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Debate Teams Talk Future Health Care Policy

Controversial abortion policy, shared governance discussed

Nicolas Sonnenberg
THE SANTA CLARA

Students filed into an O’Connor Hall classroom Tuesday evening to witness a century-old Santa Clara tradition. The Ryland Debate has pitted Santa Clara students against each other in spirited discourse since 1897, and is held by the Santa Clara University Philalethic Debating Society.

The topic of this year’s debate addressed the university’s controversial decision to remove coverage for elective abortions from the faculty and staff insurance plans.

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Tensions were high as hundreds of relatives and miners jostled out of the mine’s entrance waiting for news amid a heavy police presence. Rows of women wailed uncontrol- totally and men knelt sobbing or simply stared in disbelief as rescue workers removed body after body, some charred beyond recognition.

From AP Reports.

2. Ukraine begins peace talks without separatists: European-backed peace talks on ending Ukraine’s crisis began with little promise yesterday. Pro-Russian insurgents, who were not invited to the session, de- manded that the Kiev government recognize their sovereignty.

The “road map” put forth by the Organization for Security and Coop- eration in Europe calls for national dialogue as a first step toward resolv- ing the escalating tensions. The insurgents have seized government buildings in eastern Ukraine and have declared inde- pendency.

Acting President Oleksandr Tur- chynov said in his opening remarks at the Kiev talks that authorities were “ready for a dialogue.” How- ever, he insisted they will not talk to the pro-Russia gunmen, which the government has denounced as “terrorists.”

The talks lasted two and a half hours and ended inconsiderably, with only a vague plan to meet again in a few days.

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Show Promotes Tolerance of All Gender Identities

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The team finished third among 24 other teams representing colleges such as Washington University in St. Louis, Boston College and Duke University. Kunkel, Watson and Wilson have used the prize-winning finish to further their learning outside of the classroom.

“Using our success at the competition, we went to a company to pitch a project with them over the summer,” said Jason Kunkel. “We are doing an independent study for IDEO, a design innovation company in Palo Alto.”

The three graduate students expressed deep gratitude for their marketing professors Juan Montermoso and Desmond Lo, in addition to Jana Hee, director of Graduate Business Academic and Records Support, who helped the team obtain funding for the competition.

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How do you beat the heat?

Marti Sollenburger, ‘16

“Go to the pool and eat Popsicles.”

Chris Strickland, ‘15

“I go for a swim in the Malley (Fitness and Recreation Center) pool.”

Nate Bradford, ‘17

“Rebounding. Big men down low. Locks and then 3-point shooting.”

Amia Nash, ‘15

“I don’t. The heat beats me.”

Santa Clara students perform a scene from “Goodness,” a modern age morality play by Michael Redhill. The play examines the evils and complexities of genocide throughout the world and history. A grim tale of the darkness that surrounds murder, “Goodness” asks what motivates people to commit acts of evil and what becomes of them after. The show is currently playing at the Fess Parker Studio Theatre at 8 p.m. Thursday, Friday and Saturday. Tickets are $10 with student identification.

New Club on Campus

Cultural group seeks to share experiences

Dan Hanower
THE SANTA CLARA

The Persian-American community on campus now has a home of its own. Although there are a significant number of Persian-American students at Santa Clara, there has not been a Registered Student Organization established for this ethnicity on campus until now.

The Persian-American Cultural Club was accepted as an RSO April 24. The group aims to bring Persian-American students together with hopes to grow and develop as an organization.

Freshman Shayan Manteghi, founder and president of the club, wants to create a place where students with similar cultural backgrounds can meet.

“We formed the club because we really wanted to bring the Persian students together,” said Manteghi. “We only know a few, but there are more Persian students at this school.”

Sophomore Sherwin Golshani, vice president of the club, explained why bringing the Persian-American students together is so important.

“We think that (Persian-Americans) have a lot in common as a culture and we really just wanted to build off of that,” said Golshani. “So far there has been a lot of excitement because now we can all come together for a purpose.”

The club wants to reach out to all students as well. Manteghi and Golshani know how much Persian culture has to offer and they want to share this culture with the rest of the student body.

Persian-American clubs have already been founded at a number of other universities. However, this club is trying to stand apart from other cultural clubs in one key aspect—they want to focus on member enjoyment, experiences and bonding, rather than learning.

“We are not trying to be an educational club,” said Golshani. “We’re hoping to do a lot of other activities that aren’t necessarily focused on learning about the culture, but rather providing an experience and something that people want to be involved with.”

The club aims to provide students with entertaining activities, as seen in one of their first events. The club will be traveling to downtown San Jose, Calif., to go see a well-known Persian comedian perform. Golshani hopes that events such as this one will be typical for the club.

The Persian-American Cultural Club has been tabling in Benson Memorial Center trying to recruit more students to join the club. It currently has over 30 members and hopes to expand.

The Persian-American Cultural Club encourages students with free time in the weeks leading up to finals to attend the next meeting and have some fun while learning about another culture.

Manteghi offers a challenge to students who are interested in the club but are on the fence about whether or not to go.

“Just come to one of our meetings,” said Manteghi. “See what it is like and you will want to come back.”

Information about the Persian-American Cultural Club can be found on its Facebook page. Contact Dan Hanower at dhanower@scu.edu or call (408) 554-4852.
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**Baseball**

The Santa Clara softball team capped off their season with a two-day, three-game series at home against the University of San Diego Toreros on Saturday and Sunday. The Broncos dropped all three games, two of them by one run. On Saturday, Santa Clara lost 3-2 in eight innings and then 5-4 in 11 innings. They lost on Sunday 6-1.

In the Broncos’ first game, Clara Gonzales started as pitcher, allowing three runs on five hits and walking two batters. She also managed to strike out two more.

Stephanie Fisher led the team with a home run and a two-run blast, giving Santa Clara a 7-6 lead. Junior hit his first home run of the season, junior Matt Steffens never faced more than five runners and allowed five hits on five runs. "It’s really easy to get caught up in the fact that my time as a Bronco is coming to an end and to reminisce on the last four years," said Harisis. "But I’m really just excited to see what the next four years will bring for our team." The Broncos wrapped up their season by hosting a three-game series against Saint Mary’s College on Saturday and Sunday. After that comes the WCC Tournament, beginning on the following Thursday.

**Men’s Tennis**

John Lamble was named the Senior Player of the Year for the Northwest Region by the Intercollegiate Tennis Association. In his career, Lamble finished with an 81-36 record, making him second in Santa Clara all-time wins. This season he went 21-5 overall and 15-2 in dual matches. In both singles and doubles, he played in the No. 1 position.

He began the season ranked No. 5 in the Northwest region and at the completion of the season was named All-West Coast Conference First Team. In doubles, with partner Aydin Ozturk, the duo went 17-3 in dual matches and 20-5 overall through-out the 2013-2014 season. They received All-WCC First Team honors and were named the No. 1 doubles team for the All-WCC Tournament Team.

**Softball**

**Broncos Steal Two in Utah**

This past weekend, the men’s baseball team traveled to Utah for a three-game series against Brigham Young University. After splitting the first two games, they won the third and stole the series from the Cougars, who are in eighth place in the West Coast Conference. The Broncos sit in sixth place.

**ATHLETE OF THE WEEK**

Jake Steffens

Baseball

The sophomore allowed one earned run on five hits on Saturday.

What can you contribute your recent performances to?

I wanted to throw as many strikes as I could and make them get themselves out by swinging at my pitch. I have been focusing on hitting more spots and being more effective with all of my pitches rather than trying to power the ball by guys every time.

Do you have any superstitions?

I never step on the lines the day of a game and I always tie my cleats as tight as I can for some reason.
Jackson Axed From Warriors

H ead coach got canned all the time, but it is rare one is fired when they seem to be doing a good job.

It looks like a winning record and two playoff appearances in three years weren’t enough to save Mark Jackson, the former head coach of the Golden State Warriors who was fired last Tuesday.

“Obviously (the decision to fire Jackson) was not made exclusively on wins and losses,” said Warriors owner Joe Lacob.

The leader, who has controlled the team since 2010, continued to say that while the decision was not easy, it was “unanimous” among the front office.

Jackson, a 17-year veteran of the NBA and television sports analyst, was hired as head coach in 2011 with no prior coaching experience.

Still, the franchise and fans were excited about what his fresh perspective could bring to a team that wasn’t short on talent, but losing nonetheless.

The Warriors certainly improved under his watch. Golden State went 51-31 this season, their best record since the 1991-1992 season, which was also the last time the team went to the playoffs for two consecutive years.

Jackson is fourth in the franchise’s all-time wins list at 121 regular-season wins.

While the team was improving on the court, drama continued developing off of it. Jackson’s brash, hard-headed way of doing things may have turned the players’ games around but they also caused a clash with the management.

Jackson parted with two assistant coaches in a two-week period, demoting Brian Scalabrino to a D-League position and firing Darrell Erman altogether. Jackson also had been fired by executive board member Jerry West, who had initially voiced his opposition to Jackson’s hiring.

The Warriors camp has had mixed reactions to Jackson’s removal. Current players have also voiced discontent on social media outlets in opposition to the announcement.

Most franchises use a trial-and-error approach. Still, it’s important to consider the effect constant coach swapping has on the players and the team’s chemistry. I don’t think it would have hurt to let Jackson finish his contract - he had one year left.

With that being said, the Warriors landed Steve Kerr to replace Jackson. Kerr is a great choice for head coach because he’s going into the position with close ties to the management.

After all the drama with Jackson, a coach lacking controversy is just what they need.

The team was in an upward trend under Jackson and it takes time to develop. The team bond he created has to count for something and clearly the team was moving in a positive direction. I hope Kerr is up for the challenge.

Sydney Sanchez is a sophomore accounting major.

Lacrosse Optimistic For Future

The Broncos fell to the No. 3 seed Ohio State University Buckeyes in the quarterfinals of the Women’s Collegiate Lacrosse Association Tournament in Virginia Beach, Va.

Club team takes on nation’s best at tournament

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Led by five experienced seniors, the women’s club lacrosse team traveled to Virginia Beach, Va., this past weekend with one goal in mind: victory.

The squad headed into the national tournament with a 9-2 record.

After defeating the University of Colorado Boulder by a score of 12-11 in the first round of the Women’s Collegiate Lacrosse Association National Championships, the sixth-seeded Broncos fell to the No. 3 seed Ohio State University in the quarterfinals 12-11.

The Broncos redeemed themselves by winning 12-11 in double overtime against the University of California, Santa Barbara and went on to face the fourth-seeded University of Georgia.

The Broncos had met the Bulldogs once before during the regular season and ended up clinching the win in overtime 11-10 but they couldn’t repeat that accomplishment on Saturdays.

“I think (familiarity) helped our team in a very positive way,” said sophomore midfielder Abby Lewis. “We knew what they were capable of and we were aware how strong of a team they were, which helped us strong mentally in going into the game. Unfortunately, we did not come up on top at the end of the game.”

Georgia took an early lead but Santa Clara kept within striking distance of the Bulldogs and finished the first half only down two goals.

The Broncos answered every Georgia goal with a score of their own until late in the second half when the Bulldogs turned up the tempo.

With five minutes left in what would be their last game of the season, the team regrouped.

“We were only going to be satisfied if we played so we would have no regrets,” said Tori Rutherford, named Second Team All-American this season. “The team that put it all out there and had no regrets was going to win the game.”

After the timeout, the Broncos were able to score three more goals before the game ended. But those three goals weren’t enough to advance. The team had come up short, 12-8.

“I wish our team could have ... executed on important plays both offensively and defensively when we needed the most,” said Lewis. “Being part of a team means that we all take responsibility for both wins and losses and accepting that no game can be perfect.”

Rutherford agreed with Lewis about the various missed opportunities that the team didn’t take advantage of.

“I wish we could have capitalized on the offensive sets early on,” she said. “I think that would have completely changed the momentum of the game.”

In spite of the tough loss, the Broncos celebrated their highest finish ever in a season at sixth place in the nation.

The team is looking ahead to the challenge of placing even higher in the tournament next year.

They welcomed seven freshmen onto their roster this year, several of whom saw considerable minutes on the field.

Rutherford had high praise for freshmen Maggie Von Massenhauen, Claire Smoker and Sara Barry.

Goalie Von Massenhauen, playing without any prior lacrosse experience, was named co-Rookie of the Year and honored at the WCLA Nationals Award Ceremony.

Rutherford called Smoker a “force in the midfield” and said that Barry possessed composure that “was not normally present in freshman players.”

Both Lewis and Rutherford are optimistic about the program’s next season and are confident that their team will come back from the disappointing loss to be even stronger at the tournament and defeat their future opponents.

“This might be my last year,” Rutherford said. “But after what I have seen from my teammates this season I know they will turn that disappointment into fuel and have it feed their fires to work hard.”

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