TEDx
"Just the right amount of wrong"

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STAFF WRITER

University of the Pacific will be hosting its second TEDxSanJoaquin event on Wednesday, Oct. 10, 2012 in Faye Spanos concert hall.

TEDx events are based on the TED conferences – perhaps most commonly known for their TED Talks online. The "x" stands for independently organized, meaning that the host organization has permission from TED to host a conference.

The talks vary across space, time, and field; they include speeches on new developments in neuroscience and amputee's how creativity in schools is always used to represent the unknown. All of the speeches and TED talks from around the world can be found at www.tedx.com.

Last year’s conference had over 1,000 live and online viewers, and this year will be even larger with over 850 spots available and options for live online streaming. Videos of TEDxSanJoaquin 2011 can be found at www.tedxsanjoaquin.org via the last tab on the left-hand side of the page, labeled "2011."

The theme of this year’s conference is "Just the Right Amount of Wrong" and will be focusing on disrupting the status quo to effect real change in our communities. It will feature speakers from as close as the university and as far as Vietnam – such as Professor Dari Sylvester, Michael Tubbs, Madame Ninh, and student Mustafa Babek. A full list of speakers and their biographies are available online at www.tedxsanjoaquin.org.

The speakers for TEDxSanJoaquin are carefully selected for their inspired stories of wrong and their unique perspectives on the world.

Town hall calls for community collaboration

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NEWS EDITOR

More than 400 members of the Stockton community came to Pacific’s campus last Thursday, Sept. 27 in the search for answers for the problems plaguing the city of Stockton. The event took place at Pacific’s Long Theatre where attendance was so high that the university had to find another room to seat more than 100 people who could not fit into the theatre.

On June 28, 2012, Stockton filed for bankruptcy. The city has been suffering since the 2008 housing market crash, which sent its economy in a negative spiral. Fingers have been pointed at Stockton’s City Hall, which has been accused of mismanagement of city funds and an overall inability to incite the change that the community of Stockton needs.

ABC News 10 reporter for the San Joaquin region, Tim Daly, commented, “frustration with city hall is a big issue in town, mismanagement in city hall is an issue in town... For twenty years, people have been complaining and city leaders keep saying we’re going to fix that.”

With theft and violence increasingly on the rise and the Stockton police department short more than 100 police officers, the search has begun for more creative ways to save the city of Stockton.

ABC News 10 and University of the Pacific took the lead in facilitating change last Thursday with a town hall meeting entitled “Stockton in Crisis—Searching for Solutions”. There to answer questions posed by the audience was a panel of six people, which included Mayor Ann Johnston; Deputy Police Chief Rick Salcedo; Pastor Glenn Shields of the Progressive Community Church; Professor Jeffrey Michael, Director of the Business Forecasting Center at Pacific; District Attorney James Willett; and Executive Director of Community Partnership for Families, Robina Asghar.

“Why are we about tonight is solutions,” was the comment that News 10 reporter, Dale Schornack, made to the audience before the event began. The goal of the night was not to rehash old problems and complaints.

“The goal is to try to find some concrete solutions to bring the crime rate down and to talk to people about how to make families safer in this city,” asserted Cristina Mendosa.

Theft and violent crime were one of the main issues discussed at the town hall meeting. District Attorney James Willett said, “How are we going to have good businesses if they are afraid of violence?” Indeed, a lot was discussed regarding the increasing violence on the streets of Stockton, and the answer being touted was Project Cease Fire.

Project Cease Fire, which was recently voted for and approved by Stockton City Council, involves communicating frankly with known criminals and people on parole by telling them that if they don’t take advantage of programs available in the community, they’ll be dealt with as harshly as possible on the prosecution side. Cease fire, which was implemented once before in Stockton in 1998, was called a success and repeated in various cities throughout the nation.

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Saving the Stockton youth through literacy

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In the fall of 2009, President Pamela Eibeck announced the creation of the “Beyond Our Gates...Into the Community” initiative. Over the past three years, Pacific has formed a relationship with the Stockton community and has helped to foster a more thriving community. Continuing with the “Beyond Our Gates” project, Pacific has begun to host different dialogues to discuss issues within the community.

On Monday, Sept. 17 at the Haggin Museum, Pacific hosted a dialogue that addressed early literacy.

Ralph Smith, the director of the Campaign for Grade-Level Reading, was a guest speaker at the dialogue. He discussed how by the third grade, children stop learning through visual learning sources and begin to learn from reading sources. Thus, being able to read at grade-level is significantly important at this age. The failure to read at grade-level by third grade may cause an individual to put their future and the future of their community at high risk.

Not having literacy proficiency at a young age can cause high drop out rates, an underdeveloped education and future poverty. Stockton has recently become one of the 124 charter members for the Campaign for Grade-Level Reading that is targeting early literacy on the national level. President Eibeck was also a guest speaker at the dialogue. She discussed the importance of recognizing that low literacy rates in the community is a serious problem but also one that is not unsolvable.

Improving literacy rates in the community is going to be a focus of the “Beyond Our Gates” project and other organizations within the community. While there is not set solutions to improve literacy rates, simply addressing the issues that cause children to not reach their full potential is the first step in the right direction.

If you wish to help in improving early literacy contact Jess Torres Siders at 209-946-3156. To find more information on The Campaign for Grade-Level Reading, please visit www.gradelevelreading.net.

Sikhs Celebrate 100 years in Stockton

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NEWS EDITOR

Last weekend, Pacific hosted the Eastern Scholars Conference on “The voyage of the Ghadar” in the UC Ballroom. The conference was hosted in memory of the Ghadar movement, which launched India’s struggle for independence according to information handed out during the conference which included summaries of the studies done by the speakers present and messages from the various organizations which made the event possible.

The conference is just the second of four planned events which are celebrating the centennial anniversary of Pacific Coast Khalsa Diwan Society Gudwara Sahib in Stockton, Calif., the oldest Sikh American settlement in the United States.

The conference, which was held in Punjabi, included 16 speakers, most from India, who spoke on topics such as the Ghadar party and the struggle for freedom. The presentations were made in order for people to honor the Stockton Sikh community had and “learn about its role in the origins of the Sikh American Revolutionary movements that created Ghadar de Goonj” (translated: Echoes of

First Sikh Temple built in Stockton in 1912. It was remodeled in 1929.

Sikh Temple

Mutiny—a compilation of nationalist and socialist literature that were produced in the early stages of the Ghadar Movement, shook the foundations of the British Empire, led to independence of the Indian subcontinent, and brought civil rights to American Sikhs”.

According to an article entitled “Sikhs honor a rich history in Stockton” published in The Stockton Record, “The Stockton Gurdwara has 5,000 Northern Californians who call it home, even though larger, more elaborate temples have been built in Yuba City, San Jose and

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teaching and acclaimed accomplishments. In the TED tradition, each speaker is challenged to give "the talk of their life" in 18 minutes or less. The diversity of the speakers, the caliber of the audience, and the uniqueness of the venue promises a memorable and inspiring event.

The event begins with registration at 8 a.m.; the conference will begin at 10:30 a.m. and run until approximately 5 p.m. and will be followed by an after party at The Ave and Empresso. It will includes meals and access to the social space (which will be showcasing several products, including revolutionary incubators)

designed to be affordable for those poor in developing countries. In the TEDxSanJoaquin, I believe the program will have the opportunity to "impact the world", which is our mission as students and participants will also be eligible for discounts at Empresso.

Full-day tickets are consi-

ged to be affordable for those poor in developing countries.

A full-day ticket is considered to be the most beneficial option, as it includes the entire conference, a memorable and inspiring event.

Tickets can be purchased via the "attend" tab on the TEDxSanJoaquin Facebook page, or in person at the Pacific Box Office located at University Theatre, at the side facing the parking lot.

For more information, please visit www.tedxsanjoaquin.org or contact Alexis Duclos at a_duclos@u.pacific.edu.
**Beta House: Becoming official**

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BUSINESS MANAGER

The newest social fraternity Beta Theta Pi was officially inducted as part of Pacific’s campus on Saturday, Sept. 29.

The event included keynotes from both Beta Theta Pi and Pacific, and the official ribbon-cutting ceremony, acknowledging the newly renovated Beta house. Beta Theta Pi also received a $15,320 check from Alpha Phi Omega and Beta Upsilon, to aid in the furnishing of the new house.

**Eastern Scholars Conference**

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Regardless, project Cease fire alone does not answer all Stockton’s problems; it is an attempt to reduce violence but not its root causes. According to District Attorney Willet, “Cease Fire is designed to stop violence... not designed to stop people feeling dope”.

According to Officer Rick Salcedo, the answer “needs to be collaborative. Just because we arrest them doesn’t mean they will be prosecuted”.

This call for collaboration took the forefront of much of the conversation at the town hall meeting. One member of the audience commented, “We need a societal shift. This doesn’t deserve just a response but prevention. We have to ask ourselves, why are these guns out there? Those aren’t strangers shooting at us, those are our children.”

Many others also called for reaching out to the Stockton youth in order to prevent them from falling into a life of crime.

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Asghar’s organization has offices located in poorer neighborhoods across the city, which he called “the hub of the community”. They work with more than 79 other organizations in order to provide social services to those in most need.

“Some of the programs and the reinforcement of different members of the community working on different fronts to solve the problems. Representatives from the Boys and Girls Club, Pacific’s STORM, Sister to Sister, and many other organizations stood up to identify themselves as one of the many resources that the city of Stockton has to offer.”

In response to requests for increasing police presence and relationships with the community, Officer Rick Salcedo called for community involvement, saying that there are simply not enough people to put policemen on bikes and reminding the audience that although new officers are being hired, they must all be trained for six months before being put on the streets. According to Salcedo, “change is only going to happen on a one-on-one basis”. Salcedo encouraged community involvement of groups and organizations to join Stockton PD’s task force.

Another popular statement was made when reporter Tim Daly asked the police to increase communication with the Stockton Community.

“I think that there is more information that you can give [reporters] regarding crime in Stockton... So many people are frustrated—if you open a line of communication, you will get more calls,” Daly said.

The ongoing theme in the event was not only a call for solutions, but a realization that a severe lack of communication and cooperation has reduced the ability of Stockton to benefit from the resources available within the community. Stockton does not lack programs; it has an ever increasing list of assets and resources, but what is does lack is cohesion. As Pastor Glenn Shields stated in his closing comments, “We have to have the community take ownership... we must come together as a unit and make it happen. It doesn’t matter who gets credit as long as we make our streets safer.

**Sikh’s celebrate 100**

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**Public Safety**

**Weekly Report**

Sept 23rd - Sept 29th

**Assault**

3400 Block Pacific Ave, Sept. 23

Officers responded to a report of a stabbing at an off campus party. The suspect stabbed the victim several times before fleeing. The victim was transported to St. Joseph’s Hospital where he is expected to recover. The suspect was identified out of Ceres, Calif. A warrant has been issued for his arrest.

**Theft/Recovered Property**

3400 Dwight, Sept. 24

Some officers were on patrol when they observed a subject walking with a large package around 11:30 p.m. As an officer approached him, the subject disappeared into an apartment.

**Accident**

Mendocino Ave, Sept. 25

Officers responded to a non-injury accident where a vehicle hit a brick wall. A report was then filed.

**Recovered Cart**

2200 Block Telegraph, Sept 27

Officers received an anonymous tip that a golf cart, stolen a few weeks ago from Athletics, was in the possession of a resident at the above location. Officers made contact with the resident, who stated they found it near the river. Officers returned the cart to the campus.

For more information or to access the full weekly report, please visit: https://www.pacific.edu/CampusLife/Safety-and-Conduct/Public-Safety-and-Services/Crime-Statistics/Crime-on-Campus/2012-Weekly-incident-Log.html
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Town hall inspires citizens

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Citizens of America’s Most Miserable Cities express unity and commit to positive change in their struggling city. The Forbes Magazine report deemed Stockton, Calif., one of the most miserable cities in America. It infers that the city is miserable due to an increase in unemployment, declining economy, declining housing market, increase in violence, and increase in crime.

Forbes also assumes that the citizens of Stockton are also miserable. The national attention via social media and other media outlets continue to publicize Stockton as a city with citizens in turmoil with no sign of a solution or sign of life. Keeping all of these ‘facts’, in mind, the community of Stockton sang a different tune when they spoke up and spoke out about what grieves its citizens.

On Thursday, Sept. 27, at approximately 7:15 p.m. over 340 community members, young and old, packed into Pacific’s Long Theatre. An additional 100 community members were in the Alex and Jeri Versachagin Alumni House. The event that drew such immense numbers was a News 10 recorded special, Stockton Town Hall Meeting: Stockton in Crisis, Searching for Solutions.

The Stockton community could not ask for a better forum to address questions and demand answers from its city leaders. A panel of six influential community leaders were present: Mayor Ann Johnston; Professor of Economic Forecasting from the ESB; D.A. of San Joaquin County; Pastor Shields; a representative of the Stockton PD; and Director of San Joaquin County resource facilities.

The Stockton community members were engaged immediately by asking pressing questions pertaining to the mayor calling into action the Marshal Plan, a key policy. The community demanded the purpose of the Marshal Plan, and the mayor obliged. The mayor claimed the Marshal Plan was in effect in the early 90s. It worked to decrease Stockton’s violence by 40 percent. Due to the plan’s effectiveness, the city leaders decided to stop the Marshal Plan and reallocate the funds in the late 90s/early 2000s to use them elsewhere.

After the mayor’s response, community members went into an uproar. A woman from the community stood up to say that when a plan is stopping the violence in a city by 40 percent you do not take it away. The plan is working and keeping us, Stockton citizens, safe.

Folks from the community then posed this question: how will the reimplementation of the Marshal Plan work in a uniquely struggling city of Stockton? “The model is proven to work,” said the Stockton PD representative. The San Joaquin District Attorney added to this by saying the Marshal Plan is “designed to stop violence, not to do anything else.”

These responses were echoed by various community leaders on the panel. The Stockton community proceeded to ask, how will it work this time? “Collaboration; there will be key players from departments county-wide pulling our resources together and helping one another,” said the Stockton PD representative.

The Stockton community asked questions and received answers. The people of the city not only had questions, but they had solutions to the issues in their city. Folks from the community echoed the importance of quality education and mentorship for its youth. A community member, Mr. Patrick, encouraged the leaders of Stockton to allow his mentoring organization to partner with the local schools, believing that through positive attention and guidance, the Stockton youth could overcome the issues of violence and crime in their neighborhoods.

The hope that the Stockton community showed in the town hall meeting was refreshing. It certainly questions the idea that the residents of Stockton, Calif., are miserable. If anything, I would say the residents are fed up with the violence and crime and are looking to return Stockton to an All-American city.

I found that they were challenged by the issues that plague the city, but not unwilling to be and make the changes they wanted to see. As a student and community member of Stockton, I am certainly proud to be a part of the Stockton community. I was not the only person leaving the event inspired.

The Stockton community is finding solutions for its problems, “The model is proven to work.”
Men and Austen: Finding the right kind of young lady

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I'm currently enrolled in an English class titled "Jane Austen". Guys, if you are anything like me then that name probably means very little to you. We were asked on the first day of class (the 20 girls and 2 guys the class consists of) to write down what we knew about Jane Austen, and my page was completely blank. The name Pride and Prejudice ringing a bell with some of you, but maybe not. Anyways, what you know now is not important. While it may be true that Austen novels appeal far more to females than to males, this series of articles will be meant to show guys what they can learn from various Austen novels and characters. This week, we start with Sense and Sensibility.

I'm not going to be able to accurately portray the whole novel in a short article, so I'm going to focus on the three main men of the story: John Willoughby, Edward Ferrars, and Colonel Brandon. Each of these three men at one time or another is involved with one of the two Dashwood sisters, Marianne and Elinor. Let's take a look at John Willoughby first.

Willoughby is described as a strikingly handsome young man. He comes to Marianne's rescue when she twists her ankle, and she pretty much immediately fell in love with him. Long story short, he ends up breaking Marianne's heart and marrying a girl with a lot more money. The rigid lesson we learn from Willoughby is: Money over love. I won't inflect my own beliefs on that lesson, that's for you to decide.

Next up is Edward Ferrars. He's pretty much a nice guy, but it takes a while for him to get what he wants. He's pretty much the opposite of Willoughby: he decides to be with Elinor despite knowing they will be more or less poor their whole lives. He is the counter to John's greedy lesson, saying that love trumps money. Again, I'll let you decide whether that's one to follow.

Colonel Brandon is the one man that offers a lesson I'm sure some of you could benefit from. Have any of you ever found yourself in the dreaded "friend zone"? This is where Brandon spent the majority of the novel in the eyes of Marianne, who was infatuated with Willoughby. But once she recovered from her broken heart (she literally almost died; Austen can be quite dramatic), Brandon was waiting to swoop in for the kill (marriage in those days). So here's the lesson, guys: keep your head up if you've been in the friend zone for way too long. You never know when things will go south with your crush's current fling, and when they do, you'll be waiting patiently. And don't worry, rebounds still count!

So there you have it for the men of Sense and Sensibility. Stay tuned next time for Northanger Abbey, which I found much more interesting, and the male characters are much more realistic. Should be splendid!
Pride Alliance: Coming Out Week

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Today is the last day of events in Pride Alliance’s annual Coming Out Week. Coming Out Week celebrates the men and women who are willing to come out publicly as Lesbian Gay Bisexual Transgender Queer/Questioning Intersex and Ally/Asexual (LGBTQIA). This year, the week’s events were organized by both Pride Alliance and the Pride Resource Center.

On Oct. 1, Pride Alliance and the Pride Resource Center held a “Meet and Greet” for students who may not feel comfortable or know about the LGBTQIA resources and groups on campus. The event also introduced the campus community to Devon Guidoux, the graduate Pride Resource Center director, and the undergraduate student employees in the Resource Center. Students ate rainbow floats, a concoction of rainbow sherbet and lemon-lime soda, and played games such as Pictionary and Apples to Apples.

The next day, students participated in a Photo Booth on the UC Lawn. Students stood next to a rainbow flag on a tree and posed wearing or holding symbols of gender expression, such as a bowtie or a tiara. Later that night, Pride Alliance held what is perhaps the most traditional event for Coming Out Week, the Coming Out Forum. Students with all different identities sat on the stage of the Janet Leigh Theater to talk about their experiences coming out to their families, their friends, and/or their classmates. Many stories involve what happened to them after they first came out, such as their first romantic relationship or their feelings about coming out all over again in college.

Devon Guidoux conducted a workshop on Oct. 3 called Who Are You?: Exploring Intersecting Identities. Devon hosted this workshop at the LGBTQIA Western Regional Conference, held on Pacific’s campus last year. The workshop is about how each individual has multiple labels and roles in their life and how each label comes to play a part in their overall unique identity.

Today, starting at 6:30 p.m., Pride Alliance and Pride Resource Center will host a “Gayme Lounge” in the Multicultural Center before going into the Janet Leigh Theater at 8 p.m. to watch the film, The Wise Kids.

Pride Alliance has general body meetings at 7 p.m. on Tuesday nights in the Multicultural Center. Its sister organization, Gender Umbrella, focuses specifically on gender identities and meets on Mondays at 8 p.m. Both clubs are welcoming to people with any and all identities.

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Stockton Steelhead Festival

Kelly Asmus
LIFESTYLES EDITOR

On Sunday, Oct. 7 from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m., Pacific will be hosting the Stockton Steelhead Festival at the DeRosa University Center. The festival will feature art, music, and food, as well as other events geared to help increase awareness about the steelhead trout and our efforts to help conserve and restore its habitat, the Calaveras River.

This is a family-centered event focusing on environmental education. There will also be an Environmental Film Festival and children’s art and crafts activities. As for dinner, there will be booths with food for purchase, as well as cooking demonstrations. And for those a bit more active, they will also be hosting a 5K run.

For more information on the endangered steelhead trout and the Stockton Steelhead Festival, go online at riverofskulls.wordpress.com/steelhead/.

Kelly Asmus
LIFESTYLES EDITOR

Did you know there are special parking spaces for those registered as a carpool or those driving a Fuel Efficient Vehicle (FEV)? Well, Pacific is now expanding these spaces, so registered carpools and FEV’s can park in Preferred Parking Spaces all year.

There are about 14 spaces located all over campus right now: two near pharmacy and three between Human Resources Office and College of the Pacific, as well as near the Quad, DeRosa University Center, and the Chemistry building. The demand will determine whether or not more spaces are created.

These passes are subject to availability and can only be used while carpooling or driving your FEV. They do not replace regular Pacific parking permits. If you would like to help the environment by either carpooling or choosing a FEV, here are the steps you need to take to apply for your Preferred Parking Pass.

Complete a Carpool Registration Form which can be found online at www.commuteconnection.com. This form will ask for information like the make and model of your car if it is a FEV. Make sure to take this form personally to Human Resources; they will be providing the Preferred Parking pass that you display with your regular Pacific parking pass.

If special parking is not enough, the incentive of a $50 gas card is just the icing on the cake. For more information, look online, call, or walk into the Human Resources Department.

Upcoming Student Events

Saturday, Oct. 6
Pacific Italian Alliance Dinner and Concert
5:30 p.m.  Knoles Lawn, ticketed event

Sunday, Oct. 7
Stockton Steelhead Festival
11 a.m. - 4 p.m.
DeRosa University Center
Friends of Chamber Music - Daedalus Quartet
2:30 p.m.
Faye Spanos Concert Hall

Tuesday, Oct. 9
Tuesday World Forum
10:30 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.
Faye Spanos Concert Hall

Friday, Oct. 12
Parent and Family Weekend
University of the Pacific
Midnight Mania
9 p.m.
Alex G. Spanos Center

Saturday, Oct. 13
Alumni Band Concert
1 p.m.
DeRosa University Center
Lawn

Lip Sync
2 p.m.
DeRosa University Center
Lawn

Monday, Oct. 15
California Political Forums
6 p.m. - 9 p.m.
Long Theater

Tuesday, Oct. 16
Salsa Y Mas
7 p.m. - 8 p.m.
Beach International Center

Thursday, Oct. 18
All you ever wanted to know about Breast Cancer and Cervical Cancer but were afraid to ask.
11:30 a.m. - 12:30 a.m.
President’s Room

Movies This Week

Thursday, Oct. 4
The Wise Kids

Friday, Oct. 5-6
Dr. Seuss’ The Lorax
The Eberhardt School of Business regularly recognizes students who have achieved a GPA of 3.5 or higher during the previous semester by including their names on the Dean’s List. On behalf of the Eberhardt School of Business, I congratulate and commend the following students for their commitment to academic excellence at the University of the Pacific.

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Dean’s List – Spring 2012

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Lewis R. Gale, Dean
The Lorax: I speak for the trees

Juliene Sesar
EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

Imagine a world where, to ensure fresh air quality, you must buy it from a company like PG&E. Everything in your world is artificial, right down to the trees that act like light bulbs that change color based on a remote; the trees can even play music and “do the hustle”. That is the world created after the last tree was cut down in Dr. Seuss’ The Lorax.

Ted is a teenage boy living in this industrialized city called Thneed-Ville. He lives with his mom and grandma and rides around on his scooter enjoying the plastic world he grew up in. Then one day, like any normal teenage boy, his life is changed after the girl he likes, Audrey, tells him what she wants: a real tree. With the promise of marriage, Ted sets out to find a tree.

Based on a clue from his grandma, Ted exits the city for the first time in search of the Once-ler, the only one alive that knows what happened to the trees. He is stopped and has to evade the Mayor of Thneed-Ville many times. The Mayor wants to ensure no one ever leaves the town because the more people, the worse the air quality, and the more money he makes.

Ted visits the Once-ler and hears the tale of how the trees disappeared. This, of course, is the best part. The animals of the forest, including the fish, are dancing and playing and enjoying the nature around them. This quirky part is great because the happiness is clear, and when the Onceler cuts down the first tree and the Lorax appears, the tragedy is clear.

Like any great Dr. Seuss story, the message is clear and vibrant. The movie reminds me of times in childhood when the Boy Scouts would plant trees in my neighborhood. It is always better to have more nature than none at all. Come out and see Dr. Seuss’ the Lorax at Janet Leigh Theatre this Friday and Saturday night at 8 p.m.

Reach Out Opportunities

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The Pacific Organic Garden is a new opportunity for Pacific students to volunteer on campus. The Ted and Chris Robb Garden is a sanctuary for building eco-literacy and fostering stewardship to the environment and human capital. Volunteers do garden work, including digging, planting, harvesting, and building compost piles. Volunteers also have the opportunity to work with local youth in navigating the garden area and can work as partners in sustainability education. All food harvested from the garden goes to local food banks, students, and Bon Appetit. If you are interested in volunteering at the Pacific Organic Garden, contact Kimberly Hargrave at khargrave@pacific.edu or (209) 946-2365.

Carbohydrates: Fast Facts

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NutriCat knows that carbohydrates get a bad rap. Most people wrongly believe that a low-carb diet will promote weight loss. Not true. Eating a high percentage of carbohydrates does not cause excess weight gain. Eating too much of anything causes your body to store fat. This is true of starches and sugars, as well as protein and fat.

Carbohydrates are the main source of energy for your brain and your muscles. Heading to the class or the gym? Load up on healthy carbohydrates beforehand to fuel your body. Healthy carbohydrates, like 100% whole grain foods, fruits, vegetables, and beans, contain essential vitamins, minerals, and phytonutrients.

The carbohydrate sources you should limit are simple sugars, such as cookies, candy, soda, and white bread products.

Consumer Tip: Low-carb doesn’t mean low-calorie. Oils don’t have any carbohydrates in them and manufacturers will often replace sugar with fat to make the item more appealing. Be smart, check your Nutrition Facts panel, and read the ingredient list.

Want more information? Email nutricat@pacific.edu or friend NutriCat on Facebook.
Water polo takes sixth at SoCal tournament

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SPORTS EDITOR

Riding the momentum from a dominant showing at the Aggie Shootout last weekend, the No. 8 Pacific Tigers travelled to Santa Barbara, Calif. to take part in the prestigious SoCal Tournament. In a weekend which saw the team play four top-10 teams—including three of the top 5—in two days, Pacific went 2-2, finishing sixth place overall out of 16 teams.

The action was intense right off the bat as the Tigers faced off against No. 9 Long Beach State. A defensive-minded first period saw Casey Fleming ’16 score the only goal of the time frame, giving the Tigers a 1-0 lead. The pace completely flipped in the second period as both teams combined to score seven goals. Four of those went Pacific’s way, two of them being from Balazs Erdelyi ’14, giving the Tigers a 5-3 halftime lead.

The third period proved to be a goal scorer’s dream with both teams totaling five goals to set up a dramatic final period. In the fourth frame, goalkeeper Alex Malkis ’14 stopped a penalty shot that would have tied the game, helping Pacific preserve an 11-10 opening win.

Pacific’s next match provided the team with its toughest opponent to date: No. 1 USC. The first frame saw the Tigers keep pace with the Trojans thanks to two goals from Erdelyi. However, with the score at 3-2, USC’s defense went on lockdown mode, shutting down Erdelyi and holding Pacific to just two goals for the rest of the frame. The Tigers could not do the same to the Trojan offense, falling 9-4.

Erdelyi totaled six goals for the day’s two contests. Aleksandar Petrovic notched a hat trick in the opening match while Alex Obert ’15 found the back of the net three times in two matches.

Determined not to another opportunity slip away, Pacific came out strong against No. 4 California. Goalie by Erdelyi and Obert kept the Tigers even with the Golden Bears after the first period. Andres Oneto ’14 netted Pacific’s first goal of the tournament to tie the game at 4-4 in the second period. After Malkis saved a penalty shot, Obert scored a goal against the Tigers a 5-4 halftime lead.

From the second half on, the game became very defensive with Pacific getting its lone goal of the third period from Sean Grady ’15 less than a minute before the end of the frame. Tied 6-6 going into the fourth period, both teams locked down, trading goals to send the game into overtime tied at 7-7.

After allowing a goal on the first possession of overtime, Pacific managed to tie the
Water polo takes out No. 4 Cal

MEN'S WATER POLO
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contest at 8-8 thanks to Kevin Oliveira '14, sending the game to a second overtime period. Tied at 9-9 with thirty seconds left, Obert converted on the Tigers' offensive possession to give his team a one-goal lead. Pacific's defense held strong, stonewalling the Golden Bears and securing a historic upset.

Obert had the game of his life, scoring a career-high of five goals in the winning effort. Erdelyi finished with two of his own. The win against Cal was Pacific's first since 1999.

Drained from their amazing win earlier, Pacific could not muster much effort to contend with No. 3 Stanford. The Cardinal dominated in the first half, outscoring the Tigers 5-1 in the first two periods. The Tigers would finally show signs of life in the second half, but Stanford held them even throughout the final two frames.

The score would have been much more decisive if not for a spectacular effort from Malkis, who tallied a career-high of 22 saves. Overall, Malkis collected 70 saves on the tournament. Obert collected another multi-goal performance, scoring two in defeat.

The sixth-place finish at this year's SoCal Tournament equaled the program's best performance at the tournament in its history. In 2006, Pacific also took sixth place, falling, believe it or not, to Stanford in the fifth-place game.

"I thought it was a great tournament for us," Pacific head coach James Graham stated after the game. "We were able to play three of the top four teams in the nation and pick up a couple of wins against MPSF teams. I thought our players really put together some great performances this weekend. I was pleased with our strong showing."

The Tigers will look to continue their tear this weekend as they play their first match of a three-game home stand. Pacific will host No. 12 UC Davis on Friday at 7 p.m. at Chris Kjeldsen Pool.

WOMEN'S VOLLEYBALL: Pacific rebounded from its rocky start to post two wins at home over the weekend. Friday saw the Tigers dig an early hole before rallying back to defeat CSU Fullerton 3-2 (25-22, 14-25, 20-25, 25-13, 15-13). Megan Birch '14 led the Tigers with 20 kills. Hannah Clancy '13 recorded 26 kills to lead all players. The match the following day was a lot less dramatic as Pacific scored an impressive 3-0 (25-23, 25-18, 25-20) sweep over UC Riverside. Gillian Howard '15 (pictured) re corded a match-high of seven blocks for Pacific while recording five service aces in the two weekend matches.

MEN'S TENNIS: The Tigers began the 2012-13 schedule over the weekend at the Napa Valley Tournament and the ITA All-American Championship. Notable competition results at the Napa Valley Tournament included the duo of Denis Stolyarov '15 and Sem Verbeek '16 defeating a pairs team from Oklahoma 8-1.

WOMEN'S SOCCER: Pacific began its final Big West Conference schedule with two road games over the weekend. On Friday, the team travelled to Cal Poly. The Mustangs would score the first two goals of the game en route to a convincing 4-1 win over the Tigers. The lone goal came from Kortney Agdeppa '13, her first of the season. Sunday, Pacific had a much better showing against UC Santa Barbara. Although the Tigers took a 3-1 lead with just over a half hour to go, the Gauchos would tie the game, and the final score after two overtime periods read 3-3 tie.

Shayda Ansari '16 (pictured) notched her first collegiate goal in the game.

WOMEN'S TENNIS: Pacific began its 2012-13 season at the Cal Nike Invitational over the weekend. Regina Suarez '15 made a terrific run to the consolation bracket semifinals. The Tigers went perfect on the final day of singles competition, with Gergana Boncheva '15, Ivetta Masarova '15, and Christiana Ferrari '16 earning wins.

Stick it to cancer

Athletic Media Relations

The University of the Pacific field hockey team has joined hands with the National Foundation for Cancer Research to participate in the 3rd annual "Stick it to Cancer" campaign, in which field hockey teams across the country are invited to participate by committing to donate proceeds from at least one game to NFCR.

University of the Pacific will be donating proceeds from their game on Oct. 7, 2012 versus Stanford University to NFCR.

"We are looking forward to utilizing our passion for field hockey for a great cause and supporting all our loved ones and University of the Pacific alumni who have battled cancer," said Kendra Lucking, Assistant Coach of the University of the Pacific field hockey team. "Almost everyone has been affected by cancer in some way, and we are excited to be a part of NFCR's pursuit of a cure."

To raise funds, the team will be selling T-shirts as well as collecting donations at the event and online.

The players will be wearing special T-shirts for the event in support of the cause as well as hanging displaying names of those who have fought cancer on the fence surrounding the field.

To participate by committing to donate proceeds from at least one game to NFCR, please contact Kendra Lucking at Kendra.Lucking@gmail.com. For more information about Stick it to Cancer, or to participate, please visit www.nfcr.org/stickitto-cancer.
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Marvin Morazan

School of International Studies

as a leader amongst his peers. Currently, Morazan is a member of Pacific Legal Scholars, a highly selective, seven-unit program designed to expose students to the legal field and prepare them for law school; President of The Open Assembly of The School of International Studies (OASIS); and chair of Public Relations for Theta Chi. In addition, Morazan works at the front desk at the De Rosa University Center and for the School of International Studies as a web designer and public outreach representative.

Morazan’s goal is to one day be a lawyer in the field of international corporate contracts because it combines his passion for law, international travel, and intellectual challenge and stimulation.

“I’ve wanted to be a lawyer since I was a little kid. I saw that movie Liar Liar with Jim Carey when I was younger, and somehow off of that, I determined that being a lawyer was what I wanted to do.”

Morazan’s more immediate plans include planning to study a semester abroad in Pau, France and continuing to satisfy his appetite for corporate contracts because it means that there are so many opportunities to be involved, but I love that and I hate that because it means that there are so many opportunities to be involved that I can’t do all of them,” Morazan said.

Monica Schnapp

Bernd School of Education

with a group here at Pacific to work on bettering the way educators teach, learn, and lead. “I am involved in a lot of courses, and sometimes it gets overwhelming, but I just have to remind myself that each organization brings me so much happiness and pride at certain times that makes it worth it in the end,” explained Schnapp.

With so much on her plate, Schnapp finds it necessary to prioritize her activities. “I don’t allow myself to go out with friends, or watch TV until all of my homework is done. That way I can reward myself with the fun stuff I want to do after I complete the stuff I need to do,” says Schnapp.

Through it all, Schnapp just tries to stay positive; ask anyone who knows her well and you would see that it is unusual to see her without a big smile on her face. “I just try to stay positive and show others that if you are interested in doing something, you are positive - no matter how hard or time consuming it may be.”

Schnapp also believes “[Leadership] is too complex of a concept to make anyone into a cookie-cutter definition.” She tries to inspire other students each fall at Club Rush to get involved in areas other than their field of studies. The diverse involvement and cultures are some of the main reasons Schnapp is here—and a great leader—at Pacific.

Conservatory of Music

Juliene Sesar

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“One of the biggest things that inspires me to lead is the fact that I can help someone else get an even greater experience from the organizations I am apart of,” said Brant Nishida ‘13, music education major in the Conservatory of Music.

Nishida is one of five students that the Conservatory recommended as their best leaders of the college. Nishida is the President of Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia, Vice President of Member Education of Beta Theta Pi, a member of the National Association for Music Education (NAfME), and works on the Conservatory Stage Crew under the direction of James Gonzales.

Nishida plays the double bass and hopes to become a teacher in general or instrumental music for the California public school system.

The people around Nishida not only helped him throughout his life, but also inspired him to become a better leader.

“My friends, brothers, and family inspire me to be a leader. I have learned so much from the people around me, and I am always looking to make use of what I’ve learned,” said Nishida. “I have been very lucky to be surrounded by great people and everything I do as a leader stems from it; all I want is to make those who support me and have guided me proud of what we’ve done as a group.”

As a part of Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia, Nishida is helping put a benefit concert together for local music departments.

“This year, we are looking to expand our reach as we benefit Harmony Stockton, which is an after school program aimed at helping at-risk youth succeed in school through the use of music,” said Nishida. “I am the co-chair of the committee planning this event, and we have set our goal not only on a successful concert, but also to hold several events to raise money for this cause.”

To donate to Harmony Stockton call (209) 951-0196 or visit their website: http://www.harmonystockton.org.

Monica Schnapp

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Junior education major, Monica Schnapp, aspires to be her best with everything she does—and she does a lot. Currently pursuing a single-subject teaching credential in English education, Schnapp hopes to either become a teacher or pursue a dual MA in Education and Student Affairs, which she aspires to use for a career program development for student education. Schnapp’s career choice was inspired by the book The Freedom Writers’ Diary that she said “is now, and forever will be, my favorite book because of the message it sends to others about never giving up on a student or a teacher.”

Besides being a leader in the classroom, Schnapp is a leader in several different organizations on campus. She is a member of the social sorority Delta Delta Delta, where she has held the position of secretary. She has also been a Pacific ambassador, a two-year president of Hillel, secretary of the language fraternity, Omega Eta Epsilon, and member of the honor society, Kappa Delta Epsilon. Another unique organization Schnapp is involved in is the Association of Supervision and Curriculum Development (ASCD). ASCD is a national organization
Elise Poirier

Elise Poirier is a French and English double major and is in the current senior class of 2013. She came to University of the Pacific from Santa Clara, Calif. and is involved in many organizations here on campus. Poirier is a part of Delta Phi Epsilon, the foreign interest professional fraternity and was ritual chair one semester. She is also the founder and current treasurer of the Society of English Cohorts, a member of Pi Delta Phi (the French honors society), and a member of the Pacific feminist’s group, PacFem.

Poirier became involved in most organizations to help fill in something missing from her university experience. “Some organizations I got involved in because I felt I was missing something in my professional, academic, or social spheres,” stated Poirier. “So, I looked for whatever organization that existed that might fit those needs; in the case of the Society of English Cohorts, if there wasn’t a group that wasn’t quite meeting my needs, I decided to create one.”

Poirier went to a few PacFem meetings and rushed Delta Phi Epsilon to start getting involved on campus. However, she wouldn’t stop there; something was still missing. Creating a group on campus is not easy and demands a lot of extra time and energy, but she prevailed.

Via Facebook and help from professors in the humanities department, Poirier was able to survey the students and find out if the Society of English Cohorts would be something that could benefit the campus as a whole and host events that met the interests of the students.

Whether for one of her larger groups or a smaller club, Poirier has many ideas on how to help improve each organization she is affiliated with. “For some of the larger organizations I’m involved in, I would seek to improve them by joining any executive or leadership boards,” stated Poirier. “For smaller organizations, it would be getting to know the group better; the advantage of having a small group is that you can become friends and good acquaintances outside of the organizations interests.”

Not only is she personally invested in her organizations, as shows from the creation of the Society of English Cohorts, but she is also involved in many different facets at Pacific. Poirier is always striving to help improve the leadership roles present in all organizations.

Her goal with any position is to improve its abilities and show how much could really be accomplished in said position. These positions, according to Poirier, include “any of the roles where there is room to make magic happen, where the role itself might not have a great description, or where you have the freedom to do a lot.”

After graduation, Poirier hopes to return to Europe (after having spent a semester abroad in France) to continue to teach English and get many opportunities to travel around the globe. She is also considering applying for a Fulbright Scholarship or continuing on to graduate school. In that case, she would start working to save money to make her travel dreams possible.

Someone who has really inspired Poirier is Kathy Richman, a former Pacific professor and mentor to many students. Not only did Richman help her decide on whether or not she wanted to take some French courses, but she also helped in other aspects of life not even related to academics. “She always pushed me to step out of my comfort zone and to strive academically; I miss her a lot,” stated Poirier.

When asked about leadership and what it means to her, Poirier stated that, “I never went to university thinking about leadership; at most, I would have joined an organization and sat quietly in the back, but I think Pacific’s size was really beneficial. I think it is true what they say about being a big fish in a small pond.”

Bhupinder Padda

Bhupinder Padda '13, a biochemistry major who really enjoys the field of science. He has done research in chemistry for over a year now and is currently working on molecular modeling calculations to determine the acidity and basicity of compounds. He is among some of the top students here at Pacific with overall cumulative GPA of 3.73.

However, one of the main attributes that really set Padda apart from other biochemistry majors is his ability to lead and inspire others. One way that Padda is able to achieve this is by working as a workshop leader for organic chemistry. Through this position, Padda works with students who are currently taking organic chemistry and helps them understand the major ideas and concepts. “Though my original intention was to ensure that I did not forget the major concepts in organic chemistry, as I began teaching the workshop sessions, I soon learned that I had a great passion for teaching,” said Padda. “It was a great feeling to help other students as they tried to master the subject that I have a great passion for. Some may consider me to be a leader, but I think of myself as being a mentor. I want to use the experience that I have in organic chemistry - and with school in general - to help other students become successful in their courses.”

Many people have noticed Padda’s exceptional work as a workshop leader and have nothing but positive things to say about his performance. The Department of Chemistry has hired Padda for a second year after he did a superb job as a workshop leader...The students speak very highly of him, as he relates well to students’ stress during organic chemistry and guides them effectively during his assigned workshop periods,” explained Andreas Franz, an associate professor in the Department of Chemistry. “He does so independently and does not receive assistance from faculty or graduate students. He has also been accepted as an intern at Gallo Winery for research in their quality control laboratory. As such, he represents Pacific ‘beyond our gates’ as a current student.”

It is easy to see that Padda exhibits excellent leadership skills and uses them for the benefit of other students. He leads by example and draws from his own experiences to really connect with students who are struggling with organic chemistry.

“To me, a good leader is someone who has great passion for what they do,” explained Padda. “I feel that students are more willing to approach someone who exhibits passion and dedication. A good leader also needs to be someone who can inspire and motivate others. I always try to encourage my workshop students to do their best when learning organic chemistry... I feel that it really helps when they have a leader who has been in the same position that they are in now and understands how they feel... I am also there to reassure them that, though it may be difficult, if I can get through it, they can too.”

One of Padda’s best leadership skills is his humbleness and eagerness to share his knowledge with others. “It is important for me to be a good leader because I want to make sure that I do a great job in facilitating the student’s growth,” Padda stated. “I want to lead by example and hope that my experience can guide others in becoming successful too.”
Brianna Juhrend

School of Engineering and Computer Science

Christiana Oatman

OPINION EDITOR

Brianna Juhrend is a student leader from the School of Engineering and Computer Science. She is a civil engineering major with an emphasis in environmental engineering and is studying through the Engineering Blended Master's program. She has had numerous positions on campus, including president of Theta Tau (the engineering fraternity), a RA, and a member of the sorority, Alpha Phi. She is teaching mathematics and problem solving in the Heyborne Leadership Academy of which she is an alumna. The Heyborne Leadership Academy is a year-long program that meets every Saturday to review and strengthen academic skills, as well as encourage and develop leadership skills. She is in the Honors Program and is a Powell Scholar, a highly prestigious academic merit award that is given to students that are seen as potential future leaders.

"Being a Powell Scholar has given me the resources and support to push myself beyond what even I thought I was capable of," Brianna said in a feature on her on the Pacific website.

Brianna was awarded the Boren Scholarship, a very prestigious scholarship funded by the U.S. Department of Defense. According to a Pacific press release, "It provides up to $20,000 to students who wish to study in areas of the world deemed critical to U.S. security interests and are underrepresented in study abroad programs. Boren allows students to begin study of languages rarely taught at U.S. universities, such as Korean, Bahasa Indonesian, and Swahili. Boren scholars must study abroad for at least a semester, but with the program's increasing competitiveness, applicants who wish to study for a full year have priority. Students studying science, technology, engineering, or math may receive funding for summer language study." Brianna used her scholarship to study in St. Petersburg, Russia this summer.

Brianna attended the Clinton Global Initiative University Conference, and became inspired to start fundraising for The Water Project, an organization that works to provide clean, safe drinking water to people in countries that lack that resource. According to her feature on the Pacific website, providing water supplies to the Third World is one of her passions. Brianna has raised $3,900, and you can donate to her cause at http://thewaterproject.org/community/profile/brianna-juhrend.

In the summer of 2011, Brianna participated in the Tahoe-Baikal Institute's Summer Environmental Exchange (SEE). She, along with 14 other students, went to Lake Tahoe, Mongolia, and Russia for eight weeks to study the ecosystems surrounding major bodies of water in those areas.

"Brianna is the perfect candidate for the Summer Exchange Experience," said Gary Litton, School of Engineering and Computer Science professor of civil engineering, as quoted in the press release when Brianna was accepted to the program. "She possesses a strong academic background in aquatic chemistry, has conducted research on novel waste to energy projects at Pacific, and has extensive experience in promoting cultural understanding and peaceful interactions while serving on two tours with People to People in Europe."

"She is one of our all-time most accomplished students," said Gary R. Martin, the assistant dean of the School of Engineering and Computer Science.

Just last week, Brianna was the featured student speaker for the 1851 Club luncheon, a gathering of alumni who have made extremely generous donations to Pacific. Brianna has represented Pacific at many functions and is a true example of leadership.

Multicultural Greek Council

Christiana Oatman

OPINION EDITOR

The Multicultural Greek Council is made up of five multicultural Greek organizations: Gamma Alpha Omega, Rho Delta Chi, Omega Delta Phi, Xi Chi Sigma, and Delta Sigma Theta. The Council's president is Aline Rodriguez, who is a member of Gamma Alpha Omega.

The Multicultural Greek Council organizes a dance each year and has a Kids for Chips Drive. They have been classified as separate from social Greek organizations, which is inaccurate. This year, they have been working towards having more events and Greek unity with the Inter-Fraternity Council (IFC) and the Panhellenic Council (PHC).

"The MGC encourages community service and philanthropy, support for high academic standards, and developing campus and community leaders," Aline Rodriguez said. Since each of its individual organizations work to develop leadership within the multicultural communities, as well as the campus as a whole, the Multicultural Greeks can be even more efficient leaders coming together as one body.
As a non-traditional student, Melissa Parent ‘14 has proved that you can come back from going “over there” and still do well at home. As an aviation electrician, Parent did five years active duty in the United States Navy, and for the past three years she has served as a knowledge operation manager in the Air Force Reserve while getting her degree.

Parent plans to graduate next year with a double major in political science and English. She is currently the president of the Student Veterans Organization (SVO) at Pacific.

“President of the SVO sort of fell into my lap,” said Parent. “The previous president was graduating, and some one was needed to take over. Being passionate about my fellow veterans, I felt it was an excellent opportunity to help.”

Last weekend, along with fellow veterans from San Joaquin Delta College, Parent helped organize the For Goodness Sake’s 3rd Annual “Muddy Maul & Crawl” to raise funds for Delta College’s “Boots to Books” scholarship fund. All proceeds from this event went to helping veterans pay for their university expenses. “Students of Pacific can help our veterans by supporting us, our various functions, and quite simply remembering we are here,” said Parent. “Veterans are only a few years older than the average student with a lifetime of experience behind them.”

The SVO meets once a month and usually has volunteer opportunities through out the month. To get in contact with the organization, get more involved, or help plan events like the Veterans Day Ceremony, call Parent at (209)886-6780.

Circle K

Kelly Asmus
LIFESTYLES EDITOR

If you are looking for service, leadership, and fellowship, then look no further than Circle K, one of Pacific’s service groups here on campus. Their goal is to, “organize and provide service opportunities to college and university students and to help those in need”. Circle K is a Service Leadership Program sponsored by Kiwanis International, an organization dedicated to “serving the children of the world”.

Circle K is always open to new members and there are no service requirements; each member works with their own schedule, doing the most they can to help their local communities.

What makes this organization different is all the leadership roles that are available; “Circle K is student-led all the way to the top, with executive and appointed positions at every level.” So no matter what your passion - marketing, board membership, or presidency - dedication is rewarded.

“The entire structure of Circle K is designed to encourage, develop, and empower student leaders from all schools, at every level of the organization.”

Not only are there many leadership roles to be filled but many friends to be made. There is so much involvement in many different Circle K groups all throughout California and Nevada that life-long friends are bound to be found.

President Kevin Arthur stated that, “I now have a couch to crash on in every major city in California and Nevada, something I never would have had without Circle K.”

Events are based on members’ interests and include involvement with local communities on and off campus to host events such as; the annual Greek Festival, Expanding Your Horizons, and Saturday P.I.E, which helps children learn the importance of living a healthy lifestyle.

There is no specific skill set necessary to become involved. All you need is a passion for helping others and the time to put into it. President Kevin Arthur stated that, “I now have a couch to crash on in every major city in California and Nevada, something I never would have had without Circle K.”

For more information about Circle K and upcoming events, feel free to stop by the weekly meetings on Mondays at 8:30 p.m. in the Spruce room, or email them at officers@uppcirclek.org.
When it comes to the Pacific Legal Scholars program, most people think of students who are interested in law and are someday going to law school. What they may not know is that this program is dedicated to the promotion of leadership and preparing its student’s for future success. The program focuses on the belief that everybody—regardless of their skill set—can be an effective and inspirational leader.

The Pacific Legal Scholars was created six years ago, and it is now in its fifth year of having student participants. It is a seven-unit program that introduces students to the legal field and prepares them for law school. The program is open to everybody and anybody, and the current members come from all areas of studies, including international studies, engineering, business, English, economics, sociology, and psychology.

The application to the Pacific Legal Scholars program is a rigorous one, and students must not only meet the GPA and SAT score requirements, but must also go through an interview process. It is in the interview process that students are first introduced to the idea of being leaders. Students are asked about goals, and what they want to achieve while they are here at Pacific; from the very beginning, they are considering all the ways in which they can be leaders.

Students come to this program from very diverse interests. All of the students are very bright—they are all go-getters and very interested in a lot of things,” said Cynthia Ostberg, Director of the Pacific Legal Scholars Program and Pre-Law Advisor.

Ostberg teaches a one-unit course that the Pacific Legal Scholars members usually take during their first year at Pacific. One of the biggest focuses of the class is leadership, and it challenges students to consider how they can be better leaders. Students are asked to discuss their role models and sources of inspiration. They also learn how the idea of leadership has been viewed historically and how this idea has evolved over time. One thing that Ostberg stresses is that you don’t have to necessarily be in charge to be a leader; everybody can be a leader, no matter where they are in life.

"I think you can lead in any aspect of a program. You can lead from the middle...you can be a leader even if you’re not the one at the helm articulating things, but you can bring certain skill sets to the table that can be very beneficial to the group and that can be considered leadership.

It’s a very all-encompassing view of leadership,” explained Ostberg. In addition to learning that anybody can be a leader, students learn about the distinguishing characteristics of an effective leadership role. One of the most distinctive attributes of the Pacific Legal Scholars program is their desire and ability to give back to their community, which they accomplish through many different avenues. “Many of our students seriously give back to our community, be it the local community or the greater community,” explained Laurie Lichter-Heath, J.D., LL.M, who is a professor at the Eberhardt School of Business. “Every one of the students that I have personally worked with has actually started up some of our other clubs...that really help the campus and the local community or the greater community.”

Although the focus of the program is to prepare us for law school and also want to insure that we are responsible future leaders, we have learned how to carry out our responsibilities in a professional manner, as we always represent Pacific University in a professional manner. I am very honored and privileged to have the opportunity and potential to be in such an incredible and inspiring program.”

The Pacific Legal Scholars opportunity and potential to be influential members of society—and not only while they are here at Pacific, but also far after they leave. “The individuals...will be our future leaders of tomorrow and will most likely hold various types of prestigious positions in the law,” said Ostberg. “They...have a responsibility to learn about leadership and take an active role in leadership.”
As the schooling period begins to end and the reality of entering the real world stops being a far off future and starts becoming a tangible countdown, many Pacific seniors and juniors experience a feeling of uncertainty of what to do and if they can actually do it. Fortunately, Pacific offers a way to turn that uncertainty into a sense of confidence that students can lead and succeed in the workforce.

Since 2003, the Jacoby Center at Pacific has sponsored the Sacramento Experience Internship Program, a unique way for students to learn valuable leadership skills, gain workplace experience, and network their way to several job opportunities upon graduation. Spearheaded by Pacific professors Robert Benedetti, Executive Director of the Jacoby Center, and George Condon, Sacramento Experience Program Director, this one-semester program takes advantage of the University of the Pacific's immediate proximity to arguably the most influential and powerful area in California, the California state capitol in Sacramento.

When asked about what kind of experiences—networking, leadership, work experience, etc.—students will get from their internships, Dr. Condon responded "all of the above."

"It's an eye-opener," Condon explained. "It's an introduction to the complexity of public service and the making of public policy. I think that some of us, even those with a substantial amount of education in this field, tend to over-simplify some of these things. When you're in the middle of a legislative office, you see people clamoring for ten different things. You see inter-party competition and the crush of bills on the desks of the legislators. The pressures and the complexities of this, I think, are a real education themselves. We call it part of the university's commitment to experiential learning."

"It's an introduction to the real life of an eight-hour work day," Condon admitted, "plus commuting."

Students placed in the Sacramento Experience have made their mark all over the public service and civic leadership sectors. In the ten years of its existence, the Sacramento Experience has placed students in the offices of five different California state assembly members, five different California state senators (in addition to the Senate Rules Committee), as well as the California Chamber of Commerce, Consumer Attorneys of California, the League of Women Voters of California, the Mexican American Legal Defense and Education Fund, National Council of La Raza, the Office of the Attorney General/California Department of Justice, and the office of former California Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger, to name a few of the several dozen places Pacific interns have landed.

"One of our recent students," Condon revealed, "was placed in Governor Schwarzenegger's office. He got really involved in helping out a major conference that the Governor was having. He got deeply involved in the arrangements and registration aspects of the conference. He even got to meet the Governor himself."

Though most of the internships provided by the Sacramento Experience are unpaid, those internships often lead to both paid internships and full-time positions upon graduation.

Veterans of the Sacramento Experience have found success based off their internships. Max Vargas '09 was placed in the office of California Assemblywoman, Cathleen Galgiani, as part of his Sacramento Experience. He immediately landed a job there upon graduation and is now a senior field representative for Galgiani. In addition, Cesar Luna '10 is currently a field representative in Assemblywoman, Alyson Huber's office, where he was placed by the Sacramento Experience.

Because of the work that the Sacramento Experience has done in its decade of existence, Pacific has been growing its reputation in the Sacramento and San Joaquin districts. In the capitol, employers have begun to take notice, as the name "University of the Pacific" now carries a lot more weight than before.

"In the beginning," Condon disclosed, "we really didn't know if the Sacramento Experience would work. We've worked through a couple bugs, and I think that this is now really stable. It is certainly now a very reputable program."

While the greater part of the students who have enrolled in the Sacramento Experience were political science majors, there have been several students that have been admitted and have found success after the program from various other majors, including communication, history, economics, and sociology; there have also been students from the School of International Studies in the program.

"I feel that my internship gave me a great deal of experience, professional contacts, and knowledge about a variety of career paths that are available to me," stated Karla Cortez, a current Pacific senior who was a part of the Sacramento Experience in the spring of 2012.

Cortez, who was placed with the Council of State Governments—West (CSG), a nonprofit, nonpartisan organization created to be a resource for state legislators, believes that the Sacramento Experience helped her greatly in terms of preparation to enter the workforce and the leadership skills necessary to be successful in the real world.

"I would recommend this organization and the Sacramento Experience to any student in order to be prepared to enter the workforce after graduation," Cortez confirmed.

The Sacramento Experience takes place during the spring semester of each school year. The internships, which run from January through April, count as four units. Students will serve full days on Tuesdays and Thursdays in Sacramento. Transportation will be provided. In addition, a two-unit weekly seminar every Tuesday and Thursday is required.

Approximately six to ten of the students who apply to the program are selected each year. Students who are interested must write an essay explaining how an internship provided by the Sacramento Experience fits their personal goals, as well as how they can contribute to where they are placed. Applications are due in the month of October. Any interested students seeking more information can contact Dr. Gondon at his office located at WPC 128 or by his email at gcondon@pacific.edu. Additional information can be found in the Jacoby Center located on the second floor of the Wendell Phillips Center.
Langston Hughes Academy

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University of the Pacific, which has a mission of reaching 'beyond its gates', has achieved its goal yet again with an internship program formed through a partnership with Langston Hughes Academy's Athletic Department. Kevin Pratte '09, Langston Hughes Academy's Athletic Director, explained how ASPIRE did not originally plan for the existence of sports teams at their schools. It is a new and small institution and, as of three years ago, did not have any sports programs to speak of.

"My principal two years ago called me into his office and said we've got to start sports... and the reason we're doing this is we're losing these kids," stated Pratte, who at that time was only a teacher at LHA and not the director of the athletic department. Pratte explained how ASPIRE did not originally plan for the existence of sports teams at their schools, but what was happening at Langston Hughes was that the students—even those who had attended LHA since first and second grades—were transferring to neighboring high schools for their sports programs.

"I pretty quickly found that I needed help kind of desperately if I wanted to run this [LHA Athletic Department] the way I envisioned it, and I just leaned on Pacific's sports sciences department. Then just came a herd of students—never give me problems, they're always polite, and they just do their job—and what is crazy is we're starting to win," continued Pratte, who conveyed how the 15 student interns working for LHA are a fundamental piece of his department.

Internships available through the Langston Hughes Athletic Department can be divided into two areas: coaching a team or working with Pratte as an assistant athletic director. Both provide opportunities for the development of leadership and work experience and are paid positions.

"Collin Grant '13, Javier Ceceres '13, Matt Houlihan '13, and Curran McCauley '13 are the assistant athletic directors which is an important position because what they do is help me run the athletic department. They come twenty hours a week—don't get me wrong, the coaches do a lot too—but I really appreciate that team," commented Pratte.

"I have had a great experience so far because I was immersed in building an athletic department from the ground up and helping out the Stockton community. The kids are very interested in having athletics on campus, and parents love the Pacific involvement. My favorite part of the internship was being able to network with community leaders like Andy Prokop from United Way and also being able to interact with the staff and coaches on a daily basis," shared Curran McCauley, current senior and sports management major, who is also president of the Pacific Sports Management club and a member of the Athletic Marketing Association.

Another huge impact that Pacific students are making at LHA is providing the students with leadership, guidance, and role models. "When I started teaching at Langston Hughes I quickly realized that I could make a difference in this community by helping provide sports to these students. So the staff and student athletes interact and I have witnessed the "positive outcomes" of "leading by example," explained Andy Prokop, president of Stockton United Way.

"Absolutely. My philosophy on leadership is the more dynamic leadership you can get, the better. I also think that everything good in Stockton runs through Pacific, and anytime I can get a Pacific student involved in the athletic department, it's a no brainier," said Prokop.

"Working with high school students is a challenge that all students may want to take up but it is an overall rewarding experience which makes a positive impact on students in our Stockton community," commented Pratte.

"Overall, I've had a good experience coaching at Langston Hughes Academy. Cross country is a tough sport, and it's difficult to motivate the athletes to run their hardest, but the athletes are great and I've enjoyed getting to know them," commented Melissa Hopper '14, head coach of cross country at LHA. Hopper continued saying, "I would recommend this job to others. Coaching is a whole new side of a sport and I think it's helpful to see sports from different perspectives."

Ruben Dominguez '14, a Pacific communications major and sports editor of The Pacifican, described his experience as the boy's assistant soccer coach as fun but challenging. "Last year, we didn't have any seniors so there wasn't a good pull of leadership. Now we've got some seniors on the team, which really helps... so these guys aren't just learning about soccer, they're learning how to lead. We're trying to enforce that as well and develop good habits," explained Dominguez.

"I also enjoy seeing the leaders of the team help teach their teammates and give them hints that will help them improve," added Andrew Meyer '13, head coach for the boy's varsity soccer team. Meyer also recommended interning at LHA "because it has been a great learning experience, but I would warn that it is a big time commitment and at times it can be frustrating."

"Working with high school students is a challenge that all students may want to take up but it is an overall rewarding experience which makes a positive impact on students in our Stockton community, many of whom are first generation students who will attend college. They are a fantastic group of students. We are lucky and blessed to have them on campus. These students fit right into our College for Certain mission, and they are great role models for Langston Hughes students. Go Pacific," commented Dr. Cotton, senior captain of girls' varsity volleyball team at LHA.

"I could not be more proud of this great work done by the athletic staff at Langston Hughes Academy. Every member of the Langston Hughes team is a high achiever in their own way and each member works hard to install their high standards in every student they work with. I have watched the staff and student athletes interact and I have witnessed the "positive outcomes" of "leading by example," explained Andy Prokop, president of Stockton United Way.

"When asked if he was looking forward to more student interns, Pratte replied,"Absolutely. My philosophy on leadership is the more dynamic leadership you can get, the better. I also think that everything good in Stockton runs through Pacific, and anytime I can get a Pacific student involved in the athletic department, it's a no brainier," said Prokop. You are a current Pacific student and are interested in getting involved with LHA, Athletics Director Kevin Pratte asks that you please contact him at his email, Pratte@aspirepublicschools.org."