Student Activists Draw Crowds, Awareness at UOP Anti-Trump Protest

Last Friday, on November 11th, students, professors, and members of the Pacific community gathered and marched for about two hours in protest over the election of President-Elect Donald Trump. This protest came amongst multiple protests nationwide, all protesting Donald Trump and the rhetoric used in his campaign.

According to the leaders of the protest, over one hundred students and faculty joined in the protest. The protests began on campus, circled Miracle Mile, then concluded back at UOP. Protests lasted for about two hours ending in front of the DeRosa University Center, where Sashary Zaroyan addressed the remaining group and thanked them for coming out.

During the protest, members stopped outside of President Eibeck’s office. Eibeck appeared and addressed the crowd with similar language as an emailed address made to the Pacific Community earlier in the day. She responded, “we stand firmly and assuredly that University of the Pacific remains deeply committed to the dignity, respect and safety of all our people (...) This is what it means to be a Pacifican. It means we stand together for all Tigers, at all times.” Urgings from the Ethnic Studies and Gender Studies Advisory Boards, as well as other faculty members, are attributed to her making the statement on the elections and protest, says Professor Zhou Xiaojing, the Director of Ethnic Studies.

Many different and disparate student advocacy groups came together in this protest. Individuals belonging M.E.C.hA., Muslim Student Association, Middle Eastern Club, Women’s Resource Council, Black Student Union, Gay and Trans Rights Groups and many others came together to join the protest. President-Elect Trump’s rhetoric has impacted many marginalized groups from minorities to LGBT+ people.

The diversity of issues represented in the protest led to many different slogans being chanted. “love trumps hate”, “I am not a terrorist” and “My skin color is not a crime” could all be heard chanted from the protestors. Chants also included “Black Lives Matter”. Individuals wore shirts or carried signs supporting the Black Lives Matter movement, which raised questions on the protest’s purpose. Fighting racism at large was attributed to the anti-Trump rally as many different groups.

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Proposition Overview: What Passed and What Didn’t

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This year’s election has arguably been the most contentious and controversial in our nation’s history. The extreme rhetoric and multiple scandals dominated the media. But this rhetoric drowned out discussion about other election topics, such as the propositions on the ballot here in California. Many individuals were so focused on a potential Trump or Clinton presidency, they ignored the ballot propositions and the potential effects of their passage. Now that the election is over and the dust is being settled, we can look at what propositions failed and what propositions won. Here’s a rundown of all 17 ballot propositions, whether they passed or failed, and the effect of their possible passage or failure.

**Proposition 51: K-12 and Community College Facilities.** This proposition passed with 53.9% of the vote. The passage of this proposition allows the state to issue $9 billion in bonds with the goal to fund improvement and construction of school facilities for K-12 and community college facilities and buildings. $3 billion goes to construction of education facilities, $500 million for providing educational buildings to charter schools, $3 billion for modernization of current school buildings, $500 million for creating facilities that provide technical career knowledge and preparation and $2 billion for renovations, removal, construction and upgrading of community college facilities. Opponents of this bill, including Governor Jerry Brown, argued the bonds would further California’s debt, take away local control of education facilities and provide construction companies with more bond money they can use at their leisure.

**Proposition 52: Medi-Cal Hospital Fee Program.** Passed with 69.74%. Voter approval will now be required to change the use of fees hospitals drew from federal funding to fund Medi-Cal. This also continues funding the program through January 1st, and requires a two-thirds majority from the state legislature to end the program. Opponents, such as the Libertarian Party, alleged the fund would be misused by special interests and hospital CEOs.

**Proposition 53: Voter approval of revenue bonds.** Did not pass with only 49%. The passage of the bill would have required voter approval of any revenue bonds totaling more than $2 billion that would be used for public infrastructure and would have increased taxes. This prop was hotly contested as arguments on one side favored voter approval of all projects while arguments on the other side alleged that statewide voter approval would take away control from local communities.

**Proposition 54: Legislative procedure requirements.** Passed with 64% of the vote. Now the California state legislature cannot vote on any legislation that has not been in print and published on the internet 72 hours before the vote. This hopes to increase transparency in politics.

**Proposition 55: Extension of personal income taxes over $250,000.** Passed with 62%. The income tax originally applied in 2012 is now extended for another 12 years. The original tax plan was said to only be temporary but this proposition extends it. The tax revenue would be used to fund healthcare and education.

**Proposition 56: Cigarette tax.** Passed by 69%. This increases the tax on cigarettes by $2 per pack, with the additional revenue being funneled into tobacco prevention programs. Note this also applies to electronic cigarette products.

**Proposition 57: Parole for non-violent offenders.** Passed by 63%. This increases the opportunity for judges to decide if juveniles should be tried as adults, a power prosecutors used to have. Leading up to the vote, controversy surrounded the definition of a non-violent offender as it included individuals convicted of certain forms of rape and assault.

**Proposition 58: Bilingual education.** Passed overwhelmingly with 72% of the vote. This repealed the 1998 prop 227 which banned non-English only classes being taught in public schools. This now allows schools to have classes taught in languages other than English for students who do not speak English as a first language.

**Proposition 59: Campaign finance and citizens united ruling.** Passed by 52%. This proposition isn’t so much a piece of legislation as it is an advisory opinion. The yes vote now means that the majority of Californians believe the state politicians should do anything in their power to overturn the Citizen’s United Supreme Court ruling, the controversial ruling that has been blamed for the rise of money in political speech.

**Proposition 60: Condoms in pornographic films.** Did not pass with 54% voting no. This proposition had the distinction of being opposed by every major political party in California, meaning it had near universal opposition. It’s only major proponents were a few individual donors and an AIDS health group. The proposition would have required condoms to be worn in all films as well as adult film producers to pay for this cost and receive a state health license. The prop also allowed any California residents to enforce violations of these measures, which opponents argued would allow individual citizens to bomb performers and producers with civil and criminal suits to harass them. There was also concern this proposition would force the large and lucrative adult film industry to move out of state to Arizona or Nevada, merely because certain individuals have a moral disagreement with pornographic films.

**Proposition 61: Prescription drug price standards.** Did not pass. 53% voted no. This prop would have required state agencies to pay no more than the Veteran’s Affairs agency does for prescription drug prices. The VA traditionally paid the lowest out of any state or federal agency for prescription drugs. The opponents of this proposition, including numerous veteran advocacy groups, argued the passage would lead to increased prescription drug prices for all individuals, not just veterans.

**Proposition 62: Repeal the death penalty.** Did not pass. 53% of voters voted to keep the death penalty. This is one of the bigger pieces of legislation on the ballot this year, as well as the first of two death penalty initiatives. The death penalty will continue to be used in California.

**Proposition 63: Background checks for ammo purchases.** Passed by 62%. This proposition was heavily pushed by Lieutenant Governor Gavin Newsom and opposed by California’s Republicans and Libertarians. This adds to the laundry list of gun control measures. The death penalty will continue to be used in California, which has among the toughest gun legislation in the nation. Now gun store owners must contact the Department of Justice to conduct a background check when an individual buys ammunition. Previous California legislation banned the purchase and manufacture of large-capacity magazines, but allowed an exemption for already owned large-capacity magazines. This proposition has repealed this exemption, enforcing a total ban on these magazines in the state. It is now a misdemeanor to sell ammo without a license and a felony to steal a firearm. It is also now a violation to purchase ammo outside the state and bringing it in without having the ammunition delivered to a gun store in the state. Opponents of the proposition argued that this legislation only serves to inconvenience law-abiding gun owners and won’t affect crime, as they argue criminals do not purchase ammo legally, or they would smuggle it in from Nevada.

**Proposition 64: Marijuana legalization.** Passed by 56%. Marijuana is now legal in California for recreational use, in addition to our previous medical marijuana. Individuals must now be at least 21 years of age to consume cannabis recreationally, and cannabis will be subject to certain sales and cultivation taxes. Consuming cannabis is not allowed while operating a vehicle or in a public place. Individuals are allowed to have up to 28.5 grams of marijuana up to 8 grams of marijuana in a concentrated form. Possession of cannabis around a school or other area frequented by
**THEFT**

**LIBRARY BIKE RACK**
11/10/16
Officers took a report of a stolen bicycle from the area of the library. Upon arrival, officers discovered that two victims had their bikes taken.

**THEFT**

**DAVE BRUBECK**
11/10/16
Victim says he left his car running, doors open, lights on went up to a friend's room to drop off some research papers. When he returned his skateboard, his gym bag, were still inside of his vehicle. Missing was his backpack containing a calculator, an ASUS chrome book with all his research.

**BIAS INCIDENT**

**JANSSON-LAGORIO GYM**
11/08/16
Officers responded and processed the driver for DUI.

**AGGRAVATED ASSAULT**

**OFF CAMPUS**
11/09/16
A client walked into the Gipson Center located on Pine St. and got into an argument with another client. It escalated and the suspect pulled out a knife and stabbed the victim. Gipson Center employees attempted to intervene and were also stabbed. Stockton PD responded to assist and arrested the subject. The center is located on Pine St., Southeast of the campus.

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**PERSHING AVE.**
11/10/16
Officers stopped a vehicle for traffic violations and discovered the driver was impaired. CHP responded and processed the driver for DUI.

**BURGLARY**

**GROUSE RUN**
11/12/16
RP advised that someone stole her bike and her computer and that she knew the suspect she met at a bar close to Finnegans.

**Stockton Chooses Tubbs, Votes In Five New Measures**

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*Sports Editor*

This year’s election in the Stockton mayoral race, challenger Michael Tubbs defeated incumbent Anthony Silva by a wide margin. When the two candidates emerged as the top two vote-getters from the June primary election, Tubbs had a much smaller lead over the current mayor. Tubbs had received 33% of the vote in the primary, while Silva had 26%. It appears that a string of bad publicity stemming from a couple different scandals greatly damaged Silva, as he earned 30% of the vote while Tubbs carried 70%.

There were a few different measures on the ballot for Stockton residents, and all of them passed by healthy margins. Measure M will enact a quarter-cent sales tax for the purpose of improving library and recreational services in Stockton. Measure N will revise the Stockton city charter to establish an advisory redistricting commission, require city council approval of city district boundaries, and clarify current term limit provisions.

Measure O will alter the process of changing the pay of the mayor and city council members, provide funding for three new positions in the mayor’s office, and require the adoption of a fiscal reserve policy. Measure P will overturn a ban on medical marijuana dispensaries and allow four different dispensary and cultivation sites in certain areas of the city. Measure Q will increase the marijuana business license tax, and the revenue generated from that tax will go to general city services.
Bicycle Thefts On-Campus

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Security and surveillance video screenshots have been released of a possible suspect in a recent November 10th bicycle theft near Pacific's library bike rack. Public Safety reports the suspect entered the vicinity and left with a similar bicycle as the reported stolen one. Public Safety is on the lookout for suspects after a string of bicycle and bicycle part robberies have been reported this term.

Chief Mike Belcher reports that "(Public Safety), with the help of our Pacific Community, have been able to reduce our losses. Our losses used to average over $25,000; last year's losses were less than $4000. Many factors have contributed to this effort including vigilant reporting by our campus community, arrests by officers of non-campus suspicious persons who have outstanding warrants have increased significantly. Our bait bike GPS tracking program has also led to several arrests."

Belcher says, "The primary way to safeguard your bike is to register it with Public Safety as it will improve the likelihood of recovery if it is stolen."

For more tips on security, visit Public Safety & Services website at pacific.edu.
Hollywood Still Whitewashed

OPINION

Scarlett Johansson plays the Major in Ghost in the Shell from Paramount Pictures and DreamWorks Pictures in Theaters March 31, 2017. Photo: Business Wire

In this year, the Academy Awards faced extreme controversy over there not being any people of color nominated within the acting categories, inspiring the hashtag #OscarsSoWhite to trend on twitter. After many celebrities, such as Spike Lee and Jada Pinkett Smith, decided to boycott the ceremony, high hopes remain for Hollywood to include more diversity within the industry. The fact is that the film industry is lacking when it comes to diversity, especially for women of color. According to the Representation Project, only six of the top 500 box office films of all-time feature a protagonist who is a woman of color. Out of six of these films, five are animated (Pocahontas, Spirited Away, Mulan, Lilo & Stitch, and Princess and the Frog), and they don’t even crack the top 200.

Not including women of color in film is not a matter of “political-correctness,” but a matter of representation. Many young girls of color around the world are heavily influenced by who and what is represented in film. When they only see white men and women on screen, this leads to insecurities about their skin color, which goes as far as self-hatred. The lack of representation is also in part due to whitewashing of characters that are originally women of color. One famous example is the 1963 film Cleopatra, with Elizabeth Taylor playing the titular Egyptian character. Not much has changed since the 60s, with there being controversy over Scarlett Johansson playing Major Motoko Kusanagi in the upcoming sci-fi film Ghost in a Shell, based off of the anime. Despite the character having a clearly Japanese name, many point out that the character doesn’t really look Japanese, so it’s okay for Johansson to play her, even though this might only be a matter of animation style.

Of course, Johansson is a prestigious Hollywood actress whose name will surely help bring in profit in the box office. Many will argue that there aren’t any Asian actors with enough prestige to play the character of Major. Not only does this ignore the talent of Asian actors in the film industry, but it’s the reason why they don’t have enough prestige in the first place. The film industry broadcasts to massive audiences of all colors and genders, and failing to represent all of these people leads to unequal opportunities for minorities aspiring to become actors. It’s difficult for actors of color to gain credibility when there are so few roles available to them. On the occasion where there are roles available to them, a lot of the time it’s based off of harmful stereotypes.

So if it’s wrong to whitewash characters of color, isn’t it the same visa versa? Why is it okay to give the parts of white characters to people of color, such as Zendaya being cast as Mary Jane in the new Spiderman film? Because white people are already well represented within film, where as people of color are not. Casting a character of color to a white person only makes the problem worse, while casting an originally white character to a person of color helps with representation.

It is perplexing to me that in the year 2016 that Hollywood still has a problem with casting minorities, especially for women of color. As a woman of color myself, I’m gravely disappointed in this lack of representation, but I look forward to there being rapid change within the industry, and for minorities to have equal opportunities in showcasing their talents.
Club Spotlight: Pacific’s Society of Women’s Engineers goes to Philly for Conference

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Nine bright UOP students had a busy weekend October 26th to 30th. The Society of Women’s Engineers made their way to Philadelphia for WE16 – the world’s largest conference and career fair for women in engineering and technology.

The Society of Women’s Engineers (SWE) is an organization that gives women engineers a unique place and voice within the engineering industry. The club on campus is open to all genders and gives the students opportunities for member success in today’s exciting world of engineering.

In Philadelphia, they participated in the SWE team Tech, a collegiate competition, sponsored by Boeing, for groups of engineering students to work with a third party non-profit organization to build a product. Then, the product is presented at SWE’s national conference where teams compete against each other to see how their products fulfill the client’s needs.

UOP has a history of winning awards at the conference. This year, our SWE club teamed up with FUPROSOMUNIC Casa-Nica to build a solar dehydrator. Despite not placing, the members still found it a learning experience. Isabelle Huynh, who is a Sophomore and Biomedical Engineering, reflected:

“SWE’s 2016 conference was such an educational experience for me as a student and as an aspiring woman in the STEM field. The workshops and talks led by companies exemplified the vast field of engineering and the many opportunities that are available for women in this field. The conference offered collegiate competitions, presentations held by industry professionals, and a career fair teeming with potential employers and brilliant minds.”

I think that attending the conference is a great opportunity in general offered by UOP. Exposure and experience is one thing that UOP supports and constantly offers, and I think the SWE can agree with that too.

Thank You Veterans, From The Pacifican

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Happy Veteran’s Day! A quick history – Veteran’s Day, formerly known as the Armistice Day, is dedicated to pay our respects to the brave 21 million plus American military veterans of all wars, as it was started in November 11, 1918 when hostilities ceased in World War I, during what we know as “the Great War.” While public schools have the day off, UOP is still in action on this commemorative day. Many of us do not know that Pacific has our very own Veteran’s Resource Center. The office is dedicated to ensuring that veteran, military, and eligible family members have a smooth transition and can take full advantage of their education here at Pacific. They reach out to prospective, current, and graduating student veterans.

This year, the Veteran Resource Center is hosting a VET NET Ally Seminar and Ceremony. If you are catching this article on time, this event is free and open to the public at the Library Community Room from 8:30am to 12:30pm. During the seminar, they will discuss the VET NET Ally program mission and Pacific’s involvement in the program. The seminar is followed by a ceremony directly outside of DeRosa University Center from 1:00pm to 2:00pm. It will last approximately 45 minutes while a local veteran and longtime Pacific advocate, Andy Prokop, is honored.

I am proud to be part of a campus that honors our veterans on not only this day but sustainably. In light of recent circumstances, I hope we can breed peace and have a blessed day today and for days to come.
Men’s Basketball Bounces Back, Wins Home Opener

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The Pacific men’s basketball team gave Damon Stoudamire his first win as Tiger’s head coach on Monday, defeating the Green Bay Phoenix 76-58. Technically the Tigers secured the victory on Tuesday, as the team had an 11 pm start time as part of the ESPN’s 24-hour College Hoops Tip-Off Marathon. ESPN cameras captured the Tigers giving a spirited effort following a season-opening, 80-119 defeat at No. 16 UCLA. After that tough loss, the men responded with a true team effort against a team in Green Bay that competed in last year’s NCAA Tournament.

While Pacific ended up winning by a large margin, the men did not always have the game in hand. In fact, things looked downright ugly for the Tigers at the start. A series of fouls and turnovers from the Tigers marred the first few minutes of play, and the team did not score until the 15:54 mark, when Sami Eleraky ‘17 stopped the bleeding with a pair of free throws to make it 2-7.

Pacific then started getting things rolling on offense, and the team took its first lead with 11:47 left in the first half, when TJ Wallace ‘17 hit a three to make it 11-9. The teams traded blows from that point on, going back and forth in short bursts of scoring. There would be seven more lead changes before the first half ended with Green Bay up 27-26.

Coach Stoudamire’s instructions at halftime must have had a great effect, as the team came out with a fire that the Phoenix could not match in the second half. The fun began with Eleraky, who began wreaking havoc in paint, grabbing offensive rebounds and scoring down low. He scored Pacific’s first ten points to start the second, firing up his teammates and the Tiger faithful in the process. Eleraky had 10 points and 10 rebounds in only ten minutes of play.

While the first half seemed to have countless number of shots that went in-and-out of the basket for the Tigers, the team just could not miss in the second. After Eleraky went off, it was David Taylor’s turn to catch fire. The senior guard buried a three-pointer on three consecutive possessions for the Tigers to give the squad a 57-43 lead with 8:39 left in the game. Taylor led all scorers with 17 points on the evening.

Next it was Jack Williams ‘19 who burned Green Bay. After Taylor’s last three, Williams hit a mid-range jump shot to get going. He followed that shot with back-to-back threes to stretch Pacific’s lead to 65-46.

With a 19 point lead and only five minutes left, the Tigers could have coasted for the rest of the game. Instead, the team kept up the same defensive intensity that was present for the previous 35 minutes. Maleke Haynes ‘18, in particular, was outstanding on the defensive end whenever he was on the floor. The play that most exemplified the Tigers’ great effort came with less than two minutes remaining, when Williams dove into the first row of seats to save a loose ball.

The game ended with a Tiger victory, 76-58. Just behind Taylor’s 17 points was T.J. Wallace ‘17, who posted 16 points, eight rebounds, and four assists. Williams had eight points, 13 rebounds and three assists, and Ray Bowles ‘18 added 10 points and 11 rebounds.
Men's Soccer Punches Ticket to NCAA Tournament

The Pacific men's soccer team faced Gonzaga to a 1-1 double-overtime draw on Saturday in the Tigers' final game of the regular season. A great improvement from last year's 1-15-1 finish, the 2016 squad posted the best record the program has seen since its inception in 2014, finishing 12-3-2 overall. The team went 4-1-2 in the WCC, good for second place behind Portland. Following the final game on Monday morning, it was announced that the team was selected to compete in the NCAA Division I Men's Soccer Championship for the program's first-ever appearance in the "Big Dance."

Pacific's midfielder Julio Cervantes '17 opened the scoring in the 17th minute, his team-leading ninth goal of the season, with an assist from Andres Ochoa '18, his 4th assist of the year.

The Tigers held the 1-0 lead through the rest of the first half and into the second half, but one of the Bulldogs' 12 shot attempts finally found its way into Pacific's goal via the head of Gonzaga's Gon Ulowetz in the 62nd minute. The score stayed tied at 1-1 for the rest of regulation, and the match moved on to overtime.

Goalkeeper Curtis Goldsmith '18 continued his great work in front of the net during overtime, but the Tigers were not able to capitalize chances on the other end. Neither team was able to score in two overtime periods, and the game ended in a draw.

This match wrapped up the regular season for a Pacific squad that consistently thrilled Tiger fans here in Stockton and frustrated opponents' fans on the road. Pacific stepped up to protect the house by going 6-2-1 at Knoles Field, and they performed even better when they played away, finishing 6-1-1 as visitors.

As mentioned earlier, Julio Cervantes had a great year, leading the team with 9 goals with 3 assists. Forward Tristan Blackmon '18 scored 4 goals and led the squad with 5 assists. Midfielder Camden Riley '19 also scored 4 times and tallied 3 assists.

Forward Anthony Orendain '20 had a nice start to his collegiate career, recording 3 goals and 3 assists in his freshman year. Defender Wouter Verstraaten '19 had a solid season as well; he started all 17 games and posted one goal and 2 assists. Curtis Goldsmith started 15 games, totaling 45 saves with a .776 save percentage. He had five shutouts on the season.

On Monday, the team discovered that they had earned an opportunity to continue their outstanding season when the NCAA men's soccer selection committee announced that Pacific would face Cal State Northridge in the first round of the tournament. The Tigers will play at Northridge tonight at 7 p.m. as they look to take their first step toward glory amongst a field of 47 other teams. Congratulations Tigers, on making Pacific proud, and good luck in tonight's match!

Athlete of the Week: Top Scorer Julio Cervantes, '17

The Pacifican's Athlete of the Week for this issue goes for the Pacific men's soccer team's midfielder, Julio Cervantes '17. Cervantes scored Pacific's lone goal in their final game of the regular season against Gonzaga. Recently awarded WCC First Team honors for his outstanding senior year. He leads the Tigers with 9 goals this season. Despite his scoring success, Cervantes actually fell just short of the high standards he set for himself at the beginning of the season.

"My personal goal was to be the top scorer not only on my team, but in the conference," Cervantes said. He finished just behind Portland's Benji Michel, who had 10 goals, but he stated that he was more than happy to be a major contributor for the team.

Cervantes does lead the WCC, however, in game-winning goals, coming in clutch for the Tigers on four different occasions. The Tigers were very successful in the close games in the current season, and while Cervantes played a big role in that success, he said his teammates were more worthy of praise.

"I credit my teammates in the whole process and everything we go through," Cervantes said. "Everyone shares a little bit of everything, which helps us succeed not only on the field, but off the field as well."

When he isn't flying around defenders on the pitch, Cervantes enjoys exploring the creative and natural aspects of life. He likes drawing, listening and making music, and reading; he also spends time exploring nature and hiking.

Cervantes said his fondest memories at Pacific are the ones not planned. "Having a busy schedule, we as athletes enter this rhythm and routine that is hard to break. But once you do things with your teammates that do not consist of weights or study hall, those are the moments that I cherish the most." Cervantes added that he appreciates the fans who supported him and the team during his time at Pacific, "Being able to score goals in front of an amazing support system like our fans would also be some my fondest moments!"

Cervantes told the Pacifican he is a Sports Pedagogy major, "fancy for P.E. teacher or coach," he said. Upon graduating, his goal is to fulfill his dream of playing soccer professionally. He also hopes someday to return to his hometown in Oakland to teach youth physical education.