

# THE BRONCO BULLETIN



## LETTER FROM COACH BENTO-JACKSON:

Hello Bronco Fans,

I hope you all had a wonderful Thanksgiving !!

The season is underway and we are currently 4-2. The number one focus of our team this year is our team defense. When we set our goals at the beginning of the year we decided we were only going to have a couple goals and we felt that in order for our team to have the greatest opportunity for success we had to hold our opponents to a low field goal percentage. As much as our team's over the past few years have had a reputation for our offense we want our defense to be recognized. Here we are early in the season and we are first in our conference for scoring defense (fewest number of points scored against us) and second in our conference in field goal percentage defense (the % that our opponents are shooting against us). We still have many areas to improve upon in order for our defense to be consistent but I have been pleased with the progress thus far.

We have been on the road for four of our first six games with one of the road trips being to Anchorage, Alaska where we participated in the Great Alaska Shootout. I had been trying to get us in the tournament for a couple of years because as you all know one of our seniors, Chandice Cronk, is from Alaska. It was an opportunity to take Chandice back home plus there are only a few of our players who have ever been to Alaska. There was plenty of snow as it was actually falling the first day we arrived. I heard one of our players yell out, "I've never seen snow falling before." Yes, she is a California girl, but it also was a sign that we are so fortunate for all the experiences that the sport of basketball brings to us all. We were able to go to Chandice's home and her family cooked us a wonderful Thanksgiving dinner - A big thank you to the Cronks !! Not only did I learn about moose hunting from Chandice's mom, but I also tried moose for the first time as it was part of the dinner. To my surprise, as I'm not usually one to try new foods, it was delicious :)

There are only two weeks remaining in the fall quarter, therefore, the players are working diligently on their academics. We do not have any games scheduled during finals week to allow them to be as prepared as possible for their exams and final assignments. Once finals are completed there is a break from school for a month which will be nice for the players and a time where they can focus solely on basketball.

Enjoy the holiday season and we hope to see you on the courts.

Sincerely,

*Michelle Bento-Jackson*

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## CHANDICE CRONK EARNS 1,000 POINTS FOR HER CAREER

Chandice Cronk joined an elite club of Bronco's on November 13, 2007. With only one minute and nineteen seconds into the game against Washington State,

Chandice knocked down two free throws to put her over 1,000 points for her career. She becomes only the 17th Bronco to achieve that mile-

stone.



## EVENTS THIS MONTH

- Dec. 1 @ Sac. St. 2pm
- Dec. 3 Breakfast Club 7am
- Dec. 8 @ UOP 5pm
- Dec. 12 @ Cal Poly 7pm
- Dec. 21 SJSU 7pm
- Dec. 29 NAU 2pm
- Dec. 31 CS Fullerton 5pm



### Breakfast Club

Come talk to the coaches and players about the previous and upcoming games for the Broncos on Dec. 3 at 7am. Noah's Bagels, coffee, and refreshments will be served during the meeting. Cost is only \$5. Please RSVP with Blake Malcolm at (408)554-5018 or bmalcolm@scu.edu. See you there!  
 Future Breakfast Club Dates: January 7, February 4, March TBA



### 3 Point Club Update



Only 6 games into the season and we are at 50 3-pointers. We thank you for your continued support throughout the season.

For information on the 3 Point Club please contact Assistant Coach Anna Martin at ADMartin@scu.edu or (408) 554-6984.



### Team back from Alaska Shootout



After an energized victory in the Battle of the Broncos against Boise State, the Santa Clara Women got a quick night's sleep and took off for Alaska early the next morning. A long day of travel ended with a wonderful Thanksgiving style meal prepared by Chandice Cronk's family. A special thanks to Diane, Matt, Ashley, and the rest of the Cronk family for their hospitality. After a quick shoot-around and practice, the team went to the Alaska Shootout Banquet where all the teams got to inter-

act with a buffet and a special Alaskan song and dance performed by a group of native Alaskans. Many players from each of the teams got up to test their dancing skills .

When the special dinners and introductions ended, it was time to play the games. Santa Clara drew a tough and aggressive Bradley University from Peoria, Illinois. Santa Clara jumped out to a lead early on, but Bradley continued to chip away at the Bronco's lead and tied the score at 34 at halftime. Santa Clara started the second

half by stretching out the lead to 9 within the first five minutes, but the Braves continued to stay on the Bronco's heels. Key baskets late helped Santa Clara hold off Bradley 69-61.

Santa Clara drew defending Alaskan Shootout Champions in U. of Alaska Anchorage. The Seawolves came out cold shooting 25% while Santa Clara hit 44% of their shots in the first half. In the second half, the Broncos jumped out to a 15 point lead, but a tremendous run by UAA

brought the game to a tie at 50-50 with just under 4 minutes to play. After a few attempts by both teams to take the lead, UAA called a timeout with 29 seconds to go. The Seawolves threw the ball into their All American and eventual Tournament MOP, Rebecca Kielpinski who would score to make it 52-50 with 5 seconds to go to give UAA its only lead of the game, but the only time they needed to have it.

Santa Clara players Chandice Cronk and Jen Gottschalk finished with All-Tournament Team.



### Quote of the Month

"Limits exist in the souls of those who do not dream."

### Book of the Month

*Quiet Strength*

By Tony Dungy



Meet the Team: Sophomores and Juniors

**Kimee Goeggel**

*What is your most memorable moment at Santa Clara University?*

My most memorable moment at Santa Clara would probably be beating USF in overtime during the WCC championships my freshman year. After Chandice hit that shot the atmosphere of the gym and the team was incredible. We all were so into each other at that moment that I knew there was no way that we were going to lose that game.

*When you are not studying or playing basketball, what do you enjoy doing?*

Even though basketball and studying take up a lot of time, when I do get some time off I really enjoy going down to Monterey and visiting all my marine friends at the aquarium.

*Who has helped you achieve to where you are? How did they help you?*

My mom and my high school coaches have been the people that have helped me achieve where I am in my life. No matter what happened my coaches always had confidence in me and were willing to help me with anything I ever needed. My mom has been amazing throughout my whole life. She always found ways to get me to practices and games and never missed a game. She has always supported me in any decision and has always been my biggest fan!!!



**Maggie Goldenberger**

*What is your most memorable moment at Santa Clara University?*

The most memorable basketball moment would have to be when we beat University of San Francisco in double overtime.

*When you are not studying or playing basketball, what do you enjoy doing?*

I enjoy going on walks, going to the beach, and just doing low key types of things

*Who has helped you achieve to where you are? How did they help you?*

Both of my parents have helped me so very much. I can't even begin to count the number of teams I have played on and the number of games they have both been to. They have always supported me financially, emotionally, physically, and in any other way you can think of. I owe them so much.



**Claire Goins**

*What is your most memorable moment at Santa Clara University?*

One of my most memorable moments at SC was getting to see the Miami Heat my freshman year, and seeing Nitro from American Gladiators at the airport.

*When you are not studying or playing basketball, what do you enjoy doing?*

When I'm not studying or playing basketball I enjoy going to other SC sporting events, taking in a good movie, and baking sweet treats at Liz and Kimee's.

*Who has helped you achieve to where you are? How did they help you?*

My parents have helped me achieve to where I am by always encouraging me to do my best in school and sports and spending countless hours on the bleachers watching my games.



**Liz Doran**

*What is your most memorable moment at Santa Clara University?* There are so many! but the one that really sticks out is the WCC tourney my freshman year. I will never forget the end of the USF game when Chan hit that shot! Also our first game against Georgia freshman year was unforgettable.

*When you are not studying or playing basketball, what do you enjoy doing?*

Swimming, cooking, eating, and hanging out with teammates

*Who has helped you achieve to where you are? How did they help you?*

My parents and siblings... because they are the best ever!!



*What is your most memorable moment at Santa Clara University?*

Well, there are too many and I couldn't possibly pick one but in the basketball realm, probably winning the WCC tournament on our home court freshman year.

*When you are not studying or playing basketball, what do you enjoy doing?*

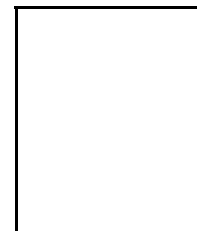
Ha, this is a rare moment but I would have to say just laying on the couch with Chan watching CSI or game shows

*Who has helped you achieve to where you are? How did they help you?*

My mom and dad, accompanied with the entire support of my family; provided an active and loving environment while instilling in me the disciplinary tools I needed to pursue the path in which I now walk. Thank you mom and dad!



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11/9/07	at Nevada	Reno, Nev.	7:00 p.m. PT
11/13/07	at Washington State	Pullman, Wash.	7:00 p.m. PT
11/17/07	vs. Boise State	Santa Clara, Calif.	7:00 p.m. PT
11/20/07	vs. Bradley (Alaska Shootout)	Anchorage, Alaska	9:00 p.m. PT
11/21/07	vs. Alaska Shootout	Anchorage, Alaska	TBA
11/25/07	vs. Long Beach State	Santa Clara, Calif.	2:00 p.m. PT
11/29/07	vs. UC Santa Barbara	Santa Clara, Calif.	7:00 p.m. PT
12/1/07	at Sacramento State	Sacramento, Calif.	2:05 p.m. PT
12/8/07	at Pacific	Stockton, Calif.	5:00 p.m. PT
12/12/07	at Cal Poly	San Luis Obispo, Calif.	7:00 p.m. PT
12/21/07	vs. San Jose State	Santa Clara, Calif.	7:00 p.m. PT
12/29/07	vs. Northern Arizona	Santa Clara, Calif.	2:00 p.m. PT
12/31/07	vs. CS Fullerton	Santa Clara, Calif.	5:00 p.m. PT
01/4/08	vs. Cal State Bakersfield	Santa Clara, Calif.	7:00 p.m. PT
01/12/08	vs. Saint Mary's*	Santa Clara, Calif.	7:00 p.m. PT
01/17/08	at Loyola Marymount	Los Angeles, Calif.	7:00 p.m. PT
01/19/08	at Pepperdine	Malibu, Calif.	2:00 p.m. PT
01/24/08	vs. San Diego*	Santa Clara, Calif.	7:00 p.m. PT
01/26/08	vs. San Francisco*	Santa Clara, Calif.	7:00 p.m. PT
01/30/08	at Portland*	Portland, Ore.	7:00 p.m. PT
02/2/08	at Gonzaga*	Spokane, Wash.	2:00 p.m. PT
02/5/08	vs. Stanford	Santa Clara, Calif.	7:00 p.m. PT
02/9/08	at Saint Mary's*	Moraga, Calif.	7:00 p.m. PT
02/14/08	vs. Pepperdine*	Santa Clara, Calif.	7:00 p.m. PT
02/16/08	vs. Loyola Marymount*	Santa Clara, Calif.	2:00 p.m. PT
02/21/08	at San Diego*	San Diego, Calif.	7:00 p.m. PT
02/23/08	at San Francisco*	San Francisco, Calif.	7:00 p.m. PT
02/28/08	vs. Gonzaga*	Santa Clara, Calif.	7:00 p.m. PT
03/1/08	vs. Portland*	Santa Clara, Calif.	2:00 p.m. PT