

Boxing: 'Sugar' Shane Mosley trained two of Friday's boxers

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Golden Boy Promotions has been asking the school's facility managers and RecSports Department to hold an event at the center for several months. Under added pressure from students to start a boxing club, the Lyon Center decided to put on the event to gauge student interest.

The main event is a lightweight bout featuring Filipino Randy Suico and Mexican Javier Jauregui, the third- and seventh-ranked boxers in the world in their weight class, according to Fightnews.com. In the co-main event, light welterweight Norberto Bravo faces welterweight Ben Tackie.

Tackie and a boxer on the undercard, Leroy Brooks, are being brought in by "Sugar" Shane Mosley, who recently signed as a partner with Golden Boy and will be at Friday's event. De La Hoya may also make an appearance, although his wife's pregnancy could call him back to Puerto Rico.

Jauregui, a former IBF light-weight title-holder with a record of 49-12-2 (34 KOs), wants to take advantage of this opportunity to try to get back up in the rankings. He said that he knows Suico is strong and has many of the same characteristics, which should make for a good fight. He doesn't see any difference in fighting in front of students, saying in Spanish that once the fighter is up in the ring, it is all about the fight.

Suico (23-1, 20 KOs) is fighting for only the second time in the United States, but hopes this fight will get him more exposure here. He has knocked out 20 of the 24 boxers he has faced and has only lost a split decision against the No. 1 WBC boxer at the time — whom Suico knocked down three times in the loss. Nicknamed "Komong Bato" or "Hands of Stone," he said he hopes to knock out Jauregui.

"We'd like to show Randy's power to the American audience," his promoter Joe Koizumi said.

Bravo (20-10-2, 12 KOs) is the only American in the main events and he will face Tackie (26-5, 16 KOs). Tackie is looking to regain his former status — in 2002 he was ranked as high as the No. 1 Mandatory Challenger at 140 pounds. He has been training with Mosley and said, "I'm going to prove Ben Tackie is back."

Bravo said he is very excited to fight in front of a primarily student audience.

"I've never fought at a college before. I'm excited about it. I'm sure the crowd's going to be different; a little wild," he said.

The undercard features two relatively inexperienced super middleweights, Brian Vera and Brooks. Brooks is part of Mosley's first attempt to show Golden Boy the kinds of boxers he can find and train. This is Brooks' first fight since he started training with Mosley and he said he has improved tremendously, crediting Mosley for helping him.

"Sugar Shane is not only a good fighter; he's also a good person," Brooks said.

After the professional fights, boxers from USC fraternities will try to get back up in the rankings. The matches will take place in the main gym, in an actual boxing ring that will be installed after the floor is covered. Golden Boy Productions will provide doctors, referees and judges for the match, which is sanctioned by the California State Athletic Commission.

Admission is \$10 with a student ID, \$20 general admission and \$40 for ringside seats. The maximum seating capacity in the main gym is more than 1,500 with seats placed on the floors in addition to the bleachers. The doors open at 4:30 p.m.

If the event is a success, the department will consider hosting a boxing match again, probably once a year or semester, said facilities manager Arvin Varma.



Fire away. Driver Juan Delgadillo was named the MPSF Mikasa Player of the Week for his eight-goal effort at the Southern California Tournament.

WATER POLO NOTES

Unbeaten Trojans are on top of water polo world

By ASHLEY ZELDIN
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For the first time since Sept. 22 of last year, the USC men's water polo team stands atop the national rankings. With a 5-0 record, the Trojans are the only team in the Mountain Pacific Sports Federation with a pristine record to their name.

"It's just nice to know we can beat everybody," USC coach Jovan Vavic said.

But there's still room for improvement.

"In the (Stanford) game our 6-on-5 wasn't as effective as we would've liked it to be," sophomore goalie Adam Shilling said.

USC capitalized on only two of seven man-up opportunities.

"It kept the game closer than we would've liked," Shilling said.

Junior driver Juan Delgadillo was named the MPSF Mikasa Player of the Week for the first time in his USC career.

Delgadillo's eight-goal performance at the Southern California Tournament last weekend earned him the honor.

Against Redlands and Long Beach State, Delgadillo racked up three-goal efforts. He also scored once against California and put in the game-winning goal against Stanford in the title game.

Delgadillo is the Trojans' second player in a row to receive the distinction.

Juraj Zatovic's nine goals at the Southern California Tournament propelled him past former Trojans Zoltan Bertz (161) and Giacomo Rossi (162) to third place on USC's career scoring leaderboard with 165 goals.

His next target is the 167 goals of 2004 U.S. Olympic assistant coach Danny Leyson.

USC has a well-deserved breather after the Southern California Tournament last weekend.

"We had two days off for the first time ever after the tournament," Shilling said. "It was a nice break, but now we're getting back to conditioning."

The loss of sophomore Jordan Van Norman and junior Trevor Clark because of academic issues did not affect the Trojans' effectiveness against top teams.

"Everyone's really done their part; everyone's playing great as a team," Shilling said. "Joe (Cosentino)'s had a couple of key contributions so far."

Cosentino, a redshirt freshman driver, scored against Long Beach St., Cal and Stanford in last week's tournament.

"It's always great when you get freshmen to contribute," Shilling said.

This week in sports

Friday 23

at SMU
WOMEN 5 p.m.

at No. 3 Stanford
WOMEN 7 p.m.

Saturday 24

Pepperdine Invitational
COUNTRY 9:15 a.m.

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MEN 10:05 a.m.

vs. Cal Baptist in Riverside
MEN 11:10 a.m.

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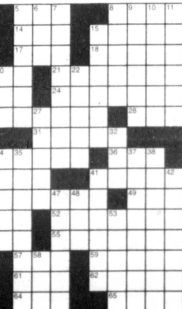
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- ACROSS**
- 1 Minuteman, e.g.: Abbr.
 - 5 Windows may have them, briefly
 - 8 ...-Seltzer
 - 12 Massenet opera
 - 14 Speed: Abbr.
 - 15 Northern Indians
 - 16 Father Junipero
 - 17 New pedometer reading
 - 18 Shots at a dentist's office
 - 19 "All God's Children Need Traveling Shoes" writer
 - 21 Caesar salad base
 - 23 Masseur's command
 - 24 Pant
 - 25 French pronoun
 - 26 Home of Pukaskwa National Park
 - 28 Baltic land: Abbr.
 - 29 Gertrude, 1988 Medicine Nobel
 - 31 The writer Saki's real name
 - 33 Rock's Brian
 - 34 Flashy jewelry, informally
 - 36 Stick in the water
 - 39 Awards for Edward Albee
 - 41 Improved
 - 43 Chinese tea
 - 46 Busy
 - 49 "You're All Got Tonight"
 - 50 Mini poodles and toy terriers
 - 52 Follows dentists' orders
 - 54 One passing a course with flying colors?
 - 55 Coercers
 - 56 Teacher's summons
 - 57 Hugs, symbolically
 - 59 Big Band musician Shaw
 - 60 Measured on foot
 - 61 Env. contents
 - 62 Invariant type
 - 63 Fr. holy women
 - 64 D-Day carrier: Abbr.
 - 65 D-Con target

- DOWN**
- 1 "Not true"
 - 2 Bedspread fabric
 - 3 Enters abruptly
 - 4 Stuck
 - 5 Line on a money order
 - 6 U.S.N. rank
 - 7 Near future
 - 8 Pianist Claudio
 - 9 Be a go-between
 - 10 "A Tract on Monetary Reform" author
 - 11 Post
 - 13 Place for chaps in chaps
 - 15 English breed of sheep
 - 20 Have
 - 22 Certain NASA equipment shown literally in the solution to this puzzle
 - 27 Flain folk
 - 30 Tic-tac-toe winner
 - 32 Queenside castle, in chess notation
 - 34 "You got it!"
 - 35 "Time to get started"
 - 37 Clear liqueur
 - 38 Mustings
 - 40 Ousted
 - 41 "Way to go!"
 - 42 Split, e.g.
 - 43 Holds
 - 44 Attack
 - 45 Not together
 - 47 Push
 - 48 Day
 - 51 Damon Runyon characters
 - 53 Annual
 - 58 Exciting periods, for short

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 ENID ALONIA EMIL
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