tenets she believed were important to note as well.

Sandhu said some senators mentioned they could have used more direction, but she said it was mostly from those who did not attend the retreat.

“I think that I did a fairly good job,” Sandhu said. “I think they moved into the groove of being in senate faster than I've seen happen in the past.”

IVP is required to plan and attend trainings during their term, such as the Safe Zone/Queer 101 training which must be completed by the sixth week of Fall Quarter, according to the A.S. Legal Code.

Sandhu said in years past, such trainings weren't usually completed by week six due to students still settling into their positions. Sandhu was home very frequently this year and at times needed to postpone the trainings due to personal issues.

“My mom got diagnosed with an illness so I had to be back pretty often,” Sandhu said. “Weekends that worked for me didn't necessarily work for senators, so it was a lot of back and forth, and we just did not get to do that.”

One of Sandhu's goals at the beginning of her term was to increase accountability, specifically by publishing quarterly reports of how student fees were being spent. Sandhu's intent with the quarterly reports, after speaking with her student fee advisory commissioner, was to create a “color-coded, user-friendly” website similar to that of UC Davis's.

However, the plan was halted after she received opposition from the Finance and Business Committee.

Sandhu also expressed pride in the accountability of the senators this year, especially in their work with BCUs, saying that there have been a “lot of positive reviews” unlike in previous years.

She credited her director of the legislative accountability, Greg Katz, as playing an impor-

tant role in her ability to stay updated with the senators.

“He was just a really good director of legislative accountability,” Sandhu said. “He went to their office hours weekly and made sure they were there and talked to them about what they needed and what projects they were working on and how he could help or I could help in any way, and then he would report back to me each week and let me know what they needed from me.”

According to Sandhu, showing respect was an important part of making sure senators were completing their responsibilities and felt comfortable coming to her and Katz for help.

“We weren't here to just say you're not doing your job but rather to make sure they had all the tools necessary to do their job,” Sandhu said.

Regarding any projects she had planned but did not accomplish, Sandhu said she could have worked more on bridging the gap between the student body and A.S.

“Unfortunately most of my attention went to internal processes this year rather than bridging that gap, so I think I wish I could've done that more,” Sandhu said.

One of Sandhu's proudest moments this term was watching senators speak to each other after tense meetings. After one particular meeting wrought with high emotions and heavy subjects, Sandhu noted all the senators were “very sweet” to each other.

“[Senate] has been very toxic in the past, so one thing I wanted to do this year was make sure that they knew they were all working toward the same goal of bettering the campus,” Sandhu said. “I don't know if it was entirely me that went into play, but I think I did a fairly good job of maintaining that atmosphere, and they all took the initiative to continue to maintain that atmosphere.”

Steven Ho, a second-year biology and Asian-American studies double major currently serving as an on-campus senator, will succeed Sandhu as IVP for the 2018-19 academic year.

EVPLA: Batsheva Labowe-Stoll

Simren Verma
University News Editor

When Batsheva Labowe-Stoll was elected external vice president for local affairs, her platform included issues regarding student rights, landlord issues, creating a community court and instituting a new parking system.

While some of these plans fell through, Labowe-Stoll was able to implement other projects and focus her time on being a liaison for UC Santa Barbara in Isla Vista and within the Santa Barbara County.

Labowe-Stoll said she had to put many projects on hold due to "day-to-day" issues in I.V. that frequently arose and required a majority of her attention.

"I had planned out a very different year than what had happened, and it's because I represent students to a living, breathing local community and it's hard to plan when it comes to that, especially in a community so vibrant and alive as Isla Vista," Labowe-Stoll said.

Labowe-Stoll said she was most proud of the Pause campaign and the Pause town hall that occurred at the beginning of Winter Quarter.

The campaign focused on encouraging students to abstain from drug abuse during stressful times and to instead "pause" and try to understand their own mental health as well as their peers, according to Labowe-Stoll.

She is hoping to implement the ideas brought up at the town hall and has already begun that process by working with UCSB Student Affairs and the Vice Chancellor's office.

"I spent a lot of time working on student well-being and mental health just because of the fires and mudslides," Labowe-Stoll said. "That took up a lot of my year, in terms of trying to inform the faculty and staff at UCSB about why it was so difficult for us to go through winter quarter and deal with all of this on top of just the stresses of being a normal student."

Labowe-Stoll also created Adulting 101, a series of classes offered through the External Vice President for Local Affairs (EVPLA) office which are meant to supplement the academic curriculum students are enrolled in.

The classes are meant to teach students important life skills about what it means to be an adult in the "real world."

The first class was held in February and focused on ways to reduce energy bills in order to save money and help with financial situations.

The next class will take place in June and will inform dog owners about vaccinations, training and dog-care basics, according to Labowe-Stoll.

Labowe-Stoll hopes that the Adulting 101 program will continue into next year.

She explained that all of her projects have been funded through funds allocated to her office. A large portion of those funds went toward a project that plans to distribute guides to the community that contain information about various resources in Isla Vista.

"We are distributing guides that have all the resources in Isla Vista, everything from the Pardall office hours to dispatch numbers for the Isla Vista foot patrol, to all 5,000 doors in Isla Vista," Labowe-Stoll said.

The guides have been made and are in the process of being paid for, according to Labowe-Stoll. She said the Isla Vista Tenants Union (IVTU) and the Finance and Business Committee are also funding the project.

The guides will be distributed at the beginning of Fall Quarter 2018.

Labowe-Stoll said the project was meant to be executed during Fall Quarter 2017, but was postponed due to the Thomas Fire. The project was again postponed during the Montecito mudslides in Winter Quarter.

The project was postponed an additional time at the beginning of this quarter as a result of the the A.S. election season and Measure R efforts, according to Labowe-Stoll.

Labowe-Stoll said she represented students by attending meetings held by organizations such as Isla Vista Safe, which are chaired by the district attorney of Santa Barbara County and occur once per quarter.

According to Labowe-Stoll, she also consistently attended Isla Vista Community Network meetings that occur once per month, along with Isla Vista Community Services District (CSD) meetings that occur once every two weeks.

"I pride myself in being the voice of the students. I think EVPLAs have chosen to take on different aspects of their position, but that's one that I really take pride in," Labowe-Stoll said.

Nexus reporters, who attend almost every CSD meeting, reported seeing Labowe-Stoll on an occasional basis.

In an interview with the Nexus, Labowe-Stoll also reflected on Deltopia, which she believes was a success.

"I think that UCIV and the volunteer base that they've cultivated has really helped the process, and I think that being able to help UCIV and the Public Safety Commission with resources and my time has really been valuable to me and to them, too," Labowe-Stoll said.

"I take a lot of pride in the fact that we've been able to really make Deltopia into a much more positive and safe environment," she added. "From my perspective, I think it was definitely a win."

While citation and arrest numbers dropped this year at Deltopia, the number of medical

transports increased.

Labowe-Stoll also said she has been involved with the Measure R campaign and strongly encourages everyone in her office to volunteer their time through canvassing.

"A.S. takes a very different role in this in the sense that we can't outright advocate for or against it because of the constraints that we have, but I try to educate people as much as I can," Labowe-Stoll said. "Obviously I want Measure R to pass very much, I think that it is kind of the final step in the CSD to be able to have this funding to distribute back to the community."

She also provided details as to why certain aspects of her platform were not completed.

Her platform included creating a "Rate My Landlord" website, which would have allowed students to rank and comment on landlords in Isla Vista. She later discovered that there were legal issues regarding students commenting freely on their landlords, as it could lead to lawsuits based on slander.

She also wanted to create a community court, which would have been an I.V. based program that allowed students charged with minor misdemeanors to deal with officials in I.V. instead of being sent to downtown Santa Barbara.

Labowe-Stoll was unable to complete the project and said she "realized how big it was" and how much legal attention it required as she began to speak to Third District Supervisor Joan Hartmann.

"This was something that I was going to work with Joan Hartmann on. We connected on it a lot at the beginning of the year and I think she got busy and it also kind of fell through," Labowe-Stoll said.

Another one of Labowe-Stoll's goals was to institute a parking system where specific parking spots in I.V. could be identified along sidewalks, which would ensure more parking places, but said the project would be postponed until Measure R comes to a vote.

"[Parking] is a CSD power, and it involves a lot of time and money in terms of running surveys and that kind of stuff," Labowe-Stoll said. "When I started working on it in the beginning, they [the CSD] said 'We want to work on it too, obviously it's our power, but we don't have any money, so let's wait for the tax to pass,' so it pretty much depends on the [Measure R] tax."

Labowe-Stoll's platform also included having Hartmann hold regular office hours in Isla Vista, which was successful. Hartmann holds office hours once a month after the Isla Vista Community Network meetings.

"I honestly, truly attempted everything I put on my platform," Labowe-Stoll said.



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Labowe-Stoll's term as external vice president for local affairs was filled with diverse plans for I.V. These plans included a community guide and classes that teach students important skills for adult life.

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EVPSA: Kristen Hsu



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As EVPSA for the 2017-2018 term, Kristin Hsu served as an advocate for students' rights across the state and nation and has worked to bridge the gap between legislators, focusing on fee increases and representation.

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As outgoing external vice president for statewide affairs, Kristin Hsu said the position and all the work that came with it lived up to her expectations.

"I felt like I had a lot of insight coming into office ... I made sure I knew what I was getting myself into," she said.

Her position as UC Santa Barbara's external vice president for statewide affairs (EVPSA) required her to advocate on behalf of the student body to the University of California Regents, UC Office of the President and other partner organizations with Associated Students (A.S.). Hsu told the *Nexus* she believes she successfully addressed all of her campaign platforms during her year in office.

She ran on a platform of advocating to legislators for the "rights, resources, and representation of students across the state and nation."

During her time as EVPSA, Hsu focused on preventing a tuition increase for the 2018-2019 school year that the UC Regents were planning to impose in response to the lack of state funding.

Hsu went on a number of advocacy trips throughout the year to advocate on behalf of UCSB students to encourage the UC Regents to listen to student needs including advocating for bills regarding sexual assault, violence and harassment on campus.

Because of the work Hsu and other student advocates have been doing to prevent this increase, the Regents postponed the vote to raise in-state tuition until the end of May and have instead begun partnering with students to advocate for more funding from the state, Hsu said.

Earlier this month, Hsu, along with UCSB Chancellor Henry T. Yang, A.S. President Hieu Le and other university members went to Sacramento to meet with legislators and lobby for "budget asks and what [A.S.] determines to be priorities."

The group asked legislators for \$140 million to address "deferred maintenance, over enrollment [for the 2017-18 school year] and buying out the tuition increase."

The latter was in response to Governor Brown's proposed budget for the UC, which was

significantly less than the Regents expected.

The results of their efforts will be seen in June when the legislators create a budget for the UC and submit it to the House and Senate.

In addition to lobbying for students, Hsu promised to "advocate for the establishment of a campus-based Middle Class Scholarship for UCSB students as a response to the elimination of the CA Middle Class Scholarship."

Initially, Brown planned to eliminate it, but later decided not to following public and legislative backlash.

Since the scholarship was never eliminated a replacement was not necessary to implement, Hsu said.

Hsu also fulfilled her goal of bringing all candidates running for California Governor to UCSB to speak with students.

Governor Candidate Delaine Eastin visited UCSB on Earth Day, Antonio Villaraigosa will be visiting in a few weeks, and both John Chiang and Gavin Newsom are planning to visit before the June 5 primaries, according to Hsu.

Hsu's final platform item stated she would "collaborate with key state and student organizers to work on a system-wide campaign to reclaim the cost of higher education during the 2018 election." Hsu said she has worked with Reclaim California's Higher Education Coalition throughout the school year to create an informational video, released in October, that explains how people of all backgrounds can achieve higher education.

"In some shape or form I have responded to all my platform points," Hsu said.

Hsu said she is most proud of helping unite students voices at UCSB with state legislators who can make changes to the higher education system, specifically in regards to their fight for increased budgets.

"It's always been a struggle of whether these powers or institutions or higher authorities will take students seriously," she said. "I think this year the work that UCSB students have done really shows that we are a force to be reckoned with."

Hsu said the money the EVPSA's office received for the 2017-2018 school year went to funding their advocacy trips and events the office hosted throughout the year, including

the GOP tax panel last fall, which featured Congressman Salud Carbajal.

"This panel was set to inform people about how [the GOP tax] would affect both undergraduate and graduate students alike," she said.

Hsu also partnered with Rose Le, the EVPSA office's mental health coordinator, to organize a panel for the science, technology, engineering and mathematics students on campus to aid them in maintaining their mental health amidst the stresses of their heavy class load.

Nushi Yapabandara, the Re-Ignite coordinator for EVPSA, praised Hsu and the rest of the team for the work they were able to accomplish this year.

"[The EVPSA is] one of the most productive A.S. exec offices and I am going to miss being able to work with such down-to-earth people in the 'real world,'" she said in an email.

Yapabandara and Hsu partnered together to work on projects including the establishment of permIGNITE, an organization on campus that works to "empower the marginalized voices that proudly exist within the UC campuses and beyond," according to the EVPSA's Facebook page.

Hsu said the biggest challenge that both she and her team faced over the year was time.

"Everyone else works on this regular calendar year January through December, but student leaders work May to May which is odd," she said.

Hsu said the unusual time differences were difficult because students live such different lives than regular government officials.

Hsu's elected successor was fourth-year global and Chicano studies double major Mayela Morales, who was later disqualified from her position by A.S. Elections Board on Wednesday.

As she transitions out of her position, Hsu wants the student body to know about all the hard work that both she and the rest of A.S. do throughout the year.

"A.S. is really a space for students to be their own advocates and ... to feel empowered on the issues that they care about," Hsu said.

S.A.G.: Jack Tannenbaum



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Jack Tannenbaum served as student advocate general during the 2017-2018 term. One of his biggest projects, which will be implemented before the end of the year due to setbacks, is the polling analyst project.

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Jack Tannenbaum ran unopposed in the 2017 Associated Students election for Student Advocate General. After a year in office, he looks back on his term as filled with challenges, accomplishments and advocacy.

"I think that to be S.A.G., you have to have a very present voice. You have to be willing to be vocal and be present," Tannenbaum said.

The responsibilities of the student advocate general (S.A.G.) include overseeing the Office of the Student Advocate (OSA) and its staff, educating the student body on students' rights and promoting awareness of services offered by the office.

OSA's role on campus is to inform and assist students facing charges from UC Santa Barbara in issues relating to housing, academics, public interest and social conduct, essentially "serving as the campus public defender," according to the OSA website.

S.A.G. is also required to act as a nonpartisan representative for all undergraduates on campus, according to the A.S. Elections Code.

Tannenbaum, a fourth-year economics major, said his term was filled with both growth and uncertainty.

In leading new projects expanding the purview of the OSA as well as maintaining efficiency of the caseworkers, Tannenbaum said he had to balance the needs of individual students as well as those of the student body as a whole.

Tannenbaum led projects including the polling analyst project, rewriting the legal code for positions in OSA and renovating the OSA website.

OSA case workers work with students individually, guiding them through the university's judicial process. This can include helping students organize their case documents, providing mediation and accompanying hearings, according to the OSA website.

He said one of the biggest projects during his term was the polling analyst project, which he claims stemmed from his commitment to nonpartisanship as well as his determination to innovate strategies for representing UCSB's student body, he said.

The project was initiated in Fall Quarter of 2017 and aims to shed light on marginalized or underrepresented voices at UCSB by polling the student body on their opinions and needs, according to Tannenbaum.

The poll was intended to be included at the end of the ballot form for A.S. elections, but due to setbacks had to be postponed until a later time. The poll will be implemented before the end of the year, Tannenbaum said.

"Starting a project from scratch is tough and I would say we were in new territory in how we wanted to implement this," he said.

He said it was important to collect substan-

tive information about the priorities of students so he could bring it to the attention of the A.S. and continued to pursue this project despite obstacles that arose.

Rose Ettleson, OSA chief of staff, worked closely with Tannenbaum during his term and attributed his successes in outreach as S.A.G. in part to his charismatic personality.

Alex Funk, OSA external deputy chief, said Tannenbaum's character played a role in the hiring process for OSA case workers.

"He wasn't necessarily so focused on purely technically minded or technically sound people, what he was focused on was people that he could work with," Funk said. "You're not looking just at merit, you're looking at like the more holistic view of a person and I thought that was really admirable."

During his term, Tannenbaum revamped the OSA website, which when he entered the position, had errors throughout its pages including incorrectly listing past a S.A.G. as current a current caseworker.

Tannenbaum also spoke to transfer students in lectures about the role of the OSA in assisting students with issues like plagiarism.

Instead of speaking about a focus point of judicial consequences, Tannenbaum instead spoke to students about the advocacy that OSA can provide when students have issues that bring them to the OSA office.

"We've made some inroads in kind of strengthening relationships between our office and administration which is really vital to making sure we can best advocate for students," Tannenbaum said.

In Tannenbaum's campaign platform, he estimated that the OSA office served approximately 20 cases per quarter. This year, Tannenbaum estimated that OSA served as many students this year as last year, and possibly more.

Before coming into office Tannenbaum did not have previous experience in the OSA, but he said his time serving as a proxy during Senate meetings cultivated an appreciation he now holds for nonpartisan work and led him to the position in his final year at UCSB.

He also said he has found fulfillment in helping students find resolutions to the issues that bring them to OSA.

"Our office provides a space and people who are there to say 'you're not alone. We have the institutional knowledge to help,'" Tannenbaum said. "It's been a really amazing and gratifying experience to be able to be in that space ... and try my best and try to enable others to help those in times of need."

As for advice for next year's S.A.G., Grecia Martinez, Tannenbaum said maintaining an active voice for all students and guiding them toward solutions should remain the focus throughout the term.

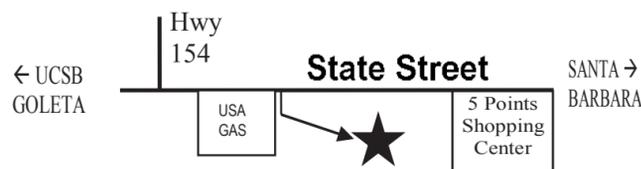
"That's really what our job is about... being there for students in times of need," he said.

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The UCSB softball team had four players named to the Big West All-Conference Team. Junior Sierra Altmeyer and sophomore Alyssa Diaz made the Second Team while freshmen Sammy Fabian and Maci Fines made to All-Freshman Team.

Gauchos Cross Blue Line with Winningest Season in UCSB History

After only its third season since being recomissioned, the UCSB club hockey team now has a championship to show for it

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Staff Writer

A mere three years. Less than a third of a decade after the team was finally recommissioned and ready to compete, the UCSB Hockey team found itself sitting on the first championship victory in program history as a part of the Pacific Collegiate Hockey Association and proud winners of the ever coveted Adams Cup.

With such unprecedented success in a token couple of seasons, the question remains: How did this fresh legs Gaucho squad come up so successfully in the playoffs?

Many teams thrive on veteran leadership from experienced third- and fourth-year players to smooth out a transition for the younger guys. Yet with such an infamous history, or more applicably the lack thereof, this squad saw only eight returners in their championship year. A team made up of 60 percent new members is rarely considered a favorite to win a championship, but the fresh legs on UCSB are unique for a group of first-year competitors.

The freshman presence is significant, but these young men are no strangers to playoff and championship experience. The addition of freshman center Collin del Bonis was crucial to the Gauchos' success this year.

Del Bonis thrived in crunch time during high school games as he, accompanied by long-time teammates forward Chris Ewasiuk, defenseman Emmett Rupert and goalie Will Hahn, led the Santa Barbara Royals to back-to-back high school championships in the Los Angeles Kings Hockey League in each of two seasons prior, paving a path for each of them to transition to UCSB hockey. Once the key pieces were initiated at the collegiate level, the team knew success was imminent.

Imminent, not immediate. It took a couple games for these first-year studs to get their ice legs back on track, but once the team got rolling, boy, did they look like a legitimate threat to make a run for the PCHA title.

"After the first two or three [games], I was ready to go," del Bonis said when asked about how his preparation ritual had changed with the transition from high school hockey to collegiate level competition. "We had 12 new guys on the team including me... so we didn't have any chemistry going into those first two games."

Santa Barbara struggled through the opening two games as new roles were assumed and new rotations were learned. As if it weren't enough that UCSB was ushering in the majority of a new squad, the Gauchos had a tall task in front of them in Santa Clara University. The Broncos were coming off the 2016 season as runners-up for the Adams Cup and they were on a mission for vengeance.

On back-to-back days in the latter half of October, UCSB dropped two losses to Santa Clara by scores of 6-2 and 3-1 to kick off the 2017 season.

However, rather than being demoralized, these young puck handlers quickly became comfortable in their new roles as chemistry gradually grew within the clubhouse over the next week.

With a couple games, a hiccup of adversity and a stern week of practice under the squad's belt, the Gauchos fiercely bounced back with two commanding wins, the first coming with a 4-1 score against Cal Lutheran.

On Oct. 29, UCSB faced off against Stanford and displayed sheer dominance on the ice while scoring a remarkable 15 goals en route to a shutout of the Cardinals. It seemed fitting that this game took place only a couple of days before Halloween because the Gauchos were starting to look like frightening competitors.

Much of the success for the quick turnaround was accredited to impeccable leadership from an experienced coaching staff that has handled its fair share of adversity.

Former Boston Bruin and assistant coach Steve Heinze led the high school squad of Collin del Bonis and the rest of the Santa Barbara Royals to consecutive championships prior to taking a position with UCSB, so not only is he weathered in terms of hockey knowledge, but Coach Heinze also has a history with many of the first-year players which smoothed the transition in collegiate level competition.

"If we can just approach [games] with a mindset that we're going to outwork them... you can teach X's and O's and pretty plays to anybody, but what I would like to instill with these guys is hard work wins games," Heinze said. When it comes down to crunch times and the postseason, Heinze went on to preach rest and care for the body, saying, "we get in shape and then we go and outwork them."

The staunch squad continued to ride their



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Coach Steve Heinze

confidence high rolling into the final game of 2017 on a four-game win streak before resuming play once again in 2018 as the team shifted gears to conference play.

UCSB completed the season with seven wins and five losses, a step behind their success in the 2016-2017 season in which they finished 9-6 in UCSB's first season as a part of the Division II Pacific Collegiate Hockey Association.

In contrast to last year, however, the Gauchos

broke the seal with a playoff berth in just their second year in the division.

Over Presidents' Day weekend, the Gauchos traveled to Lake Tahoe to compete for the Adams Cup and prove their dominance over the West. With a blowout win against Stanford and an outlasting performance against Cal Lutheran, the Ice 'Chos found themselves matched up with none other than the Santa Clara Broncos, the very team that dropped UCSB in its first two games of the season.

But this was a very different Gaucho team than at the beginning of the season. A much more well-rounded and composed squad, the Gauchos have matured and developed immense chemistry throughout the course of the season.

Heading into the matchup against Santa Clara, the entire roster was feeling confident and poised as they looked the rival Broncos dead in the eye from point-blank range.

Third-year forward Jackson Schutz assumed a unique leadership role as one of the older players on the team though competing in his first season of hockey with UCSB.

"The skill has always been present on the team. We have the ability to beat Santa Clara," Schutz said when questioned about the team's legitimacy come postseason. He went on to praise his squad, saying, "our first two games of the season, we were just getting to know each other... at the end of the season, we know each other's styles of play so well."

Through the first two periods in the Gauchos championship match up, the team looked to be in complete control as they built onto a 6-1 lead heading into the final period of the season. Yet a strong start didn't quite get UCSB out of the woods as Santa Clara answered with an unprecedented five goals in the final period as the fate of each of their seasons was left to a mere shootout.

Leave it to none other than freshman standout Collin del Bonis to finesse the walk-off goal in the extra time to send the Gauchos into the offseason elated with the program's first hockey championship in only three years of being established.

The Gauchos rode the isthmus of victory down the canal of the Adams cup and ultimately etched their names into the history books.

With such a young and talented team to compliment the tremendous coaching leadership, the future for the 'Chos is looking as bright as ever.



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Gauchos Fall to USC in NCAA Tournament

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Staff Writer

The UCSB men's tennis team's season ended in heartbreak on Saturday when the Gauchos narrowly fell to the No.10 ranked USC Trojans, 4-1.

Despite the score, Santa Barbara put itself in a prime position to win the NCAA tournament matchup. After dropping the doubles point and singles on court four, freshman Victor Krustev won easily on court six to bring UCSB within a point.

All of the other singles matches went to three sets, with the Trojans ultimately eking out victories on courts five and one to take the match before the contested matches on courts two and three could be decided.

"We put ourselves in a great position to win that match but didn't get over the finish line," Head Coach Marty Davis said. "That win would have covered the only two goals we didn't accomplish: top 40 ranking and NCAA Tournament win."

Regardless of the ending, this Gauchos team proved they had the character and skill to play with the top teams in the nation this season.

After starting the season 6-5 - with all five of those losses on the road - UCSB flipped a switch, winning 12 of their last 14 matches en-route to an 18-7 overall record. During that span, Santa Barbara picked up road victories over No.49 Washington and No.50 Loyola Marymount.

In addition, the Gauchos were dominant in Big West play, easily winning their fourth straight conference title and accomplishing the goal that Davis set for them at the beginning of the season. The team also set a Big West record by winning their conference games of a combined score of

43-0. "The perfect score line in conference play is unbelievable, and a record that will never be topped," Davis said.

This team also once again established something that avid college tennis fans have long known: they have one of the best fan bases on the entire west coast. Propelled behind a raucous crowd at every home match, the Gauchos finished the season 11-0 at home - their second time going undefeated at home in the last three years.

"The undefeated streak at home is a testament to our wonderful fans, many of whom made it up to SLO for our match with Cal Poly and to USC last Saturday," Davis said. "The energy and atmosphere they provide is critical to the success we've enjoyed."

Individually, UCSB also experienced breakout seasons from many of their unproven players. Perhaps the most impressive example is sophomore Joseph Guillin. After transferring from Florida, Guillin started the season at the No.4 spot on the court, slowly climbing his way up as far as the No.1 spot. Overall, he finished the season with a 19-2 record, including seven wins out of his last eight matches.

Krustev also left his mark in his first year: Despite not joining the team until January, Krustev finished 14-6 in singles play, and he and Guillin combined for an 11-4 record in doubles play on court three.

On the top courts, the Gauchos once again received steady contributions from junior Nicolas Moreno de Alboran and senior captain Simon Freund.

On court one, Moreno De Alboran went 15-5 on the season, winning his last eight matches on the season. His dominance during conference



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play also earned him the Big West Player of the Year Award, as well as a spot at the singles NCAA tournament.

Freund finished his career in fashion, winning his last ten matches in a row and finishing with an overall singles record of 17-5.

In addition, Freund was nominated for the Arthur Ashe Leadership and Sportsmanship Award, while Moreno de Alboran was nominated for the ITA Player to Watch Award.

Looking ahead to the future, the Gauchos will return all of their starters except for Freund, priming them to be even more dominant next season.

In the meantime, however, the team will enjoy all they have accomplished this season.

"I'm extremely proud of the way this team represented our university, our alumni and our former team members ... both on and off the court," Davis said.

Gauchos Head to SLO for Match Against Blue-Green Rival Cal Poly

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Editor in Chief

After dropping two of three at Long Beach last weekend, the UCSB baseball team was eliminated from postseason contention and will miss the NCAA Regional for the second-straight season.

Despite that, Santa Barbara still has a lot to play for, including a chance to beat Blue-Green Rival Cal Poly for the first time since the 2015 season.

"I told the guys this is our postseason," Head Coach Andrew Checketts said. "The rest of our season is our postseason and we should treat it as such. We want to have some upward momentum going into the end of the season and give our guys that aren't returning a good taste in our mouths."

The Mustangs have swept the Gauchos the past two seasons and will look to do so again this season as they currently own a 24-27 overall record, 9-9 conference mark.

In the standings, they are five games behind first-place CSUF with six games to go.

UCSB will travel to SLO boasting a 24-24-1 overall record and a 8-10 Big West mark. Santa Barbara is coming off a 6-5 walk-off victory against Cal State Bakersfield this past Tuesday.

"The effort has been better the last few games even in some of those losses to Long Beach last weekend. The guys grinded out a good win on Tuesday and we will go as far as our pitching takes us," Checketts said.

Along with playing its conference rival, the Gauchos are still in a very good position to finish the season strong, as with seven games to go, they can make it appoint to finish above .500, something they did not do last season, and improve upon its current seventh-place standing in the conference.

Historically, UCSB has played well against Cal Poly as it currently owns a 93-73-1 record against its rivals, however, in the Andrew Checketts era, Santa Barbara has gone just 7-15 and has lost six straight to date.

"We have not played well against them the last few times and traditionally their place is a tough place to play at but we have to show up and execute it does not matter who is on the other side of the dugout, we want to play our best baseball," Checketts said. "We compete against each other in all facets of the game including recruiting so we do have that healthy rivalry and we want to win."

In order to not only just take one game from the Mustangs this weekend, but hopefully the whole series, the Gauchos will need excellent pitching performances from each of their starters and even their bullpen guys.

In a 12-0 loss against LBSU on Saturday, starter right-handed pitcher Chris Lincoln was rocked as he allowed six hits and seven runs in just 2.2 innings

pitched. To be fair to the sophomore, he was coming off a nagging back injury he sustained the week before.

This week, Lincoln will look to get back to form as his match against LBSU was definitely not the norm coaches and fans have come to expect from him.

"He couldn't land his off-speed pitches for strikes and he was fat in the middle of the plate when he was behind the count so that's a recipe for a bad start," Checketts said. "He hasn't had a stinker before that so I am looking forward to seeing him bounce back and respond."

UCSB will also need more meaningful contributions from the bullpen guys as junior Kevin Chandler has a 5.54 ERA in 15 appearances, freshman Chris Troye has a 4.82 ERA in 16 appearances and junior Alex Patterson has a 3.82 ERA in 21 appearances.

In a Friday start, senior Stevie Ledesma had a solid outing and handed the bullpen an 8-4 lead but the Gauchos were unable to hold on losing the game 9-8. Games like this are what drives fans and the team crazy.

This weekend in particular, the Gaucho pitching staff will have their work cut out for them as they are going up against a Cal Poly team that currently owns the best batting average (.273), slugging percentage (.375) and second-best on-base percentage (.408) in the Big West.

Along with owning the conference's best batting average, the Mustangs also have two of the top-five best hitters in the conference.

Outfielder Alex McKenna owns a .347 batting average which is the second-best in the Big West to go along with 30 RBI's.

Catcher Nick Meyer has the fourth best batting average in the conference with a .333 percentage. Infielder Tate Samuelson has the most runs batted in with 37.

For UCSB, this weekend is all about continuing the uphill trend.

With an even overall record and much room for improvement, this team still has a lot to play for and while this season will not result in the National Championship, it could be what the team looks back on a year from now as to what made a dream run in the NCAA Tournament possible.

"Going to Omaha is not always a one-year process, sometimes it is a three, four, five-year process if we want to get back there and we can't wait until next fall because we want to go about everything the right way. We need to play with the mentality that we want to have next spring now," Checketts said.

Santa Barbara will take on Cal Poly for game one of a three-game set at 6 p.m. on Friday, May 18 at Robin Baggett Stadium.



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UCSB Claims Second & Fourth Place in Big West Championship Meet



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The Big West Championship meet came to a close on Saturday evening, marking the end of a strong year from the conference. The UC Santa Barbara Gauchos entered the meet looking to make a statement after a dominant regular season. However, when the meet concluded, neither UCSB team got the chance to hoist the first place trophy.

The Cal State Fullerton men ran away with their second straight championship, totaling 154 points to cruise by second place Long Beach State (136.5) and third place UC Davis (121). UCSB was one spot away from making the podium, finishing in fourth place with a score of 112.5.

While Fullerton ran away with the men's title, the women's meet was much more competitive. Long Beach State clinched their first women's title in almost thirty years, edging out the Gauchos by a mere two points (122-120). The two-point gap marked the third-smallest margin in Big West Championship history. CSU Northridge locked up third place with 101 points to round out the women's standings.

The championship meet took place over several days, beginning with the multi-events last Friday.

The decathlon and heptathlon events occupied the whole day of multi-events, and several Gauchos participated, looking to give their team an early edge.

Senior Jeff Lam and freshman Sam Pica anchored the Gauchos in the decathlon, but only Pica was able to place within the top ten overall.

The freshman locked up two first-place finishes in the 400m and 1500m runs and secured fifth in the 100m dash to place seventh overall. Lam followed closely behind, placing top five in many of the early events, but fell out of scoring territory later in the multis.

Coming off a strong end to the season, Hope Bender carried her late season momentum into the multi events. The star junior dominated in the heptathlon, notching three first-place finishes and a second-place finish to win the heptathlon outright and give her squad an early advantage over the rest of the field.

Bender would go on to win the 400m hurdles for the second straight year en-route to being named the Big West Women's Athlete of the Meet. She had the strongest meet of any Gaucho, and her time of 58.02 in the hurdles also marked a new UCSB record, capping a great year for the rising junior.

The remaining athletes received another week to prepare, with the primary portion of the meet scheduled for the following week.

The first day of the weekend consisted of a combination of preliminary and final events, and the Gauchos used day one to put themselves in good position to take over the meet on the second day.

The Gauchos did not blow anyone away in the steeplechase, but both the men's and women's teams saw multiple athletes place within the top ten.

The sophomore duo of Katie Camarena and Celeste Wilson finished fourth and fifth, respectively, while a trio scored some points for the men's squad. Junior Daniel Mountcastle barely missed the podium with a fourth-place finish, while freshman Nick Randazzo and junior Jack Rose secured seventh and eighth, respectively.

While it was far from the strongest event of the day, the Gauchos were able to score some points to add to the cause.

Plenty of field event finals took place as well, highlighted by senior

Kiely Gode's second-place finish in the long jump. Gode fell just 0.1m away from first place in an impressive display.

In an uncharacteristic performance by his standards, senior Kordell Hampton was unable to place top three in his respective events. His fourth-place discus throw was his highlight of the day in a quiet day for the senior.

Lam participated on day one as well, finishing fifth in the high jump.

The remainder of the first day consisted of preliminary events, giving the Gauchos an opportunity to set themselves up for success on the second day.

At the end of day one, the men's team found themselves in sixth place, leading only UC Riverside and UC Irvine. The women were in slightly better position, finishing the opening day in fifth place, with twelve athletes qualifying for the fourteen remaining final events.

Five of the twelve advanced to the finals for the 1500m, typically a strong event for the Gauchos.

Star distance runner senior Jenna Hinkle led the way for UCSB, as she has done all season. After placing second behind UC Riverside's senior Faith Makau in the preliminaries, Hinkle took first place in the finals with a time of 4:28.56, over ten seconds faster than her preliminary time.

Camarena followed closely behind Hinkle in the 1500m, securing fourth place for the Gauchos. Freshman Kelly Bishop and sophomore Sienna Serrao also scored in the event, both placing in the top twelve.

The men's side had fewer qualifiers, but the performances were just as strong. Senior Myles McDonald capped off his Big West career with a victory in the 400m hurdles, an event he improved at in every meet this season.

The Gauchos' javelin duo stepped up in a big way, as senior Chris Ross and freshman Chase Tarr dominated the podium, placing first and third, respectively. Ross's throw of 61.92m was the only attempt to top 60m in the finals.

There was a trend of underclassmen stepping up for the men's side, as freshman Jarett Chinn claimed another first place for the Gauchos winning the 800m run by a mere 0.14 seconds.

That marked the third first place for the men, but their efforts were not enough to move into podium position. The men stayed firmly entrenched in the bottom half of the scores, and finished fourth overall.

The women's team continued to rack up points on the second day. Bender reminded the field of her prowess when she wrapped up her meet by taking third in the 100m hurdles and winning the 400m hurdles outright, breaking a school record along the way.

Hinkle followed up Bender's performance with her second win of the day, this time in the 5000m. The senior racked up two wins and a second place finish on the day.

Her success, combined with Bender's, helped UCSB rally from its fifth place position at the end of day one, and gave the Gauchos a late, narrow lead over Long Beach State.

UCSB led Long Beach State very late in the meet, but a couple key event wins, including Long Beach's first ever 4x400m relay win, helped Long Beach overcome the late deficit. The Gauchos finished second, falling behind by only two points in the highly competitive meet.

The meet marked the end of Big West conference competition, and some of the Gauchos will look ahead to the NCAA West Regional Qualifiers, where the participating athletes will look to qualify for the National Championship meet.

The Men's track and field team finished fourth in the Big West Championship meet. This marks the second consecutive fourth place finish for the Gauchos in this competition.

ARTSWEEK

Clairo Shines at Storke with Noontime Tunes

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Over on the steps leading from the UCen to Storke Plaza, a smorgasbord of UCSB students flaunting colorful hair and wearing mom jeans or pastel-colored shoes munched on bags of Hot Cheetos under the sun as they anticipated the entrance of Claire Cottrill.

Cottrill, better known by her stage name, Clairo, first entered the music scene back in 2015 when her music video for "Pretty Girl" – featuring the artist goofily dancing to her song and lip-syncing in front a webcam went viral. In the span of less than a year, Clairo has risen to prominence among similar bedroom pop artists such as Bane's World, Jakob Ogawa, No Vacation and Gus Dapperton.

Nineteen-year-old Cottrill has been dreaming to break into music since she was 13, writing and posting music onto Bandcamp and SoundCloud. Now, entering her first year at Syracuse University, she is currently managed by the same manager Chance the Rapper had when he began his rise to stardom.

Recently, Clairo had her first big performance at Tyler, the Creator's sold-out show at the Observatory for over 6,000 people. She performed alongside acts like

Steve Lacy, Brockhampton, Michael Seyer and Inner Wave. Last Thursday, UCSB was lucky enough to be graced by Clairo's first live performance with a band at A.S. Program Board's Noon Storke Show.

The crowd anxiously awaited the emerging pop star, who is expected to drop a six-song EP featuring Dublin rapper Rejjie Snow later this year. Humorously, Program Board gave out free bags of Flaming Hot Cheetos (in reference to her popular single of the same name), along with Yerba Mate.

The eagerness to see Clairo garnered a crowd that filled the stairs and also hugged the walls overlooking Storke Plaza. Kids from an elementary school touring UCSB got to witness this gathering of students and entertained the collegiate group by dancing to the songs that filled the empty sound space before the show.

Clairo came out from the KCSB courtyard skipping and sporting a casual UCSB shirt, and she warmly greeted the crowd. Immediately the students clapped and cheered in excitement as Clairo and her new band filled in blanks of the stage framed by the palm trees. They played classic songs such as "Pretty Girl" and "Flaming Hot Cheetos," newer songs such as "4EVER," an unreleased track and a cover of "Nakamarra" by Hiatus Kaiyote.



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With a live band, her sound was very different from her recorded tracks – but in a good way. Ditching the lo-fi, synth-pop sound, Clairo took on a more indie-alternative feel to her songs, substituting manufactured electronic beats with echoing, raw guitar licks, rumbling electric bass lines and shrill strikes of cymbals.

For songs like "4EVER" and "Pretty Girl," the band looped a backtrack of the iconic melodies but decorated it with jazzy additions played on their instruments. "Flaming Hot Cheetos" pleasantly surprised us with a funky breakdown at the end of the song, leaving the crowd smiling as Clairo bopped along while eating a bag of Hot Cheetos someone kindly threw to her before the song began.

The charming, happy vibe of Clairo's dreamy voice that floated above smooth guitar, bass and drums was the perfect sound to fill the air on a beautiful sunny day at UCSB.

When the set was beginning to wrap up, the crowd demanded more. It was a relatively quick set, consisting of no more than ten songs. The crowd was prepared, however, and immediately began suggesting other songs they wanted her to perform when she apologized for the short set.

Clairo was apparently flustered by the high demand of an encore, as she replied to her

yelling fans, "Why are you yelling at me?" This moment also made it onto the Overheard at UCSB Facebook page and was quote-tweeted by Clairo herself.

For Clairo's much anticipated encore, the band did another performance of "4EVER." This time, initiated by a student sitting near the stage, people were encouraged to leave the stairs and dance at the front. The concert turned into a dance party reminiscent of teenagers just letting loose and having fun, twirling and grooving away their cares to the upbeat pop tune.

After the dance party ended, people rushed to line up for the opportunity to meet her and take photos. Many students brought gifts; one handed her a bracelet and another a drawing. Students who came less prepared scrambled to find things for her to autograph. She was presented a range of items to sign: shoes, empty Hot Cheeto bags, skateboards, laptops and even an inhaler.

Clairo's luminescent presence left UCSB students glowing and wishing to "feel this way forever." Make sure to look out for her EP; although it has no official release date, it's expected to be released soon. We're looking forward to seeing how this bedroom pop sensation continues to shift out of her lo-fi sound in her upcoming EP.

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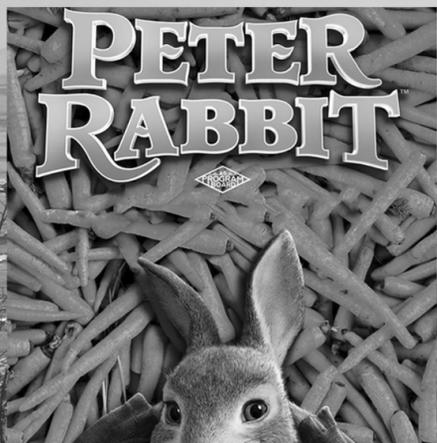
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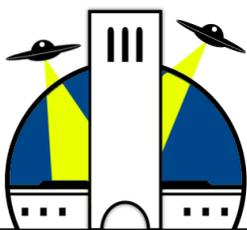
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No Shit! New Portola Will Still Give You Food Poisoning

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Staff Writer

When second-year environmental studies major Kyle Jenkins decided to visit his old stomping grounds of FT, he was pleasantly surprised to find that underneath Portola's fresh exterior, they are still steadfast in their unwavering commitment to fucking up your digestive system.

Jenkins concluded that even though Portola no longer looks like a 1980s Midwestern roadside Mexican restaurant, its corresponding food content remains unchanged.

Despite Portola's undisputed glow-up, their menu still contains fan favorites and guaranteed food poisoning go-tos, including the char burger, roast beef and swai fish.

While new residents of FT are not getting the "full experience" of dragging their hungover asses down to Portola to fuel up for a Ski and Snow dayger on powdered eggs and rubbery whole-wheat pancakes, Jenkins is satisfied with the poor quality new Portola brings to the table.

"I mobbed to Porty's to make sure it was still living up to its standards. Thank god I came on enchilada night," he said as he painstakingly removed the peas from his Mexican rice.

Jenkins reported that many students were enjoying a classic Portola Cereal Night in place of the enchiladas.



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When asked if the class of 2021 deserved the honor of screaming "FUCK FT!" while driving past the dorm, Jenkins chuckled.

"Of course not. Their food may be just as bad as ours, but they have the luxury of having a bathroom in the dining hall. At Old Portola, we just ate until we nearly shit ourselves," he said with pride.

Hannah Jackson is proud to say that she never ate swai fish when she lived in FT.

We've Run Out of Ideas, So We Guess It's Time to Rank Bread Now

Mia Roncati
Staff Writer

You're probably wondering, really, Nexus? Bread? Are you really running out of ideas?

No! I have a plethora of dumb ideas throwing a tantrum in my brain to be noticed, but for the sanity of UCSB, they will never see the light of day.

We all know all bread isn't created equal in the eyes of the Carb Lord. Here is the ranking that was given to me in a (not-drank induced, gosh) dream:

5. White Bread

Ah, yes, this staple of the American diet

is at the bottom of the food chain. No, this isn't racist. My health is screaming for me to put this bland-nothing down - and it didn't even say anything when I ate six Hot Pockets.

4. Multi-Grain Bread

Healthier than white bread, but those hard pieces have GOT to go. It's like going for smooth peanut butter and getting chunky: a total turn off. Would 10/10 only eat if there were no other options beside the aforementioned white bread.

3. Matzah

The most underrated bread of them all. Points are deducted for the lack of fluffiness, but religious reasons have been taken into consideration. Have you ever put Nutella on on of these babies? A thin slice of heaven. (Get it?)

2. The Dinner Roll

What would a full course meal be without this and one of those little pre-wrapped butter things? Hell, gimme eight rolls at an Italian restaurant, and it is a full course meal. Extra happy points added if it's warmed.

1. Cinnabread

No, this isn't cheating because it had additives. Carbs are carbs, dammit, and it is literal love you can taste.

It's as if self-love and happiness made a baby and slathered that baby in solidified sugar.

Pro-tip: You get a free cinnabread on your birthday from Woodstock's! Time to get 364 fake IDs.

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sumption, nor is it liable for carb-induced illness.

Mia Roncati has been tricked into going to Carbs Anonymous after being told it was a new course offered for bread majors.

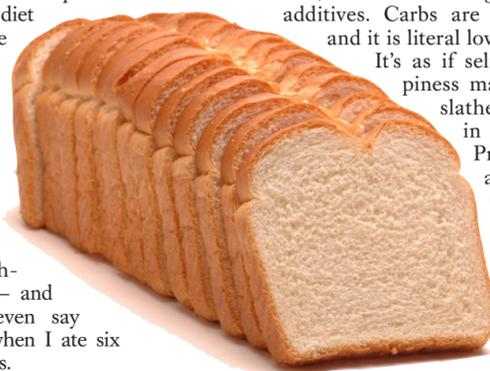


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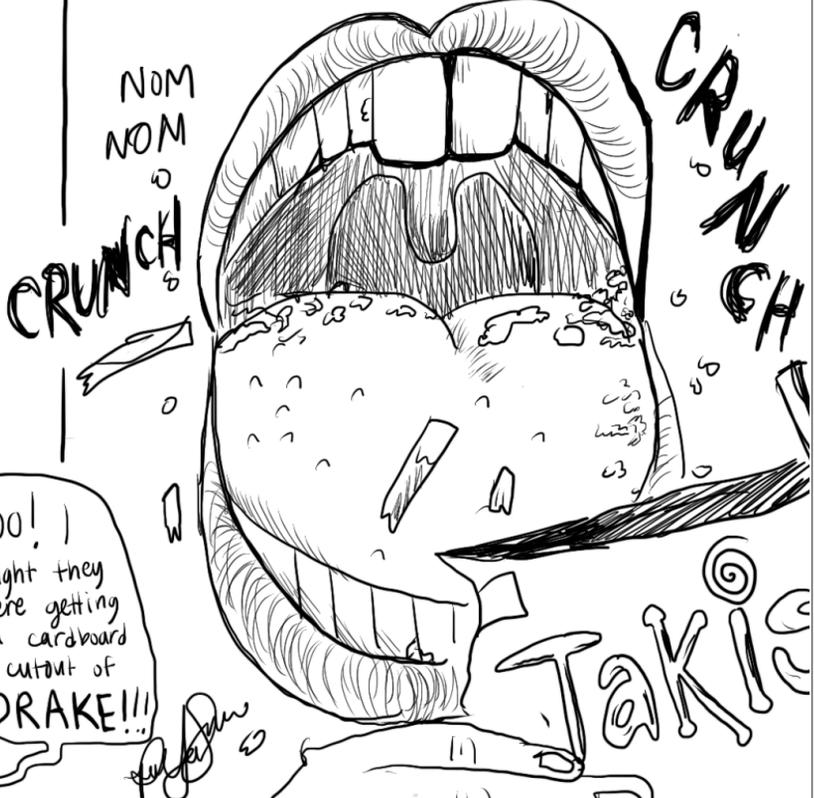


A CARDBOARD CUTOUT of DRAKE BELL



Nooo! I thought they were getting a cardboard cutout of DRAKE!!!

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ON THE MENU

Mixing It Up with Cauldron Ice Cream



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Winnie Lam
Asst. On The Menu Editor

The weather is finally getting warmer and you know what that means: it's prime time for ice cream runs! Of course, we can always go to our local grocery store and grab a pint of our favorite McConnell's ice cream, but with so many trendy ice cream spots, you'll definitely want to try them all. At Cauldron Ice Cream, they feature a multitude of creative flavor combinations, freeze it with liquid nitrogen, scoop it in the center of a puffle cone and shape the ice cream into a beautiful rose all in a matter of minutes.

I visited the location in Glendale and the puffle ice cream was the perfect snack to go along with window-shopping at the Galleria and the Americana. When I went inside to order, I was rather overwhelmed by all the different ice cream options they had. This isn't your average ice cream shop with vanilla, chocolate and strawberry.

I did a little research before heading in and according to their website, they have a new flavor every month. Some of their creative varieties include Earl Grey Lavender, Vietnamese Coffee, Sun Moon & Stars (jasmine, oolong and green tea) and their signature flavor, The Cauldron (vanilla cinnamon with Oreos). Their flavors of the month were Cloverfield, a cereal milk ice cream topped with Lucky Charm marshmallows, and American Pie, apple pie ice cream with graham crackers and apple filling. Once you pick your flavor, you can stop there or take it a step further with a puffle cone, which is a Hong Kong version of a waffle, also known as an egg waffle. You can even choose between original, red velvet and churro for your puffle cone.

I had my heart set on the Sun Moon & Stars, but they ended up not having the flavor for some reason, so I decided to try the Earl Grey Lavender with the original puffle cone. Since it was made with liquid nitrogen, the ice cream itself was super creamy and flavorful. The earl grey flavor was spot-on and the lavender added a nice floral touch that wasn't too overpowering. It also came with a drizzle of honey and at first, I thought it was going to be too sweet, but all the flavors actually worked well together. I didn't think the flavored puffle cones would have paired well with the Earl Grey Lavender, so I just went with the original. The combinations of flavors and textures worked really well together, but after maybe half of the cone and ice cream, it was getting difficult to eat. It got a little messy and the portion itself was just really large.

I went with a couple of my friends and one of them got The Cauldron ice cream flavor with the red velvet puffle cone. The vanilla and cinnamon was really tasty, especially with the crushed Oreos on top that gave it more texture contrast than mine. I couldn't really taste the red velvet too well in the puffle cone, but it was definitely sweeter than the original.

Although Cauldron Ice Cream is famous for its Instagram-worthy puffle cone and rose-shaped ice cream, they are also in the works of new menu items, like their gluten-free

ice blended drinks. These frosés are layered beautifully and come in four different flavors that match with their ice creams: The Cauldron, Sun, Moon & Stars, Pineapple Express and Earl Grey Lavender. I haven't tried these new blends, but they seem like the perfect alternative for those of you who aren't ice cream fanatics but still want to try out Cauldron Ice Cream's innovative flavors. If ice cream and blended drinks still sound too sweet for you, they've also brewed up a Blue Bantha coffee, which is a Star Wars-themed beverage that's sure to keep you awake.

I finished my whole cone and ice cream, but I would definitely recommend sharing it with someone because it really is a mouthful. Also, make sure you don't get too caught up taking pictures of these Instagram-worthy rose ice cream puffle cones or else you risk getting yourself into a sticky mess. I would really like to go back and try all the other flavors of ice cream as well as puffle cones, but all the Cauldron Ice Cream locations are too far away right now, so hopefully they'll expand their franchise to Santa Barbara in the near future!



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On The Menu Editor

"Do it for the 'Gram" has taken on a whole new meaning. Over the past few years, Instagram has given rise to a new trend – food-centric pop-up museums and restaurants. Immersive and often interactive experiences, these type of places have become a growing cultural movement.

THE MUSEUM OF ICE CREAM

San Francisco • May 30-September 3

The trend originated with the Museum of Ice Cream in the summer of 2016, which was an interactive ice cream-and-candy-themed art exhibit. Filled with marshmallow clouds and strings of yellow and pink bananas, every room acts as the perfect photo backdrop. Laymen and celebrities alike flocked to the opening in New York, tickets selling out in waves.

Instagram feeds were filled with boomerangs of people jumping into a pool of sprinkles and swinging in the banana room; you couldn't scroll past 10 photos without coming across someone documenting their recent visit. Since 2016, the museum has opened in Los Angeles, San Francisco and Miami, and its visitor number reached half a million last November.

THE EGG HOUSE

New York City • April 7-June 27

This pop-up made its first stop in Lower Manhattan on April 7. As the name suggests, the space is centered around eggs, telling the story of Ellis the Egging's arrival to New York. The pop-up is Ellis's house, taking you on a tour through his caviar-filled pool and human-sized egg crate. Visitors can spot Ellis himself lying on his bed when making their way into his room. A whimsical, sensory experience, visitors have likened the experience to something out of "Alice in Wonderland."

LOS POLLOS HERMANOS

Albuquerque • January 20

Fans of "Breaking Bad" were excited to see their favorite fast food chain become a reality during the spring of 2017. With real food to sample and cameos from familiar faces, the pop-up brought fans one step closer to the meth-filled fictional world of their dreams. Missing the chicken the location was famed for, fans instead were able to try out curly fries and a selection of three dipping sauces. The pop-up allowed fans a chance to come together in Austin and Los Angeles to celebrate the show's tenth anniversary.

MUSEUM OF PIZZA

New York City • October 13-28

Set to make its appearance in November, this is only the latest in the line of food pop-ups. This is a no-brainer as New York is known for its hometown favorite of characteristically large hand-tossed thin crust. More about the content consumption than anything else, guests will nonetheless get to experience pizza-inspired immersive rooms such as a cheese cave while enjoying a free slice with their ticket.

MOMOFUKU ANDO INSTANT RAMEN MUSEUM

Osaka • Est. 1999

While the aesthetic that comes with these food pop-ups seems to be a characteristic of the millennial generation, museums centered around food have long been around. Many will be familiar with the Cup Noodle Museum, which allows visitors to see every flavor ever made displayed in a tunnel to leave home with their own creation. Since its opening in 1999, the museum has allowed visitors a glimpse at the inventiveness and discovery of this global food phenomenon.

SCIENCE & TECH

Hippopotamus Dung Affects African Ecosystem



Courtesy of Wikimedia Commons

During the day, the 4,000 or so hippos by the Mara River in Tanzania return to rivers to keep cool and avoid sunburn. As they wallow, they constantly urinate and defecate, producing about 8,500 kilograms of waste a day.

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In sub-Saharan Africa, deforestation, water-intensive agriculture and climate change are significantly altering water cycles and causing many rivers to begin to dry.

A recent study by UC Santa Barbara researcher Keenan Stears in collaboration with UC Berkeley and Sokoine University of Agriculture in Tanzania compared river pools with high and low densities of *Hippopotamus amphibius*, also known as the common hippopotamus, to determine how *H. amphibius* subsidies shape the chemistry and ecology of aquatic communities.

"This work explores how hippo dung shapes freshwater chemistry and links these changes to associated patterns of aquatic biodiversity change," Stears, a postdoctoral researcher in UCSB's Department of Ecology, Evolution and Marine Biology (EEMB), said. "It also illustrates that the net impact of hippos on river ecosystems is dynamically controlled by river hydrology and reveals the capacity of human disturbances on river flow to drastically alter the role of ecosystem-linking species."

The hippopotamus is a semiaquatic megaherbivore which can weigh over 1000 kilograms, about 2200 pounds. These animals consume large amounts of terrestrial vegetation, around 40 to 50 kg of wet mass, during nightly foraging bouts. After these foraging bouts, the hippopotamus returns to their aquatic refuges and spends most of the day resting and defecating.

Over the course of their daily movements across ecosystem boundaries hippopotami deliver substantial, and continuous, supplies of terrestrially derived organic matter and nutrients, such as nitrogen and phosphorus, to aquatic ecosystems. While the magnitude of these biologically mediated transfers is clearly high, it is important to understand how these inputs shape the chemistry of recipient aquatic systems and how such shifts in turn affect the ecology of aquatic communities.

The study was conducted in the Ruaha National Park in central Tanzania, which forms part of the Great Ruaha ecosystem. The main source of water for wildlife within Ruaha National Park is the Great Ruaha River.

Stears and his colleagues conducted observations for multiple years over wet and dry seasons to identify how hydrological variability influences the impacts of hippopotami.

During the wet season, when the river was flowing, they detected no differences in water chemistry and nutrient parameters between pools with high and low densities of hippopotami. Likewise, the diversity and abundance of fish and aquatic insect communities were indistinguishable.

During the dry season, however, high-density hippopotami pools differed drastically in almost all measured attributes of water chemistry and exhibited depressed fish and insect diversity and fish abundance compared with low-density hippopotami pools.

"During the dry season when there was no flow, the pools were completely separated," Stears said. "We found a huge buildup of hippo dung, and therefore nutrient concentrations within high-density hippo pools. The high influx of nutrients caused the dissolved oxygen concentration to decline to sublethal levels for most fish species."

Only a few species of fish and insects are able to survive in the hippo pools when the river dries, because of extreme losses of dissolved oxygen in these pools. Stears and his colleagues noted large reductions in fish diversity and abundance inside the pools that were overfueled by dung when river flow ceased.

"This suggests some kind of resilience within the system that allows it to recover after the hydrological disturbance every dry season," Stears said. "This resilience signifies that there is hope for this system, but without intervention soon, the chronic stress caused by river drying and overfertilizing of hippo dung may cause long-term species loss in this river system."

However, it appeared to promote aquatic invertebrate diversity. Widespread human-driven shifts in hydrology appear to redefine the role of hippopotami, altering their influence on ecosystem diversity and functioning in a fashion that may be more severe than presently appreciated.

Discerning the impacts of hippopotami upon this ecosystem is made more complex, and yet more important, because of its recent history of human modification. As has been documented elsewhere, hippopotami positively influence aquatic communities via nutrient provisioning during the wet season.

However, as river discharge wanes, hippopotami switch, especially at the local scale, from being providers of resources for aquatic communities to largely serving as an agent of over enriching waters, eutrophication and biodiversity loss.

The amplified negative effects observed during the dry season are

likely new and may be shifting the balance of the net impacts that hippopotami have on watershed-level biodiversity.

Climate change and accelerating water abstraction associated with rapidly expanding human populations across the range of hippopotami appear poised to further exacerbate deleterious eutrophication caused by hippopotami.

This case study calls attention to the profound ways by which human alteration of environmental variables can drastically reshape the magnitude and directionality of species' effects on the chemistry and ecology of the ecosystems they inhabit.

These findings also call attention to the profound ways in which the dry-season impacts of hippos may influence local communities that rely on rivers as a food source," Stears said. "Tilapia are a commonly consumed fish throughout Africa, and, during the dry season, we found that the presence of hippos reduced tilapia abundance by 41 percent across the watershed. That's not only bound to have ecological consequences but will also impact the human populations that rely on these rivers."



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KEENAN STEARS



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The Great Ruaha River in Ruaha National Park, Tanzania observed from the same vantage point during the wet season of 2015 (A) and the dry season of 2015 (B). During the wet season, flow connects pools in the river, whereas in the dry season, the river ceases flowing for several months every year. This results in large stretches of dry riverbed with isolated pools that are completely disconnected.

OPINION

'#Canceled' Culture Has No Place in the Classroom



Harper Lambert
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Like a beta fish, the life cycle of a social media scandal is short-lived and predictable. Allegations are made, old racist Tweets resurface, or a celebrity is caught saying something offensive on camera. The Internet descends into total madness. Our news feeds are flooded with statuses and reaction GIFs.

When another story breaks, the world moves on, but not without a proper send-off. On the Internet, justice is served in the form of a hashtag: the offender is declared #canceled.



When a single inquiry has the power to destroy a person's reputation, we need to reflect on what that says about our society.

According to Brand24, a data analytics website, use of the term "canceled" has skyrocketed on Instagram, Facebook and Twitter in recent months. This is no coincidence. Between the #MeToo movement, gun violence epidemic and celebrity Trump endorsements, the hashtag is having a banner year.

However, its usage is hardly confined to celebrity slip-ups and predatory politicians. #Canceled has made its way from cyberspace into everyday life. What started as a Twitter trend has evolved into an entire culture – one that suppresses free speech, stifles critical thinking and impedes education.

Although the hashtag is new, the sentiment behind "canceled" culture is not. Despite our differences, we are united by our passion for rejecting ideas that oppose our own. This has only intensified in light of current events. Whether it be the Israeli-Palestinian conflict or the latest Kardashian scandal, every topic draws a line in the sand, demanding that we choose a side and stay put.

This zero-sum approach to conversation is reaffirmed by our language. Debates yield winners and losers. Winning an argument is described as "shutting down," "killing" or "destroying," the opposition.

#Canceled takes this one step further. It calls for the rejection of not just ideas, but people. In the eyes of the Internet, there is no difference between a person and their views.

When someone voices an unpopular opinion, they are deemed immoral and incompetent. This conflation of ideas and personhood turns misinformed people into social pariahs. Instead of trying to engage with them, the community cuts them off.

Shutting people down on social media sets a dangerous precedent in the real world. It sends the message that humiliation awaits anyone who speaks against the status quo. People are discouraged from asking questions out of fear of messing up and sounding ignorant. How can we expect people to learn if they aren't permitted to make mistakes?

Each individual's worldview is a patchwork of experiences and values. These experiences and values are shaped by race, family, class and ethnicity, among other factors.

What I'm trying to get at is that everyone brings a unique perspective into the classroom. It's important to keep in mind that not everyone comes from a social justice background. Not everyone grows up knowing every "-ism." That's what education is for. Unlearning harmful ideologies and ingrained biases is part of the learning process, not a prerequisite.

Nowhere is cancelled culture more pervasive than on college campuses.

I've heard professors say, "All opinions are welcome," before chastising students for disagreeing with theirs.

I've had teaching assistants who promise that their section is a "safe space," yet condescend anyone who dares to disagree. I've refrained from raising my hand out of fear of tripping over my words, even when I agree with what my professor is saying.

Too many people conflate progressive politics with a progressive approach to learning. I'm tired of people patting themselves on the back for being tolerant while refusing to let people learn.

I'm not suggesting that we stop calling out bigotry. I'm certainly not suggesting that we tolerate people who preach hate. All I'm suggesting is that we re-evaluate our approach.

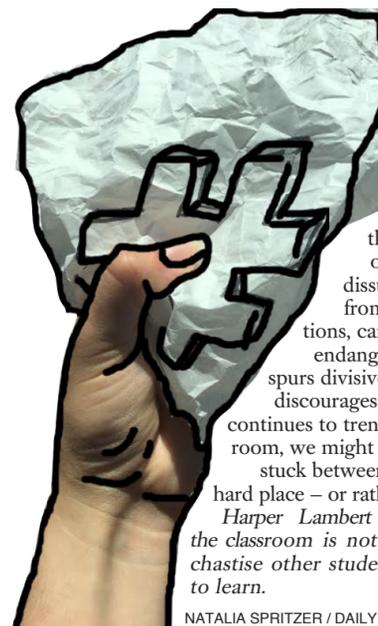
We must work to end canceled culture both on-and-offline. On social media, we should continue to hold others accountable. However, this should be motivated by a desire to spread awareness, rather than to exile.

Educators can do their part by making their classrooms safe spaces for making errors and asking questions. This can be done through discussion-based learning. In my junior year of high school, my class participated in a semester-long program about race and gender.

On the first day, a boy asked a question about white privilege that easily could have branded him #canceled. Instead, my teacher took this as an opportunity to explain the concept to everyone. I believe this approach would work just as well in higher education.

When a single inquiry has the power to destroy a person's reputation, we need to reflect on what that says about our society. By dissuading people from asking questions, canceled culture endangers education, spurs divisive rhetoric and discourages empathy. If it continues to trend in the classroom, we might find ourselves stuck between a rock and a hard place – or rather, a hashtag.

Harper Lambert believes that the classroom is not the place to chastise other students for trying to learn.



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HOROSCOPES

The signs as better possible Extravaganza headliners.

ARIES

MARCH 21 - APRIL 19

my broken garbage disposal

TAURUS

APRIL 20 - MAY 20

your upstairs neighbor, Bryan

GEMINI

MAY 21 - JUNE 20

the Wal-Mart Yodeling Boy

CANCER

JUNE 21 - JULY 22

that one Soundcloud rapper from your high school

LEO

JULY 23 - AUGUST 22

the sound of someone dropping a bunch of silverware on the floor, for five hours

VIRGO

AUGUST 23 - SEPTEMBER 22

the UCen bird

LIBRA

SEPTEMBER 23 - OCTOBER 22

that weird humming noise in the UCen

SCORPIO

OCTOBER 23 - NOVEMBER 21

the Storke Tower bell

SAGITTARIUS

NOVEMBER 22 - DECEMBER 21

the EDM song in the background of the NewCen video

CAPRICORN

DECEMBER 22 - JANUARY 19

that one kid who won't stop coughing in lecture

AQUARIUS

JANUARY 20 - FEBRUARY 18

any frat boy

PISCES

FEBRUARY 19 - MARCH 20

literally anybody else

Isla Vista Needs Your Support for Measure R

James Ferraro
Op-Ed Submission

Voting yes on Measure R is common sense for every voter in Isla Vista.

The 8 percent utility user tax would raise approximately \$700,000 in funding annually for the Isla Vista Community Services District (CSD), the local government formed by voters' overwhelming support of Measure E in fall of 2016. If a utility user tax is not passed by January 2023, the CSD will automatically dissolve.

Isla Vista self-governance and the state of affairs in I.V. have made significant strides from the days of Bank of America burning to the ground and regular rioting, yet challenges persist.

The current approach of regulating Deltopia is neither sustainable nor cost effective, while both medical calls and attendance are on the rise. Forward thinking leaders must commandeer the definition of Deltopia to confront the risks posed by an increasing number of partygoers.

Aside from the public safety hazard of thousands of inebriated college students on Del Playa, residents face myriad traumatic issues daily. Sexual assault in I.V. warrants immediate action, yet our county sheriff recently proposed cutting the funding for the I.V. Foot Patrol Community Resource Officers. Roads and sidewalks are in disrepair and poorly lit. Parking in I.V. is a constant headache for residents without a parking space or an on-campus permit.

Proponents of Measure R and the CSD have worked diligently with little funding. They launched

a tenant mediation program for the lease change period to ensure tenants receive a fair return of their deposit.

The I.V. Community Room is a hub in the community, for meetings, tutoring programs for local children, and available for free of charge for organizations.

The CSD greatly expanded the UC Santa Barbara Police Department (UCPD) Community Service Officer (CSO) Program to include CSO safety stations in I.V. every Friday and Saturday night.

Our local government has a proven track record of fiscal responsibility and would only continue to expand services with additional revenue.

Meanwhile, Machiavellian landlords are spending the exorbitant amount you pay in rent on a campaign against Measure R. They erroneously call themselves the "Isla Vistans Against Higher Taxes." None of the despots who are funding this campaign live in I.V. and would not be subject to the new tax implemented by Measure R.

The multimillionaires that we depend on for shelter just received a massive tax cut from Congressional Republicans in the form of H.R. 1. If the landlords in opposition are not financially impacted by Measure R, why are they vehemently opposed to its passage?

For those who oppose the proposed tax simply because it is a tax, consider the implications of your logic.

Consider that without revenue generated by taxes, the public university that sustains you would

cease to exist.

Consider that every paved road you drive on takes taxes and the businesses where you shop are subsidized by taxpayers. I.V. public safety issues persist partly because of a lack of resources, and an incidental tax is the clear solution.

Eight percent of your monthly utilities is an affordable tax, and an exemption exists for residents who qualify as low income. Voting no on Measure R is a vote against public safety in our community.



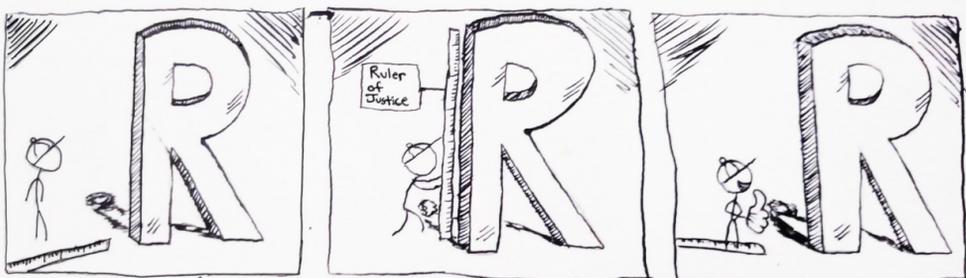
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Succumbing to torpor and frustration from the sidelines does nothing for you or your community. If you do not like the direction that the your local government is taking, get out to vote and run for the IVCSO. Show up to Tuesday night meetings. The way to improve your community is not by acquiescing to your despotic landlord. Political apathy benefits those already in power, and business as usual will not suffice.

Isla Vista is a unique place with equally unique challenges. We are fortunate for local leaders on the CSD and on the Isla Vista Recreation & Park District who stay in I.V. well past the standard four or five years.

Why should we take the passionate people who want to improve Isla Vista for granted? Register to vote before May 21 and make sure to vote yes for Measure R on June 5. The future of Isla Vista is in your hands.

James Ferraro encourages Isla Vistans to do their civic duty and support Measure R.



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