Surrounding Campus Secured
Action taken with Santa Clara authorities to improve pedestrian safety

Angeles Oviedo
THE SANTA CLARA

This quarter the Associated Student Government continues efforts that began last fall to improve pedestrian safety in areas surrounding campus, seeking student feedback for proposed changes to traffic signals at intersections.

Last quarter, members of ASG formed the Off-Campus Traffic Safety TaskForce, a group which has worked with Santa Clara and the City of Santa Clara to make plans to improve poorly-marked intersections around campus for the safety of the student body and members of the surrounding community.

“We all, in this community, are almost like a family,” said Josh Ronen, an ASG member spearheading the OCTS initiative. “You don’t want to see your friend or best friend get hurt or even hear about someone you don’t know get hurt, so we said something needs to be done about this.”

He explained that what prompted ASG members to take action were major injuries that student pedestrians had sustained in the past few years in dangerous intersections around campus.

According to Ronen, the TaskForce began their efforts by recruiting support from community members within the city and university, including Joe Sugg, assistant vice president of University Operations, and Philip Beltran, director of Campus Safety Services.

The OCTS TaskForce identified major crosswalks on campus, the current traffic indicators in those areas, and how those intersections could be improved. Heavily-used crosswalks, such as those around football and baseball fields, were marked as top priority.

According to Sugg, Santa Clara City Traffic Engineer Dennis Ng was receptive of the proposed changes during a meeting that was held in early December. In addition to the university, other agencies, all of whom were eager to support the TaskForce’s initiative.

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As plans to design traffic changes move forward, Ronen encourages students to contact OCTS to report past or present incidents on or off campus on student incident reports.

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Crowd Crams Into Leavey

Known as one of the biggest games of the year, Santa Clara took on Gonzaga University on Jan. 5 in the Leavey Event Center. Students, having just turned the ignition and is going full-force with

Workout Options Re-Designed
Purchased passes allow students to mix and match classes

Mallory Miller
THE SANTA CLARA

Starting this quarter, Malley Fitness and Recreation Center has changed the way that students can sign up for fitness classes. Three different pass cards are available for purchase: unlimited, punch, or drop-in. Unlimited passes cost $100 and they allow students to attend as many classes as desired until it expires at the end of the quarter. Punch cards cost $40 for either 10 classes, 20 express classes or a variation of the two. For drop-in passes, students may choose to attend any class and simply pay the price of the class they choose.

This new system is intended to eliminate the stress that students encounter during the selection of fitness classes by allowing them to attend any class during the week. In the past, students had to sign up for a specific class during the second week of a given quarter, making sure the timing fit with their academic courses.

“The pass is a popular option that gives students more flexibility so they aren’t stuck in one class,” said Brigid Anderson, junior facility supervisor for Malley.

“People have already started buying them and Malley is excited to see how it is going to work out.”

These passes are not only cheaper; they also alleviate some pressure felt by students to attend every single class of

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demanded a censor’s dismissal and hundreds of
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The scholars and protesters were acting in
support of the Southern Weekend in its
contention with a top censor after the publica-
tion was forced to change a New Year’s edi-
tion of the newspaper in support of the Southern
Weekend. Rumors circulated that at least one of
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3. Egypt talking to the International Mone-
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emerging about the Egyptian government’s ability
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A top IMF official began talks in Cairo Mon-
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for the loan. The government is confident that
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tional online advertisements, a move
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and online publishers.

Fleur Pellerin met with leading online
publishers, advertising gurus and the top ex-
cutive from Internet service provider Free,
which allowed some ads to be blocked last
week when it upgraded the free software on
its customers’ high-speed modems. The move
drew protests from those who get a big share of
their revenues through displaying advertising
alongside their content.

From AP Reports.

NATION/WORLD ROUNDP
Loaning Simplified

System stores content online, quickens process

Rachel Davidson
Associate Reporter

A new interlibrary loan system, ILLiad, was put into effect on Monday at both Harris Learning Commons and Healey Law Library, allowing students and faculty to obtain articles, books and other resources not available on campus more easily.

ILLiad is one of the most popular interlibrary loan systems around the world, connecting libraries, universities and people to better share resources. ILLiad’s services increase productivity by automating paperwork requests that would otherwise use valuable staff time.

While the LINK+ service will still be available and unchanged, this new system is important in order for members of the Santa Clara community to gain access to publications not available in either a LINK+ library or the Santa Clara libraries.

And unlike the previous interlibrary loan system, requests for material will not be available on OSCAR and users must instead use separate login information for ILLiad.

Most of the articles made available by ILLiad will be offered in PDF format via electronic delivery, eliminating a time-consuming pickup and giving users immediate access to their requests in the convenience of their own homes. People using this system can use their personal computers when accessing their account in order to minimize security risks and prevent subsequent users from using another’s name.

Senior Reference Librarian Ellen Platt outlined some of the new system’s strengths, such as more flexible searching, better compatibility with other systems already on campus and its self-service angle, which is a major advantage.

“People can see what’s going on in their account instead of calling the library to ask where their things are,” she explained.

Users using the system for the first time will create their own personal account using the library barcode number on the back of their Santa Clara ACCESS card; this will allow a user to track the status of their requests online at any time. The material requested will be delivered directly into the user’s personal account and is promised to arrive even more quickly than the old system.

Senior Erin Munekiyo worked at Santa Clara’s library for nearly two years, where she was constantly working with students and staff who needed to request material through interlibrary loans. She said that the greatest challenge to this process was the uncertainty of when a request would be fulfilled. Munekiyo also said that the new system sounds much more reliable and she looks forward to using it in her studies.

“Right now we’re in the wait-and-see phase as to how soon people discover it and start trying it out,” Platt said.

The Santa Clara library is excited for this new system, as it will better meet the book-borrowing needs of both students and faculty than the previous system.

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Fun ways to recycle TSC

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De Saisset Re-Molds Perceptions of Clay

New museum exhibit introduces innovative theme

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When you walk into the de Saisset Museum a concave piece of art occupies the center of the main room. Behind its silhouette, sky blue ceramic tiles line the top of the wall framing the words “Clay in the Bay,” mirroring the tiles used in the sculpture itself.

Clay is the main medium used in the exhibit, set to debut on Jan. 24. Twelve artists in the Bay Area, two of whom are Santa Clara professors, will be showcasing their interpretation of clay in 3-D form.

“We do a lot of exhibitions of two-dimensional work,” said de Saisset Museum Curator Lindsey Kourvaris. “So when we were thinking of the arc of our exhibition schedule, we actually wanted to step outside of that and do something three-dimensional, a sculpture exhibition.”

In addition, Kourvaris said the de Saisset has a dual focus on art and art history, which worked perfectly with the idea of building on those traditions, but also in introducing new ways of sculpting clay and creating a more modern form of the medium.

Spanish professor Francisco “Pancho” Jiménez’s piece incorporates traditional themes, yet also introduces new ways of sculpting clay and the carved surfaces of Jiménez’s piece, which vary in depth, are the very facets that make his piece more modern than the traditional clay pot.

Jiménez spent only a few weeks on the overlying tasks like framing the negative space, carving the final patterns, and deciding what color to glaze his masterpiece.

“A peek into Jiménez’s contribution only begins to describe the entirety of the exhibit and the many underlying themes it represents. While there is no universal message conveyed, the similar aesthetic and the foundational use of clay bring together a bit of history and a bit of art in the Bay Area,” Kourvaris said.

The de Saisset Museum introduces a new three-dimensional clay exhibit on Jan. 24, showing works from 12 different artists from the bay area. The clay pieces will be on display through March 17 and will highlight work from two Santa Clara professors.

Alcohol Related Medical Emergency

1/7: A student was reported ill and unconscious due to excessive alcohol consumption. CSS, SCPD, SCPD and paramedics responded. The student was transported to O’Connor Hospital by paramedics. Notifications were made.

Found Property

12/22: Bolt cutters were found in Sandigo Hall and turned in to the CSS office for safekeeping.

12/24: A wallet containing cash and no identification was found and turned into the CSS office.

Informational Report

12/28: Two non-affiliates were observed drinking alcoholic beverages outside of the Arts and Sciences Building. One of them fled the area upon CSS arrival. The other non-affiliate was identified and admonished.

Lost Property

1/5: Several personal items were reported missing from a resident’s room during the holidays.

Medical Emergency

1/6: A student reported feeling ill during a workout in the weight room at Malley Fitness and Recreation Center. CSS and SCU EMS responded. He was given a trespass warning and asked to leave campus.

1/8: A non-affiliate was found unconscious in the middle of the night. SCPD was contacted and responded. He was taken into custody for prowling and theft.

Vandalism

12/22: Graffiti was found written on two poles and on an electrical box.

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Natasha Gupta

Owning Your Internship: The Workplace Cheat Sheet

After hours scouring BroncoLink, tweaking your cover letter and making sure everything you’ve done seems important, you scored the coveted summer internship. Congratulations! Whether you will be blogging for a startup, crunching numbers at the Big Four or researching for a professor, you’ve shown the world you won’t be spending July on the sofa drowning in Netflix. You’ve waited until you’re home at 5 p.m. like everyone else.

I’ve interned at a Fortune 500 company, a failed startup, a union of 20 coffee cooperatives in rural Nicaragua, two nongovernmental organizations and the California State Assembly.

Having worked in vastly diverse environments under every type of boss imaginable, I give you those basic fundamentals to owning any internship.

You’re not above the coffee run

You’re right, how dare they ask you, a 20-year-old academic to waste your time, waking up early and driving to Starbucks for 10 grande caramel macchiatos. Suck it up. These people want to know they can throw mel macchiatos. Suck it up. These people care about what you have to say and truly understand who you work for. Always take notes

Your number one priority as an intern is to learn as much as you can; remember what people tell you. Writing down what people say sends important messages to your team. When thinking of you, do they think tardy, flaky and always on Facebook? Or are you hard working, eager and willing to learn?

Recognize your value-adding capabilities

Promote them and protect them. It takes a lot of time to build your brand, but only an instant to mix it. Work isn’t like Hollywood. Bad publicity means no money for fun things like paying utilities and buying food. Learning how to manage your brand in your internship will help you when the stakes are higher.

Build your own personal board of directors

Big companies have many executives, consultants and stakeholders; your life is quite similar. Seek intelligent, supportive mentors you respect and appoint them to your own personal board of directors. These are the people you confer with when life is about to kick you in the nuts. They are teachers, friends, relatives and co-workers you trust.

Network, network and network some more

This summer interning at Cisco Systems Inc., my lunch spending averaged $27 a day, five days a week, four weeks a month, and for three months. While the $870 spent on lunch alone struck, my spreadsheet will never reveal to you the intangible items I call networking. Standing in line at an Indian buffet with your boss does more than just get you off work for an hour; it takes your relationship out of a working context and slices off a layer of tension, allowing you to share ideas and

Jonathan Tomczak

We Need Fans in Stands

Santa Clara’s men’s basketball team has a good team and you cannot blame Duke University one heck of a game last month, losing to the perennial contender by only 13 points. Did you hear about it? Possibly not.

Fair enough, that was during the break. But did you know that our tennis program is the strongest in the school’s history, getting its highest ranking ever last season and winning its first NCAA tournament? Thought not.

The fact is the matter is that Santa Clara’s sports teams, successful as they are, don’t get a lot of attention outside of the Sports section. Attendance to games (other than men’s basketball) is relatively low. This invariably leads to people not discussing the games much the next day, as nobody was there to witness it in the first place.

In some ways, there are understandable reasons for this. Lacrosse, rugby, tennis and even basketball aren’t as popular as college football, where we have no team (but hey, at least we’re undefeated!). With so many different games to go to, it’s possible to be overwhelmed. Finally, none of our teams are ranked particularly high nationally. Duke wasn’t so good at what it does, its culture of fanaticism wouldn’t be so great either. If you’re unimpressed about that, ask them about their football team. You’ll hear crickets.

Surely getting a bunch of people together and going to a tennis match is easily doable.

Still, all of these reasons can’t help but sound to me, simultaneously, like excuses. Half the fun of a sporting event is basking in the combined support for your team with your fellow fans. Whether the sport is terribly exciting or not isn’t as important as whether you’re excited to be there. It’s possible to muster up the effort to go out and party a couple times a week, surely getting a bunch of people together and going to a tennis match is easily doable.

If nothing else, attend for the atmosphere. These are students who dedicate enormous amounts of time to honing their skills. They get up extra early and work extra hard not because they have to, but because they want to. Ranked highly or not, they work just as hard as any other team, and deserve our support.

While they may not do it just for the fans, the support of their friends and classmates cheering them on is certain to have a positive effect. Perhaps, with more support, they may win more games, which would further generate support. However, somebody has to be the first in the stands. It might as well be you.

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Freshman Year Vis-à-Vis “The Hobbit”

With its endearing characters, thrilling action and undying legacy, “The Hobbit: An Unexpected Journey” was easily one of the biggest movies of the year. Despite its fantastical environments and creatures, “The Hobbit” remains a very relatable tale. At its core is a journey and struggle not unlike that of going to college.

Comparing entering college to traveling with a band of dwarves to defeat a dragon may seem an outlandish comparison, but bear with me. Speaking for myself, my transition to college wasn’t too different from Bilbo’s adventure. I grew up and went to school in a sleepy suburb of Portland. I was content where I was but felt that there was a world waiting just outside my door, and all I needed was a push out that door to begin a journey with new companions and new challenges.

It seems that most of us, in some way, relate to J.R.R. Tolkien’s tale. Some of us appear happy and complacent with our peaceful little lives, while deep down we long to branch out. Others are the mysterious friends who provide that first push out the door and are always there to guide us around the next corner or over the next hill. Freshman year is the time when we all learn whether we are the timid underdog who will rise to the occasion or the confident companion always urging his friends onwards. College is certainly a time for great adventures.

Paul David is a freshman undeclared arts and science major.

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Mission City Creamery Opens Its Doors

New locale delights sweet-toothed Broncos

Liz Wassmann
THE SANTA CLARA

Santa Clara students now have a new choice when deciding where to get dessert. Mission City Creamery opened right before the game against Gonzaga University this past Saturday. The creamery, located at the old Blondie’s Frozen Yogurt location, features homemade ice cream and sorbet.

The place underwent a complete renovation after Blondie’s closed, and now features an old-time ice cream parlor vibe, complete with red plush counter seats and a red banquette along the wall. All the ice cream is made on-site, and a viewing window in the back lets customers watch the creation process.

So far business has been good, with over 40 people visiting on opening night. The owner, Chris Leahy, previously worked in construction but saw a chance to realize a dream when Blondie’s owner Kelley Lund sold him the business. Leahy has made ice cream for over 16 years and hosts an ice cream social at his house every summer where family and friends can try out the various flavors he creates. He has always loved homemade ice cream, in part because he grew up going to Four Seas Ice Cream in Cape Cod.

The early frontrunners for most popular flavor include salted caramel, caramelized banana and coffee with Heath bar. According to Leahy, it has been a learning process that includes seeing which flavors run out the quickest and how much ice cream should be made on a day-to-day basis. The place is proving popular with students and community members alike, both because of the friendly vibes and thick, creamy ice cream. Ice cream lovers no longer need to mourn the lack of an ice cream parlor to frequent, as Mission City Creamery has moved in and established itself as a favorite among off-campus eating options.

Contact Liz Wassmann at lwassmann@scu.edu or call (408) 554-4852.

New Year’s Resolution Guide 2013

1. PLAN AHEAD

If you haven’t already made your resolution, choose something that will be easy to accomplish. If your resolution is to exercise, but you never go to the gym, plan to start with three times a week, or only 20 minutes a day. Having a goal that is easy to reach will help you stay motivated.

2. TALK ABOUT IT

Keeping your resolution a secret will only help you avoid accomplishing it. By telling friends and family, you will have an automatic support system. You might even find someone who has the same resolution as you, and you can help each other reach your goals.

3. REWARD YOURSELF

Don’t beat yourself up if you mess up your resolution once or twice, and don’t give up on your goals. If you happen to fall behind on your plan, don’t stress out too much. Just try to get back on track. Rewarding yourself for mini-accomplishments can help motivate you to reach your overall goal.

4. TRACK PROGRESS

Keep notes on your success. Every small goal that you reach is one step closer to accomplishing your resolution. If you keep a log of your efforts, you will be more motivated to make sure you do what you need to in order to have something to write down.
Social Media Forms Communities

Students support and get to know each other better

Summer Meza
The Santa Clara

The scope of social media has slowly expanded over the last several years and now is not only a means of interacting with friends, but also a tool through which students can connect to their university, both the student body and the network of clubs, groups and organizations that comprise their experience on campus.

The beginning of a school year ensures a completely new round of pages to check out, groups to join, and events to RSVP to. Facebook dominates the social realm of online college life, not only connecting new friends, but helping students easily access information on nearly every aspect of their lives at school. Pages range from practical advice regarding housing or enrollment, to groups for each graduating class or each floor of residence halls, to entertaining pages like “SCU Memes” and “SCU Compliments.”

The most recent school related Facebook phenomenon, SCU Compliments, has taken off as a platform to anonymously submit a compliment about a friend for all 2,000 of the page’s followers to see. Students submit kind words about people they may be too shy to praise in person, or close friends they admire. It has been received in a positive light amongst students who see the frequent updates and the way that those who receive compliments are pleased and excited to hear such things about themselves.

Outside of yearbooks, there are not many opportunities for students to express their thoughts on one another in such a straightforward manner, especially not without creating the expectation of reciprocation. The added aspect of anonymity that SCU Compliments provides for students draws positive words from people who may never feel brave enough to approach the person they want to compliment but feel they deserve to be addressed anyway.

Other Santa Clara related sites, such as SCU Memes or any of the multiple Twitter profiles dedicated to life as a Bronco have also gained their share of popularity, relying on submissions or suggestions for their content. Online pages like these contribute to the community feel of the student body, whether they address inside jokes or convey up-to-the-minute sports updates.

The enormous amount of support and entertainment related to the student body here at Santa Clara provides a digital version of the tight-knit community on campus.

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TOP REASONS TO LEAVE YOUR COUCH THIS WEEK

I/10 | THURSDAY

Food for Thought Speaker Series: The Haitian Paradox
Time: 12 p.m. - 1:00 p.m.
Location: Lucas Hall 205
Why Go? Join the Food and Agribusiness Institute in welcoming Starry Speransk, Ph.D. candidate in ecology at University of California, Davis, as he presents a virtual tour of Haiti. He will share a short history, and address issues current issues.

MBA & MSIS Information Sessions
Time: 6:30 p.m. - 8 p.m.
Location: Lucas Hall, Forbes Family Conference Center
Why Go? Learn more about the Santa Clara MBA and MSIS degrees. Explore your degree program options, review the application process and criteria, meet current students and alumni and ask all your questions.

I/11 | FRIDAY

Happy New Ear: A Portrait Concert by Bruno Ruviaro
Time: 7:00 p.m.
Location: Recital Hall
Why Go? Join Professor Cynthia Jones will also share some of his own journey, both professionally and personally trying to foster nonviolent transformation.

SEE CASTLE ROCK DAY HIKE, 1/13

SEE MEN'S BASKETBALL, 1/12

SEE HAPPY NEW EAR: A PORTRAIT CONCERT BY BRUNO RUVIARO, 1/11
Tide Roll to Championship

Irish no match for Alabama, SEC dominance continues

Ryan Mahoney
The Santa Clara

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Women’s Basketball Continues Improving

Team splits first two conference games up North

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The first week of the new year saw the Santa Clara women’s basketball team split their opening games in West Coast Conference play. With a record of 9-6 (1-1 in conference), the Broncos are “well set up for a good conference schedule,” according to fifth-year Head Coach Jennifer Mountain.

After compiling an 8-5 record in the non-league portion of their schedule, the Broncos went on the road and beat University of Portland 59-58 before falling to Gonzaga University two days later, 79-50.

“That was a tough road trip,” said Mountain. “The split was a good result.”

The team will face Loyola Marymount University on Thursday at the Leavey Center before traveling to Malibu to face Pepperdine University next week.

“It’s a good little stretch here,” said Mountain of the coming matchups. “We’re playing Loyola Marymount who’s better but only has two key players and lacks a big scorer. That being said, and I say it a thousand times, it’s going to be a dogfight every night in conference.”

Forward Lindsay Leo and guard Ricki Radanovich have been key players thus far in the season according to Mountain. She expects them to continue to produce results at a high level through the conference season.

Radanovich currently leads the Broncos with 464 minutes played and is averaging 11.5 points per game, while Leo has racked up 90 rebounds while averaging 9.7 points per game.

Mountain called Leo “our biggest impact player,” but said, “The nice thing about this group is that we don’t have one particular star, we have a lot of people that can produce. It makes us hard to guard.”

She also mentioned guard Raquel “Rocky” Avila, calling her job as a starting guard “tremendous,” especially as a sophomore who didn’t get a lot of playing time after walking-on last season.

Overall, spirits are high and the prospects for the young season are bright for the Broncos.

“We’re better. We’ve gotten better every year, we have more depth than we’ve ever had, and we’re injury free for the most part,” said Mountain. “We have more talent. We’ve played six or seven people, can play multiple lineups, and have a three-guard post rotation, which is really nice.”

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**Santa Clara drops to 1-1 in conference**

Chris Glennon 

Thursday, January 10, 2013

Santa Clara senior forward Marc Trasolini goes up for a lay up during the second half of the Broncos’ 81-74 loss against the University of Gonzaga last Saturday night. 

Trasolini had 10 points and grabbed 8 rebounds, but it wasn’t enough as Gonzaga’s big men dominated inside and left the sell-out Leavey Center with the victory.

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**Closing the Books on 2012**

I t’s a new year, which means the Mayans were wrong. Although with the craziness of the 2012 sports scene, it seemed as if the world was coming to an end. As teams, athletes and everyone else embarked on 2013, let’s take a look back at the good, the bad and the ugly highlights from the sports year that was.

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**Gonzaga Bests Broncos in Leavey**

Despite a roaring crowd of 4,907, Santa Clara’s men’s basketball team fell to Gonzaga University 81-74 on Saturday night. In front of the record level of attendance at the Leavey Center, Gonzaga (15-1, 2-0), ranked number eight in the conference, got closer.

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No. 12 at the Leavey Center

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