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## Basketball team walks to raise funds for Hawaii meet

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The varsity basketball team, from the San Diego campus of the University of California is scheduled to play a series of games with colleges in Hawaii over the Christmas quarter break. However, the UCSD Tritons are faced with one major problem: getting to Hawaii.

In order to raise the \$3,000 needed for the round trip to Hawaii, the basketball squad has decided on a plan of action: they are going to walk their way to the islands.

On Saturday, November 7, the members of the freshman and varsity teams plan to walk the beach from Del Mar to Mission Beach, picking up trash and debris as they go. They are encouraging other UCSD students, basketball fans, girlfriends, those interested in ecology and anyone else to join them in the 20-mile hike.

The team members hope to raise the needed travel money through the backing of sponsors who pledge a certain amount of money for each mile walked. Each team member may secure as many sponsors as he wishes with amounts varying according to the donor. Similar "walks" for charity have been very successful in the San Diego area in the past.

The UCSD varsity basketball team is scheduled to play Church College of Hawaii, the University of Hawaii - Hilo Branch, and Chaminade College during the Christmas school holidays. The three colleges have agreed to cover the room and board expenses of the Tritons once they are in Hawaii, but the cost of transportation is up to the UCSD players themselves.

According, to Barry Cunningham, varsity basketball coach at UCSD, there will be at least 30 freshman and varsity team members walking on November 7 in addition to all those who join in to aid in raising the travel money.

Anyone wishing to help sponsor the trip by backing the walk is urged to call the Physical Education Department at UCSD for details. The telephone number is 453-2000, extension 2275.