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SANTA CLARA UNIVERSITY

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NFL greats-including John Taylor and Cliff Branch-signed autographs and posed for pictures with fans.

A Super Celebration

Fans, celebrities, music, and fireworks—a great time at SCU before the Super Bowl

Thousands of fans came to Santa Clara University for the Super Community Celebration, a daylong festival developed in collaboration with the city of Santa Clara.

"Santa Clara University was the ideal location," said Mayor Gillmor of the Super Celebration event that took place on February 6. "Holding the marque Santa Clara Super Community event celebrating Super Bowl 50 at the University was such a tribute to the long-standing relationship that the city and the University have shared."

Residents and visitors of all ages came to campus to experience the excitement surrounding the NFL championship game, which was played nearby in Santa Clara's Levi Stadium.

Highlights included a celebrity flag football game, a concert by Huey Lewis and the News, and a fireworks finale.



Fireworks filled the sky above the Mission Campus, capping off 10 hours of live entertainment.

Photos by Joanne Lee



SCU Acquires 9.5 Acres Near Campus

Santa Clara recently acquired a pair of properties off Campbell Avenue.



A pair of commercial properties—1200/1202 Campbell Avenue and 1185 Campbell Avenue have been purchased by SCU.

Santa Clara University recently made the largest real estate purchase in the University's history with a \$25 million investment in a 7-acre lot at 1185 Campbell Ave., currently occupied by online retailer Zazzle. The University also purchased a 2.5 acre site at 1200 and 1202 Campbell Ave.

For SCU, the opportunity to acquire real estate near campus came quickly, and required decisive action.

"This was not on our radar at all," said Michael Hindery, vice president for finance and administration at SCU. "We responded quickly because acquiring land contiguous to campus is a very unique opportunity."

According to Hindery, the University has no current development plans for either site. Rather, the purchases are being treated as income-producing investments and the University will continue as Zazzle's landlord.

Since the other sites have no current tenants, the University may use the buildings to temporarily house staff as buildings undergo renovation on campus and office space becomes scarcer. Hindery said that no teaching activities would be shuttled to the Campbell Avenue site.

Hindery acknowledged that the fact the land is in a primarily residential area could make future student, staff, or faculty housing a viable long-term plan for the sites.

Saving Electricity in Residence Halls

An annual competition helps promote energy-saving habits in SCU students.

One of the challenges to achieving long-term sustainability goals on a college campus is the fact that the student body changes each year.

Santa Clara University's annual Residence Energy Challenge aims to overcome that obstacle by encouraging on-campus residents to cut back on their electricity use.

"This is the seventh year that we are putting on the Residence Energy Challenge," said Cara Uy, sustainability coordinator for the University's Center for Sustainability. "It encourages residents to look at their power usage and conserve during the whole month of February."

To make sure all the competitors are on an even playing field, the residence halls are divided into two different leagues for the purposes of the competition: residents of buildings that allow them to control their air conditioning use individually and residents of older buildings, which do not allow that.

The competition has three prizes: one winner for each of the two leagues, plus one winner of an award for overall enthusiasm.

"There has to be an awareness piece to this," Uy said. "People have to understand why it's so important to conserve energy." The enthusiasm prize rewards residence halls' efforts to increase awareness, with activities ranging from putting up signs to remind people to turn off lights to social events where residents come together to learn about conservation or renewable energy.

Although residence halls are competing against each other, they are also competing against themselves: They are evaluated on how large a percentage drop they can register in electricity usage compared with a baseline period. The targets are adjusted for the number of residents in each building.

"We rank the buildings at the end of every week," Uy said.

"By Feb. 29 we see the cumulative percent change. A building may be leading in week 1 or week 2, but by the end of the month, if you have increased your energy usage, you would no longer be in the running.

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Students use a variety of methods to save energy—including spreading the word about carefully monitoring washer settings.



Larder House Not Going Far

A historic house and key piece of Santa Clara's history



The Larder House has stood in Santa Clara since 1868.

A historic house and key piece of Santa Clara's history will be preserved close to its original location after a dialogue among Santa Clara University, the city of Santa Clara, and the University's neighbors.

The Larder House, which had to be moved from its old site to make room for the University's new parking garage and the Edward M. Dowd Art and Art History Building, will find a permanent home in the same block as its original location.

"It's the last vestige of the German community," said Linda Hylkema, director of cultural resource management for Santa Clara University.

The house, built in 1868, got its name from its longest owner, German immigrant Sophie Larder. The two-story wood-frame house has an Italianate façade that makes the front of the house "architecturally distinct for this area," Hylkema said.

"It's in the heart of what was the German community in Santa Clara," Hylkema said. German immigrants came to Santa Clara early in the town's history, during the Gold Rush era of the 1840s and 1850s.

The University has owned the Larder House for the past few decades. It has been used for offices but recently has been empty.

During the University's engagement with the community about its development plans for the area, the neighbors' clear feedback was that they wanted the house to stay as close as possible to its original location.

The Old Quad Association, Santa Clara Historical Landmark Commission, Santa Clara City Council and the city's Planning Commission members were instrumental in bringing the issue to a successful conclusion, Chris Shay, Assistant VP for University Operations, said, and all four groups will be involved in the final plans.

The precise future use for the house hasn't been decided yet. However, according to Shay, preserving the Larder House is part of a larger plan to create a linear park by enhancing Franklin Street.

"We do want to tie the Larder House history into the redevelopment of Franklin Street and the pedestrian mall," Hylkema said. "We want to have the German era be a major part of it."

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For schedules of upcoming games and results from men's and women's sports, visit santaclarabroncos.com.

For ticket and event information and a complete list of arts and cultural events on campus, visit SCUPresents.org.

APRIL

8 FACULTY SHOWCASE

Music Recital Hall | 7:30 p.m. The talented faculty of SCU perform.

9-10 SPRING DANCE FESTIVAL

Fess Parker Studio Theatre | 2 p.m. (Additional show, 8 p.m. on April 9)

Students explore diverse dance styles in the biannual festival featuring the choreography from senior dance majors Piper Thomasson and Skye Windsor.

18 FILM SERIES: (T)ERROR

Music Recital Hall | 7 p.m.

22 MUSICAL MAVERICK SERIES: TERESA MCCOLLOUGH, PIANO

Music Recital Hall | 7:30 p.m.

Teresa McCollough headlines this concert in the Musical Mavericks series, presenting an evening of contemporary music for piano.

29 SANTA CLARA UNIVERSITY ORCHESTRA

Santa Clara Mission Church | 7:30 p.m. The University Orchestra presents programs that include lush symphonic classics, the winners of SCU's Concerto and Aria Competition, and contemporary revelations in the beautiful acoustics of the Mission Church.

MAY

6-8 WHAT WOULD CRAZY HORSE DO?

11-14 Mayer Theatre | 8 p.m. (2 p.m. on May 8)

Set today, the play is about two Native Americans facing the extinction of their tribe while the first female leader of the KKK is poised to launch a gentler version of the Klan. The two groups find themselves in similar positions, questioning race, racism, and identity. This play was listed on the Kilroy's Top 46 list of unproduced plays by women writers.

26 SANTA CLARA UNIVERSITY JAZZ BAND AND **JAZZ COMBO**

Music Recital Hall | 7:30 p.m.

The Music Recital Hall will be filled with the exciting jazz sound of the Jazz Combos and Big Band under the direction of Dr. Doug Harris and Kristen Strom.

27-29 CHICAGO

Mayer Theatre | 8 p.m. (2 p.m. on May 29) June

Premiering in 1975, the hit of the 1997 Broadway season, Chicago

won six Tony Awards including Best Revival and later the Academy Award as Best Picture. Set in roaring twenties Chicago, this sharp edged satire of celebrity and justice in America features a dazzling score that sparked immortal staging by Bob Fosse.

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MAY

29-31 NEW PLAYWRIGHTS' FESTIVAL

Fess Parker Studio Theatre | 7:30 p.m.

New playwrights who have completed a series of SCU playwrighting courses showcase their work in semi-staged readings. Enjoy the entire festival and experience the original one-act plays written, performed and directed by Santa Clara University students and alums.

31 SANTA CLARA UNIVERSITY WIND SYMPHONY Music Recital Hall | 7:30 p.m.

Dr. Doug Harris and the SCU Wind Symphony present an evening on classic repertoire for band.

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Students participate in a game of capture the flag-a zero energy pastime promoting sustainability.

During the challenge, an online dashboard, updated every 15 minutes, allows residents to check their energy usage. "You can see the peak times when most people are in the residence halls and using energy," Uy said.

To build momentum for the competition, the Center for Sustainability and other partner organizations sponsor events to encourage conservation. During Zero Power Hour, for example, residents power off everything in their residence halls and go outside for an activity with other residents. The center is also working to promote the contest on social media, offering a prize to the students who best document their efforts.

In past years, the competition has resulted in "continual and consistent energy savings" extending beyond the end of February, when the contest ended, Uy said.

For more information, go to scu.edu/sustainability/ energychallenge/.

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