On the morning of January 24th, 2019, an era at University of the Pacific would come to an end as University President Pamela Eibeck announced that she would be retiring following the spring semester, with provost Maria Pallavicini taking the position of interim president starting July 1st, 2019. “This was a difficult decision, because I care deeply about Pacific, our students and the communities we serve,” explained President Eibeck in her official statement, saying that, “Last spring, I informed Board of Regents Chair Kevin Huber that I intended to retire early to spend time with my husband and our growing family. I also shared my desire to provide continued leadership for the compensation and budget adjustments through the end of this year.” This decision came as a surprise to much of the Pacific community, as Matthew Spain ’19 recalls that “As a senior, I never expected for the end of my collegiate journey to coincide with the retirement of President Eibeck.” The last months of Eibeck’s tenure, according to a

**Pacific Senior Arrested**

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On Friday, January 11th Pacific senior Shunichi Fujishima, 22, was arrested by the Stockton Police Department for alleged sexual misconduct. He was charged for 8 felony counts for sexual assault of a minor under the age of 14.

He is being held at the San Joquin County Jail under custody and is awaiting his third court date.

Fujishima took part in Pacific’s swim and dive team from August to December 2016. He was not recruited by the school and served as a walk on member of the team, quitting after one semester for “unknown reasons” according to Peter Richardson, the head of Pacific’s swim and dive team.

Although he is in the 2015-16 roster photograph, his name is not listed as a past member of the school’s team anymore.

He is an Applied Economics major at University of the Pacific. It is not clear if he is still

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statement from the Board of Regents will include responsibilities such as preparations for the university’s budget adjustments for the next fiscal year and continuing work on the university’s strategic priorities. The statement, released by Board of Regents Chair Kevin Hubert ’86, states that, “The months ahead will require a shared commitment to collaboration by all. I am confident that the university community will work together on the implementation of the aforementioned initiatives.” The University has not indicated that it will change any of the controversial budget cuts announced under Eibeck’s presidency, including the recent discontinuing of the women’s field hockey program this past fall. Despite this, the student body still hopes that the change in leadership will lead to improvements within the university. “I believe President Eibeck’s retirement could lead to the university improving, simply because recently we have been able to detect and verbalize the issues we have on campus,” says Elizabeth Malone ’21. “I think if the president search committee includes student and faculty participation and if their insight is valued, that we can find a new president to welcome to our university,” Malone continued. Eibeck’s retirement follows a semester rife with controversy, with the Pacific community expressing its dissatisfaction through various demonstrations during the fall semester. Though Eibeck’s statement stated that she informed Board of Regents Chair Huber that she was intending to retire last spring, it is unknown whether or not said demonstrations held any influence in her decision. “While serving any position for a decade, it does not come as a surprise when one decides the time has come for a new endeavor. However, that natural end doesn’t always coincide with turmoil and negative perception,” explains Spain, “I am unsure how much of the recent public outrage towards President Eibeck influenced her decision.”

The University plans to move forward with the support of the outgoing President in the course of the next five months, and with the leadership of Provost Pallonvici following Eibeck’s departure in the search for her replacement. Huber declared in the Board’s statement that, “We will engage the university community in helping define the important characteristics of the next leader and helping to set the stage for a successful search process.” “What happens next will be completely dependent on who is selected to be Pacific’s next President. I think the Provost will focus on stabilizing the campus while a search is conducted for the next President,” says student body President Grant Kirkpatrick ’19. “My hope is that future student leaders demand participation in the selection process of the new President, and that they work tirelessly to ensure that Pacific is led by a President who is student-centered.”

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currently enrolled as a student at University of the Pacific. In November 2016, he was hired by the Stockton Swim Club, a local non profit swimming club. According to his LinkedIn profile, he served as the owner and head age group coach. He was responsible for “developing, planning, organizing, and leading the competitive swim program.” The club coaches 7-17 year olds and had just been on an eight day trip to Japan in April of 2018 located in Tokyo Tatsumi International Swimming Center.

Fujishima is accused of having an inappropriate sexual relationship with the victim from May 2018, from when the victim was 12 to December when the victim turned 13. The charges include: lewd or lascivious act with a child under 14; oral copulation of minor; penetration by foreign object; “statutory” rape with a minor under 16; continuous sexual abuse of child; sending or exhibiting harmful matter to minor; and possession or control of child pornography. Fujishima was also charged with attempting to dissuade a witness. The police are currently investigating if there are any other victims. Fujishima was just removed as the head coach of the Swim club from their official website a week after his arrest. Parents and coaches of the Stockton Swim Club have been especially quiet since the arrest was made. Assistant Coach, Skye Beckes, had no comment on the situation either. University of the Pacific sent out an email January 12th about the arrest of a student based on alleged sexual misconduct, but did not include any other details.

Fujishima’s bail has been set to $1,875,000, reduced from the original $2,850,000. Currently, he is labelled as a “flight risk and a danger to the community,” according to San Joaquin County District Attorney’s Facebook page. He was expected to make a plea deal during his second court appearance on January 24th, but did not. His attorney, Gil Somera, had no comment when asked about his case. Fujishima’s third court date is set for February 5th at 8:30 A.M.
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Better Than an Apple
US Government Shutdown

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A disagreement over a portion of the financial budget that has to do with funding a wall between the United States and Mexico has caused severe gridlock in the White House leading to a government shutdown. As a result, federal employees have been working without pay for almost a month now. Essential sectors such as the Department of Agriculture, Department of Energy, and even the IRS are severely affected and consequently, tasks are not being completed.

Because these workers are not being paid, these sectors depend completely on voluntary work. Thousands of workers are simply not showing up, thus significantly diminishing the labor force and slowing down tasks essential to our society. The government shutdown has slowed and even halted, in some cases, the processing of financial aid for many students and accessibility to documentation for international students.

“The government shutdown has, undeniably, caused quite some issues for me. I am a green card holder going through the naturalization process. I had steps scheduled through the immigration office that have been pushed back, and then pushed even further back because of the government shutdown,” says one student, International Relations '21. “I cannot travel abroad or work right now because my card expired, but I can’t get my card renewed because things can conflict with my naturalization process. It’s a very stressful and concerning time not only for me, but my family as well.”

Other students are startled at the idea that the government could just shut down so suddenly. Many other countries have systems in place within their governments to prevent a shutdown like the one the United States is currently dealing with.

“Trump is the one to blame”

“The whole idea that the government could just shut down like this is pretty strange to me,” says Erick Nolasco, Sport Pedagogy '21. “When I lived in Mexico, even with all of the problems the government goes through, I’ve never heard of it completely shutting down like it does here. I can’t even imagine how angry government employees must be for having to work without pay, all because the president wants to build a wall.”

The government shutdown has also sparked debate over who is at fault: Congress or the president. According to Political Science Professor Dan O’Neill, Trump is the one to blame. “The president wanted something that wouldn’t pass, so he decided to hold the government hostage in order to get it,” he says. “Politically I don’t see a compromise coming in the future because the Democrats can’t allow a wall and Trump can’t allow a wall. Because Trump ran [for election] on the idea of having a physical barrier, he can’t back down from that now, even if it’s not the best thing for protecting our borders.”

The government has reduced functionality as a result of a temporary truce between Congress and the president. Nevertheless, Trump warns that if he does not get his wish to build a wall by February 15th, the government will shut down once again. While some believe that this may not be the best decision for the president considering the fact that his ratings in the polls have dropped significantly since the shutdown first began, others believe that he may be left with little choice but to do everything in his power to follow through with his promise.

Looking Through the Glass

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There might not be another movie that flips itself on its head with an ending quite like Glass does. This latest installment from M. Night Shyamalan is the final entry in his superhero trilogy that began with Unbreakable back in 2000. So does Glass offer a satisfying conclusion nineteen years in the making? Well... let’s start with the positives.

The movie starts off and moves through the second act with incredible strength, quickly catching audiences up with what the characters have been doing since Unbreakable and Split with surprising humor and gritty and brutal superhero action that, despite being fairly minimal, feels well grounded in reality and is greatly effective. The film’s pacing and editing do wonders in order to keep your attention amidst a superhero film that’s pretty short on action. In the place of action scenes, that are considered mainstays of the genre, are scenes filled to the brim with uneasiness, anxiety, and suspense, some likely to have you tense up nervously in your seat.

The musical score by West Dylan Thrordson beautifully elevates every feeling of intensity and triumph, overlaying much of it with a healthier layer of anticipation. The rest of the sound design is no slouch either, bringing these superheroes into the world we inhabit.

James McAvoy owns this movie as Kevin yet again. Despite not being the main antagonist nor the main protagonist, McAvoy brings as much expert energy and versatility that he brought to Split and then some, bouncing back and forth between drastically different personalities with subtle facial expressions and easily distinguishable voices. Shyamalan continues his ability to write a complex character that could easily be demonized but instead uses him as the main device for audience empathy. Kevin is a regular guy trapped in a well-constructed fictionalized version of a real disorder. We again see that his split personalities are his strength against the beast and the manipulation of others is his weakness.

Samuel L. Jackson and

Bruce Willis both make respectful reprisals to their roles from Unbreakable as Mr. Glass and David Dunn. Even with their divided screen time Shyamalan is able to justify having Jackson be the title character. The interaction among all three of the main characters doesn’t disappoint and carries a unique dynamic that keeps the film moving at a swift pace.

Truly, the first hour and a half is easily the best work Shyamalan has done. As for the last thirty minutes of the film... they are probably on par with The Happening and Lady in the Water. Without giving anything away, the film takes a drastic turn from its grounded take on superheroes and instead becomes a goofy, laughable attempt at being metaphorical. The excellent cinematography is suddenly and noticeably absent. Characters stand in awkward areas of the frame, and even the sound changes. The performances also become much cheesier. Worst of all is the twists. The twists, namely the last one, tarnish the great movie that is hiding in plain sight during the first two acts. It’s not even a small disappointment, it hits hard and destroys the experience. To sum up the third act more simply, it feels like someone else made it.

Glass had the opportunity to be one of the best films M. Night Shyamalan has ever made but in minutes it is destroyed. All of its healthy messages are turned on their faces in favor of an awful alternative that will leave the audience frustrated. In the end Glass feels empty despite all of its valiant efforts in the beginning; yet the amount of discussion it can spur may make it worth a watch.
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Traveling Vending Machines Come to Pacific

Snackbot is a new arrival on campus making healthy eating more convenient than ever.

Diana Medina
News Editor

This semester at Pacific, eating healthy will be more convenient than ever before. New to campus this spring is PepsiCo's snackbot: the first robot to function as a food delivery service for a major food and beverage company. This innovation was developed by the Bay Area-based company Robby Technologies and stocked by Hello Goodness, a subset of PepsiCo devoted to providing low-calorie options, such as Smartfood Delight, Pure Leaf Tea, SunChips, and LIFEWTR.

The robot made its debut at Pacific due to PepsiCo's history of providing food and beverages to the university. Matt Camino, director of eCommerce at UOP and Pacific alumus, said that the project was motivated by the observation that busy students often have few options when it comes to healthy snacks. "We're thrilled to welcome snackbot to our campus, along with its convenient and nourishing options," Camino said. "This innovative technology from PepsiCo is enhancing campus life for our students, staff and faculty alike, who have embraced this new way of snacking from PepsiCo."

Currently there are four snackbots at Pacific, each set to roam in a different corner of campus. Together, the snackbots deliver to 50 designated areas across campus. Their unique battery allows them to travel over 20 miles on a single charge.

Steep inclines and curbs are no trouble for their six wheels, and a sensor enables them to stop when someone or something is in front of them. The robots are also equipped with headlights and a camera, so they can navigate through darker conditions and bad weather. Their top speed of 6 mph means they can make their deliveries in 5 minutes or less.

The snackbots are set to operate Monday through Friday, from 9 AM to 5 PM. Orders must be made on the free snackbot app, which is now available on all iPhone operating systems. Access is currently limited to anyone who can provide a valid UOP email address.

Placing an order is similar to operating a courteous vending machine. The app will present the user with a menu, from which they can select as many items as they please before asking for payment. After an order is made, one must select one of the snackbot's pre-programmed "Delivery Zones." Once the robot reaches one of these locations, students will be prompted to unlock the hatch via the app. The snackbot will wait a maximum of ten minutes before rushing to meet the next customer. They are periodically refilled and recharged by three employees who were recruited through TigerJobs.

So far, the snackbots' user-friendly features have made them popular among the student body. "It's a convenient way to snack on the go," says Lauren Davies '20. "It's great to have healthier options on campus."

PC: Carlos Flores

Pacific Staff Undergoes Emergency Training

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Lifestyles Editor

No matter the precautions taken, it is obvious that no human is completely immune to all types of danger. This Valentine’s Day, February 14th, will mark one year since the deadly massacre in Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School in Parkland, Florida where 17 students and staff were shot to death by a former student.

Since then, 2018’s California wildfire season ended up being the most deadliest fire in the state, causing numerous deaths, destruction, and many facilities, including University of the Pacific, to shut down until the smoke had cleared. Sometimes, danger comes when most unexpected; however, it is a crucial responsibility to know how to proceed when it comes your way.

In order to prepare students and faculty, UOP’s Pacific Alert Team, which is in charge of overseeing all emergencies on campus, developed an Emergency Operations Manual, which details what to do during various types of emergencies, according to an email sent out by Public Safety.

Currently, the Department of Public Safety is hosting emergency preparedness training that requires all staff from all three campuses to attend. The sessions are one hour long and thoroughly explain how to deal with various emergency situations. Training sessions are offered six times throughout January and February. This is the first year these training sessions have been implemented.

The first of the six sessions was held on January 17th, 2019 at the DeRosa University Center Ballroom B. Staff lined up by the door to check in. There were murmurs of annoyance as not all wanted to come.

Mike Belcher, Chief & Executive Director for Public Safety, lead the event explaining what do during a plethora of emergencies. Videos demonstrating what to do during an active shooting sprinkled with some dark humor lightened the mood in the audience.

Belcher emphasized that during the event of an emergency, students will look to staff, such as their professors, for what to do. "Even though it’s been 11 years since Columbine, students have always had guidance from their [grade] school teachers. They will look to you for guidance. They will look to you on what to do next," says Belcher. The staff was detailed on how to lock doors, exit appropriately, use fire hydrants, and call for emergency services, etc.

When asked about the most important lesson that he hoped the audience gained from the session, the Chief spoke about being alert and aware. "As students on campus, registering the locations of where the emergency blue lights are and making a note how to exit anytime you enter a room is part of being aware of your surroundings," says Belcher. Ultimately, the emergency preparedness session heavily stress on this: the safety of our students and staff during a crisis depends us acting fast, knowing what to do, and working together. "Listen for any dangerous or illicit activity and report them. We need to take responsibility for our own safety," he added.
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Pacific’s Camden Riley Drafted to Major League Soccer

Camden Riley poses as the 21st overall pick in the MLS Draft. PC: Pacific Athletics

For the second consecutive year, a member of Pacific’s men’s soccer team will be playing professional soccer. Senior midfielder Camden Riley ’19 was selected by Major League Soccer’s Sporting Kansas City in the second round of the 2019 MLS Draft. Riley is the second player that Pacific men’s soccer has sent to Major League Soccer, following last season’s drafting of Tristan Blackmon by Los Angeles FC. Riley’s drafting comes following a solid season for the Tigers, having made it to the second round of the NCAA men’s soccer tournament for the third consecutive year.

Riley is Pacific’s leading all-time goal scorer with 19 goals scored, tied the season record for most points with 23, and joins a Kansas City squad that finished with an 18-8-8 regular season record and reached the Conference Finals of the MLS Cup. Sporting KC boasts talent that has reached an international scale with World Cup-caliber players such as Graham Zusi and Matt Besler.

“It feels amazing. I mean the pedigree that those players have is just astonishing,” says Riley. “Playing in World Cups and other big games is something that I look up to them for. But what is really cool about them is that they are so accepting and helpful to the young players, helping us by giving tips and teaching us valuable things along the way.”

This major development for Pacific’s men’s soccer program comes off of the heels of another postseason run for the Tigers, who advanced to the second round of the NCAA tournament for the 3rd time in the 5 years since the program’s return to Pacific. “I believe that our postseason runs have really taught me how to handle pressure and how to go out there and just leave everything out there,” explained Riley. “They have helped me gain more trust in my own abilities as well, which is so important at the next level.”

“We’ve just got to continue to be working, and team success will continue to fuel the individual recognition.”

“Our successes have brought some eyes to what we’re doing here at Pacific,” explains head coach Ryan Jorden, “and the natural byproduct of that is that our best players are going to have an opportunity to be seen and evaluated and invited to an environment where they have the opportunity to compete against other top collegiate players, and the opportunity to have everyone in pro soccer in America taking a look at them.” This only signals the chance for further growth and recognition on the professional stage as the Tigers continue to be successful in the regular and the postseason, as Coach Jorden notes that, “We’ve just got to continue to be working, and team success will continue to fuel the individual recognition.”

As amazing of an opportunity as this is for Riley, however, it is recognized that this also benefits the Tigers as a whole. “I feel that we have taken this program to the next level and can be producing players for many years to come,” says Riley. “And as Coach always tells us, he’s always trying to improve the team every year and bring in better footballers. And I see the program going on an upward trend, so I am excited for the future of Pacific soccer.”

After Riley’s drafting, the Tigers will surely be continuing their push forward to greater heights in the future. Hopefully more Tigers will reach the pros in years to come.