Condoleezza Rice visiting Pacific in 2013

Condoleezza Rice, former Secretary of State (from 2005-2009) under President George W. Bush, will be speaking at Pacific on March 21, 2013 as part of the Advancing Women's Leadership: "No Ordinary Woman" forum. The event begins at 9 a.m. and will take place in the Alex G. Spanos Center. Proceeds from the event will go to the Women's Resource Center Director, Corrie Leland, as a favor to Ted Leland and to the goals of the forum, she waived her speaker's fees.

The opening speaker is Christy Haubegger, the founder of Latina magazine. To work towards the goal of showcasing women leaders of San Joaquin County, the event will include a panel of local women leaders, including Nikki Lowery, the Junior High Youth Pastor and Director of Women's Ministry at First Baptist Church of Stockton; Tori Verber-Salazar, the Deputy District Attorney for San Joaquin County; and Connie Callahan, a judge on the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit.

"We want to inspire people to realize that leaders are everywhere. From wherever you are, you can affect positive change. No one is ordinary; no matter who you are, you can be the outstanding leader that is needed," Women's Resource Center Director, Corrie Martin, said in reference to the forum’s title.

A group of women in Stockton—Judith Chambers, Connie Callahan and she continues to work in Washington, D.C. She previously served as the Provost of Stanford University, and she continues to work at Stanford today as a Senior Fellow with the Hoover Institution. She graduated from Stanford Phi Beta Kappa. As a favor to Ted Leland and to the goals of the forum, she waived her speaker’s fees.

Butkus Bowl

The Butkus Bowl was a flag football tournament open to both men and women, benefiting the Women's Center.

Tis the season... to get robbed

A series of burglaries, as well as attempted car thefts, occurred on campus on Nov. 15, 2012. The subject was indentified and apprehended for the said incidents. The subject, Nathan Perkins, a twenty-two year old Caucasian male, was booked into county jail; however, he has since been released. Nathan Perkins was the cause of a break in at a Greek house located on campus, where multiple items were stolen.

While Nathan Perkins maybe the current face of a burglar, it should be noted that most public officials stress that there are no distinct or apparent characteristics that identify a burglar. Burglars and car thieves can come in all ages, ethnicities and genders. So while this photo of Nathan Perkins is helpful in keeping him off campus, it in no way should be a way to stereotype criminals, and students should continue to report thefts on campus.

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Mrs. Weasley’s Gift Drive

Deyanira Monreal
STAFF WRITER

As the semester is coming to an end, it’s definitely been a hectic few days for most of us students at Pacific. With finals, research reports, group projects, and all sorts of other deadlines approaching, it seems that winter break and all the holiday festivities couldn’t come any sooner.

In the spirit of promoting good holiday cheer and in efforts to help the less fortunate have a better season, Pacific’s own Dumbledore’s Army has united forces with Big Brothers Big Sisters. This Saturday, Dec. 8, Dumbledore’s Army will be hosting Mrs. Weasley’s Gift Drive from 1:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. in the Grace Covell Hall and is inviting any and all willing to lend a helping hand.

For those of you Glee fans, more specifically any Blaine “Warbler” Anderson lovers, if you stop by the gift drive, chances are you’ll have the opportunity to watch Darren Criss star in “A Very Potter Musical”. If you haven’t already seen it, it’s a comedic musical following Harry Potter and his friends’ quest to destroy the evil horcruxes ‘he who must not be named’ has left hidden behind.

Refreshments will be provided; following the musical at 2 p.m., for those of you that enjoy the holiday music and stick around long enough, you can hear Pacific’s A Capella Optimists perform some uplifting seasonal carols that will hopefully carry our spirits high throughout these last days of the semester. If you are interested in helping out, they ask that donations be brought to Grace unwrapped. They are looking for gender neutral gifts for ages 8 to 18.

Don’t know what to give? Perhaps you could spare enough for a good book and $5 gift card from Starbucks, or perhaps a candy bar and prepaid movie ticket (only $7.50 at the front desk in the UCJ), board games, stationary sets, and DVDs are also a few frugal gift options.

Are you low on funds but still want to help? There are many low cost but thoughtful gifts you could easily put together or even make yourself. With the help of websites and apps like Pinterest and blog pages dedicated to DIY gifts, it’s really simple to find cool ideas to make your own gift and make it even more personalized.

It is highly encouraged that you to help this cause and donate a present to the Mrs. Weasley Gift Drive, it is imagine the smile on the face of the boy or girl who opens your gift and take joy in having made someone day that much better.

Let’s end this semester with good grades and good deeds. GOOD LUCK to you all.

Condoleezza Rice addresses the Republican National Convention in Tampa, Fla. on Aug. 29, 2012.

AP Photo/J. Scott Applewhite

Condoleezza Rice to lecture at Pacific

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and Kathleen Lagorio-Jannsen—have won an award from the nonprofit, Athena International, came together last year and wanted to revive a tradition of conferences in Stockton to encourage and discuss women's leadership. They approached then-Vice President of External Relations, Ted Leland, who agreed to host the conference on Pacific's campus.

There will be a competitive audition and application process for students to introduce Rice before she speaks at the event. The auditions will happen in January. For more information on this, please contact Corrie Martin. The event organizers are still looking for businesses and individuals to sponsor the forum. There are sponsor packages ranging from $10,000 to $15,000. For more information on how to sponsor the event, please contact Jennifer Torres Siders.

The safety of students is a priority to the University of Pacific, and the school will continue to work with public safety to further increase the well-being of its student body. University police have worked tirelessly to continue maintaining student safety and has done an amazing job in apprehending the criminals responsible for the crimes committed. University PD is always available, and Public Safety is located below Cowell Wellness Center.

If you see Nathan Perkins on campus, or any suspicious subjects, report them to Public Safety at 209-946-3911.

Campus burglaries

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suspicious behavior.

Public Safety is advising to secure your offices and rooms when they are not being occupied. Here are a few more safety tips to further decrease the possibility of losing valuable items: Check and lock windows and doors. Keep all valuable items out of sight and lock all expensive electronics inside a desk or other secure location. Make sure your vehicle is locked and alarm is set. Do not leave any valuable items lying around in clear sight. Call Public Safety for actions that may warrant possible suspicious behavior.
The wonders of science

Karla Cortez
NEWS EDITOR

University of the Pacific will be hosting its third annual Faraday Lecture this Sunday, Dec. 9 at the Alex G. Spanos Sports Center from 6:30 p.m. to 8 p.m. to entertain children with the magic of science. Honoring a tradition which began in the 18th century at the Royal Institution, two professors from Pacific’s Chemistry Department will dress in garb of 19th century chemists while performing entertaining experiments for children and families.

The tradition has been copied from Great Britain’s Christmas Lecture, founded by Michael Faraday and hosted by the Royal Institution, which has been offering a science lecture to the children of London since 1825. The purpose of this Victorian-era Christmas traditions is to show young children the wonders of science from a young age to encourage their interests.

Professors Balint Sztaray and Liang Xue will be performing colorful, explosive, fiery and generally fun science experiments for the pleasure of all children and families who are welcome to attend. Following each experiment will be an explanation by the professors who will let the children and their parents know which experiments are safe to do at home. The event will also include a surprise visit from Powercat.

The event is free and open to all members of the community who obtain tickets, which are available at Pacific’s Box office, next to the Long Theatre on Pacific’s campus. You can contact the box office at, 209.946.2867 for more information. Admission is limited to the first 1000 people who arrive.

First Beta Bowl a success

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Eleven men’s teams and eight women’s teams registered for the event, ranging from groups of professional and social Greek organizations, to residence halls, and groups of friends. Raffle tickets and drinks were sold on site; sign-up sheets were also made available to individuals who wished to volunteer for WCYFS.

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“The tournament was pretty tight. Our team made it to overtime in the second game. It was a good time; we will event with a group of friends. The proceeds of the event which charged a ten dollar registration fee, will go towards Beta Theta Pi’s philanthropic goal of raising awareness of the topic of domestic violence, rape and youth issues in the San Joaquin community.

Burglary

Southwest Hall, Nov. 26
A victim reported that his laptop and cash had been stolen from his possibly unlocked room. The victim’s roommate also reported his printer and cash stolen from the room. An officer initiated a report.

Auto Burglary

Parking Lot 6, Nov. 27
A victim reported that her vehicle had been burglarized and that her laptop had been stolen out of the trunk. An officer responded and initiated a report.

Auto Burglary Attempt

Parking Lot 3, Nov. 29
An officer responded to the report of vandalism occurring between 15th & 28th streets. The officer reported that a vehicle’s driver’s side door handle had been pried open. The officer then initiated a report. This may be related to previous incidents where a suspect was taken into custody.

For more information or to access the full weekly report please visit: http://www.pacific.edu/Campus-Life/Safety-and-Conduct/Public-Safety-and-Services/Crime-Statistics/Crime-on-Campus/2012-Weekly-Incident-Log.html
Comparing campus traditions

Christiana Oatman
OPINION EDITOR

Change is sometimes difficult and laborious, and sometimes it is exciting and fresh. This year, a major change was made to how Pacific celebrates the holidays that is both difficult and exciting. Earlier this semester, President Elbeck announced that the former Festival of Lights would be replaced by the Holiday ROAR. The first Holiday ROAR happened last Tuesday, Nov. 27.

The Festival of Lights was an event held in previous years that began in Morris Chapel with a service that celebrated religious winter holidays. Participants celebrated by singing songs, reading passages and saying prayers from various faiths, and the university chaplain led the service. Participants held candles and continued to carry them as light to the University Center, where they gathered to watch President Elbeck light the Christmas tree and to socialize with a free pancake breakfast in the university ballroom. The event went on to members of the community, as well as faculty, staff and students at Pacific.

The Holiday ROAR was not just an event one night, but an ongoing book drive for children in the community. ROAR references not just Pacific’s mascot, the tiger, but stands for “Reach Out and Read.” Beginning Oct. 22, people could donate books to the University Center, where a bookshelf, a wagon and other items that could hold many books were assembled. Last Tuesday, the Pacific community and people from the Stockton area gathered for food, wine and music as well as a Christmas tree lighting, a chance to see Santa Claus, fake snow and balloon animals. There was also an “ugliest Christmas sweater contest,” a giant gingerbread house and a reading nook where someone read books aloud to the children who attended. At the end of the night, the books from the book drive were counted and gathered.

People donated over three thousand books by the end of the night.

I attended both events; I went to the Holiday ROAR this year, and I went to the Festival of Lights my freshman year in Dec. 2009. I have really great memories from both events because I had a chance to take a break from the overwhelming amount of academic work due at the end of the semester, and I was able to socialize with people from Pacific, oftentimes peo-

Encouraging extraordinary women to lead

Christiana Oatman
OPINION EDITOR

Next semester, Pacific will host one of the most famous and exciting speakers we’ve ever had. The former Secretary of State, Condoleezza Rice, will be speaking at the Advancing Women’s Leadership: “No Ordinary Woman” forum on March 21, 2013 in the Alex G. Spanos Center.

Rice graciously accepted the invitation to speak at an event that honors not just her, but women leaders throughout the nation and throughout the world. She is a great model of a woman leader; she was only the second female Secretary of State, after Madeleine Albright during the Clinton administration. She remains the only woman of color to serve in the position in American history. She remains the controversy for her work representing the United States to the world during the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan, which were very unpopular with world leaders and, over time, the American public.

However, Rice will represent more than just herself and her numerous accomplishments at this event. She will represent and speak up for hundreds of women who serve as leaders in a large variety of capacities. Women’s leadership is valued because, historically, women have been relegated into very specific, private roles.

Prior to the passage of the Nineteenth Amendment in 1920, the amendment of the Constitution that allowed women to vote, many argued that women should not vote because they should remain in the “private sphere.” Instead of participating in the “public sphere,” in which they would be able to discuss and learn about politics, law, international affairs, and/or earn a living, they had to decorate and clean a home to raise a family in. Even long after women earned the right to vote, this mindset remained in our American tradition with such stereotypes as the “1950s housewife.”

Because of this history, many women have not been encouraged to become public leaders. Some are uncomfortable or afraid. Being a leader, no matter what gender you are, can be frightening. I have been lucky enough to have the opportunity to be a leader on this campus through being an editor of The Pacifican and president of different student organizations. I know the pros and cons of being a leader firsthand. As the movie quote goes, “with great power comes great responsibility. In my leadership capacities I have made many mistakes and sometimes have many regrets. Instead of learning how to tell people what to do, I found myself having to learn to listen—and listen carefully fully—to what my members wanted to say. I am grateful for my experiences as a leader, and I am proud of the work I do and the people I have worked with.”
New holiday traditions

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The holiday ROAR book drive has brought to our campus a new spirit of hope and joy. The event was much more family-oriented than the book drive and the activities offered at the Festival of Lights. Many Pacific students have fond memories of celebrating their winter holidays as children, and it is infinitely an exciting time of the year for the elementary school demographic. I enjoyed seeing children have a great time on our campus—which is not always the most child-friendly place—and see Pacific be overwhelmingly generous towards the children in our area who do not always have as much access to books as Pacific students do.

However, when I went to the event, I saw a lot fewer Pacific students than I remember seeing at the Festival of Lights. In fact, it seemed like the attendance was almost entirely community members and professors with their families. While there was a brief discussion about the diversity of holidays in the UC, the emphasis on lights and seeing more Pacific students attend such a major university event. Similarly, as mentioned earlier, there are very few opportunities in which families and children are actively encouraged to come to Pacific’s campus. Seeing children have such a great time on our campus last week was something new and something that should continue. While I miss aspects of the Festival of Lights, I do enjoy a lot of the benefits that the Holiday ROAR has to offer. However, I hope that Pacific administration takes some of the losses that eliminating Festival of Lights has brought to our campus mind in organizing Holiday ROAR and other winter events next year.

Congratulations
Drew Jones
on being Writer of the Month in November!
Thanks for all your hard work!
Upcoming student events

**Thursday, Dec. 6**
COP Dean Candidates Open Faculty Forum
noon
Biological Sciences Center, Lecture Hall 101

Education Abroad Information Session
noon - 1 p.m.
Bechtel International Center

**Friday, Dec. 7**
3rd Annual Christmas Art Sale
10 a.m. - 6 p.m.
DeRosa University Center

OCI Loves Fudge!
5:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.
Center for Community Improvement

Holiday Follies, with a visit to the home of the Sugar Plum Fairy
7:30 p.m. - 10 p.m.
Long Theatre

Tiger Nights: Destress Fest
8 p.m. - 12 a.m.
DeRosa University Center

**Saturday, Dec. 8**
Mrs. Weasly's Gift Drive
11 a.m. - 3 p.m.
Grace Covell Banquet Hall

**Sunday, Dec. 9**
Third Annual Christman Faraday Lecture
6 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.
lex G. Spanos Sports Center

**Monday, Dec. 10**
Stitch 'n b****
11 a.m. - noon
Women's Resource Center

**Tuesday, Dec. 11**
Dean Candidates Open Faculty Forum
noon
Presidents Room

**Thursday, Dec. 13**
Eating Healthy on a Budget!
Tame Your Inner Tiger!
Friday, Dec. 14
Last day of finals for undergraduates!

**Sunday, Dec. 16**
Stockton Holiday Mini-con
10 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Alex G. Spanos Sports Center

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**LIFESTYLES**

**Bubbly on a budget: How to find the best champagne this holiday**

Natalie B. Compton
SOCIAL MEDIA COORDINATER

Tis the season to be jolly, and what could be more jolly than sipping on some champagne? Shopping for a good bottle of champagne can be tricky for the frugal. As students, most of us do not have the luxury of downing Dom Perignon. Fortunately, it is possible to find bubbly for a bargain without sacrificing quality or taste.

Cue wine expert David Glancy, CEO of the San Francisco Wine School. According to the school's website, Glancy is one of only 12 people in the world to pass both the Court of Master Sommeliers' Master exam and the Society of Wine Educators Certified Wine Educator exam. The man knows his wine.

Glancy's assures that it is possible to get a great product for $10-15 a bottle. His first tip for the fiscally minded was to consider regions outside of Champagne, France to find sparkling wine unless you specifically want champagne.

Although most people refer to sparkling wine as champagne, the term champagne only encompasses sparkling white wine from the Champagne region of France. As far as deals go, discover the joys of sparkling white wine from other parts of the globe.

"There are regions that provide great value outside of Champagne, certainly sparkling wine from Burgundy labeled as Bremant de Bourgogne. That's one of my favorite value areas," Glancy says.

Louis Boillot is his top pick for a budget-friendly Bremant de Bourgogne.

Glancy also recommends looking for sparkling wine from the Cava region of Spain and Tasmania, an island state of Southern Australia.

"Tasmania is actually a great, cool climate which is the right place for making sparkling wine," Glancy says. "It's economical, because they are not well known, the prices aren't particularly high. These producers specialize in sparkling wine."

For great Tasmanian products, try producers Janz or Taltarni. Cava, Spain is another often-overlooked producer of sparkling wine. According to the Wine Guide 2013 by the editors of Food & Wine Magazine, Spain is a great place to look for bubbly.

"Spain is one of the most exciting - and disparate - wine-producing countries on the planet," the Wine Guide says. "Its bottles range from some of the greatest values in the world to some of the most expensive."

André Tamers is the owner of De Maison, an importing company that specializes in unique, high-quality boutique wines from Spain and France. He knows the wine business inside and out. Tamers suggests finding a good wine retailer to recommend sparkling wine purchases.

"Students or people who are starting to drink sparkling wine on a regular basis should develop a relationship with someone who is trustworthy and has a good selection," he says.

For those in the wine industry, professionals look to the label to see what is importing the product. In the United States, there are ten top importers who have their names on the backs of the labels. Tamers recognizes

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Kelly Asmus
LIFESTYLES EDITOR

Swamped with papers? Studying non-stop for a test? Well, close the computer and put away the pens. Come out for De-Stress Fest this Friday from 8 p.m. to midnight. This is the last Tiger Nights for the year, so don't miss out.

This event is to give students a break from studying and stressing over finals by providing fun activities to help burn off steam. All the services provided at the event are free for Pacific students. There services include: an oxygen bar, Krispy Kreme donuts, yoga classes, a tea and hot coco bar, professional massages and manicures, and most of all, snow! Those that are early could also be going home with their own massager.

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Tiger Nights: De-stress Fest

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You can walk away with one of these massages at Destress Fest.
The extraordinary *Life of Pi*

**Ruben Dominguez**
SPORTS EDITOR

Before its release, Ang Lee’s *Life of Pi* created quite a stir. Many praised the film, calling it a visual and story-telling masterpiece. Some believed the film used too many visual effects to be considered worthy of praise. Others questioned whether Lee had finally gone too far, making a film that leaves its viewers confused.

Adapted from the 2001 novel of the same name by Yann Martel, the story follows Piscine Molitor “Pi” Patel (who was named after a French swimming pool) as he recounts his tale of adventure, struggle, and spirituality. Pi has as diverse a faith as Lee has in filmmography (Lee’s directorial credits include Sense and Sensibility, Crouching Tiger, Hidden Dragon, Hulk, and Brokeback Mountain).

Growing up in India and raised in a zoo, Pi is raised Hindu and vegetarian. However, he comes to discover Christianity and Islam, beginning to follow all three religions at once. Later on, he describes himself as a Catholic-Hindu who teaches Kabbalah at the university. His spirituality, as well as his sanity and ability to survive, are tested by the harrowing experience he retells.

When Pi is sixteen years old, his father announces that the family is moving to Canada due to political unrest in India and will depart with the animals via a cargo ship named the *Tsimtsum*. However, a storm hits, causing the boat to sink, taking Pi’s family and most of the animals with it. Stranded in the middle of the Pacific Ocean on a lifeboat, Pi must find a way to survive the conditions and Richard Parker, the zoo’s Bengal tiger which has haunted Pi since he was a child. The tiger is the only other survivor. Through Pi’s 227 days at sea, he must learn to live with a wild tiger and survive at sea (even if it means eating meat), all while questioning God, his spirituality, and life as he knows it due to what has happened.

To get the obvious out of the way, quite simply, the visual imagery is absolutely awe-inspiring. Lee creates powerful, stunning pictures that will take your breath away (the shot of the underwater cargo ship was the most prevailing image of them all). Using the water as both a canvas and portal, Lee illustrates that Pi and Richard Parker are the only ones for miles, creating a sense of loneliness and depth of the situation. However, as seen through such films as Avatar, visuals alone won’t nab any awards. Well, except for Best Visual Effects.

The story is incredibly powerful. Lee takes a provocative look at religion, faith, and spirituality as the same and as three different entities. The struggle in the Pacific Ocean takes the audience deep inside Pi’s mind as he battles the elements both at sea and in the lifeboat. Throughout his days at sea, Pi tries to maintain his faith(s), searching for God among the waves, skies, and storms. The powerful story combined with the equally powerful visual effects ultimately produces a film worthy of consideration for Best Picture.

This is not to say that *Life of Pi* does not have its light-hearted moments. There is plenty of humor in the story, though not enough to dilute the final product. With a final plot twist (not the one you think) that would make Christopher Nolan or M. Night Shyamalan blush, *Life of Pi* shines brightly in this holiday movie season. *Life of Pi* will be a prominent feature at the Academy Awards, and it deserves to be. This is a movie that will be remembered and done that deserves to be seen on the big screen.

*Life of Pi* is still in theaters nationwide. When it eventually comes to the Janet Leigh, you can count this writer among those that will be there to see it.

A professor and award winning chef

**Kelly Asmus**
LIFESTYLES EDITOR

Congratulations to Professor Ken Albala from the history department for winning the Gourmand World Cookbook Award for Best Foreign Cuisine Book for his textbook, *Three World Cuisines: Italian, Mexican, Chinese*.

The Amazon summary states that, “Readers are taken on a fascinating journey of discovery, where the background story of mis-transmission, adaptation, and evolution of cooking as it spreads around the globe with trade and immigration is revealed.” It is always great when one of our own professors is recognized for their hard work and dedication.

The how to’s of buying champagne

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*m&m* advises as the insiders do. “In the industry, experts tend to follow specific importers who bring in products,” Tamers says. “Once you start following those people, you can get a good sense of quality that they are bringing in.”

Some of the top importers in California include Kermit Lynch and Charles Neal. “Start looking at back labels and looking at who these guys are,” Tamers says. “Go on their websites and see what they are bringing in and what their products are all about.”

Like Glancy, Tamers also offers cava as an affordable sparkling wine choice. He suggests Llopart or Cava Sauvignon, his company’s best selling product.

“It’s one of the finest cavas we import. It’s an exceptionally good value that is as good as 95 percent of champagnes available on the market,” Tamers says. Visit demaisonselec­tions.com to learn more about Cava Sauvignon, as well as Tamers’ other products.

Whether you want to sip or gift sparkling wine this holiday season, remember that you don’t have to break the bank for a good bottle (or settle for Cook’s either). Be a smart shopper and think globally, meet your local wine retailers, and find out who’s importing what to find the best bubbly for your buck. Cheers!

Five Holiday Sparkling Wines Under $16 by **bon appetit**

- Avinyo Cava Brut NV, $16-$18
- Drusian Prosecco di Valdobbiadene Extra-Dry NV, $16
- Bertrand Ambroise Cremant de Bourgogne NV, $18
- Domaine des Baumard Cremant de Loire “Champagne” NV, $16
- Lini 910 “Labrusca” Lambrusco Reggiano Rosato NV, $15

Bon Appetit

Here’s a few selections for this holiday season:

**G.I.V.E. Groups Involved in Voluntary Efforts**

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A record amount of organizations are participating in the G.I.V.E. Competition (Groups Involved in Voluntary Efforts), and out of the 20 organizations competing, we have listed the TOP 5. Keep up the hard work, and remember, it’s always the season of G.I.V.E-ing!

**Micaela Todd**
Tips and tricks to making the most of your winter break

Kelly Asmus
LIFESTYLES EDITOR

So the semester is coming to an end, and you cannot wait until winter break begins, but what exactly are you planning on doing for those three magical, school free weeks? Well, too many students end up wasting their time just sitting around watching TV or sleeping more than they ever thought imaginable, but is that really the best use of this time? How about trying to take advantage of winter break? Here are a few ideas to get the ball rolling.

Road Trip. There is defiantly an appeal to getting in a car with a few friends and driving off to an adventure. Whether it's a beach down south or a cool mountainside to ski down, or even playing tourist in a nearby city for a day, the change of scenery, and the experience, are well worth it.

Visit your friends or siblings. Most college students have a friend or a sibling in college too, so why not go and give them a visit? Their college could be just the kind of adventure you are looking for. Have them show you all the great things their school has to offer and maybe see some cool similarities between their school and Pacific. Who knows, if you have been feeling bad for not seeing a good friend from high school in a while, this may be the perfect opportunity to rekindle your friendship.

Theme parks and museums. Who really has the time during the semester to go out and spend a whole day appreciating art or screaming their head off on the Medusa? With the break, now you have the time, so why not get out and keep off the couch?

Be productive. Whether you find a part-time holiday job, volunteer, or get an internship, taking the time to appreciate art or screaming their head off on the Medusa? With the break, now you have the time, so why not get out and keep off the couch?

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Sports

Pacific's fall sports season comes to an end

The Tigers started their final year in the Big West with wins, upsets, and history.

Drew Jones
STAFF WRITER

As the leaves continue to fall, and the temperature continues to drop, Pacific sports have wrapped up each of their fall seasons and are looking forward to what the next year’s seasons may bring. Needless to say, each sport—men’s water polo, women’s volleyball, women’s soccer, women’s field hockey, and women’s cross country—competed at a great level and improved greatly over the course of the fall season.

Completing the season above .500 with an overall record of 13-12, the men’s water polo team splashed their way into some well-earned victories. They began their season participating in various tournaments at other California schools and truly put Pacific on the map, beating both Long Beach State and Cal at the UC Santa Barbara SoCal Tournament 11-10 and 10-9, respectively. Ultimately they finished sixth in the tournament, the best placement in this tournament since 2006. Remarkably, this was also the first time Pacific has beaten the Bears since 1999.

On Oct. 5, the first home night game in program history (a 16-7 win over UC Davis) was played under the newly-constructed lights at Kjeldsen pool. Throughout the rest of the season, Pacific had several glorious wins but also a few close losses, ultimately completing the fall season at the MPSF Tournament at USC. For his outstanding season, junior Balazs Erdelyi was named the 2012 MPSF Player of the Year, becoming the first Tiger in program history to win the coveted award.

Women’s soccer suffered many tough losses throughout this fall season, achieving only three wins out of the 18 scheduled match-ups. They unfortunately placed last in this year’s Big West standings, but they earned a few noteworthy wins against Oregon, Arizona, and St. Mary’s College this year. Even though Pacific experienced a not-so-great season, they proved to be worthy competitors with the majority of their games being extremely close. Ending the season with a 3-14-1 record, Pacific looks forward to next year’s match-ups in the West Coast Conference.

The women’s field hockey team also underwent a pretty tough season, facing off against a multitude of competitive teams. Playing all close games as well, Pacific won a total of five games this season and ended up finishing last in the Western Division of the Northern Pacific Field Hockey Conference. Notably, Pacific bounced back from a tough 5-0 loss against Cal and beat them 2-1 only two days later. Unfortunately, the win against Cal could not catapult them into a higher position in the NorPac standings, but they continued to be worthy competitors against their end of the season match-ups.

Junior Kevin Oliveira (behind, left) and freshman Casey Fleming (middle) had impressive seasons as well. The men’s water polo team had an outstanding season, with junior Balazs Erdelyi (left, 9) winning the first MPSF Player of the Year award in school history. Freshman Aleksandar Petrovic (right, 2) was a MPSF honorable mention.

The Tigers started their final year in the Big West with wins, upsets, and history.

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Exercise and escape the holiday weight gain

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The holiday season has finally arrived, and winter break is just right around the corner. After a busy semester, it sure will be nice to have some extra time to relax and take a load off. Especially having those home-cooked meals after sufficing the UC food these last couple of months. Although Santa Claus and a turkey are common symbols of the holiday season, the body shapes of these holiday “celebrities” may not be quite the look you’re going for. But between gravy, miscellaneous baked goods, airplane trips, long car rides and back-to-back football games on TV, there are lots of excuses to wind up looking like a butterball on January ist. But no need to worry, you can dodge the holiday weight gain with just a little motivation and extra caution.

While taking advantage of being home for a change, do not fall into the habit of being a couch potato! I know how hard it is to stay away from the football game while snacking on junk food and enjoying a beer or two, but that is where you may run into trouble if it becomes too common. My advice is to enjoy your relaxation, but stay active in between! Go for a walk around your neighborhood or the park and even take the dog or whatever animal you may have. Use that dusty bike that has been in the garage since high school and put it to use again. If you have a preferable workout or exercise, it’s tempting to ditch it as your days fill up with holiday preparations, parties and errands, but now is the time to exercise because it will help you deal with added stress and give you energy for everything you need to accomplish.

If you’re not the biggest outdoorsy person, there are gaming systems like the Wii and Xbox Kinect that are great ways to stay at home with the family, actually be active, and have a fun time doing it all at once! I personally love the Just Dance 1, 2, or 3. It is an awesome calorie burner that puts you to work while you have a great time with your friends. If you don’t have one of these, ask Santa to bring you one for Christmas!

Sadly, this does not count as holiday exercise.
Happy Holidays

12 Tiger Lofts
11 Quirky Managers
10 Delicious Appetizers
9 Month Academic Leases
8 Amazing Front Desk Agents
7 Days of Great Food @ Delta Bistro
6 Penthouses
5 Great Floor plans
4 Fabulous Lofts Office Agents
3 Pool Tables
2 Ping Pong Tables
1 AWESOME PLACE!!!
Women’s basketball wins, improves to 7-0

Ruben Dominguez
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The Pacific Tigers continued their historic start on Monday, using a strong second half to defeat San Jose State 74-60, winning the first game of a four-game road trip and improving to 7-0 for the first time in team history.

They did so thanks to help from the entire roster (11 of the 12 Pacific players scored). Sophomore Kendall Kenyon (10 points, career-high 15 rebounds) and senior Ashley Wakefield (11 points, 10 rebounds) each posted double-doubles.

Junior Gena Johnson led the Tigers with 14 points, while Senior Kendall Rodriguez chipped in 12 points. Senior Erica McKenzie, the only starter to not hit double digits, led Pacific with six assists.

Rodriguez’s first three-pointer gave Pacific a 7-6 lead. Her second three-pointer capped a 13-2 Tiger run, putting Pacific up 17-8 just over five minutes into the first half. The Spartans would chip away at the Tiger lead, cutting the deficit to 32-28 with 2:40 to go in the half. A three-pointer by McKenzie stifled San Jose State’s run, and Pacific went into halftime with a 37-32 lead.

The second half proved to be the difference, as a Wakefield layup capped a 17-6 run to begin the second half. Pacific continued to use its advantage in the paint, out-rebounding the Spartans 34-12 in the second half. The Tiger defense held stout, as Pacific pulled away for the road victory.

The Tigers will next face their toughest portion of the schedule. The middle of the team’s four-game road trip will see Pacific do battle with top SEC contender Florida on Friday, Dec. 7 at 4 p.m. That will be a rematch of last season’s close 78-73 Pacific victory at the Spanos Center.

Eight days later, on Dec. 15, Pacific will venture to Maples Pavilion for a showdown with undefeated, No. 1 Stanford. The clash will begin at 7 p.m.

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this year, and selected players participated in the last 20. Without any seniors, Pacific still proved to be a dominant, competitive team within the Big West Conference. After running in the Big West Championship tournament, four freshmen were selected to represent Pacific in the NCAA Western Regional tournament in Seattle, Wash. Lindsay Wourms ’16, Becky Grabow ’16, Mia Knipper ’16, and Lauren Nakaso ’16 pushed through the 6,000 meter course and wrapped up their fall season in Seattle.

Dominating on the court, women’s volleyball capped off their season with an overall record of 20-11 and a conference record of 8-10. Pacific proved to be quite dominant, winning nine of their first team games on the season and bringing home two out of three tournament titles. Pacific ended up finishing seventh out of the 10 teams in the Big West, and two players dug out All-Conference honors. Middle blocker Gillian Howard ’15 received All-Big West First Team and opposite hitter Kat Schulz ’16 received honorable mention and All-Freshmen honors for their blocking talent.

Additionally, a few spring sports participated in some fall competition. Men’s tennis went around the state competing in various tournaments. The best was at home, where senior Alex Golding and sophomore Eric Cederwall won consolation brackets and sophomore Ben Mirkin made the tournament final. Sophomore Georgina Boncheva represented women’s tennis by reaching the final of the Bulldog Classic, while freshman Christiana Ferari was honored by the Stockton Athletic Hall of Fame. After beginning the fall in Tokyo, Japan, the men’s golf team came just short of another Pacific Invitational title on Halloween.

With the fall season now over, Pacific gives a farewell to all the talented seniors. Pacific says goodbye to water polo players: Balaza Szabo and Goran Tomasevic; soccer players: Kayla Villalpando, Lauren Hernandez, Lauren Olvera, and Kortney Agleppa; field hockey players: Samantha Romero, Doreen Stern, Jenna Vivian, Dinah Compton, Emily Trudea, and Ashley Schlesier; and volleyball players: Koala Matsuoka, Hannah Clancy, and Gabby Cowden.

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When it comes to Rocky Mountain Cold Coors Light, play it smart. Wait until you’re 21.