**Trombone Shorty & Orleans Avenue to kick off UCSC Arts & Lectures 2015-2016 season with a high-octane performance**

**Friday, Sept 18 2015**

UCSC Arts & Lectures presents New Orleans native Trombone Shorty and his band Orleans Avenue on Fri., Sep 18 at 8 p.m. at The Granada Theatre, 1214 State St.

An “unstoppable force” (The New York Times) in today’s music scene, New Orleans native Trombone Shorty & Orleans Avenue’s hard-edged funk, jazz, rock and hip-hop dynamic delivers big on rock-star swagger with the musical chops to back it up. Their singular blend of performance and improvisation in the jazz tradition is one high-octane party that does not have the energy to dance in your seat, because in Shorty’s words, “no matter what kinds of problems we might be going through ... music is the place where we can all just be able to enjoy.”

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**Purely Santa Barbara Summer Bash**

**Saturday, August 29 12pm-7pm**

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A thank you to the community’s support in their first year of business, the party will serve up free food from Shishak’s Meat Company, live music from 2:30pm-7pm from One Two Tree and Envy Watts, and fun outdoor games. An invitation only V.I.P. party precedes the event from 11-12 with appetizers, beer tastings, and acoustic music. More information about the event, call (805) 995-9891.

**ZooFari Ball**

The wildest party in Santa Barbara takes on a New Orleans flavor this year. Guests will let the good times roll, enjoy mint juleps, Cajun inspired cuisine, and dancing under the stars. Both silent and live auctions hold surprises and help support this Zoo. ZooFari usually sells out in advance. For tickets, call (805) 965-5339 ext. 113.

**Mitch Dobrowner: NashaZaana (Earth)**

**Sunday August 30, 2015**

Wall Space Gallery
116 East Yanonil Street C-1
Santa Barbara, CA

Award-winning landscape photographer Mitch Dobrowner is exhibiting his newest images from Monument Valley, Canyonlands and the surrounding desert at wall space gallery this summer. Previously featured in National Geographic, and a Sony Photographer of the Year awardee, Mitch’s work is stunning, expansive, and not to be missed.

**Contemporary Korean Photography: Surveying the Landscape**

**Tuesday Sept 1, 2015**

Wall space gallery is excited to showcase three Korean photographers showcasing the new visual landscape of South Korea. Artists Jeongpyok Lee, Sungseok Ahn and Won Chu Lee use the physical landscape to connect to cultural and emotional visions of a changing Korea. The work showcased here meshes the new with the old, the contemporary and traditional in vibrant color. A collaboration in four parts with Korean curator Joanne Yang, wall space is pleased to expand on the ideas of a integrated and westernized cultural shift first envisioned by esteemed curator Karen Shinholer back in 2010 in her outstanding exhibition, Chaotic Harmony at the Santa Barbara Museum of Art.

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**Weather**

Fucking safety. The Weatherman wants to see some gormy bike crashes this weekend, of Full Quarters. Catch him in the middle of the roundabut rating injuries on a scale of one to 10.

Tomorrow’s Forecast: You can join if you bring beer.
Letter from the Editor: Emile Nelson

Dear Editor,

Welcome to Paradise!

My name is Emile Nelson and I'm the editor-in-chief of UCSB’s newspaper, the Daily Nexus. We have been around since 1956, and we've been student-run and independent ever since.

In the past 85 years, we have consistently won top rankings in competitions across the state and, in both 2012 and 2013, we were nationally ranked as a top 10 college newspaper by The Princeton Review. We were the only UC newspaper to receive that honor. But worry not; we do actually have a journalism program at UCSB — which we consider to be one of our biggest advantages.

Because we are not funded or sponsored by the university, we are able to give the students an organic, unprocessed voice that does not have to go through any type of university editing. This means we get to do things like publish a story that leads to the resignation of a corrupt chancellor who embezzled over $7,000,000 (1986, Steve Elzer on ex-Chancellor Robert Hurwitz), and the university cannot stop it from being published.

We also get to do shit like say “shit,” because that’s how some students speak, and we have a duty to respect that creative decision. But the coolest part of being independent is that, each year, all of us get to make the Nexus exactly what we want it to be. All of us meaning the people who work here, sure, but also you, readers.

We have our history, traditions and our standards; but every day we have the opportunity to make this paper exactly what we want it to be. If you want to see more coverage on this, tell us! If you want to see less talk about that, tell us! If we messed up or continue to mess up, please tell us! I am as much your employee as anyone’s, and it’s my job to make sure that the content delivered to you is as perfect as it can be.

Imagine the Daily Nexus as your megaphone. If you have something to say — which I sincerely hope you all do — we’ll help you say it louder. And if you want to work with us, there’s always room. We have about 200 people working with us already, but this is a family that is always looking to grow.

Come visit us under Steele Tower; check out our orientation sessions on September 28 and 29 at 6:30 p.m., enjoy a free carnival and FMYI20IND concert on September 22 from 6-11 p.m. in Sunken Plaza and send us an email at quality@nexus.com.

So, whether it’s your first time on campus or your last first time on campus, welcome to paradise! I can’t wait to work with you all.

Sincerely,

Emile Nelson

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New CRD McKarrell Talks I.V., Community

The Nexus sits down with Lt. Plastino, EVP LA Paola Dela Cruz, Debbie Fleming and James McKarrell to discuss the deputy’s role in Isla Vista

DN: Why did you choose to apply for the Community Resource Deputy position?
McKarrell: It’s not very often in this department that an opportunity is presented to work with such a diverse community … there is a lot going on here and I’ll have an opportunity to come into new and make friendships, build relationships and put a different, more positive light on law enforcement.

DN: What are some skills or characteristics you bring to the position?
McKarrell: I have dealt with community issues in the past. I’ve ministered. I just like people. I’m a Christian, so I’m an ordained deacon and part of my job as an ordained deacon is to serve … I feel at my best when I’m solving problems as a community member is serving others. So just my willingness to go above and beyond, to not put BAND-AIDS on things but to actually fix the problem is what probably sets me apart.

DN: What plans do you have to address alcohol overconsumption in I.V.?
McKarrell: Looking above and beyond law enforcement and the court system, I’m more concerned about these young adults coming out here, over-consuming alcohol, because they think it’s the thing to do, which leads to sexual assault, which leads to vandalism, which leads to everything under the sun that we’re facing out here … it’s not just penalties and enforcement; it’s a real education of what overconsumption of alcohol can do and how it can ruin lives.

DN: Sexual assault is a major topic of concern for the community. How do you plan to address this issue?
McKarrell: I am going to educate myself first and become familiar with the culture of Isla Vista and the true problems of what’s causing these sexual assaults … I want to educate people and let them know that there is so much more to the surface of what society has kind of thrown our there for us to believe about victims of sexual assault … No matter what happened up until the point when this survivor was assaulted, it’s not okay for them to be assaulted and it’s not okay for us to put them in a category or make them feel as though being assaulted was their fault in any way, shape or form.

DN: What is the biggest challenge you anticipate facing as CRD and how do you plan to overcome it?
McKarrell: I think the biggest challenge is going to be trust from both sides … Media can make cops seem as though we’re out to get everyone and sometimes the community has negative interactions with law enforcement. Getting with the community and showing them, ‘Hey, we’re not what you think we are and we’re here to protect you’ and getting with the cops and saying, ‘I know you care about these people, but you have to understand where they’re coming from and at the end of the day your job is to protect them, and not only protect them, but find ways to help them through whatever problems they’re going through.’ The only way we are going to be able to successfully do that is be patient, listen and work together as a whole to solve whatever community issues are.

DN: How do you plan to effectively communicate with the various members of the I.V. community, including students, long-term residents and low-income Latino families?
McKarrell: I have to meet with them and I have to hear their

MCKARRELL p.15

CRD James McKarrell aims to strengthen the community of Isla Vista and bridge the gap between Isla Vista citizens and law enforcement.

Family: Wife and 16-year-old daughter
Career: Six years as deputy in Carpinonos, two years as deputy in Oxnard
College Education: Bakersfield College and B.A. in criminal justice from University of Phoenix
Favorite I.V. Restaurant: South Coast Deli and Super Cuz’s
Hobbies: Playing golf and going to church
Alternative Dream Job: Teacher
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The Davidson Library Addition and Renovation Project is ahead of schedule, set to be complete November 2015 with increased computers, outlets, information technology resources and study spaces.

The project is intended to update the library to accommodate growing student enrollment and maximize potential use for the latest advances in information technology. It includes the addition of a three-story building on the north side of the existing structure, seismic retrofitting of the existing eight-story tower and two-story building and a new passageway connecting the three structures. UC Santa Barbara Library Addition and Renovation Project is funded by a revenue state bond initiative of approximately $76 million.

Assistant University Librarian for Outreach & Academic Collaboration Rebecca Metzger said the project is the library’s first renovation in 35 years, but has “been in the works” for a long time.

“The need was identified in 1979, or so years ago,” Metzger said. “Enrollment was expanding and the needs of student and faculty researchers had developed, especially with technology and the way that people study and do research.

The project has been ahead of schedule, due to be completed this fall with the official grand opening ceremony planned for January 2016.

Originally, we were supposed to open in January 2016, so now we are planning on opening the doors Nov. 16, 2015,” Metzger said. “So it’s ahead of schedule.”

Metzger said the addition to the library will create more room for students to study and feature a “diversity of seating.”

“The new space is almost all study space and collaborative space,” Metzger said. “There is individual study space and group study space.”

According to Metzger, the Davidson Library Addition and Renovation Project is unique because it has allowed for continued operation.

“For many libraries that go under such major renovations, they don’t all stay open throughout with completely uninterrupted service,” Metzger said. “We have done that and we will continue to do that.”

Metzger said Davidson Library has to accommodate larger crowds because it is a “destination” for students looking to escape more crowded buildings.

“We found, especially on this campus, because Isla Vista is so densely packed and not the most productive study environment, that prior going under renovation we saw much higher traffic compared to a lot of our peer institutions,” Metzger said.

The addition also includes many advances in specialized information technology such as the Interdisciplinary Research Collaboratory, which is accessible to all students but geared toward faculty and graduate student research, according to Metzger.

“It’s mainly for advanced research with data — social science data, spatial data, data

Metzger said the addition also included two-story, 24-hour study area geared toward undergraduates called Learning Commons, which will have computers, power outlets and more advanced technology than previously available in the library.

“There are going to be some high-end computing work stations for students doing graphic design and multimedia projects who want to have higher-end processors,” Metzger said. “Also in that space, you’ll be able to use some collaboration tables where students working on collaborative projects can actually look at the same screen and can plug a laptop into a bigger display monitor.”

According to Metzger, this space will also feature Summit Café as an alternative to The Study Bean, currently the library’s only dining option.

Metzger said the addition also includes group study rooms that students can reserve.

“Students will be able to go online, go on their phones, book a room in advance when they know they are going to need a space centrally to meet up with a group and study,” Metzger said.

According to Metzger, the university is striving to achieve a gold rating from Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEEDs) with innovations such as reflective solar materials to keep the building cool, advanced lighting controls with daylight and occupancy sensors, low-flow toilets and faucets, recycled-water irrigation, drought-resistant landscaping, low-toxicity paint and the use of regionally-sourced recycled materials.

“The building uses 25 percent less energy than similar buildings ... and we use 38 percent less water,” Metzger said.

Metzger said the university’s art and music collections, currently housed in their own library, are being moved to Davidson Library during the renovation project to make record-keeping and loaning more efficient.

“It allows us to be able to do things quicker under one roof and provide the same level of service to everybody, and we don’t have to send people四处 around to find different materials,” Metzger said.

Third-year environmental science major Kaylan Lamb said she uses the library as her primary study space and wishes there were more outlets and seating areas available.

“Many students rely on [the library] as a place to study or gather course materials, which is why it is so important to keep it updated,” Lamb said. “The lack of available outlets and seating inhibits a lot of students from utilizing the library to its full potential, as a lot of students rely on their computers to research or use as paperless notes. The library could be greatly improved with some aesthetic updates as well as increasing the amount of group seating and available outlets.”

Third-year pharmacology major Shannah Houch said the library is the only study space available to students at some hours, making the Addition and Renovation Project important for improving student life.

“The library is an essential place for students to study because it remains open longer than any other place on or off campus,” Houch said. “The shortage of seating during midterms and finals week will hopefully not be an issue anymore with the updated renovations.”
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Five Resident Assistants Give First Years Advice

Juliet Bachtel
Assistant News Editor

Balancing college courses and new extracurricular activities is hard enough as is, but living with your new roommate is another story. To help our incoming students, the News spoke with five Resident Assistants (RA) for advice on navigating dorm life.

The Interviewees:
- Former Anacapa RA, current San Nicolas RA and fourth-year biology major Steffi Huyhn
- Former Tropicana Del Norte RA and third-year zoology major Savannah Perez
- Former San Miguel and Marmalita Village RA and fourth-year feminist studies major Nicole Willard
- Former San Rafael and Anacapa RA and fourth-year global studies major Sandi Isozaki
- Current Marmalita Village RA and third-year sociology and psychology double-major Ruby Arzaki

Their Advice:

Daily Nexus: What is the best piece of advice you can give a freshman moving into the dorms?

Huyhn: Bring all your clothes and as much stuff as possible. It's hard to communicate with your roommate until you've been living there for a few days. You can always talk to your RA and get advice on what to bring.

Willard: I think it's important to be open and communication. Don't keep things bottled up. If you're having issues, talk to your RA or another staff member.

Perez: Don't be afraid to introduce yourself and get to know other people.

Isozaki: fresh. This is a great experience and you will meet so many new people. Don't be afraid to introduce yourself and get to know other people.

Arzaki: The best piece of advice to give is to let go. Moving into the dorms is to make an effort to get to know the rest of the people on your floor. Some of these people will become your best friends for life. Also, don't forget to take it all in. Moving into your first college dorm can get pretty overwhelming, but as long as you remain optimistic and hopeful, you can definitely make the most of your time there.

DN: What are some things freshmen often forget to pack when moving into the dorms?

Perez: Get yourself some extra baby powder or baby oil. It's great to have on your floors and your RAs love it.

Willard: Freshmen forget to bring air fresheners. Sometimes those rooms get really smelly and no one wants to be "that room." I know a lot of freshmen also forget to bring business attire, for job interviews and such.

DN: What are some belongings freshmen often move in with that won't be useful?

Huyhn: Freshmen definitely do not need to bring a printer. UCSD offers 200 free pages a quarter at various printing labs. Check out the free resources your campus offers!

Perez: Don't bring clothes you don't need. When you go visit your family for breaks, you can switch out clothes for the different seasons. This will give you so much more space for you and your roommate.

DN: How can freshmen who don't participate in the "party scene" get involved?

Huyhn: There are many opportunities to get involved here, both through the university and the city. Check out the numerous student organizations here at UCSD for various activities and events.

For the full story, see dailynews.com
Make School More App-ealing with these Apps

Megan Miniero
News Editor

GoccoLife

With campus measuring in at 1,095 acres, it can be overwhelming to locate your lecture halls and classrooms. GoccoLife makes navigating simple by allowing you to search full names or acronyms of campus buildings, with the option to view a satellite map or UCSB’s campus map. The latest update also helps you easily locate the most important buildings on campus dining commons. Make sure to check the menus and set the application to alert you when your favorite meal is being served so you don’t miss out.

Venmo

This money transfer app makes paying friends quick and easy. While there are various ATMs located throughout campus and in L.V., carrying bills and coins around can get annoying. Venmo allows you to conveniently make direct bank transfers or card payments to other Venmo users, with fees of charge bank account and debit card payments and credit card payments for a per-transaction fee. So next time you ask a friend to pitch in for a late-night stop at Firebirds, you can ease their worries about giving the money back with the simple statement: “I’ll Venmo you.”

VSCOcam

Before posting those selfies of your new roommate and you up on Instagram, make sure to download VSCOcam to edit your photos like a pro. More than a dozen free filters with adjustable levels and the ability to modify temperature, contrast, vignette and more allows you to find the perfect balance so your photos look so great followers will assume they’re “filtered.” Plus pictures import and export in high resolution so you don’t have to worry about your Santa Barbara/assets looking pixelated.

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GroupMe

Make sure you can easily stay connected with all your new classmates this school year by using GroupMe. While group messaging can often be difficult between iPhones and Androids, with this app keeping everyone in touch is easy and fun. Users create private groups and invite friends by searching for their chosen handle name. In addition to text messaging, users can also share photos to a gallery, enable GPS location tagging and create a collaborative calendar.

Alarmy (Sleep IFU Cal)

Though optional class attendance might not be one of your favorite parts of college, on some mornings, snoozing in can result in a missed quiz or a late paper. This app helps you avoid this situation by choosing between two options to start the alarm. Either shake the phone a set number of times or snap a picture of a “registered” room. So those nights before a big midterm you can not only know Alarmy will make sure to get you up and moving on time.

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ABOUT

The Multicultural Center has been at the forefront of change for 27 years educating and empowering, and advocating for marginalized communities. By partnering with academic departments, departments within the division of student affairs, and student groups, the Center conceptualizes and presents academia programs, performances, art shows, and facilitates discussions that enhance our awareness and inclusivity of all people.

This is your Center - a space known as a “home away from home” for many students of color and other marginalized communities. It is also a space where critical conversations take place in addition to hosting place to study, hold meetings, and have social events. We invite you to participate in the Center’s vibrant and engaging space and look forward to welcoming you at the MCC.

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ASIAN AMERICAN PANETHNICITY Dina Okamoto Lecture/MCC Lounge @ 6pm

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Annual Assault Prevention Course Mandated

UCs are required to incorporate sexual violence prevention training for students in efforts to reduce sexual assault cases.

The University of California Office of the President (UCOP) Task Force on Preventing and Responding to Sexual Violence and Sexual Assault announced in July all UC campuses would be required to implement mandatory training for all students, standardized investigation and student judicial processes and provide increased support for students involved in sexual assault cases.

Although UCSB has required incoming students to complete online training for several years, university administrators aim to further comply with the mandate by expanding existing programs.

Chancellor Henry T. Yang said while a number of the task force’s recommendations were already in place at UCSB, the mandate can still strengthen the “well-established advocacy efforts” currently underway.

“The safety and welfare of our students and our campus community is our highest priority,” Yang said in an email. “While we have made good progress, we believe there is room for endless improvement, and we will continue to work together to enhance our programs, policies, and educational efforts.”

Office of Equal Opportunity & Sexual Harassment Director and Title IX Coordinator Ricardo Alcaino said UCSB will expand its registration to students who do not complete the online sexual assault prevention program Havens, but also plans to require all students to undergo a “refresher program.”

“One thing we have to change is to have all students — grad and undergrads — go through a refresher program every year and annually going forward,” Alcaino said. “We’re going to offer that and, of course, we’re going to mandate it so that we make sure that there’s teeth behind it.”

Campus Advocacy Resources & Education (C.A.R.E.) Director Jill Dunlap said ongoing sexual violence training is especially important for graduate students as potential faculty members, because the training will benefit future students.

“I think that the more we can get them to engage graduate students on this issue, the better served they will be as they head into careers as future faculty members on other campuses,” Dunlap said in an email. “They would also feel more empowered to connect their students to resources when students come to them with issues of interpersonal violence.”

Alcaino said the Office of Equal Opportunity & Sexual Harassment and C.A.R.E. recently revised this year’s Gaucho EYEL curriculum as well.

“Gaucho EYEL is currently being revised and looked at to make it more robust as far as addressing sexual violence and sexual harassment,” Alcaino said. “A new version is going to be starting this fall for the incoming freshmen and graduate students.”

Dunlap said C.A.R.E., in conjunction with the Title IX Office and the Office of the Dean of Students, is bringing the bystander intervention program Green Dot to campus this week to train 30 additional C.A.R.E. facilitators.

“We have approximately 30 staff members from across campus who will be trained as facilitators so that bystander awareness and intervention training can become a campus-wide effort moving forward,” Dunlap said in an email.

According to Alcaino, the contract with Havens has one year remaining, after which the university may partner with another online sexual violence prevention training program called Campus Clarity.

“This campus right now is already pretty happy and satisfied with the Havens program,” Alcaino said. “We’re going to have to see Havens for at least this upcoming year, but we’re going to potentially look to Campus Clarity is an alternative tool to Havens for undergrad students and transfer students.”

Dunlap said C.A.R.E. will also engage students through a student advisory group and partnerships with Greeks Affairs and UCOP to increase its sexual violence prevention efforts.

“C.A.R.E. will be working closely with a student advisory group to identify possible gaps in prevention efforts and address them through additional a prevention programming,” Dunlap said in an email.

Dunlap said UCSB served as an example to the UCOP in the creation of new sexual assault prevention requirements system-wide.

“We were the first UC campus to make it required to do this kind of training,” Alcaino said. “The (UC) Office of the President looked to UC Santa Barbara as a model for having mandatory training for students.”
Summer, 2015

Dear New Gauchos:

You will be joining the UC Santa Barbara community in a few short weeks. At this time of transition, it is important to share with you our expectations about the fundamental values and essential components of a productive, healthy, and safe campus — namely, our commitment to mutual respect, civility, decency, and to a community free from violence of any kind, including sexual violence.

We expect every UCSB community member to behave respectfully and civilly to one another. This expectation is non-negotiable. There is no tolerance for sexual violence of any kind, including sexual assault, dating violence, domestic violence, and stalking. We want to be clear that these actions, whether committed on or off campus, are violations of UC policy (http://policy.ucop.edu/doc/4000385/SHSV), campus regulations, and the law. As a campus we are committed to providing education to help prevent sexual violence, as well as resources to support survivors and encourage reporting of incidents. Every member of our campus community has a responsibility to help end sexual violence by confronting behaviors, actions, and attitudes that contribute to sexual violence.

Similarly, acts of intolerance, disrespect, bullying, or violence, especially regarding sexual orientation, race, gender, ethnicity or religion (e.g., anti-Semitic or anti-Islamic expressions or behaviors) compromise our sense of community, our feeling of personal well-being, and our ability to live and learn together. In simple terms, just because you can do or say something (because it's legal) doesn't mean that you should do or say it. This caution also applies to communication and actions on social media, email or by text.

Being a student at a world-class institution confers privilege, prestige, and unparalleled opportunities, but it also entails a set of obligations, standards, and expectations. Being at UCSB means being not only a dedicated scholar but also a principled leader, a conscientious citizen, and a constructive and compassionate community member. We encourage you to do your part to maintain a safe, positive, respectful, and healthy community, both on campus and in Isla Vista.

Our campus community is not immune to acts of intolerance or from misconduct that violates campus policies. We encourage you to report such behavior, if you encounter it, and to seek assistance for yourself or others from the following resources if you become aware of an incident that compromises the values of our community:

- Hate Incident Response Coordinator, (805) 893-2139 or http://judicialaffairs.sa.ucsb.edu (online reporting)
- CARE Advocate Office for Sexual and Gender-Based Violence and Sexual Misconduct, (confidential resources and information on reporting options for sexual violence, sexual assault, abusive relationships, and stalking), Student Resource Building, (805) 893-4613 (24-hour advocacy line) or http://wgsa.sa.ucsb.edu/CARE or http://sexualviolence.ucsb.edu
- Counseling & Psychological Services (CAPS) and 24/7 Counseling, (805) 893-4411 or http://counseling.sa.ucsb.edu
- Office of Judicial Affairs (to report academic or behavioral misconduct), (805) 893-5016 or http://judicialaffairs.sa.ucsb.edu
- Office of Equal Opportunity & Sexual Harassment/Title IX Compliance to report incidents of sexual violence, sexual harassment, dating or domestic violence, or stalking, 3217 Phelps, (805) 893-2701 or https://oeo.sh.ucsb.edu
- UCSB Police Department, (805) 893-3446 or www.police.ucsb.edu (911 in an emergency)
- Isla Vista Foot Patrol, (805) 681-4179 (911 in an emergency)
- Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender Resources and the Resource Center for Sexual and Gender Diversity, (805) 893-5847 or http://wgsa.sa.ucsb.edu

Additional resources for addressing campus climate issues are available from the Office of Student Life, Educational Opportunity Program, Multicultural Center, Dream Scholars Resource Team, and the Veteran's Resource Center (contact information for these services available at www.sa.ucsb.edu).

We hope you will take a leadership role on campus by helping us keep the campus safe and welcoming for everyone. Each of the departments listed above has opportunities available for you to get involved, and we encourage you to do so. On behalf of UCSB staff, faculty, and the entire Division of Student Affairs, we wish you a productive and rewarding year.

Sincerely,

Mary Jacob
Acting Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs

Debbie Fleming
Senior Associate Dean, Student Life

Kathy Armstead
Associate Dean, Student Life and Activities
Refugee Students Speak Out for a Cause

UCSB students who appear to be typical college students, but are in fact refugees, shed light on the difficulties that led to their decision to flee.

Effie Siskovits
Reporter

Tamer Fannous remembers being forced to flee Cairo during the Egyptian Revolution of 2011. “Our house was burned down because we were Christian,” Fannous said. “People were trying to kill us. They cut off the brakes of our car. They threatened us verbally, saying, ‘We’re going to kill you and your family.’”

Fannous, whose name has been changed for this article because he prefers to remain anonymous, is now a student at UCSB. He was allowed to enter the United States after escaping Egypt because he lived there until age three, allowing him dual citizenship.

Fannous is one of almost 17 million people around the world who have been driven from their homes due to violent conflict, persecution and natural disaster, as of January 2014, according to the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees.

The U.S. Department of State defines refugees as “people who have fled their home country and cannot return because they have a well-founded fear of persecution based on race, religion, nationality, political opinion or membership in a particular social group.”

However, when Fannous passes his classmates on campus he appears to be your average college student. What he has experienced, though, many cannot even begin to imagine.

Fannous said with a chuckle, “I was fortunate enough to have a family that could provide for me the best education, but I didn’t do anything to get that,” Fannous said. “It was just luck. There were other people who didn’t have the same luck as me.”

Fannous is pictured in the 2011 Taliban Square protest denouncing the atrocities occurring in Egypt and said these rallies were often met with violence, which eventually contributed to his family’s decision to flee their home.

“I was shot; . . . beaten by cops and army soldiers,” Fannous said. “People got hit by police cars. Women were sexually assaulted in the middle of the street with thousands of people around them.”

Fannous said he values the freedom he now holds as a United States citizen.

“You can be a woman and walk in the streets alone,” Fannous said. “You can be a journalist and say what you want. You can go to court and deal with the issue you have.”

Second-year biology major Tizian Daden was also forced to flee her home due to oppression. Daden was born in a refugee camp in India, where her family settled after escaping Tibet during the Chinese Communist invasion in 1959.

In 2009, Daden and her family relocated to the United States where they were offered asylum. However, she does not have U.S. citizenship and is limited to refugee status, which does not allow many of the same benefits as citizenship.

Daden said many people in Tibet resort to extreme forms of protest, because they are prohibited from speaking out against the Chinese government. “Over 150 people have self-immolated themselves to protest for freedom,” Daden said.

According to Daden, many Tibetan refugees are still victimized by the Chinese government for advocating for their home country.

“My friends who also graduated from UCSB, held up the Tibetan flag during the 2008 Beijing Olympics and was put in jail for three months,” Daden said. “He was beaten and had lost the majority of his body weight during his incarceration. They only let him go because he was a U.S. citizen.”

Daden founded the campus organization Students for a Free Tibet to advocate for Tibetans who are forced to live under Chinese occupation through rallies and educational events.

She said she will continue to engage in the fight for Tibetan independence and hopes others will do the same.

“We want to see our country, but we’re not allowed inside,” Daden said. “Because of this, I want people to not take what they have for granted. People need to respect others’ cultures and help others because there are a lot of problems in the world, but they will never stop happening unless everyone acts.”

Religious Studies Professor Magda Campos said one of her former students and her family relocated from Afghanistan to the United States to escape the Taliban.

“She always dressed her and the other children in wedding outfits because they told them they were going to be hanged, Pakistan for a country’s wedding,” Campos said. “Once they had made it into Pakistan, the parents told them there was no wedding.”

Campos, who witnessed refugee camps when she traveled to Jordan, said what she saw was “criminal” and was troubled by the dehumanized life the refugees led.

“I knew that there were lots of refugees, but to see it is not the same as to hear about it,” Campos said. “It’s living in these little square tents with dirt floors, all cramped together.”

Ph.D. candidate in the history department Sergey Salashchuk conducted research in Turkey on Iranian refugees and said it is hard for people to relate to refugees, even those now integrated in their new communities as Daden and Fannous are at UCSB.

“I think people feel empathy towards displaced people, but they cannot understand what it’s like to abandon your home and find yourself in a foreign territory with a limited means of existence,” Salashchuk said. “Refugees come from different walks of life and they know the price they had to pay for the opportunity to be somewhere else.”

Daden and Fannous were fortunate to find a home in the United States, considering its relatively low refugee acceptance rate compared to other developed nations.

The United States will only grant asylum to 70,000 refugees during the 2015 fiscal year. According to the American Immigration Council, Salashchuk said asylum-seeking is a matter of survival for refugees, and nations should accept them rather than weighing the costs and benefits of a growing population.

“The cost is more than an ethical issue,” Salashchuk said. “It’s a moral and universal responsibility that we have to each other.”

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**FACT or FICTION**

1. **FICTION** Students can climb to the top of Storke Tower for a breathtaking view of campus and the surrounding beaches.
   
   Well, it depends. Storke Tower is, unfortunately, not generally accessible to students. But some have still found their way to the top. Tours are available on a first-come, first-served basis during Spring Quarter. However, this list fills up quickly so if this experience is on your UCSB bucket list make sure to keep an eye out for sign-ups!

2. **FACT** There is live stream video footage of the four dining commons so you can compare crowd-levels.

3. **FICTION** Isla Vista is the most densely populated square mile west of the Mississippi.

   Isla Vista is actually 2.2 square miles with about 12,000 residents per square mile, making it the 26th most densely populated area in California. Maywood, CA comes in at number one with some 23,000 people per square mile.

4. **FICTION** Isla Vista Foot Patrol tickets people for sitting on the sidewalk at night.

   Sitting on the sidewalk is not illegal. However, on weekend nights when intoxicated partiers swarm the streets, police officers notoriously approach those sitting on curbs, taking it as a sign that they are too drunk to stand. So, if you find yourself wanting to take a break on your way back to the dorms, resist the urge to sit!

5. **FICTION** Isla Vista consumes one percent of alcohol sold in the United States.

   For this to be true, each of UCSB's 23,000 students would have to drink approximately 52,000 cans of beer per year. Do the math and that works out to be an impressive 142 cans per day. The Nexus, therefore, seriously doubts this fun “fact” could be accurate.

6. **FACT** The coastline just west of Isla Vista was the only location of a Japanese mainland attack during WWII.

7. **FICTION** UCSB currently has three Nobel laureates on its faculty.

   UCSB actually has SIX Nobel laureates on its faculty including Walter Kohn (Chemistry, 1998), Herbert Kroemer (Physics, 2000), Alan J. Heeger (Chemistry, 2000), David J. Gross (Physics, 2004), Finn E. Kylland (Economics, 2004) and Shuji Nakamura (Physics, 2014).

8. **FACT** A Nexus reporter once made a discovery that lead to the chancellor’s resignation.

   In July 1986, former UCSB Chancellor Robert Hutterback submitted his resignation after Nexus reporter Steve Eizer discovered the chancellor and his wife had allegedly embezzled more than $170,000 from the university. They were convicted two years later.

9. **FACT** UCSB was one of the four initial institutions connected to the Advanced Research Projects Agency Network (ARPANET), which later became the early Internet.

   UCSB, along with UCLA, University of Utah and Stanford University were the first four universities to get connected.

10. **FACT** Chancellor Yang and his wife, Dingli, live on campus and eat at the dining commons regularly.

   Try to spot them walking around campus! Their humble abode is located across the street from the main entrance to Santa Cruz dorm and includes a lovely, tranquil garden.
concerns and then I can figure out where to go from there... I don’t speak Spanish, however I do have resources and if anybody wants to come forth and talk to me, whether it’s English, Spanish or any other language, I’ll use my resources so we can communicate... Something as small as a language barrier at this point, I will not allow it to stop me from helping a portion of this community that feel as though they have been left out.

DN: What are you most looking forward to as the CEDP McKarrell? It has been a tough few years around here and I’m looking forward to the change... There are dedicated people around here. And they’re hungry. I can see it in their eyes, they’re hungry – they want a change. They want this community to thrive, they want the students to be safe, they want the residents to walk out their front doors and feel a sense of ownership... I think we can affect change in a positive manner. I have no doubt in my mind and I think we will because everybody is ready and we’re all moving in the same direction.

DN: What is your plan for law enforcement? McKarrell: When I was a kid I lived in the city of Los Angeles and LAPD would often be at my house. I didn’t grow up in an ideal situation... When they were there I felt like nothing in the world could hurt me. And because of the way they handled those situations with integrity and peace... I thought, ‘Man, how can I give back? I want to be just like these guys...’ And it wasn’t to become a cop to win, jump guns and wave my finger at people and tell them how wrong they are. I became a cop to do what I am doing now. To build bridges, strengthen communities and just shed a different light on what it is we do in law enforcement.

For the full interview, see dailynews.com.
Michael Jorgensen
Sports Editor

What’s up fellow Gauchos,

My name is Michael Jorgensen, and I’m very excited to be going on my second (and final) year as sports editor here at the Nexus, helping to bring you all you need to know about UCSB sports.

Welcome back if you’re returning for another year of paradise. But for all you first-timers out there, I’d like to give you some perspective on the magnificent journey you’re about to embark on.

All your life, you’ve been told how important it is for you to get good grades so you can go to a good college. Lucky for you, you hit the jackpot. Welcome home.

I know it’s an exciting time for you. You’re finally starting to get a sense of what adult life is. You’ve heard the stories about how awesome a party school UCSB is. You’re going to be surrounded by a ridiculous amount of the most beautiful people you’ve ever met, inside and out.

It might be tough for you to leave everything you’ve ever known behind – your family and friends, the familiar scenery you learned to drive on, your favorite restaurants, your dog. It’s not easy.

But what you get in return is the ultimate fresh start.

Forget the ex who cheated on you, the bullies, the dumbasses, the people you’ve been going to school with since kindergarten that still don’t even know your name. Here at SB, we’re all in this together.

Right now, you have the power to control where your life goes. You can go down any path, and many times, you’ll get to regret your decisions... Many, many, many, times, actually.

But no matter what mistakes you make, never let it be a bad experience keep you down; learn from it, grow, and do whatever you can to make it a positive influence on your life moving forward.

If there’s one piece of advice I can emphasize more than anything, it’s this: always have an open mind.

No matter what you’ve thought about something in the past, at the very least, ask yourself “Why?”

“Why is Friends’ greatest show ever? Why is a Democrat instead of Republican? Why am I against drinking or drugs? Why do I believe in God?”

Never be afraid of the answers to life’s hardest questions. This is the time for you to learn who you are and what your position is on important issues. As Aristotle once said, “It is the mark of an educated mind to be able to entertain a thought without accepting it.”

At the end of the day, college is only going to be what you make of it.

Okay, now that I’ve imparted some life-changing wisdom that you’ll remember for the rest of your life, it’s time to talk about sports. You may not have seen too much of UCSB on ESPn or anything, but our teams do in fact kick ass.

For example, last season, our men’s volleyball, men’s water polo and baseball teams were ranked as high as No. 3, No. 5 and No. 6 in the nation, respectively.

I’m sure you’re also heard about our men’s soccer team, which has finished with the No. 1 seed in the Big West in each of the last two seasons. If you’re going to make it in any one game this season, make sure it’s men’s soccer against Cal Poly. When we hosted them last year, it was in front of the second-largest crowd in NCAA history. And if the image of torrential flying suddenly in the air in all directions excites you, then you’ll be happy to hear that that’s how we celebrate goals. Make sure you cover your head, though.

Now, if you want to get in on the sport action yourself, then you’re also in luck. We have an excellent intramural community that gives you fun, organized competition for a large variety of sports and talent levels. You’ll sometimes even have the chance to play with UCSB athletes.

For those of you that want to get behind the scenes, interviewing future professional athletes, writing articles about the sports you love and seeing what it’s like to be a journalist, then feel free to either e-mail us or come by the Nexus office and meet either myself or our assistant sports editor, Sean White.

So, with that being said, take a look down below and begin your tour of the teams you’ll be rooting for in the near future:

Wishing you a fantastic and successful time here at UCSB,

Michael J

Men’s Basketball

Head Coach: Bob Williams
Records: 19-14 Overall, 11-5 Conf, No. 2 Seed in Big West
Key Players: Michael Bryson, 132.9 mpg, 36% 3FG
Team Stats: 66.8 FG%, 15.2 AFG (14)

Things are going to be very different for the Gauchos this time around, as the program’s all-time leader in rebounds and second all-time leading scorer Alan Williams has headed overseas to play professionally in China. A pair of guards in senior Michael Bryson and sophomore Gabe Vincent will now look to run the show and keep the Thunderdome rocking. Bryson was named First Team All-Big West last season while Vincent became the first Gaucho since 1993 to win Big West Freshman of the Year.

First Game: 1/18 vs. San Francisco St.

Tennis

Men’s Tennis

Head Coach: Marry Davis
Records: 15-16 Overall, 3-2 Conf
Key Stats: 9-0 home record in 2013
Big West Champions

Two Big West titles since 2013 makes this arguably the most successful team at UCSB over that span. You’ll want to see these guys play at home, where they went a perfect 9-0 last season, setting a program record. They’ll also be recharged with a recruiting class that was ranked No. 15 in the nation.

First Game: 1/23 T&L All-American

Women’s Tennis

Head Coach: Simon Thibou
Records: 18-9 Overall, 6-2 Conf
Key Players: Natalie de Silveira
Big West Runners-Up

The men’s tennis is the only team to make noise at the Rec Center courts last season. As the women got hot at the right time to make it all the way to the Big West Championship, Sophomore Natalie de Silveira and junior Jaimie Giberson were both named All-Big West Second team and will look to lead the Gauchos once again.

First Game: 1/12 Berkeley Invite

Men’s Soccer

Head Coach: Tim Vom Steeg
Records: 10-7-3 Overall, 6-2-2 Conf, No. 1 Seed in Big West
Key Players: Nick DePuy, 10 goals, 6 game-winners
Team Stats: 8-0-2 home conference record since ’13

The Gauchos have been the best team in the Big West over the past two seasons, going 18-2-5 in conference play on their way to back-to-back No. 1 seeds in the Big West Tournament. However, going 0-3 in the postseason has left a bitter taste in their mouths.

A trio of experienced seniors in forward Nick DePuy, midfielder Drew Murphy and left back Ismiali Jone, all of whom were named to the Press-Telegram All-Conference Team, have UCSB as the favorite to win the Big West Title for the first time since 2010.

First Game: 8/28 vs. Stanford

At the Thunderdome, you can watch UCSB’s women’s volleyball and men’s and women’s basketball, or play in Intramurals for either sport.

Tennis action takes place on the Rec Center courts starting in October.

During fall quarter, don’t miss “Soccer Heaven” at Harder Stadium.
**Baseball**

Head Coach: Andrew Checkers  
**Record:** 60-27-4 Overall, 16-8 Conf, No. 2 seed in Big West  
**Key Player:** Shane Bibe, 2.24 ERA, 8 wins (1st in conf)  
**Rankings:** Reached as high as No. 6 national ranking  

UCSB showed the country last year when its stacked pitching staff led the team to as high as a No. 6 national ranking in mid-May. The Gauchos went on to finish in second place in the conference, earning a spot as a Regional host in the NCAA Baseball Tournament for the first time in school history. However, last season’s success has provided next year’s Gauchos with a new set of challenges, as a program-record 10 players were selected in the MLB draft.

**Softball**

Head Coach: Brit Gallinazo  
**Record:** 19-35 Overall, 6-15 Conf  

It wasn’t a great campaign for the Gauchos in 2015, but they will be a team to watch next year with senior catcher Methick Moore leading a hungry veteran squad that retains three players who were selected All-Big West last season.  

*First Game (both teams): February 2016*

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**Water Polo**

**Men’s Water Polo**  
Head Coach: Wolf Wigo  
**Record:** 13-3 Overall, 8-0 Conf  
**Ranking:** Peaked at No. 5  

A great start to the season was followed up by a disappointing outing in MPSF play as UCSB went wireless in the conference despite being ranked as high as No. 5 in the nation. Head Coach Wolf Wigo and the Gauchos will once again face a difficult challenge playing against many top-10 ranked teams, but with a handful of experienced seniors on the roster, they should have a much better time in 2015.

*First Game: 9/5 vs. Air Force*

**Women’s Water Polo**  
Head Coach: Sereta Kay  
**Record:** 14-6 Overall, 5-3 Conf  
**Ranking:** Peaked at No. 13  

After a decent first year under first-year Head Coach Sereta Kay, UCSB will see how it fares against a handful of top-20 teams in the country come January. All-Big West honorees in sophomore Carla Schafer and seniors Samantha Murphy and Brea Hudson will look to carry the load for the Gauchos, while impressive freshman Sarah Kusner brings a solid pre-NCAA résumé to town.

*First Game: 10/22 at the University of Chicago*

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**Volleyball**

**Men’s Volleyball (Rob Gym)**  
Head Coach: Rick McLaughlin  
**Record:** 17-0 Overall, 13-9 Conf, No. 6 seed in MPSF  
**Key Player:** Jonah Seif, 10.38 AVG (4th in conf), 2.26 digs per set  
**Key Stat:** Reached as high as No. 6 national ranking  

UCSB was as dangerous a team as any in the MPSF last season as it took a No. 9 national ranking into the MPSF Tournament. A memorable 3-1 sport road win over No. 3 Pepperdine side that had been undefeated at home was the highlight of the season for the Gauchos, but they failed to repeat their success by losing to Pepperdine 3-0 in the playoffs. Two-time All-American setter Jonah Seif will look to go out with a bang as he leads UCSB in his final year.

*First Game: January 2016*

**Women’s Volleyball (Thunderdome)**  
Head Coach: Nicole Lutangue Welch  
**Record:** 13-4 Overall, 8-6 Conf

One season after finishing in first place in the Big West, a young Gauchos team found itself in the middle of the standings in 2014. Another year of experience should be huge for UCSB as it looks to challenge for the Big West Title once again.

*First Game: 8/28 vs. Utah Valley Sr. - Pepperdine Aces Classic*

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**Gauchos Do It Better**

Sean White  
Assistant Sports Editor

Thank you summer for the fun, but it’s time to get back to the grind. Welcome back to all the returning students, and greetings to the new class of freshmen. I hope all of you are ready to embark on your new journey as Gauchos!

My name is Sean White (yes ... almost like the snowboarder) and I am entering my second year as a Pre-Communication major. This is my second year as a writer and first-year as an editor for the Daily Nexus. I am looking forward to providing UCSB with the best content and coverage of its sports.

It’s crazy that I was just in your position preparing for my first year of college. Trust me, it goes by fast so make sure you enjoy every second of being a Gauchos.

My one suggestion for having a successful school year is simply making sure that you attend as many sporting events as possible. It’s the best way to overcome the stresses of school and take a break from the party scene. When you have teams that are talented and entertaining like UCSB does, it makes college more enjoyable.

There’s no one sport at UCSB that I can tell you to commit to because they all have so much to offer. You’ve probably heard that UCSB is only a soccer powerhouse, but don’t let that deceive you. Our school may not receive much attention in mainstream sports headlines, but the experiences and memories gained from any UCSB sporting event are incomparable.

While rankings and statistics help measure a team’s capability, it’s the atmosphere and energy of being in the Thunderdome, Harder Stadium, or any other UCSB venue that makes each moment meaningful. Since coming to UCSB, it has been the experience factor that has increased my interest in sports that I did not have much knowledge about.

As an only child, I guess you could call sports that brother or sister that I never had. I was once that kid with dreams of going to the NFL. Although UCSB does not have a football team, attending this school has made me realize how diverse sports are.

Writing for the Nexus has been everything that I hoped to do in my pursuit of a career within sports media and is responsible for my interest in learning more about sports such as volleyball, water polo, soccer, golf, and more. Even if you attend just one game, I hope that at the end of the school year you all can reminisce on the great times you had while cheering for our Gauchos.

With that being said, I hope all of you have a wonderful year.

Be sure to follow us on Twitter for everything UCSB sports related: @GCNUSports.

Thank you,

Sean
Welcome to UCSB! I would like to go over a few things you will hopefully accomplish your first year in college. Think of this as a syllabus of sorts. These are challenges that are all more or less essential to you doing well here, especially during that first year. Not everyone is going to pass with flying colors, but hey, keep your head up. You are about to start life at the best school in the country.

1. Your Major Doesn’t Mean Much Right Now
I mean it. You are a freshman who thinks they want to be a mechanical engineer and that’s awesome. BUT, there’s a very real chance you realize you’d rather spend your days learning several languages and translating video games into proper German than designing internal combustion engines. Changing majors is perfectly acceptable, so this year I encourage you to not get too attached. Undeclared? The world is yours.

2. You Should Go To Class
I am not your mom or dad, nor will they be here, so this is on you now. Do it, do it often, do it past midterms and do it until the final. Then you can stop. The pros far outweigh the cons of physically being in your classes, and sometimes your professors will have some absolutely fascinating ideas useful, at least for the quarter knowledge to drop all over you. By the way, school is very expensive. Either you and/or your parents are paying top dollar for you to be in these classes.

3. You Shouldn’t Go To Class
Your parents still aren’t here. We all need a break sometimes. Nights out have a way of sticking with you a bit too long the next morning, so before you end up dry-heaving your way out of Campbell Hall at 8:30 a.m., maybe reconsider what’s best for yourself and those around you. Additionally, professors at times will have some shockingly un-fascinating things to say to you. I’m not advocating for skipping class. I’m just saying, cherish those classes where your professor pats all of the notes on Guadalupe.

4. Most People Are All Year Long
There are so many people outside of the first group of friends you make in the dorms, and you should meet them. Yes, the dorms make it very easy to make friends fast. Your neighbors live next door; why not make friends with them? However, you should continue your quest for companionship outside the confines of your dorm. Just like that glorious major you think you’ve decided on, don’t get too attached to the people in your hall; you think you just made lifelong friends with.

5. Join Something
I’ve come to the conclusion that there are more clubs than there are students here. Seriously. If you like something, or have enough thought about liking something, there is probably a club for it. I strongly recommend clubs like Adventure Club and Excursion Club because they tear down the barrier to entry for outdoor sports. You name it; there will give you an opportunity to do it. On this note, Greek life at UCSB for the most part reflects the beautiful thing that is UCSB life. It’s laid back, friendly, on the beach, active, all that good stuff. However, it’s not for everyone and joining a fraternity or “Don’t be that guy/girl.” Don’t be that guy with his pants off on the roof wearing he can fly naked. Don’t be that guy throwing bottles across the party because her best friend she met last week suddenly went to a party next door. Partying should not be your priority or your most frequent hobby. Party years take some getting used to anyways. It’s rough and unbelievably a bit awkward to immediately start kiting up house parties as a first year. You probably won’t have a very sick time on some stranger’s deck, and you probably won’t find much to drink there unless you start stealing Bailey’s liquid from their mini freezer for you and your friends, but again, DON’T BE THAT GUY. Kick it in the dorms, see what your RA is cool with, if you’re willing to take the risk and don’t freak out if the party life the first week or so isn’t everything the movies said it would be. As you meet people on campus and in the UV, you’ll realize you’re a member of one of the most chill, fun and friendly beach communities on the planet.

6. Learn To Party
It’s very easy to mess this one up, yet just as easy to do it right. Go figure. Something that stuck with me from when I went through orientation before my freshman year was this saying: relay race at elementary school. Not everyone is a friend, and people do get associated. I’m not saying LV is completely unsafe and you should stay away (far from it). I just want to be clear that bad things can and do happen here, and you can take steps towards being a safer party person.

7. School Matters
Total is 488 years (if they ever existed) that it was really cool to pretend like class doesn’t matter. That attitude really does not make sense in college. We all want to be here to learn and work toward our respective careers, if this doesn’t sound like what you’re into, don’t come.

8. Keep It Local
It is absolutely not the right move to invite all of your friends here for Halloween or Dekapitch weekends. Gops from other areas swear this place like suqalq on Freshman north that gets left outside. The dorms get crazy strict as well, and by your sophomore or junior year you will be meeting these occasions because you can have just has much fun any other weekend. If you want to show friends the paradise you now call home, try pretty much any other weekend besides the two and the one before finals.

9. Open Your Mind
You are going to be presented with ideas and facts that will blow your mind in college. You will be forced to consider perspectives you never knew existed, and it’s beautiful. Be ready to learn, be open to new ideas and be okay with change. Your typical high school history courses may likely be torn to shreds by the sake of real information, or you may learn the way you’ve been writing your whole life is completely wrong and that is all okay. You will come out of your first year much better off if you are open to learning about and understanding other cultures, ideas and people.

10. Talk it Out
This comes almost directly from last year’s Inman’s Guide to UCSB because it’s really important. College life is not without challenges, and help exists on campus in many forms.

Counseling and Psychological Services (C.A.P.S.) is located in the middle of campus and offers free services for students needing help with problems they may be facing.

The Student Resource Building is located near Padilla tunnel across from Lot 22, and is the home of several student groups, study areas and courts for students.

The MultiCultural Center: In addition to hosting a wide variety of shows and events, the MCC creates a safe space for students of color, LGBTQIA students and international students. The MCC is located adjacent to the UC.

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Despite recent backlash from punk-rock communities about the growing indie music presence, Goldenvoice’s FYF Fest invaded the L.A. Memorial Sports Arena & Exposition Park for the second time with the most eclectic selection of alternative musical talent. Here are the highlights everyone is talking about.

Kanye West:  
While controversy resulting from Kanye’s gaffes and self-comparisons to political and religious leaders seem to appear at Elton John daily, the controversy of Who’s replacement of Saturday headline Lara Croft was just this once not his fault. If Kanye decided to proclaim his greatness for 30 minutes, the gawking masses reacting from Croft’s removal from the lineup may have landed Faye with irrevocably damaged reputation. It didn’t.

The set began with West’s按时 of Frank Ocean’s “No Church in the Wild,” in homage to the about R&B idol. Kanye performed with a certain self-awareness about his position and sensitivity for Ocean fans who feel like they believe he was previously capable.

He had both GOOD Music proteges, Tow Scott and pop icon Rihanna make special guest appearances. He didn’t speak, except a few acknowledgments of the crowd and banner with his signature.

When the keyboard line from “Runaway” started toocks, crowd members moaned audibly in fear that West would continue the song for half an hour or more as he has done in the past. After a mere 10 minutes, Kanye West said, “I could sing this song for another 40 minutes, but I only get 30 minutes and 10 years of music left.” I got to play my mother’s version.

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Technically speaking, the show played like jazz. In terms of feeling, this was far. The abundance of marbled guitar licks, gospel-inspired harmonies and puncturing horn lines made it easy to imagine the band cramping on a sofa re-watching old James Brown performances.

D’Angelo and the Vanguard:  
Following its December 2014 release, Black Messiah’s explosive reception has made 2015 the year of D’Angelo. Black Messiah is D’Angelo’s first studio release since 2000, and the subsequent tour is his first since 2012. While the neo-soul singer has been reviving for the reasons for his hiatus, the precision and energy present in the performance prove that he was diligent in his absence.

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Death Grips:  
Despite playing the smallest stage, this post-industrial electro-thrash hip hop group drew one of the biggest crowds of any show this weekend. They also drew the largest crowd at that stage and on the field. The entire field that comprised The Trees stage was densely packed with sweaty ruffled youth.

Death Grips disbanded abruptly in July 2014, re-formed in October of the same year and then released an album soon after. Never for say, fans have been on a very temperamental rollercoaster ride. FYF was the chance for Death Grips listeners to release their suppressed anger.

Vocalist MC Ride musically screeched out the words from at least a song from every single album in the Death Grips discography. If you watched the crowd, you wouldn’t be able to imagine the entire audience formed an ever-shifting, punching, sweaty and dense mass of bodies. Death Grips music isn’t for the weak-hearted, but their almost-cultish control over their following is an undeniable testament of their dark and impressive vision.

Johnny Beth during “Husbands”

Savages:  
When conservative suburban parents have nightmares about their kids falling into the punk-rock scene, their worries are usually misplaced. Most punk bands and clubs are as normal as you and me. Savages are the exception. This all-female, London-based post-punk group is scarier than your first viewing of A Nightmare on Elm Street.

Their uniforms were black leather, black eyeliner and black nails. Their backdrops were a ghastly white. Their guitar sounds like the scratch of a knife on a window. At FYF, lead singer Johnny Beth became the reason why the connection between the occult and rock music didn’t die along with Black Sabbath.

Beth sung Savages mainstay songs like, “Evil” and “He’s Mine” in a hypnotic drizzle and then broke into sharp words without a moment’s notice. During the closing of “Husbands,” Beth shrieked, “If you all stop dancing, we stop playing.” She prepared to stop off-stage as fans extended their hands. With her microphone in hand, she walked up the steps of stage-head fans. “My room, my life, my husband,” she screamed as she made a coffee on top of the crowd.

D’Angelo singing at the lawn stage

Jim Reid singing off of Psychocandy

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Men From U.N.C.L.E. Need a Better Plot

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"The Man From U.N.C.L.E." is a bit of a misleading title. For starters, there's more than one man in a leading role. Secondly, who or what is U.N.C.L.E.? A spy organization? A coalition force? A man's fashion line? You would think that from all the suits they put Henry Cavill and Armie Hammer in.

A re-imagining of the '60s television series of the same name, "The Man From U.N.C.L.E." puts Superman, Hammer and the android from "Ex Machina" together for an adventure in Rome to find a ring and find the android's father, Superman (or Cavill, in case any of you actually remember the guy from "Superman Returns") plays the American spy Napoleon Solo and Hammer plays Illya Kuryakin, his Russian counterpart. As much as I'd like to refer to Mr. Hammer as the Lone Ranger, let's be honest, none of you saw that movie.

Kuryakin is certainly a pleasant fellow for a dirty communist. He delivers one-liners without camp, gets the job done efficiently and has a golden laser that would make that other guy named Solo jealous. Solo, on the other hand, is an asshole. During their first conversation, Kuryakin tells Solo, "You used to be a thief and you got caught," to which Solo replies, "Oh yeah? Well, your dad's in a gulag and your mother's a whore." If Kuryakin were and shot him in the face right then and there, I probably would have given the screen a thumbs-up.

Solo is also a terrible spy. When he drinks a glass of scotch offered by the villainous, you know it's spiked. The rest of the theater knows it's spiked. The cockroaches waiting to come out and eat the spilled popcorn know it's spiked. If there are characters in children's cartoons that can tell when they've been given laced beverages, why can't the CIA's supposedly-best agent? It's amazing that this amateur can even fire a gun or unhook a bra without hurting himself.

The movie's strengths lie more in its humor than in its generic plot. Most of that humor comes from the spies being jerks to each other and pretty much everyone they come into contact with, from flummoxed Italians who have decided that sinks are good substitutes for chains to the Nazi torturer who spends three minutes too long reminding us that he is a Nazi torturer. "Damn, I left my jacket in there," Solo remarks from behind a window as the German scientist goes up in flames.

The plot does however manage to salvage itself somewhat in the form of Gaby Teller (Alcicia Vikander, whom we think we have figured out right from the start, only to realize later that she's had both us and the spies fooled, which is humiliating in hindsight considering that a drunk seventh-grader could probably outwit Solo), but Miss Teller's ambiguous nature doesn't make up for the fact that the film's ending is a duff mess: the big action scene is clumsily packed into a montage, followed by an underwhelming chase scene and a quick bit on an aircraft carrier that practically plays twice when it goes back and remixes you what happened ten seconds ago.

"The Man From U.N.C.L.E." is not thrilling, and it's not as gloriously self-aware as "Kingman." It's oddly mildly entertaining, with enough humor and fan moments to make up for its lackluster plot. Probably its greatest accomplishment is saving Hammer's career by having him overact the leading actor (which is precisely what Johnny Depp did to him in "The Lone Ranger").

Alex Wehrung is patiently waiting for James Bond to show Gay Ritchie who's boss.
Welcome to Isla Vista!

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Welcome to UCSB, and that in turn means welcome to Isla Vista: your new home away from home. A place where the crazy dormitories and interactive community are so inviting you’ll feel like you belong in no time. As the editor for On The Menu, I, along with my staff of writers, are here to guide you, the reader, through the culinary life of college. From good local eats, to exciting recipes and the food-oriented events on and around campus, On The Menu will ensure your taste buds stay satisfied.

Food has always been an important part of my life. It’s something my dad shared with me as he used to cook in the restaurant he owned when I was a child. Something about a good dish brings people together, and I think that idea is shared here, right in the heart of IV. Aside from school and your weekend Del Playa stadium, our community does not have much to keep one occupied. So the numerous amounts of restaurants and eateries keep us going for all sorts of reasons and hunger. In this article, I’ll give you a quick walkthrough on what IV can offer for each of its niches.

For your guilty pleasures and binge-worthy foods, head to Super Cucci’s for a massive breakfast burrito at all hours of the day. Freshly squeezed juices and something you can’t resist — bonus tip: go veggie and the guacamole is free! If you aren’t in the mood for Mexican-inspired cuisine, but still want to indulge, try Buddha Bowls for a Mac Daddy bowl or build-your-own bread bowl ensemble.

Have a hangover from last night? Come get a crepe from Cafe Equilibirum, or McConnell’s ice cream from i.s. dip or take a stroll to Sweet Alley for delicious frozen yogurt or candy. It’s all walking distance from your door.

Want some pizza? Say no more. Pizza places are literally on every corner around these parts. Take your pick from Pizza My Heart, Woodstocks, Blaze, Giannini’s pies or even Domino’s. Isla Vista has it all.

A couple other favorites to hit up are Cafe for your late-night caffeine needs or San’s To Go for a hefty sandwich that gusts Subway to shame. Try Sorriso Italiano for a truly amazing experience, and don’t miss out on Wok on the Wild Side when you’ve got a craving for Asian cuisine that Panda Express just won’t quench.

There are also so many more places that I didn’t mention but could have, and each and every one of you will find your own favorite and special meal just as everyone else has before you. Food is an essential part of life; it brings us all together. No one can resist a good meal; it’s healing to the soul. This year is going to be exciting as I get to share all of food’s finest moments with you. So get ready, prepare your stomachs, grab a fork and knife and let’s dig in!
UC Santa Barbara physics professor Philip Lubin and his team from the B's Experimental Cosmology Group have been awarded one of 15 proof-of-concept grants from NASA Innovative Advanced Concepts to further develop their groundbreaking space research on laser propulsion systems for interstellar travel. The research team will explore high-speed space travel under the project, Directed Energy Propulsion for Interstellar Exploration (D.E.E.P.I.N). According to Lubin, the grant will allow the team to study the technological feasibility of high-speed interstellar travel and send an incredibly small probe to another galaxy.

Lubin stands beside the experimental laser setup, an integral component of his team’s project.

"We are focused on propulsion in a very different way. We actually keep the propulsion system on a spaceship. We push on a reflector which then accelerates the spacecraft away from us. The laser is to take the propulsion system and then accelerate the spacecraft," Lubin said. "Because we are using photons as a propellant, there is no speed limit except for the speed of light and space resistance. In this way, we can achieve vastly higher speeds than conventional propellants constituting the only current way to reach interstellar distances."

"The closest star is 4.26 light years away, and it is the closest to Earth. We think we could get there in about 50 years. This is a pretty significant achievement, and it is also a very important step towards potentially sending a signal to any civilization that we might encounter in the future."

"If you shoot a mirror with a laser, it has a small force on the mirror. However, in space, that small force is a big deal. The idea is simple: We don't want to send out a big spacecraft on our first mission, we want to send out something small like a piece of silicon or diode material that would resist being destroyed by the laser, but that could also be propelled by the laser. A small ship could also have basic sensors and enough energy to transmit data back to Earth," Madjarian said.

"The team's combination of an orbital or ground-based laser photon driver with low-mass probes or "wafers" provides the platform to launch interstellar space travel in new speeds with the capability to reach unspecified distances of other galaxies. According to Lubin, there are three critical aspects to a mission: a laser, a reflector and the spacecraft. The laser or "directed energy system," stays near the earth and is used for all subsequent missions. It is used to propel the reflector and the spacecraft itself, which can be anything from a small-mass wafers to a vehicle fit for humans."

"Because the laser, the propulsion system, stays near the earth, we have the ability to send out many different missions and are also able to amortize mission costs," Lubin said. "The laser is used to illuminate the reflector which can be anything that reflects light, from a metallized mirror to a dielectric reflector. Lastly, there is the spacecraft itself, attached to the reflector. The spacecraft can be anything from a wafer scale to a scale that houses humans."

Lubin and his team have been working with relatively small wafers that are about 10 centimeters in diameter with a mass of about one gram. Lubin explained that although the laser driver can push a spacecraft of any size, the more mass the spacecraft has, the slower it will travel.
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