

# 'Throwin Samoan' shines at home

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USC track athlete Lisa Misipeka took home three gold medals and a silver medal at the South Pacific Games, held Aug. 16 and 17 in Pago Pago, American Samoa.

Misipeka's first gold came in the shot put. She threw the shot 50-5 1/4. Her second gold was in the hammer, with a toss of 191-2.

Both the hammer toss and the shot put were South Pacific Games records.

The third gold for Misipeka came as a surprise. Misipeka brought home a gold in the power lifting event, an event she didn't think she could win.

"I wasn't expecting to win," Misipeka said. "I was just hoping to perform well."

Misipeka added a silver medal in the discus with a toss of 48.33 meters.

"The woman who won the discus has won it the past seven years, so I was happy to win the silver," Misipeka said.

Misipeka's gold medals were the first ever American Samoa has won at the South Pacific Games.

"I'm very proud to represent American Samoa," said the eight time All-American at Carolina. "I hope my participation in the Games will inspire other athletes in track and field in American Samoa."

Misipeka's father was born in American Samoa and Misipeka was born in California.

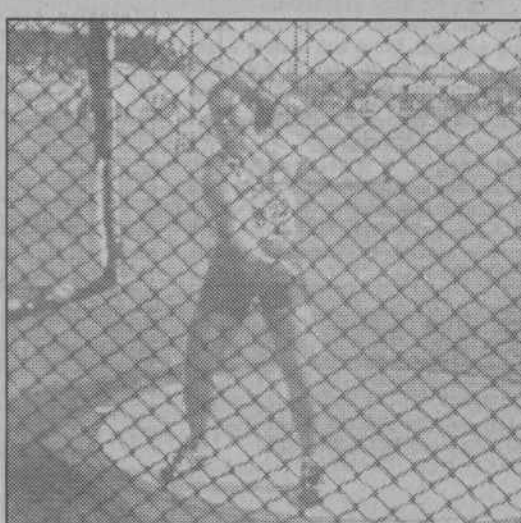
Throws coach Larry Judge was in American Samoa for the Games.

"What a great day for American Samoa," Judge said. "I knew she had a chance to win the hammer and the shot put. The gold medal in power lifting proves how hard she works."

Misipeka said she was treated like royalty after winning.

"The people treated me like people in the States treat Michael Jordan," Misipeka said. "It seemed like to me that my performance was okay, but since I'm the only American Samoa to win a gold medal, they treated me really well."

Misipeka was treated so well that the governor of American Samoa presented her medals to her. It was the



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Lisa Misipeka captured the silver medal in the discus at the South Pacific Games.

only medals the governor handed out.

"American Samoa is a great country with a lot of potential," Misipeka said. "They just don't have a lot of money and coaches."

Judge said he happy for his pupil.

"I'm really proud of Lisa. She has worked so hard the past four years. To win three gold medals in her home country must mean a lot to her," Judge said.

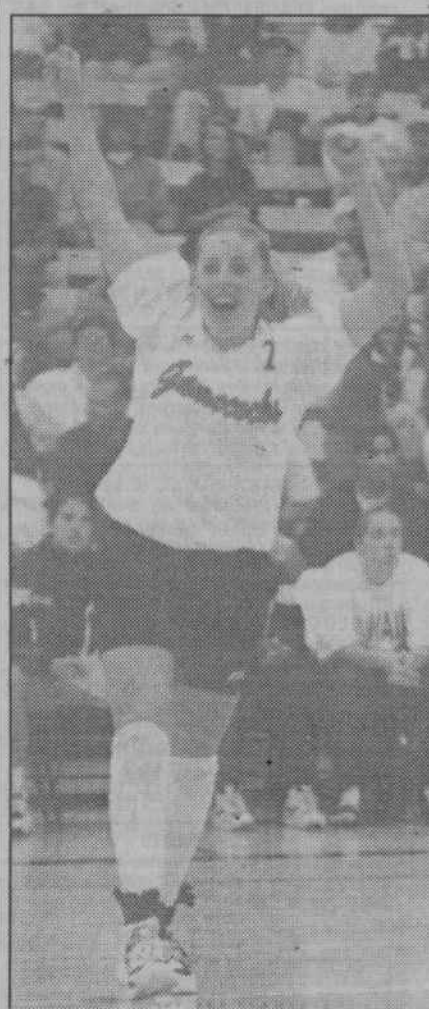


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USC track athlete on winning three gold medals in her native country

## Servin' up a new season



A new Carolina volleyball season is approaching and with it brings excitement. Five new faces will grace the team this year. Pictured above clockwise from the bottom are Sara Herl, Mandy Quarterman, Nikki Bailey, Kaml Nordgaard and Crystal Moore. Junior setter Ashley Edlund, left, will look to repeat as a first-team All-SEC performer. The Lady Gamecocks play two home matches this weekend starting with Oklahoma Friday at 7 p.m. Carolina then plays Arizona Saturday at 7 p.m. All games are in the Volleyball Competition Center adjacent to the Carolina Coliseum and admission is free with a valid student I.D.

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USC track and field athlete Lisa Misipeka pauses from competition with throws coach Larry Judge. Misipeka won three gold medals and a silver in her native country of American Samoa.

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Vanderbilt	Oct. 15, 16, 20, 21, 22
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