University Prepares for Potential Disaster

Student medical officers train for major emergency

Trained members of Santa Clara's Emergency Medical Services rushed freshman Alyna Merrall out of O'Connor Hall last Sunday from a hypothetical plane crash in a dramatic moment from the Mass Casualty Drill last Sunday. Following last week's bombings in Boston, SCU EMS responded to a mock plane crash with student volunteers as injured victims in the Mass Casualty Incident Drill, organized so that the school's first responders could practice reacting quickly and effectively in the event of a dangerous situation on campus.

Held annually each spring quarter, the drill allows the Emergency Medical Service to practice their training involving incidents with multiple patients. In the past, the organization has enacted scenarios such as bombings, shootings and natural disasters.

Despite all the hype around the recent bombings, the focus of the Mass Casualty Incident Drill was not altered in regards to these events. The intention of the annual drill is to ensure that the school's EMS is prepared for an incident like the one in Boston, so the squad will have trained for such an event regardless of the explosions.

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Campus Ramps Up for Student Elections

Candidates prepare for the vote next week

Matthew Rupel
The Santa Clara

Election season is heating up as student government hopefuls have spent the week chalkling, handing out flyers and meeting students to prepare for Tuesday's elections. The candidates could be seen last night at Meet the Candidates, an event hosted by Associated Student Government to introduce next year's potential leaders of the school to the student body. Candidates for each office took to the stump to present their platforms to the voters and answer questions.

So far, the campaign is running cleaner and smoother than last year's election, when candidates were disqualified for using illegal tactics such as promoting voting in the Benson Memorial Center and the residence halls. “There haven't been any infractions so far this year, which is good,” said Matthew MacDonald, executive vice president of ASG. The platforms for the tickets for the president's office cover a number of issues that affect student life. “I have friends who always make sure to use the buddy system when they come home from the library late,” said Suzanne Azpeitia, candidate for vice president.

Supporting existing programs like ASG's Safewalk Initiative isn't the only goal the candidates have. Presidential candidate Judith Martinez said that she wants to better tap into Santa Clara's alumni network to bring alumni back for events specifically related to their school experience. One topic that made its way into most platforms was school spirit. Candidate Benjamin Frazier said that low school spirit is a common complaint at Santa Clara, and a concerted effort can be made to maintain the high level found at freshmen orientation throughout the college career. Voter turnout is expected to be high this year, with a short campaign season. Last year, the election saw 1,624 votes. In 2011 there were only 496 votes; however, there was only one ticket for the president and vice president positions.

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For a full profile of the candidates, see Page 3

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At the Top
Women's tennis ties for first

Associated Student Government candidates met students and introduced their platforms on Wednesday night as part of their preparation for the vote on Tuesday.
2. Italian president chastises country’s politicians: Italian President Giorgio Napolitano, sworn in Monday for an unprecedented second term at the age of 87, chastised lawmakers for their inadequate response to the country’s economic crisis and urged them to form a new government “without delay.”

While getting emotional over “the trust and affection I have seen grow toward me and the institution I represent,” Napolitano was also stern in his rebuke of lawmakers for having failed to reform the flawed election law.

Napolitano told the parties that called him to serve again as president that they would be held accountable if they don’t forge alliances and policies to pull the euro-zone’s third-largest economy out of recession and put it back on the path of financial reforms and growth.

“I have a duty to be frank. I find myself again facing the deafness of those with whom I have clashed in the past, I will not hesitate to hold them accountable before the country,” Napolitano said.

From AP Reports.

3. Google fined by German data protection agency: A German data protection agency fined Google Inc. 145,000 euros ($189,000) for illegally recording information from unsecured wireless networks — an amount it acknowledged is “totally inadequate” as a deterrent to the multinational giant.

Hamburg’s state data protection agency said Monday that Google admitted collecting data including emails, passwords, photos and chat protocols from 2008-2010 as it prepared to launch its Street View service.

Google says it never intended to store personal data and the agency says it has been deleted.

Agency Head Johannes Caspar says “company internal control mechanisms failed seriously” at Google but the maximum fine possible was 150,000 euros which was “unlikely to have a deterring effect.”

Google earned $3.3 billion in the first quarter.

Caspar urged dramatic increases to possible maximum fines under future European regulations.

From AP Reports.

4. Officials said at least 185 killed in Nigeria attack: Fighting between Nigeria’s military and Islamic extremists killed at least 185 people in a fishing community in the nation’s far northeast, officials said Sunday, an attack that saw insurgents fire rocket-propelled grenades and soldiers spray machine-gun fire into neighborhoods.

The fighting in Baga began Friday and lasted for hours, sending people fleeing into the arid scrublands. By Sunday, when government officials finally felt safe enough to see the destruction, homes, businesses and vehicles were burned throughout the area.

The assault marks a significant escalation in the long-running insurgency. Nigeria faces in its predominate Muslim north, with Boko Haram extremists mounting a coordinated assault on soldiers using military-grade weaponry. The killings also mark one of the deadliest incidents ever in the country.

Authorities had found and buried at least 185 bodies as of Sunday afternoon.

From AP Reports.

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"Do the You in SCU."

Both candidates on the Martinez-Smart ticket are hoping to return to Associated Student Government after coming back from study abroad trips this past year.

Their platform, “Do You in SCU,” is based on a plan for a series of themes to bring out engagement from students with the community. Each quarter has a theme to set the stage.MODE: Define, Refine and Combine.

Some of their ideas include bringing the Registered Student Organizations into the campus community the way that the larger-budgeted Chartered Student Organizations are. The candidates want to highlight a club each week and in turn want to bring the annual student organization retreat. They hope these developments can bring more interest to RSOS.

The pair also wants to add an alumni speaker series in conjunction with the alumni association, as well as a development discussion for each quarter. They hope that bringing networking to specific interests will encourage engagement in the community.

SUSPICIOUS PERSON

4/19: A student worker reported that while he was counting money, a non-affiliate male gained entry into the back office of the kitchen at the Benson Memorial Center. CSS responded but was unable to locate the non-affiliate male. No further information was available.

4/19: A student reported observing a non-affiliate male carrying a bicycle wheel and a duffel bag out of the dorms. CSS and SCPD responded to investigate. Nothing was found concerning the non-affiliate male. He was advised to stay off campus.

THE PERFECT COMBINATION. The perfect year.

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Many of their platform is based on ideas to bridge off-campus life with the on-campus community experience. Both Wyman and Azpeltia live off-campus, and think the community experience can be strengthened.

One idea is too work with the Residential Learning Community Association to develop events that can keep off-campus upperclassmen connected to their RLCs. Potential events could be a monthly coffee meeting to strengthen bonds between bronze.

An additional program would be to assign “buddy houses” of off-campus upperclassmen to underclassmen who are planning to move out of the dorms and prepare them for the challenges of off-campus life.

Voting on Tuesday for Associated Student Government candidates

Judith Martinez Ryan Smart

Ben Frazier Max Wahl

"Outreach, Alumnii, Spirit, Innovation and Safety!"

Ben Frazier and Max Wahl are returning veterans from Associated Student Government, serving in a variety of positions over the last three years.

The Frazier/Wahl OASIS platform is based on the primary goal of increasing ARG’s outreach to the student body by boosting interaction with students.

Frazier and Wahl also want to make school spirit stronger on the Mission Campus. Spirit is high at orientation, according to Wahl, but diminishes throughout the year except for a few key events, such as the Gonzaga game.

The candidates think that they can turn this around by increasing presence by student organizations at sporting events and school spirit events, such as those put on by the Activitiy Program Board.

Also in their platform is a continued emphasis on safety, a concern that has been raised in the past year by a handful of highly publicized confrontations off campus.

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Students Honored Mother Earth Across Campus

Clubs collaborate to set up festivities for holiday

Mallory Miller
THE SANTA CLARA

Students throughout campus honored Mother Earth on Monday by participating in fun-filled activities, conversing with other students and enjoying the sunny, 85-degree weather.

The Earth Day Committee, Sustainability Office and other sustainability clubs collaborated to create an educational and influential day for Santa Clara students.

“Everyone has been extra positive today, and excited to come up with creative things to say for the Earth Day photo booth,” said environmental science major Sean Reilly, who was a volunteer photographer for Earth Day.

Students had the chance to write something related to Earth Day on small whiteboards and have their photograph taken with the board, while standing in front of a large picture of the Earth. These photographs will be posted on the Santa Clara Earth Day event page on Facebook, and will also be submitted to a competition that Earth.org is holding.

“I think this competition will also be submitted to a competition that Earth.org is holding. The competition is designed so that different colleges from around the nation can see how each other celebrated Earth Day on their campuses.

“This competition was a great way to create a nationwide community celebration of Earth Day, and to also show that people do care about our Earth,” said Etana Tesfahun, president of the Grass Roots Environmental Efforts Now Club.

The GREEN Club has played a key role in setting up past Earth Day events. This year the Office of Sustainability stepped up to the plate and co-hosted the event with the GREEN Club.

“We had many new faces and creative minds help out with the Earth Day Planning Committee, along with the students who are involved in sustainability clubs,” said Cara Uy, sustainability coordinator for the Office of Sustainability.

This was one of the first years Earth Day had a stage. Assistant Professor Christopher Bacon, from the environmental sciences and studies department, spoke and gave a brief history of Earth Day, which has been celebrated since the 1970s. Santa Clara students weren’t the only ones out celebrating the Earth; there were 25 vendors on the lawn outside of the Harrington Learning Commons as well.

Peace for Chain and Better Work of the Future were only a few of the local vendors from Santa Clara County who came out to promote Earth-related subjects such as sustainability and the passing of environmental laws.

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CAMPUS BRIEFS

Nominate Your Favorite Professor for
THE LOUIS AND DORINA BRUTOCOA AWARD FOR TEACHING EXCELLENCE

All Santa Clara students are invited to nominate the professor who challenged and inspired them most while at Santa Clara University. The Brutocao Award for Teaching Excellence is the University’s highest teaching honor. Please don’t let your favorite professor’s passion for teaching go unrecognized – submit your nomination today!

Watch for details in an email, pick up guidelines in the Faculty Development Office, St. Joseph’s Hall, Room 113, or see http://www.scu.edu/provost/facultydevelopment/awards/teachingnomination.cfm

The deadline is May 6, 2013. You may submit your nomination by email, mail or fax to:

The Brutocao Award Committee
Faculty Development Program
St. Joseph’s Hall, Room 113
Santa Clara University
Fax: (408) 551-1873
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Wrongfully Convicted Freed from Prison

The Northern California Innocence Project has released another innocent man, making this the third wrongfully convicted person freed this year.

On April 12, the NCIP, in collaboration with Orrick, Herrington and Sutcliffe, LLP announced that a federal district court judge has overturned the wrongful conviction of George Souliotes, a 72-year-old man who spent 16 years in jail after being convicted of arson and triple murder.

The final verdict rests with the state of California, which has 30 days to order a retrial, yet Souliotes’ lawyer insists that there is absolutely no basis for a retrial.

According to Linda Starr, the legal director for NCIP, the organization has been fighting for Souliotes’ release for more than 10 years, and they are grateful that his innocence has finally been recognized.

The NCIP found that the original prosecution used evidence that new findings in fire science have since discounted.

The NCIP is an organization based in the Santa Clara Law School where it is offered as a course. After deciding to take on a certain case, law students evaluate them under the supervision of attorneys and clinical staff.

This is the 17th person the NCIP has released since its creation in 2001.

From student reports.

CORRECTIONS

In the “Iron Chef Teams Compete,” the competition was misidentified. It should read “Iron Chef” (page 3 Issue 19, April 18, 2013).

ARCHBISHOP L. FITZGERALD TO SPEAK

Archbishop Michael L. Fitzgerald will lecture on four main areas this Thursday: harmonious living, cooperation in the service of others, theoretical foundations and the sharing of religious experiences.

The talk “To Recognize and Develop the Spiritual Bonds that Unite Us” (John Paul II: A Reflection on Christian-Muslim Relations Since Vatican II”) is scheduled to take place on April 25, from 4:30 p.m. to 6 p.m., in the William Room, Benson Memorial Center.

It will address how the Vatican II influenced a stronger communication between Christians and Muslims.

“Archbishop Fitzgerald brings much wisdom, practice and theological grounding to his work in inter-religious dialogue,” said Theresa Ladigian-Whelply, the director of Institutes and Spirituality in the Ignatian Center for Jesuit Education.

Within the realm of Christian-Muslim dialogue in particular, Archbishop Fitzgerald’s work speaks to the significance of inter-religious dialogue within life, action, theological exchange and religious experience,” said Ladigian-Whelply. “We are grateful for his leadership within the Catholic Church and are privileged to have him here at Santa Clara to deepen our community’s engagement within inter-religious dialogue.”

The Santa Clara University Thursday, April 25, 2013
Growing Student Population Needs Classrooms

With the incoming freshman representing a 4 percent growth in undergraduate quota, it is clear our small community is growing.

Recent additions to student housing such as Graham Hall and the University Villas show the university has understood the demand for more housing space not only for the underclassmen but for upperclassmen as well.

Unfortunately, what has not changed recently is the number of classrooms available for classes. Santa Clara’s most recent academic building, Lucas Hall, was built in 2006 for business classes. As the student population and amount of classes offered yearly increases, students and teachers are going to have to make non-comfortable accommodations.

Even the administration will have to make adjustments which they foresee is probably the most inconvenient. The overpopulation on campus since one of our school’s major selling points is our low student-to-teacher ratio, making for a more intimate classroom experience.

The current average student-to-faculty ratio is a relatively low 13:1, a privilege that has become increasingly rare as more and more high school students attend college. To keep the ratio standing in the future, the school will have to accommodate by hiring more teachers.

Consequently, this means that more classrooms would have to be available to make room for an expanding staff, especially to hold multiple classes of the same subject. This is already a common practice among introductory courses in various subjects to meet the demand for core or required courses in various subjects to meet the demand for core or required courses and to keep their class sizes small enough for intimate interaction.

The school is obviously limited to the space in our core academic buildings, meaning that it is constructing new buildings on new lots, like the fine arts building, and utilize existing buildings.

Finally, the last option I can foresee is probably the most impractical: building more classrooms for students and teachers to keep the class sizes small enough for intimate interaction.

The problem is essentially limited to the space in our core academic buildings, meaning that it is constructing new buildings on new lots, like the fine arts building. What is possible is adding more classrooms to current buildings, building new floors or converting certain rooms in non-academic buildings into classroom space.

In fact, this method is already being used, we hold several classes in Sobrato Hall, Casa Italiana and Graham Hall. However, creating classrooms in dorm halls may just be a temporary solution to the problem of a growing population. The rising population combined with stagnant classroom capacity will eventually and inevitably become an issue that will have to be dealt with in a major way.

Julian Castillo is a sophomore philosophy and English double major.

— Julian Castillo
A competitive job market needn’t shut out the liberal arts major, when the Leavey Business Institute can help you develop the business knowledge you need to shine in the workplace.

- Learn business basics from faculty in Santa Clara’s top-ranked business school
- View Silicon Valley from the employer’s perspective on field trips and from guest speakers
- Develop oral and written communication skills highly valued by employers
- Identify the paths from a liberal arts degree to a successful business career

This intensive summer program earns 13 units from Santa Clara University and is open to both current Santa Clara students and students from other colleges and universities.

Learn more at the next Information Session! RSVP at: www.scu.edu/lbi/rsvp/
Application deadline is June 1 (late applications will be considered on a space-available basis).
Country Music Highlighted at Annual Concert

Relay Breaks Record in Cancer Fundraising
Scene Spotlight

Lauren’s Locales: Cruising Through Santa Cruz

Lauren Bonney
Associate Reporter

The sun is high in the sky and the air is hot, so take a drive and go to the Santa Cruz Beach Boardwalk. A short car ride just south of Santa Clara will take you to cool surf, sandy shores and the oldest surviving amusement park in the U.S. Founded in 1907, this boardwalk is one of the few remaining seaside parks on the West Coast. The Boardwalk extends along the coast of Monterey Bay and covers 24 acres of park fun. There is a wide range of entertainment including an arcade, an indoor miniature golf course, a laser tag arena and thrill rides of all kinds. The most famous ride at the Boardwalk is the Giant Dipper coaster, recognizable as one of the most visible landmarks in Santa Cruz.

The park offers plenty of thrill rides. Visitor favorites include Double Shot — a 125-foot tower ride that comes with an awesome view of the ocean before being dropped 18 stories. If you like the height but not the drop, try Fireball — this ride’s powerful G-force swing spins its riders to dizzying heights. If these rides sound a little too daring, not to worry, there are equally fun attractions like Cliff Hanger that allow visitors to experience the smooth sensation of hang gliding.

If at some point you become hungry after all the excitement, the Boardwalk offers great restaurants around the park. While it is possible to stop for a quick bite to eat at many of the random food carts that can be found, some prefer a sit-down meal. Favorites include the Dipper Diner, popular for their all-American cuisine, and Surf City Grill, famous for their fresh-dipped corn dogs and clam chowder bowls.

If you are in the mood for something sweet, however, look into Marini’s at the beach, popular for their delicious salt water taffy, caramel apples and even chocolate-covered bacon. Or check out one of the many vendors who sell everything from chocolate-covered soft-serve ice cream and funnel cake to deep-fried Twinkies and Oreos.

The boardwalk portion of the park stretches along a wide sandy beach where visitors can relax in the sun after a full day of rides and food. You can end your festivities by enjoying the sand and making the most of your day in Santa Cruz.

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Jackie Somers

Giant Dipper

While tame compared to many coasters in other amusement parks today, the Giant Dipper is a National Historic Landmark. The dipper opened in 1924 and is one of the most popular wooden roller coasters in the world, thrilling people of all ages.

Looff Carousel

This classic amusement ride is also a National Historic Landmark and still contains its original 342-pipe organ built in 1894. The ride is one of five remaining Looff family-manufactured carousels left in the United States.

“Wolf” Wearing Sheep’s Clothing

New release recreates hip hop group’s image

Ethan Hazel
Associate Reporter

Odd Future, the young and reckless hip hop collective out of Los Angeles, is one of the most misunderstood acts in recent music. Their lyrics have incited controversy due to content that is perceived as violent, misogynistic or homophobic. Much of the public indignation tends to fall on Tyler, the Creator, the group’s leader and most vocal member.

“Wolf,” his second commercial release, goes out of its way to demonstrate that Odd Future is more than just misdirected rage and inflammatory lyrics. With beautiful chord progressions, introspective verses and subject matter ranging from father problems to adolescent crushes to armed robbery to going camping with friends, Tyler overwhelmingly succeeds.

All of this is not to say that he has completely forgone the ridiculous antics and stupid jokes — all of that is here in spades. Rather, “Wolf” tempers the rawness and absurdity of previous Odd Future releases with beauty and many impressive displays of musical talent.

Tyler, the Creator, is playing a show on May 20 at the Regency Ballroom in San Francisco.

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Question of the Week by Samantha Juda

How do you give back to the community?

Mary Rios, ’14

“Volunteering at the Santa Clara Valley Medical Center.”

Belle Swift, ’16

“By participating in service trips.”

Maira Gutierrez, ’14

“Doing service with (Christian Life Community).”

Kate McDermott, ’16

“By working with kids.”

Peter Baumgartner, ’13

“Makin’ people laugh.”

Samantha Juda

Thursday, April 25, 2013
TOP REASONS TO LEAVE YOUR COUCH THIS WEEK

4/25 | THURSDAY
Solar Decathlon Groundbreaking
Time: 12:30 p.m.
Location: Construction Site near Sobrato Hall Parking Lot

Brown Bag Series: Organic Gardening 101
Time: 12:15 p.m. - 1 p.m.
Location: The Forge
Why Go? Spring is in the air and it is time to get your garden ready for summer. The garden manager will give a short presentation on garden preparation, planting basics, soil amendment and garden maintenance.

Eco-Fashion Show and College Night at de Saisset Museum
Time: 7 p.m.
Location: de Saisset Museum
Why Go? The Eco-Fashion and Art Show celebrates art and music, showcasing the talents of Santa Clara students. For the first time ever, the Eco-Fashion and Art Show will be part of College Night.

4/26 | FRIDAY
Asian Pacific-Islander Student Union Culture Show: Identity
Time: 6 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.
Location: Mayer Theatre
Why Go? This year, we celebrate contemporary Asian American culture as well as raise awareness of modern issues confronting the modern Asian American youth.

“Vagina Monologues”
Time: 7 p.m.
Location: Locatelli Student Activity Center
Why Go? Hosted by the Women’s and Gender Studies Program, the “Vagina Monologues” is an episodic play written by Eve Ensler to deal with various aspects of the feminine experience. All proceeds go to HomeSafe.
Cost: $8

4/27 | SATURDAY
“Vagina Monologues”
Time: 2 p.m.
Location: Locatelli Student Activity Center
Why Go? Join the Santa Clara Community Action Program for an event featured in Immigration Week and the Mock Border Wall.

4/28 | SUNDAY
“Vagina Monologues”
Time: 2 p.m.
Location: Locatelli Student Activity Center
Why Go? Hosted by the Women’s and Gender Studies Program, the “Vagina Monologues” is an episodic play written by Even Ensler to deal with various aspects of the feminine experience. All proceeds go to HomeSafe.
Cost: $8

4/29 | MONDAY
Tunnel of Oppression and Hope
Time: 11 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Location: Locatelli Student Activity Center
Why Go? Learn about different kinds of oppression faced globally and locally, and be inspired to change the future.

Bollywood, Hollywood and Beyond: Indian Cinema in a Global World
Time: 8:45 a.m. - 1 p.m.
Location: St. Clare Room
Why Go? This panel looks at the relationship of Bollywood, or the Indian Hindi-language film industry, to other Indian cinematic traditions and Hollywood in the era of globalization.

Stories with the Immigrant Worker
Time: 7 p.m.
Location: Kennedy Commons
Why Go? Join the Santa Clara Community Action Program for an event featured in Immigration Week and the Mock Border Wall.

4/30 | TUESDAY
Tunnel of Oppression and Hope
Time: 11 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Location: Locatelli Student Activity Center
Why Go? Learn about different kinds of oppression faced globally and locally, and be inspired to change the future.

Breaking Bread, Breaking Borders — Agape Service
Time: 7 p.m.
Location: Between Benson Memorial Center and Keena Hall
Why Go? Join the Santa Clara Community Action Program for an event featured in Immigration Week and the Mock Border Wall.

5/1 | WEDNESDAY
Broncos Read Poster Reveal
Time: 4 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.
Location: Harrington Learning Commons, Lower Level
Why Go? Broncos Read is a University Library-driven initiative to honor faculty, staff and students who represent exceptional scholarship and achievements.

To suggest events for the calendar please contact Samantha Juda at: sjuda@scu.edu.
Santa Clara women's tennis will be the No. 3 seed in the West Coast Conference Championships this weekend in San Diego, Calif. After finishing 7-1 and in a tie for first in the regular season, the team earned a bye to the semifinals and will play Loyola Marymount University, a winner from Wednesday.

Broncos finish regular season atop conference for first time ever

Ryan Mahoney
THE SANTA CLARA

It seems like tennis has taken over as the marquee sport at Santa Clara.

A year after the men's team scored their first ever NCAA bid, the women's team has earned a share of their first West Coast Conference championship.

Although the No. 63 Santa Clara women's tennis team ended its regular season on Sunday with a 5-2 defeat to No. 70 University of Oregon that ended their four-match win streak, it did little to dampen their spirits.

That's because for the first time in program history, the Broncos are WCC champions, finishing in a three-way tie with Saint Mary's College and Pepperdine University. All three teams finished with a 7-1 record in the WCC following the second season of a new round-robin conference schedule.

Now the Broncos will turn their eyes to the WCC Championships in San Diego, Calif., where they hope to earn the program's first ever NCAA Tournament berth.

While the team is excited to be where they are, senior Kelly Lamble has her sights clearly set on the conference tournament this week.

"I think the tournament decides the real conference champion," said Lamble. "It seemed like we were always stuck in that fourth place finish, so to break out of that and finish first is great. We played a much tougher schedule this season, so while the overall record may not be as impressive, it helped us get to where we are."

The Broncos will likely have to win the conference tournament if they want to continue to make history and qualify for the NCAA Tournament.

After dispatching the University of Portland and Gonzaga University in the WCC Championships last year, Santa Clara then fell to perennial power Pepperdine. In the history of WCC women's tennis, the Waves have won the conference 22 times, finished second four times and only finished as low as third once.

This year looks to be no different, as the Waves have received a double bye into the semifinals, meaning the Broncos will have to beat Pepperdine in order to win the championship. The No. 1 and No. 2 seeds both earned the double bye, while the Broncos will start play in the quarterfinals after finishing only a fraction of a point behind Pepperdine for the second seed.

Santa Mary's received the top spot. It is all especially sweet for Lamble, whose father, Mike Lamble, came to Santa Clara as a tennis player from Australia. Now, the elder Lamble has seen both his daughter and son, Santa Clara men's tennis star John Lamble, play a large role in taking their respective teams to unprecedented heights.

"I think the high point was last year with the men in the NCAA Tournament against Stanford," Kelly Lamble said. "We had a whole bus of Ruff Riders there, my parents were there and the whole women's team was there. It really helped set the tone for our season."

The conference tournament will begin on April 26 before wrapping up four days later.

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ATHLETE OF THE WEEK

Julia Peters
Women's Water Polo

The redshirt freshman was named to the Western Water Polo Association's First Team.

What does it mean to be one of two freshmen named to the WWPA's First Team?

It is an honor to be recognized among such great senior players and I am proud to bring recognition to Santa Clara water polo.

Did you expect to have this kind of success right away?

I did not expect this kind of success right away. I medically redshirted last year, which was truly a blessing in disguise. I was able to watch great water polo all season.

How important will it be to play the championship tournament at home?

We know our pool and we are comfortable in our pool. We get to play in front of our home crowd and defend our name. I personally am very excited that I get to sleep in my own bed during the tournament.
Pham, Broncos Close Out Regular Season Strong

Two weekend wins set up team for postseason

Nick Ostiller
THE SANTA CLARA

The No. 60 Santa Clara men’s tennis team closed out the regular season in style last weekend, defeating conference opponents Gonzaga University and the University of Portland at the Degheri Tennis Center.

Leading the charge as he has done throughout his entire career was Tom Pham. The senior was undefeated in both his singles and doubles matches on Friday, and continued the trend against Portland on Senior Day.

“It felt good though because I had some friends there, relatives, my personal coach was around to watch me,” said Pham, who this weekend was to a national program.”

Pham and Pham were part of the first recruiting class that I brought in and they really made the huge swing for our program,” said Mills. “They’ve been a big part of what we’ve done the last four years in taking a program from where it was to a national program.”

A year removed from advancing into the second round of the NCAA Tournament, Santa Clara finished this season 4-4 in the WCC and 16-9 overall. These records earned the team a No. 4 seed in this week's conference tournament held in San Diego, Calif. While the Broncos posted a stellar 13-3 record at home, they were only 1-6-1 away from the Mission Campus. Prior to Santa Clara's first game in the tournament, Mills did not express much concern over his team's lack of success on the road.

“The guys are pretty confident and we know what we need to do,” said Mills.

Pham was also confident a day before leaving for San Diego, which happens to be his hometown.

“Personally for me, we’re playing at — to me — a home court,” said Pham, who started playing tennis in Southern California when he was five years old. “You just kind of need to go out and do whatever you need to do.”

On Wednesday, the Broncos again took care of business against a winless Gonzaga team in the first round of the conference tournament. They will face the University of San Francisco today in a quarterfinal match.

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Men and Women’s Boats Making Final Tweaks

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WIRAs, the culmination of a year’s worth of work. There they will be competing against Gonzaga University, the University of San Diego and the University of California, San Diego. The winner of the race will head to the championship regatta, the Intercollegiate Rowing Association.

Despite the Varsity Eight’s struggles, Farwell was pleased with his second varsity boat's performance.

“The boat performed really well and we have some progress over the weekend,” he said.

Conor Moakley, 4 Seat on the Second Varsity Eight, also seemed pleased with his boat's performance.

“This past weekend gave (us) a lot of momentum,” said Moakley, a junior. “We switched a true walk-on freshman, Tyler Sellers, into the (boat), which has given us a lot of power.”

Moakley pointed to the beginning of races as something both boats need to work on.

“The first five strokes of the race need to be a bit more connected,” he said. “Our power is there, it’s just applying it in the most efficient way. Fitness-wise we are up there with the best.”

The women’s Varsity Eight competed in round-robin racing because the course only had room for two teams to race at a time. On Saturday, they dropped two races to Saint Mary’s College and San Diego State University.

“The margin was as expected, but the crew felt like they could have had a better start and held with Saint Mary's for longer,” Head Coach John Wojtkiewicz told Santa Clara Broncos Athletics online.

Although the women’s team will also be rowing this upcoming weekend at the WIRAs, the team is looking ahead to the West Coast Conference Championships in mid-May. Senior captain Adrienne Lohe said that as the team reaches the end of the season, most of the actual training is done.

“Now we are picking up speed by improving our technique and maintaining our fitness,” she said. “We will have a three-week break with no racing (before) our championships, and we’re going to do a lot of hard work to get that extra speed that we need.”

Lohe added that right before race weekend in May they will taper so they have extra energy to use during the race.

“Our goal for the WCC Championships is time-based, not placement-based,” she said. “At the beginning of the season we set a 2K race time for each boat to achieve by the end of the season, so we will be working towards that rather than a specific placement.”

Lohe said that for the past four years she has been influenced by her team captains and that it was their dedication and commitment that she’s always tried to live up to.

“I hope that I am doing the same for the girls on the team now;” she said. WIRA racing for both the men and the women will begin on Saturday.

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Inconsistent success precedes big race this weekend

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Up and down results were the theme of last weekend’s Stanford Invitational for both the men and women’s rowing teams. Both teams were in action at Redwood Shores in final preparation for the Western Intercollegiate Rowing Association Championships, which will take place next weekend at Lake Natoma in Sacramento, Calif.

A less than stellar race at the Stanford Invitational for the top varsity boat caused Head Coach Jay Farwell to troubleshoot issues with the lineup, according to Santa Clara Broncos Athletics online.

“The Varsity Eight struggled a bit this weekend,” he said. “We know we have a fast boat, but we are running out of time. We will be working hard this week to establish more boat speed.”

The speed will be much needed as the team looks ahead to the Western Intercollegiate Rowing Association Championships.

Rowing Teams See Mixed Results

Henry Gula
One Giant Guessing Game

The seven-round, three-day media extravaganza that is the NFL draft is meant to attract an audience. It’s meant to be the equivalent of a New Year’s celebration for NFL fans, coming right in the middle of the offseason when fans start to miss their favorite game the most. It brings football back to the front of everyone’s mind with the latest installment beginning tonight.

In last year’s NFL draft, 253 players were selected. Of those 253, an amateur football fan would recognize maybe 10 of those names. A dedicated football fan might recognize about 25. Analysts on TV play up and publicize every pick, especially in the first two rounds, as if they can see the future.

But speculating accurately about a player’s future NFL career with any degree of accuracy is nearly impossible. More often than not, it comes down to experience, instinct and a lot of luck.

That’s the magic of the NFL draft. Any player could be the next Tom Brady, a sixth-round pick in 2000, a Wes Welker, undrafted in 2004, or an Arian Foster, undrafted in 2009.

“I really believe you don’t take all-pros in the draft, you make them all-pros.” John Elway, the Denver Broncos’ executive vice president of football operations, told the Denver Post. “In the end, not every guy is going to be developed at the same pace and not every position is the same.”

But expecting a “draft class” to hand your team seven, five or even three new pro-bowl quality starters is hopelessly inaccurate.

There will always be the big names that produce immediately, but this is not the case for all the top picks.

The Oakland Raiders took Ja-Marcus Russell with the first pick in 2007, receiver Darrius Heyward-Bey in the top ten in 2009 and linebacker Rolando McClain in the top ten in 2010. Russell was an immediate bust, Heyward-Bey has yet to live up to his potential and McClain is no longer with the Raiders after three unproductive seasons.

In 2011, the San Francisco 49ers drafted Aldon Smith in the first round, Colin Kaepernick in the second round and also took Chris Culliver and Kendall Hunter. All have turned into productive pros, with Kaepernick bursting onto the scene last year to lead the team to a Super Bowl appearance. They had a good draft.

However, this past year, their first round selection was wide receiver A.J. Jenkins. In 2012, he played 37 snaps, was thrown to once and dropped it. 2012 wasn’t nearly as productive for the team.

If you want to see all of tomorrow’s stars from this year’s draft, be sure not to turn it off after the first round.

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Must See: Women’s Water Polo

SCU vs. CSUMB

2 p.m. Friday, April 26 at the Sullivan Aquatic Center

For a complete schedule of games, see page 10.