Pacific Welcomes New Provost, Maria Pallavinci

Christian Oatman, Perspectives Editor

After an eighteen-month search headed by a committee made up of faculty, staff and students from all three campuses, Maria Pallavinci has begun her new job as Pacific’s new provost. Last Thursday, February 17th, Pacific held a reception in the UC Ballroom to welcome Pallavinci and give her an opportunity to meet members of the Pacific community, especially her new colleagues.

"We’ve engaged the best possible person in the nation to be our provost," Dean Philip Oppenheimer, the head of the search committee, announced in his opening remarks. He further praised Pallavinci by explaining in a point system that the committee used with a maximum of 34, Pallavinci was the only candidate to receive all 34. No other candidate had even come close.

"To be a provost requires a blend of skills," President Eibeck added, calling the job "The most challenging position of the university." The president and the faculty both gave the provost gifts after Eibeck’s remarks.

In her response, Pallavinci stated that it is her "Desire of faculty, staff and administration to look forward, to face challenges in higher education." She said that when she first visited the campus, she was immediately “Impressed by faculty. Food was provided by Bon Appetit and the music was performed by the Patrick Lang Quartet.

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Study-Abroad Students Host Egypt Revolution

Sara Menges, Staff Writer

On Tuesday February 15th, the Muslim Student Association of Pacific and the Open Assembly of the School of International Studies (OASIS) collaborated to put together “Egypt Revolution 2011: The Whole Story.” Held in the Janet Leigh Theatre, the program started at 7 PM and was followed by a reception with light refreshments in the Regents Room at 8 PM.

The program generated a successful turnout and Nabeel Cajeec, representative of the Muslim Student Association of Pacific and the host of the evening, welcomed everyone who attended. A goal of the program, he declared, was to "inform and inspire" Pacific students and staff on the events that took place in Egypt starting January 25th.

The first speaker, Arturo Giraldez, a professor of both the School of International Studies and College of the Pacific, discussed the economic and political conditions that led to the Egyptian revolution. His speech was followed by Ramsey Ali, a graduate from UC Davis and an Egyptian American musician who writes personal and political pieces.

For the program Ali performed a composition called "Revolution", which was inspired by the current events in Egypt.

The reception was heavily attended, particularly by faculty. Food was provided by Bon Appetit and the music was performed by the Patrick Lang Quartet.

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Camille Dungy Poetry Reading

Staff Advisory Council (SAC) Scholarship Deadline: February 28th
(email wcornwall@pacific.edu)

Faith Davies All-University Award Nominations Deadline: March 18th
(email danderson@pacific.edu)

Dungy Poetry Reading

Sara Menges
Staff Writer

Camille Dungy is this year’s featured poet for the celebration of Black History Month. Dungy will be reading a selection of her works at Pacific today in the Wendell Phillips Center, Room 140. Organized by Pacific’s English and Ethnic Studies Departments, and co-sponsored by a variety of Pacific and community partners, this event is free and open to the public. There will be a reception at 6:30 PM, the poetry reading will start at 7 PM.

Dungy is an African-American poet whose work portrays the experiences that African Americans have faced from the era of slavery to present day. She recognizes that her works are highly influenced by her gender and race. In response to an interview about her book *Suck on the Marrow*, Dungy stated, “I wanted to write a book that revolved around the stories of women rather than men. Though half of the world’s history is a woman’s story, this past is less frequently told.” *Suck on the Marrow* is a book about six fictionalized characters in Virginia and Philadelphia during the mid-19th century. Dungy is also well known for her book *What to Eat, What to Drink, What to Leave for Poison* which is about experiences of Black Americans in the 20th century.

It is encouraged for Pacific students, staff, and members of the community to meet Dungy and listen to her narratives in support of Pacific’s celebration of Black History Month. For more information please contact Ethnic Studies at 209-946-2245.

2011 Egyptian Revolution

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the photo presentation with an explanation of the history and social contents of the events that occurred in Egypt. His speech ranged from the time that Gamal Abdul Nasser had power in Egypt up until what he referred to as a “leaderless, spontaneous, organized, and very humane revolution” in 2011. The last speaker of the night was Hamza Siddiqui, president of the Muslim Student Association, who performed a spoken word piece called “Who Knew” dedicated to the people of Egypt.

Both the Muslim Student Association of Pacific and the Open Assembly of the School of International Studies are happy to discuss or answer any questions and additional information anyone might have about the 2011 Egyptian Revolution.
**The Weekly Forecast**

**February 24, 2011**

**Saturday**
High: 47°
Low: 32°

**Tuesday**
High: 54°
Low: 38°

**Sunday**
High: 50°
Low: 34°

**Monday**
High: 57°
Low: 37°

**Wednesday**
High: 57°
Low: 37°

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**"Apollo Night": Open Mic Contest**

**Amanda Wynn**
Contributing Writer

Pacific students will perform for the chance to win $100 and the opportunity to open for Hill Harper, Pacific's Black History Month keynote speaker on Saturday, February 26th.

Tomorrow, Feb. 25th, Pacific is holding an Open Mic Competition as a part of Pacific's Black History Month celebration.

**LIFT every VOICE**

**celebrate BLACK HISTORY MONTH**

An open mic competition will be held tomorrow.

Admission is $5 per person. Come out tomorrow at 6PM and participate in judging the performances at Grace Covell Hall.

**Allyson Seals**
News Editor

This Sunday, Feb. 27th, from 11:30 AM to 4 PM, Phi Delta Chi will be holding their 2nd Annual Multicultural Health Fair. The event is free and open to the Stockton community.

The health fair will include free health screenings for blood pressure, blood glucose, bone density, and cholesterol.

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**CIO Reception Monday**

**Allyson Seals**
News Editor

This Monday at 4:30 PM in the DeRosa University Center's River Room, there will be a reception held for Pacific’s new Chief Information Officer (CIO), Malik Rahman.

Rahman began his new job at the university on February 1st. Before he came to Pacific, he was working as the CIO and associate vice president for Information Technology Services at Central Piedmont Community College in Charlotte, North Carolina.

Mary Lou Lackey, vice president and secretary to Pacific's Board of Regents, stated the reason he was chosen for the job, "While we had a number of strong candidates, Rahman's track record of working collaboratively, being responsive to the academic community, nurturing a climate of trust and collegiality at Piedmont really impressed the search committee and the campus communities. He demonstrates the type of team work we value at Pacific."

The entire university community is encouraged to attend the reception. Rahman will be in attendance with his immediate family.

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**Fraternity Holds Health Fair Sunday**

Chi will be holding their 2nd Annual Multicultural Health Fair. The fair will take place at the Calvary Presbyterian Church at 2343 Country Club Blvd. in Stockton.

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**Water Wars: Delta Discussion**

**Pacific Media Relations**

Many people drive through the Delta every day, admiring its beauty but not considering whether that scenery may be at risk. The fact is that there is a threat to the Delta which mostly goes unnoticed by those drivers - the diminishing water quality that keeps the fragile ecosystem together.

That water quality and those factors that threaten it will be the central topic of conversation by a panel of experts during the "Water Wars" discussion at 5 PM March 1st in Grace Covell Hall.

The panel will include five experts in different areas of water quality and will be moderated by Bill Jeffery, professor of law at Pacific. The event is free and open to the public.

**Conversations**

Concerning water in California date back to the founding of the state. There has been concern about fishing and salmon breeding in the Delta, the effects of boating, agriculture and the safety of drinking water.
"Who Knew" Hits Home

Hamza Siddiqui
Contributing Writer

Who knew,
A video on YouTube
And a couple of tweets
Could pour millions of people in to the streets?
Who knew,
That hopelessness, desperation, and frustration
Could not stop the hearts of an entire nation?
Who knew,
That the young could still hope and dream
Even while living under the rule of a 30-year regime?
Who knew
That the president who caused his people so much struggle and strife
Would one day be running for his life?

Who knew?
I sure didn’t, I mean I wouldn’t have guessed
But let me tell you about someone who did believe despite the thoughts of the rest
There was a young Egyptian woman who posted a short video on Facebook
And all she was saying to her friends was "Hey look,
I know as Egyptians we’ve been facing some obstacles
But freedom, human dignity, and justice for us...it’s possible
Our human rights are being trampled on
And before I ramble on
tell everyone everywhere
That we’ll be meeting January 25th in Tahrir Square
And we will unite, demanding
That we’ll be meeting January 25th in Tahrir Square
And the internet was gone,
But they could never pierce the revolution that was brewing within
And even if the tear gas blinded their eyes
And the internet was gone,
But the world would still hear their cries
Who knew
That in 3 weeks the people could take off the crown
And on February 11th, after 30 years, Mubarak stepped down.
Who knew
As the Egyptian young and old celebrated on the corners
Smiles stretched across the faces of all of us foreigners
This isn’t just a victory for Egypt isolated to that one place
Because this is a victory and an example for the entire human race.
Telling us that when the youth stand behind truth
And we back our passions with our actions
And that sometimes we have to ignore the nonsense
And go with our conscience
And anything is possible if we go through the length
And that the human heart and spirit is our greatest strength
Who knew
That the people of other countries who were also looking for improvement
Would gather in the streets in their countries and join this movement
Because right now
There are Yemenis on the streets mobilizing their people
And Algerians praying that their human heart will be the sequel
To revolution we have all just witnessed
And if you are all with this
You’re probably wondering what’s going to happen now?
And truly it’s a mystery
But folks you and I are witnessing history
When people are no longer giving in and shedding tears
But are speaking out with brave voices despite their fears
And are making a difference one person at a time
And when a group of people remind us that the whole world can still shine
And who knew
That war didn’t bring this change, no, that’d be an error
Because peace, not war, that’s what overcomes terror
Who knew
That the Egyptian’s determination and denial to be locked in
Could inspire a 19-year old boy in Stockton?
Who Knew?
Restaurant Review: Elephant Bar Takes Diners on a Food Expedition

Juliene Sesar
Layout Editor

Chain restaurants developed because people enjoyed being able to go anywhere in the country and knowing exactly what they would be served. It's a fast easy way to enjoy a meal out and people tend to flock to The Elephant Bar.

The Elephant Bar has a creative edge over other chains because of its unique décor. Their African safari theme makes it comfortable under mood lights and giant white breeze fans. The zebra, giraffe, and other animal print decorations bring the theme to life. I really enjoyed that the theme was kept even when the plates came. Appetizers are served in cylinder stands with animal print paper holding the food inside. The burgers are wrapped in the printed paper as well.

The strawberry-lemonade is not the best I've ever had, I prefer when real strawberries are added to the drink. It tasted extremely watered down, and was obviously not prepared in the restaurant.

I had the sautéed chicken marsala. The dish came with chicken in a wine sauce with mushrooms and cheese, noodles, and spinach on the side. I do not like spinach so I asked it to be substituted with fries. Their fries are great, just enough pepper and salt. The chicken was tender, but I really wish they did not put as much cheese on it. The dish would have been exquisite without it.

The person that accompanied me had the traditional Santa Barbara burger and fries. She agreed with me that the fries are delicious. (So if anything, go have some of their fries.) She loves eating their burgers and says that she usually always gets them when she goes to the Elephant Bar.

Overall, we had a great experience at the Stockton restaurant and our waitress served us in a timely fashion. I recommend eating at the Elephant Bar.

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Weekend Travel: Oregon Border

Allison Seals
News Editor

Tired of sticking around at school on three-day weekends? Want to go explore a landscape much different than that of Stockton's, but not to far to drive on a long weekend? Travel to the Oregon border!

According to Mapquest, the Oregon border is only approximately 5 hours away. That may seem like a bit of a drive, but it is nothing in comparison to driving to Southern California for a weekend; there is barely any traffic and there is beautiful scenery along the way!

Even though much of the drive may seem desolate, there are actually many things to do once you arrive! Ashland, Oregon is only about 25 minutes north of the border. Ashland is home to the infamous and annual Oregon Shakespeare Festival. This spring’s Shakespeare Festival will occur from February 18th to November 6th, including the plays Measure for Measure, The Imaginary Invalid, and To Kill a Mockingbird, August: Osage County, The African Co. Presents Richard III, The Language Archive, Julius Caesar, Ghost Light, Henry IV Part 2, The Pirates of Penzance, and Love's Labor's Lost. More show times and ticket orders can be viewed on osfashland.org.

If you wanted to stay on the California side of the state, right at the border before Oregon, there is a secluded national monument worth checking out. The Lava Beds National Monument is located in a remote region near the Siskiyou and Modoc Counties. According to the National Park Service, The Lava Beds National Monument is composed of, "More than 700 caves, Native American rock art sites, historic battlefields and campsites, and a high desert wilderness.” The monument was rated 4.5/5 stars on TripAdvisor.com. If you want more information, go to npshome.org.

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There are many other enticing vacation spots near the Oregon/California border as well. Next time you have another long weekend or a break from classes, try taking a group on a trip up north!
The Gentlemen’s Corner: The Art of Manliness

Jason Kawilarang
Staff Writer

Q: I heard a statistic. In the last year, serum testosterone dropped roughly 1% among American men; actually, it’s happened each of the last 20 years. In the 70’s and 80’s, a man was a man. Now? Who the hell knows? You pick and choose. Are we men becoming more feminine?

I was asked this question from a gentleman at a crosswalk during the weekend in San Francisco. A man wearing bright pink, head-to-toe, and a v-neck t-shirt with a “v” that showed more cleavage on a man then I ever thought possible, had just passed us both. The picture of a man is changing as time passes on, so it got me thinking: what does it really mean to be “manly”?

Glenn O’Brien, made popular as GQ Magazine’s Style Guy, has this to say in his sarcastically humorous poem entitled “I’m a Man.” “I put on my pants one leg at a time. I piss standing up and don’t take nothin’ lying down. If you’re looking for a fight I’ll give you one or at least point you in the right direction. When I talk, Dean Witter listens. When push comes to shove the buck stops here. Evolution. You’re looking more and more men waxing their face, getting cosmetic surgery, blending gender lines in clothing, and being completely incompetent on a grill. Is there a problem with the direction that society is moving towards or is the problem with my own perception of how a man should be?

What I know is this: waxing your armpits doesn’t make you any less of a man and having the guts to step into a boxing ring doesn’t make you any more of one. Being a man is something else. It’s the willingness to take responsibility for yourself and others and to not make excuses. It’s about doing what needs to be done. Being a man is something you earn.

Film Review: Good Hair, Great Message

Danielle Procope
Staff Writer

“Good Hair”, screened last Thursday at Pacific, is a comedy film written and produced by Chris Rock. In this film Rock travels throughout the United States and even to India in search for the truth about black women’s hair.

This movie offers a very insightful look into the multibillion dollar business which is black hair care. Chris Rock deals with multiple issues affecting black hair styling including affordability, various styles, and what is considered beautiful in black American society.

Women can spend thousands of dollars for a weave that will not last much longer than a few months. Al Sharpton discusses this sarcastically in the movie when he says that men are no longer expected to rent or tuition, but instead "subsidize" their weaves. While weaves are certainly the most expensive option, black women also chemically straighten their hair. This was shown in the film to be very dangerous. Sodium Hydroxide, the active chemical in relaxer, can burn through a soda can. After continuous usage, it will also destroy a person’s hair.

Chris Rock also delved in depth on the phenomenon that the hair that most closely resembles the hair of white women is considered beautiful while conversely, natural “nappy” hair is deemed unattractive. He leaves it as an open question to viewers whether or not this is unhealthy or simply the style choice of the moment.

Overall, Good Hair was a very engaging movie. It was funny throughout while simultaneously endearing us with more poignant moments such as a three year old girl telling the camera that everyone is “supposed to” straighten their hair. This movie is meant to instigate a constructive discussion about black women’s hair and questions the reason why black women do their hair as they do.

NutriCat’s Corner: Love Coffee?

NutriCat discusses your best bets:

Whether you’re watching your waist or caffeine intake, here are some of NutriCat’s tips on ordering that perfect cup of Joe:

1. Stick with coffee over espresso. Espresso is stronger and more concentrated than brewed coffee and is the base of lattes and other coffee drinks. One ounce has ~55 mg caffeine while 1 ounce of coffee has ~18 mg caffeine. Espresso is unfiltered and may increase LDL (bad cholesterol) so enjoy in moderation.

2. Besides ordering your coffee black, most of us top our drink with syrups, whole milk and whipped cream which makes them taste better. This also increases the fat and calories. Try skim milk, reduce the sugar and skip the whip cream. Coffee with hot water (Cafe Americano) is a great sugar-free choice!

Size matters. Try a 8 or 12 oz. cup and you will reduce the amount of both calories and caffeine. Sometimes, just having the taste of the drink is enough to satisfy a craving for it without having to drink the whole thing.
IT IS TIME FOR THE FAITH DAVIES ALL-UNIVERSITY LEADERSHIP AWARDS NOMINATIONS!

We recognize the success of our students, faculty, staff, and student organizations through the Faith Davies AllUniversity Leadership Awards. Please acknowledge and celebrate their success through taking time to nominate individuals and student organizations for one of the awards listed. We have so much to celebrate!

OUTSTANDING STUDENT LEADER AWARD

This award is presented each year to a graduating student(s) who has demonstrated outstanding scholarship and service to the university community. An outstanding student leader is an individual who has contributed significantly to the quality of life on campus.

JESSE MARKS CO-CURRICULAR AWARD

This award recognizes a well rounded student(s) who has made significant and outstanding contribution to a particular area of university life and/or the surrounding community through depth of involvement. A graduating senior is given priority.

KAREN DEROSA OUTSTANDING GRADUATE STUDENT LEADER in STUDENT AFFAIRS AWARD

This award recognizes a graduate student who has completed an M.A. in Educational Administration and Leadership with a Specialization in Student Affairs and who has made a notable contribution to student life at Pacific through his/her service to the university.

OUTSTANDING STUDENT ORGANIZATION ADVISOR AWARD

This award recognizes a volunteer advisor(s) who demonstrates extraordinary commitment to an organization working closely with the officers, providing training opportunities, and serving as a resource for the organization.

ANDERSEN Y COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARD

This award recognizes an outstanding student organization(s) that provides public service which benefits and/or improves the quality of life in local communities. Nominees must be registered campus organizations.

STUDENT ORGANIZATION of the YEAR AWARD

This award recognizes the organization(s) that demonstrates a breadth of programs, participation, leadership, and other achievement(s) in the campus community. Nominees must be registered campus organizations.

DOCHTERMAN OUTSTANDING JUNIOR SCHOLARSHIP

This award recognizes a Junior student who has made a significant contribution to the university. The recipient must be a Junior.

PODESTO AWARD for RECOGNIZING OUTSTANDING EDUCATORS WHO DIRECTLY TOUCH AND ENRICH THE LIVES OF PACIFIC STUDENTS

PACIFIC TIGER AWARD

The Pacific Tiger Award will be presented annually by the Pacific Alumni Association to recognize a student group, club or organization that exhibits extraordinary school spirit, encourages student participation in activities and events, promotes school spirit, and/or provides students with knowledge of Pacific's heritage, traditions and history.

PACIFIC FUND PHILANTHROPY AWARD

This award recognizes a student organization, club, or council that demonstrates an outstanding commitment to charitable giving. Nominees must have achieved excellence in fundraising for a non-profit or civic group during the current academic year.

Nomination Forms are available at http://pacific.edu/Student-Life/Faith-Davies-Leadership-Award-2011.html and in the offices of Student Life and University Center.
The Pacific baseball team dropped a 5-3 decision to Kansas State in the season opener for both teams on Saturday, Feb. 19, at Klein Family Field. Kansas State broke a 3-3 tie with two runs in the top of the seventh inning and held on for the win.

The Wildcats struck first as freshman Jared King (Dublin, Ohio) doubled home sophomore Tanner Witt (Hawthorn Woods, Ill.) in the top of the first.

Pacific battled back to take a 2-1 lead in the third, as sophomore Dustin Torchio (Santa Cruz, Calif.) and senior Matt Carvutto (Poway, Calif.) each picked up RBI singles for the Tigers. Torchio, Carvutto, and junior Allen Riley (Fresno, Calif.) each went 2-for-4 on the afternoon to lead the Tigers offensively. Pacific's tough schedule continues with a pair of weekend home games against #4 UC Santa Barbara on Friday, February 25 and #7 UCLA on Saturday, February 26.

Kansas State struck twice in the top of the fourth to reclaim the lead, 3-2. Junior Jake Brown's (Russell, Kan.) RBI double to right field with two outs put the Wildcats back in front.

Pacific knotted the game at 3-3 in the bottom of the sixth, as junior Brett Christopher (Livermore, Calif.) was hit by a pitch with the bases loaded to bring home junior D.J. Johnston (Portola Valley, Calif.) double and a King RBI single.

Senior Marcus Pointer (Pacifica, Calif.) took the loss for Pacific on the mound, dropping to 0-1. Pointer yielded five runs, seven hits, and five walks over 6.1 innings, while striking out two.

Junior Evan Marshall (Sunnyvale, Calif.) earned the win in relief for Kansas State, holding the Tigers scoreless over the final 3.2 innings.