Profile Day: A Success

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LAYOUT EDITOR

Last Saturday, March 31st, University of the Pacific hosted Profile Day for accepted prospective students to explore the Stockton campus and learn more about the academic and social opportunities of going to Pacific.

"I think the event was very successful. We had almost 1500 total people here, and even with the rain, it didn't detour people from coming," said Rich Toledo, Director of Admissions.

The weather caused some changes in the usual Profile Day schedule, as the lunch and club information tables were moved into the Alex G. Spanos Center rather than on the DeRosa University Center Lawn and Baxter Walkway. Admissions provided ponchos and umbrellas for prospective students and their families.

"This is an exciting event because we are recruiting students, and I was really happy with the welcome session and that the President set the tone...We are hoping that we have 925 students confirmed," said Toledo.

Profile Day began with Pacific President Pamela A. Eibeck giving an overview of life at Pacific, followed by an opportunity for prospective students and their parents to go on tours of the campus or go to academic sessions focusing on specific majors and programs.

"This is the largest turnout that we have in any of the departments except for biology, which is not beating us by much. I am also really excited to tell you that these are the most...academically talented students that we have ever offered admission to, in terms of prospective political science students," said Brian Klunk, Chair of the Political Science Department.

Professor Klunk explained that one of the benefits of attending Pacific for students within the Political Science Department is the opportunity to specialize the program to fit individual student interests.

These sessions were conducted in all fields of study that Pacific offers and gave prospective students and their families the opportunity to ask questions in small group sessions.

Later in the day, lunch was provide in the Spanos Center while clubs and organizations were able to speak with prospective students about all the opportunities both socially and academically that Pacific provides.

"It's been great seeing the new students come out and it brings me back to old times when I came to Profile Day," said Katie Uhllhorn, C.O. 2014, who works for the Admissions Department.

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CCl's 81st Annual Strawberry Breakfast

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Join the Center for Community Involvement (CCI) at the end of this month to celebrate one of Stockton's oldest annual fundraisers – The Annual Strawberry Breakfast Sunday. The event will take place on April 29th, 2012 from 8:30AM to 12:30PM at Pacific's President's Room.

The Strawberry Breakfast started 81 years ago as a fundraiser to support efforts at the Anderson YMCA, which has served the Stockton Community since 1879. "Over time the University of the Pacific annexed the Anderson Y and continued its tradition of connecting Pacific students with the Stockton community through tutoring and community service," explains Gabriel Chaparro, Graduate Assistant of the CCI and Strawberry Breakfast coordinator.

"Breakfast includes frittata, meat and no meat options, freshly baked scones (which are REALLY good!), jam made by some of our own Pacific students, coffee, juice, and fresh strawberries straight from local fields," explains Chaparro on what can be expected at the event. Also available for purchasing will be scone mix, jars of jam, gift baskets and "I love Stockton" t-shirts. New this year, the CCI will also be selling mimosa's with breakfast and Chaparro hopes the new addition will be a "hit" this month.

The Strawberry Breakfast is one of the CCI's largest fundraisers and source of support. Proceeds generated through the event benefit local students through scholarships for tutoring programs offered at the CCI. Chaparro hopes to draw out a big crowd this year as he recognizes that the current economic situations have proven challenging for many.

"This year we are finding that tutoring has become less accessible for more people. A strong showing could really help a lot of people in these tougher times," comments Chaparro. For those who are interested in attending the event, tickets can be bought now at the CCI or by calling (209) 946-2015. Prices are $10 for adults and $8 for students.

"I am excited about The Strawberry Breakfast. Planning efforts have started as far back as December of last year. A lot of wonderful people are on board and we are looking for even more volunteers to help us out on April 29th," concludes Chaparro on the event. Students who are interested in getting involved can find volunteer opportunities at www.pacific.edu/reachout. "We encourage everyone to come out and be a part of this great event! It is going to be a wonderful day full of food, music, and fun!"

Library Showcases New Research Search Engine

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Friday, March 30th, the University of the Pacific Dean's Library Think Tank held an event to showcase the new research search engine, POUNCE.

POUNCE is, as you know, a Google-wide Web searching engine that is super powerful and searches what the library has of information for you," said C. Brigid Welch, Dean of the Library.

POUNCE is lead by the Assistant Dean of the Library, Mary Carmen Chimato. The library staff conducted the launch party for POUNCE by first holding a surprise flash mob to the song "Jump on it" by Sir Mix-a-Lot in the computer section of the library, followed by an introduction by Dean Welch.

Provost Maria Pallavicini also spoke during the launch party and thanked the library staff for "listening to students, and trying to implement something that made their [the students] lives better".

The Think Tank team provided cake, cookies and Tiger Punch for all who attended the launch party, as well as free shirts, pens, buttons, and press-on tattoos. POUNCE allows users to search all of the Pacific Library’s content at one time. As opposed to the search engine PacificCat which can only be used for books, Gale Virtual Reference, which can only be used for encyclopedia articles or students, or Academic Search Complete and JSTOR for journal articles. Now with POUNCE, students can search the entire library database and Google to find all these and more.

"So you only have to do a one-box search to get started on all your research, books or articles," said C.O. 2015, won the grand prize of a Nook Color, while a few other lucky students won $10 gift cards to places like Jamba Juice, Barnes & Noble, and Starbucks.
and Women's Volleyball will switch to the WCC. It is not known whether Softball and Women's Water Polo, which are not played in the WCC, will stay in the Big West or move to another conference. Men's and Women's Swimming, Men's Volleyball, and Men's Water Polo will stay in the Mountain Pacific Sports Federation, while Field Hockey remains in the NorPac Conference.

"This is truly an exciting and historic day for our conference," WCC Commissioner Jamie Zaninovich confirmed. "We have a strategic vision, shared by our membership, to become the most well-recognized and competitive non-football conference in the country, while always developing and delivering a premier educational experience to our student athletes. We're here today because we think the University of the Pacific can help us get there."

"We are just as excited to have you here as you are to be back," Ky Snyder, University of San Diego Athletics Director and Chair of the WCC Executive Council, stated, "I look forward to working with Dr. Eibeck and Ted Leland. Leland is going to be a great asset to our executive committee."

Leland, who made several announcements of his own at the press conference, revealed that the timeline of his tenure will be removed; the "interim" label has been taken away from his title and he will remain the Pacific Athletics Director for the indefinite future. Leland also made known several "West Coast Conference Commitments" that Pacific Athletics will make.

"We will show up in 2013 ready to compete," Leland vowed, "We know we have to up our game. We will bring spirit, passion, and fidelity to the competition. But, we also want to finish the Big West strong next year. We intend to leave that conference the way we went in: as one of the real powerhouses.

"We will use this marriage with the WCC to look at our entire sports menu. We need to make public and tangible commitments to increase the support for Men's Basketball and Women's Volleyball. We need to make sure those two sports are competitive at the national level. We will work with our administration and fundraising office to undertake an aggressive program of athletic and recreational facility upgrades. We have a lot of work to do—we're still in the planning stages—but we want to make our facilities the best in the WCC."

In addition to returning to the WCC in 2013, Pacific will bring back one if its former intercollegiate teams. Starting in the Fall 2015 season, the Pacific Men's Soccer program will be reinstated. Pacific previously carried a Men's Soccer team from 1976-85.

Adding Men's Soccer means that Pacific will also have to add an additional Women's sport as part of the WCC. The WCC requires at least six Women's sports per school; Pacific only has five joining for sure. Leland stated that Softball is the most desired possible addition, though the WCC doesn't currently support the sport. Two sports Leland mentioned that could possibly be created are Women's Golf and Women's Rowing. Rumors have also been circulating that Women's Track and Field is being considered as well.

Overall, the announcement was met with celebration across Pacific Athletics, including several sounds of joy from the Pacific Pep Band. Several Pacific head coaches, including Bob Thomason (Men's Basketball), Lynne Roberts (Women's Basketball), Ed Sprague (Baseball), and Greg Gibbons (Women's Volleyball), as well as several of their players, were in attendance. In addition, Softball head coach Brian Kolbe, who recently recorded his 600th career win on Tuesday, March 27th against Cal State Bakersfield, made an appearance.

"We have to. Have to establish a bigger footprint in this community," Leland acknowledged, "We have to be a better part of the social consciousness of the entertainment options of this town. We need to fill the Spanos Center. If we don't fill it, some of the people coming to town will. We're going to have to step it up in our community. That's our obligation in the athletic department and we will do that."

"The Tiger is roaring," Eibeck exclaimed, "Go Tigers!"
Will you be attending more sporting events now that Pacific has moved to the WCC?

“For me, it doesn’t really effect how much I watch the games because I enjoy supporting our teams anyway, but I think it will just provide a greater variety of teams we can see play.”

@Ashley Waldera, C.O. 2014

“Yes, because BYU is in that conference and I’m a big BYU fan.”

@Daniel Schiele, C.O. 2012

“No, because we’re in a hard conference. We have some issues competing in the Big West Conference.”

@Nicholas Nguyen, C.O. 2015

“If the games are good. As of right now I won’t be going to any more, but if I find out the games are good I’ll go.”

@Dominic Pratt, C.O. 2015

Your Car Trunk: Not Always the Safest Place

Octavio Rodriguez
SAFETY COLUMNIST

Leaving your things in the trunk is not a good idea. It’s convenient, at times, but not always. For example, about a month ago, a young lady put her purse in her car before going into a restaurant. When she came out she found her window broken and her purse missing. “Apparently someone must have been watching you,” the police officer said. “It’s quite common actually.” So it brings me to my next point, which has nothing to do with purses. It has to do with people watching people.

Our society as a whole has become voyeuristic. We like to go online and see videos of other’s misfortunes or predicaments that amuse us, but more often than not—doesn’t amuse the people who make the headlines.

For example, a week before spring break a student was eating breakfast in the UC. He finished his meal and went on his way. All was fine, until he walked into his afternoon class. A fellow classmate asked him if he had seen the picture of himself on Facebook. “No, I haven’t,” he said. “Here man, check it out, that’s totally a voyeuristic picture of you.” The student looked at it, and realized that it was taken sometime while he ate breakfast that very morning.

Then he read some of the comments, they were not bad, but the student felt amazed that some complete stranger took the time out of his or her morning to stealthily sneak a shot of him.

There’s nothing wrong with pictures. The right to take a picture is covered by the first amendment, part of the freedom of speech and all that. But is it a right to take a picture and then without that person’s consent post it on the web?

Who knows if we have a right to do so, but I do know this: it is not cool to snap pictures of people and then post them on the web without consent. It’s not like breaking in to somebody’s car and robbing them, or is it?

Safety Tip:

Don’t leave valuables in your trunk and if you do, take a look around to see if anybody is watching or taking secret pictures of you to post on Facebook later. Maybe that’s how they got that lady’s purse, someone took a picture of her putting it there and posted it.

Stockton Isn’t So Miserable, After All

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It seems as though every time Stockton shows up in the media, it is to remind us about how terrible this town is. What don’t get mentioned are the positive things that make Stockton bearable. Here are three reasons Stockton doesn’t suck:

1. Cheap Housing

Though people gripe about the lack of things to do here, Stockton’s cheap rent makes it a wonderful place to live. A student, at schools like USC and UCSF are hard pressed to find housing for less than $1000, but Pacific students find themselves happily housed for about $500. Take this time here in Stockton to ease wallet woes before moving on. The grass is only greener on the other side because it costs so much more to live there.

2. Great Location

Want to get to a big city, the mountains or the beach in two hours? Stockton offers that luxury without the cost of living, the pain of traffic or the annoyance of tourists. Consider Stockton an oasis hidden away close enough to the best California can offer, but far enough from the annoyances of more popular cities. Hit up San Francisco in an hour and a half, but go home to a quiet low-key neighborhood without the stresses of big city life.

3. Delicious Dining

Try to find a better Indian restaurant than Stockton’s Tandoori Nites. Try to taste the difference in the Pad Thai at Royal Siam versus one in Los Angeles. Stockton itself may not be a world-class city, but some of its gastronomic gems could be qualified as such. The only distinction between Centrale Kitchen and Bar and a similar spot in Carmel is that in Stockton, reservations are optional and the price is affordable.

Forget rummaging over Stockton’s low points; see the years spent here as a phase. There is plenty to keep a student entertained, well fed and under budget, so enjoy the 209. It doesn’t suck as bad as everyone says.
New Commuter Space Debuts

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As a refuge for commuter students at University of the Pacific, the Tiger Pause Lounge was debuted on Friday, March 30th. The space, formerly known as The Pine Room, has been revamped to be a place for commuter students to relax and spend time in between classes. “It’s been a plan to create a space for commuters since last semester,” explained Jason Velo, director of Student Activities. “We wanted to create a space that was inviting and was different from others on campus.” There are an estimated 1800 University of the Pacific commuters, based off of the number of students who are not in on-campus housing.

The room is host to three computer stations, eight day lockers, a sink, a full fridge and microwave, as well as a 70” flat screen T.V. “The President allocated a generous budget to do this project,” continued Velo. President Eibeck also donated a room to commuters.”

Another attendee, first year commuter student Andy Hanson, noted, “I thoroughly appreciate we are all given a collective living room. I plan on hosting events here.”

With “Tiger Pause Lounge” officially printed on the door, it appears it is here to stay. The hope is that there will be a new place for Pacific students to spend time and relax through their time on Pacific’s campus.

Upcoming Student Events

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Pacific Drag Show
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Stockton Word Fest
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Movies This Week

Thursday, 4/5
Codependent Lesbian Space Alien Seeks Same

Friday and Saturday, 4/6 - 4/7
Sherlock Holmes: Game of Shadows

The Vagina Monologues Call for Support of Female Empowerment

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A collection of passionate female stories, The Vagina Monologues, premiered for its fifth year at Pacific last weekend.

The monologues ranged from the perturbing nature of cold duck lips during doctor examinations in “My Angry Vagina” to the rampant problem of rape as a tool for war with a Bosnian woman’s story in “My Vagina Was My Village”. The play was not for the faint of heart in many instances, and even the most taboo of stones was not to be left unturned. However the show was not without comedy, such as a monologue that demanded a reclaming of the word “cunt” for the pride of women, insisting the audience scream it aloud.

These advances into generally avoided territory are a major reason for the show. The Vagina Monologues was, and has continued to be, shown to audiences in order to raise revenue for charities that combat violence against women, and as part of that movement it seeks to shine light into all aspects of the problems women face.

The show has garnered both fierce criticism and glowing acclamation through its history. Opponents have argued that the play contains an anti-male bias, and that some of the more controversial monologues such as “The Little Coochi Snorcher That Could” depict events positively that should not be encouraged. Others have felt The Vagina Monologues do a good job of bringing attention to both local and world issues women deal with, as well as being a successful fundraiser to combat these issues.

“I thought it was really good,” commented Marsha Caldwell, who attended the play, “I laughed, and I cried.” Alexis Duclos, who directed this year’s showing, said, “My favorite thing was hearing what the audience laughed at. Every night was different.”

The event also announced the plan to announce V-Day’s One Billion Rising”, where they hope to have a billion people speak out against violence towards women.
Pacific-Based Indie Band Releases New CD

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Pacific's own indie folk rock band Village On Yarn will be releasing their long-awaited second full-length album entitled “Shelters” on Saturday April 7th at 7PM. The band will be the first to grace the new McCaffrey Center Stage outside of the Grove.

Village On Yarn has two main members: Saki Uemura, a senior studying both Piano Performance and Music Therapy, and Nic Chang, a senior Music Management student.

The beautiful Uemura provides the band with her equally lovely and sweet voice, while Chang works mostly in production. Chang takes the lead in writing, arranging, mixing, and mastering the band's music.

The new album “Shelters” features sounds redolent of Belle & Sebastian, Sufjan Stevens, Iron & Wine, and Regina Spektor. Chang says “[the album] explores the duality of the temporary versus the eternal, as well as the protected versus the unprotected.”

Opening for the band is a new folk bluegrass group called The Gatekeepers. Formed last summer, the Gatekeepers features six talents including Village on Yarn member Nic Chang on vocals and the banjo. Playing with Village on Yarn on stage will be members from local groups The Brubeck Institute, Sugar Water Purple, and Tipping Point.

To be one of the first people to hear the new songs live, go to the “Shelters” release show on April 7th at 7PM. The event is free and open to the public.

Charity Fashion Show Hosted by Alpha Phi Omega

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LIFESTYLES EDITOR

A charity event with a trendy twist, University of the Pacific’s first ever fashion show event was hosted by Alpha Phi Omega on Saturday, March 31st. The event gave Pacific and other local students a chance to design outfits and strut their stuff. Attendees were encouraged to be fashionably dressed, with a chance to pose for a photographer on the “red carpet” leading into the runway.

Alpha Phi Omega is a community service fraternity at Pacific, which prides itself on giving back to the “Stockton Community.” In addition to the fashion show, attendees had a chance to win an iPad by purchasing $1 raffle tickets. All proceeds from the event were donated to the Stockton Homeless Shelter.

There were six sets of designers, ranging from individuals to organizations. Of these were Pacific organization Knitting for Peace, UC Davis Iota Phi chapter of Alpha Phi Omega, Pacific student Chelsea McClure’s own clothing line Broken People, Kappa Sigma fraternity from CSU Sacramento, Pacific sophomore Choua Her, Pacific sophomore Kyle Maxwell, and Pacific’s very own Alpha Alpha Xi chapter of Alpha Phi Omega.

All clothing at the end of the show was auctioned off, with the money joining the raffle proceeds for charity.

The UC Ballroom was decked out with everything from a runway ramp and lights, to people offering hors d’oeuvres and colorful drinks to viewers. The show was hosted by Pacific student and KPAC radio host Summer Irvin, and included an intermission where audience members had a chance to model what they were wearing as part of a mini-competition.

At the end of the event, organizing and Vice-President of fellow Alpha Phi Omega, Jeff Chen, gave thanks to his fellow members of Alpha Phi Omega. “We hope that we created an impression that will carry on to future years,” said Chen. “During the drafting stages we wanted to have an event that could give back, but we wanted to have a unique twist.”

“It went well,” commented Kyle Maxwell, one of the designers of the show. “I’ve been looking for something like this.” Another designer, Chelsea McClure, said, “I thought it was good. It was a lot more than I expected.” After the initial fashion show, the UC Ballroom transformed into a dance floor for the Glitz and Glamour Dance that carried on until 1AM the next day.
**Pacifican Spotlight: Jordan Knight Returns**

By Brianne Nemiroff

If you were to ask a teenager who Jordan Knight is, they probably wouldn’t know. But ask any woman between the age of 25 and 50 who he is, and you’ll probably see their eyes bulge out of their head as they begin to profess their love for him.

Jordan Knight is the lead singer of New Kids on the Block, the original boy band that hit it big in the ’80s and sold over 70 million albums worldwide. Knight also sold 1.5 million copies of his solo album. Today, those fans are still around, as proven by the audience at The Fillmore in Silver Spring, MD., on Sunday night.

There were women waiting in line to see the pop star hours before his performance. Some wore vintage NKOTB t-shirts, and some women just looked vintage themselves. But they were there to meet their teenage idol, to meet the guy in the poster on their bedroom wall that they kissed all throughout high school. Knight met and took a picture with every person who purchased a VIP ticket, as well as some radio contest winners, and let them watch his sound check.

Pleasing one woman is hard enough, but Knight had to entertain hundreds and seemed to do it effortlessly, at least to his fans. Behind the scenes, however, he let his guard down, and it was obvious that he was exhausted. Still, he went on stage only an hour later to perform for his fans; and it only proved to me more how dedicated he was to each and every one of them.

Knight performed a 90-minute set consisting of tracks off of his latest release, *Unfinished*, his first solo album, *Jordan Knight*, as well as a NKOTB track, “You Got It (The Right Stuff).”

Knight appears to have been touring non-stop since 2008 when New Kids on the Block reunited, released an album, and toured after a 14-year break.

“Too see the fans after all this time is pretty wonderful. To go away for that long and to see all of our fans still there is pretty mind-blowing,” Knight said.

Following that release, NKOTB decided to collaborate with another boy band, The Backstreet Boys, for a tour and collaborative album release, under the name NKOTBSB.

“It was fun,” Knight said. “A lot of people thought we didn’t get along or wouldn’t get along. They’re very talented individuals, and they have a lot of great songs that people love. The combination just fit: two boy bands coming together. I don’t think two boy bands have ever done that before. For us to do that, we paved the way for other boy bands once again by doing that tour, showing that you don’t have to be rivals. You can actually team up to do something big.”

The tour was a huge success across the U.S. and are they are set to perform the European leg of the tour this summer.

Unfinished encompasses the current music trends of dance/pop and blends them with his own pop/R&B style. Knight’s tracks are very upbeat and fun, usually about love and relationships. When I asked him why, his answer was particularly humorous as well as bluntly honest.

“My audience happens to be 99 percent female. It might be a good idea to write a little bit about love and relationships. I also like to write fun, sexy songs like ‘O-Face’ and ‘Up and Down’ and ‘Give It to You.’ Those kinds of songs are fun, sassy, and frisky. I like them and my fans like them.”

Talking to Knight about his music, you could tell that he loves what he does and always writes with his fans in mind.

“I pictured [the fans] driving in their cars, out running, or doing stuff around the house, just being able to put on their headphones and listen to it and be swept away. The main thing about music is that you have to make sure that it has an emotional connection and that’s what I really wanted: to make sure that there was substance to it and that you could draw out any emotion that it may be.”

Knight has three more tour dates left on his solo tour before he returns to touring with NKOTBSB. If you didn’t catch him in Silver Spring, he will be performing in Philadelphia, New York City, and in Foxborough, Mass., this weekend.

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**NUTRICAT’S CORNER**

**Cut The Salt:** How To Reduce Your Intake

By Alexandra Caspero

Most people scan calories and fat grams on the food label. Some might go even farther and check out the ingredients, protein and carb contents. I would bet that even fewer glance at the sodium content. Unless you’ve been diagnosed with high blood pressure, you probably aren’t too concerned about salt intake. Well, you should be. Excess salt in the diet is just as dangerous as extra saturated fat. Here are 4 easy ways to cut down your salt intake.

1. Go for low sodium bread over regular. Bread is one of the best sources of sodium in the diet. Look for slices with less than 100mg per slice.
2. Go easy on the instant noodles and canned soup. Use half the packet of seasoning for ramen noodles. Add extra vegetables and water to your can of soup. Both of these tricks can cut your sodium intake by almost 1/2.
3. Skip the condiments. Hot sauce, ketchup, salsa and BBQ sauce can pack a ton of sodium into a small serving. Start by gradually reducing your intake, this allows your taste buds to adjust and accept a lesser amount.
4. Increase your intake of potassium rich foods. Not only are potassium rich foods generally healthier but they help the body balance excess sodium intake. Potatoes, tomatoes, milk, bananas, and other fruits and vegetables are good sources.
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Pacific Athletics Hall of Fame 2012 Induction:
Mimi Eberhardt, Lionel Manuel, Leigh McNiff-Morrison, Don Shackelford, Elsa Stegemann-Binder, and 1999 Women's Volleyball Team to be Honored April 21st

With the addition of those six new members, the Hall of Fame will have inducted 228 individuals and 23 teams in its 29 years of existence.

Mimi Eberhardt, whose family is the namesake of Pacific's Eberhardt School of Business, is honored as a dear and valuable contributor to Pacific Athletics for many years. Eberhardt and her husband, the late Bob Eberhardt '51, worked tirelessly as members of the Pacific Athletic Foundation, which was co-founded by Bob. Mimi Eberhardt co-chaired the Athletic Department's Fundraising Committee from 2001-2008. She succeeded her late husband as chair of Pacific's Board of Regents.

Lionel Manuel '84 starred as a wide receiver on Pacific's Football team from 1982-1984. Manuel was selected in the seventh round of the 1984 NFL Draft with pick number 171 by the New York Giants. Manuel would spend his entire seven-year career with the Giants, finishing with 232 receptions for 3,941 yards and 23 touchdowns. Manuel was a part of the New York Giants' Super Bowl XXI Championship team. Leigh McNiff-Morrison '87 was one of the best defenders in Pacific Field Hockey history. McNiff-Morrison's greatest year was her senior year of 1986, when the Tigers recorded seven wins, five of them coming in NorPac play. For her efforts, McNiff-Morrison earned team MVP, Defensive Player of the Year, and the NorPac Player of the Year honors. In addition, she became only the second person in Field Hockey program history to be named to the All-American team.

Don Shackelford '64, one of only three Pacific Tigers to ever participate in the Senior Bowl, was a crucial part of the team's offensive line. Playing at both guard and tackle positions, Shackelford was part of a running game that gained 3,203 yards from scrimmage in his final two seasons. Those two seasons saw Shackelford earn the "Red" Busher Award, given to Pacific's top lineman. Shackelford was drafted in the fourth round with the 54th pick in the 1964 NFL Draft by the Cleveland Browns, but he was also picked by the Denver Broncos with their 41st overall pick in the sixth round of the draft. Shackelford chose Denver, where he would play his one career AFL season.

Elsa Stegemann-Binder '00 followed a rich history of Pacific Women's Volleyball success by adding to the record books as an outside hitter. Stegemann-Binder was recognized as an All-American in three of her four seasons (1996, 1998, 1999) at Pacific, her senior year, she nabbed the Big West Conference CoPlayer of the Year Award. In the 1999 NCAA Tournament, Stegemann-Binder led Pacific to a spot in the Final Four, earning the East Regional MVP award.

That 1999 Pacific Women's Volleyball Final Four team will join its star player in the Pacific Athletics Hall of Fame as well.

In addition to the induction ceremony for the Pacific Athletics Hall of Fame Class of 2012, the night will feature the presentation of the 2011-2012 Pacific Tigers Student-Athletes of the Year Awards.

The decision to hold both ceremonies on the same night gives Pacific Athletics a rare and special opportunity to connect the great members of Pacific Athletics history with the current generation of potential future Hall-of-famers.

The event will be held Saturday, April 21st at the Alex G. Spanos Center. The evening will feature a social hour at 6 PM, with the induction program commencing at 7 PM. Tickets can be purchased through Pacific Athletics.

Grassroot Soccer Tourney

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SPORTS EDITOR

There has been a change of venue for the upcoming Grassroot Soccer 3v3 tournament. Originally scheduled to be held on the UC Lawn, the tournament will now take place at Brookside Field. The date and time of the tournament have not changed.

Again, the Grassroot Soccer 3v3 tournament, put on by the Pacific Men's Club Soccer team and Grassroot Soccer, will take place on Saturday, April 7th from 12PM-4PM at Brookside Field. Anyone not scheduled to participate is still welcome to come out and support the cause.

Grassroot Soccer is a non-profit organization which aims to stop the spread of HIV/AIDS by educating people and raising awareness of the diseases through soccer. More information can be found at www.grassrootsoccer.org.

Congratulations Brian Kolze!

Congratulations to Pacific Softball head coach Brian Kolze on earning career win #600!

The Pacifican wishes Kolze and the Pacific Softball team the best of luck as conference play begins.

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News and Notes

SOFTBALL: Pacific Softball head coach Brian Kolze reached a career milestone on March 27th, as he recorded his 600th win, as the Tigers swept a doubleheader against Cal State Bakersfield. Over the weekend, the team began defense of its Big West title with a three-game home series against Cal State Northridge. The teams split the first two games on Sunday, with the Tigers bouncing back from a 4-3 loss to record a 9-1 win in six innings as part of Pacific plays pink. The deciding game on Monday went to Northridge.

MEN’S TENNIS: Poor weather put an even bigger damper on Saturday’s match against Cal Poly, which the Tigers lost by a score of 4-1. Freshman Ben Mirkin notched the only Pacific point of the game home series against Cal State Northridge. The teams split the weekend, the team began defense of its Big West title with a three-game set. In addition, all three of the doubles matches were cancelled. The Tigers suffered a sweep against UC Santa Barbara the following day.

WOMEN’S WATER POLO: Pacific opened Big West play against No. 11 UC Davis on Saturday in a rematch of last week’s match, which ended 3-2 in favor of the Aggies. With Saturday’s contest looking like it was going to head into overtime, Davis scored what proved to be the game-winning goal with only eight seconds left. In defeat, senior Kim Kay led all scorers with four goals.

MEN’S VOLLEYBALL: Friday, No. 11 Pacific was swept by No. 2 USC. The following day, the Tigers took No. 7 Pepperdine to five sets, but would ultimately fall 3-2 (25-20, 23-25, 16-25, 29-27, 12-15). Pacific will end the season with four consecutive home games. The Tigers sit two games back of the final MPSF playoffs spot, with games against No. 12 Cal State Northridge, No. 9 Long Beach State, No. 3 UCLA, and No. 15 UC Santa Barbara remaining.

BASEBALL: Pacific began Big West competition over the weekend with a three-game series against UC Irvine. It was not a weekend to remember for the Tigers, as the Anteaters swept the series. Friday’s 7-4 game was decided with an Irvine walk-off home run, while Pacific’s 4-1 eighth inning lead in game two was wiped out in a 7-4 loss. The third game was not as close, with the Anteaters winning 6-0. The Tigers returned home on Monday for a game against Nevada.

Standings
(as of April 3rd, 2012)

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Baseball Rebounds Against Nevada
Taasaas' Walk-off Single Completes Comeback Against Wolfpack

Ruben Dominguez
SPORTS EDITOR

A dreadful fourth inning nearly put Pacific down and out. However, the Tigers showed their resolve, with sophomore catcher Jason Taasaas completing the comeback with a walk-off 2-RBI single to clinch a 6-5 win Monday night.

"I wasn't trying to hit it too much," Taasaas revealed afterwards. "I was trying to hit it into the outfield, actually. But I knew he was going to come to me with a fastball with the first pitch, so I just laid it out and got it. I was a little late on it, but I got it in the infield. As soon as it got by, I knew we were scoring both runs."

Senior John Prato Matthews (2-4) picked up the win with three innings of relief for fellow senior Joe Spizzirri, who relieved freshman starter Bryce Lombardi.

After a scoreless first inning, Taasaas singled up the middle in the bottom of the second. Senior outfielder, Daniel Johnston, put Taasaas on third with a double to right center in the next at-bat. Junior outfielder Jacob Goulder's sacrifice groundout to shortstop brought Taasaas home, giving Pacific a 1-0 lead.

The Tigers would tack on another run in the third. After junior third baseman Dustin Torchio's walk advanced Mansfield to scoring position, freshman Tyger Pederson brought Mansfield home with a left field single, bringing the score up to 2-0. However, despite having the bases loaded with one out, Pacific left all three runners on base to end the inning.

Those runs left on base almost came back to haunt the Tigers. The fourth inning saw a walk turn into a run when the third Nevada batter drove a 0-1 pitch deep into center field for a double. A single in the next at-bat led to another Nevada run, tying the game at 2-2. Lombardi was then relieved by Erik Lockwood in the sixth.

The next at-bat, junior designated hitter Tyler Pederson brought Mansfield home with a left field single, bringing the score up to 3-2. However, despite two runners on base, Pederson would be hit in the back by a pitch to bring in another run, tying the game at 3-3.

That game would be the first of a home/away series with the Spartans, the second being played on Friday at 6PM. Both games will be at Klein Family Field. The series will conclude on Saturday at 1PM at San Jose State.

Sophomore Jason Taasaas (left) provided the knockout punch against Nevada.
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