Students sharpen manners at success dinner
Event provides students with five course meal along with tips for success

By Andrew Mitchell
News Editor

Close to 150 Pacific students dined much differently the night of November 15. In lieu of the usual trek to the Elbert Covell Dining Hall, these students experienced formal dining in the Grace Covell Dining Hall.

The 2nd annual Etiquette Dinner, Dining for World-wide Success, gave participants an experience of job interviewing during a meal. The simple half-hour job interview, already a stressful proposition, may be done while dining with a potential employer. This adds a new factor in the quest to look well mannered and amiable.

The Career Resource Center orchestrated the event, which lasted three hours. Participants were assigned a table to sit at. At every table was a representative from a local company or organization. These individuals shared advice and tips for those gathered at the table. Also at each table was an international student or an individual who has worked or studied abroad. Cultural considerations were included as many companies are international.

Before eating, all involved were encouraged to spend time socializing and practicing friendly greetings and small talk. Representatives from Teichert Construction, Aerotek, Frito-Lay, and Target spoke with students about various topics from the job market to future aspirations.

Stephanie Polon, the senior campus recruiter for Mervyns, addressed the crowd. As an employee in Human Resources for Mervyns, she knew how to successfully go through a job interview involving meals. Her topic was "Conveying a Professional Image During a Meal."

Almost every aspect of a meal, considering incidents that may happen during one, were explained and a proper solution was given. For instance, people are unsure if they should order something they cannot pronounce. The guide provided by Mervyns answered, "No. If you'd like it, ask the server to describe the food, and point to it on the menu."

Members of the Peace Corps told stories of their encounters in other cultures. Janet Allen and Veronica Standifird detailed the typical meals in Africa. Visiting Professor Jean MarieStrati-gos, who originally hails from France, pointed out a stark difference in dining etiquette between the United States and France. In the U.S. it is customary to put one's hands beneath the table when not eating. In France, hands should be placed on the table at all times.

Students practiced their social skills while also maintaining proper manners. The continued on page 3

Pacific and Delta collaborate on Working Musicians Symposium

Press Release

Stockton, CA - On Saturday, December 2, 2006, faculty from the Conservatory of Music at University of the Pacific and San Joaquin Delta College will collaborate in the presentation of the Working Musicians Symposium, geared toward providing the area's working musicians, as well as aspiring professional musicians, a leg up in building their own careers.

The event is geared to musicians of all ages and skill levels that want to learn how to better promote and market themselves as artists and entertainers.

Workshops and panels will include sessions on How to Make the Most of an Audition, How to Build a Promo Kit, Effectively Using the Internet, Working as a Studio Musician, as well as a panel discussion with local concert promoters and arts presenters providing advice to artists titled How To Create Gig Opportunities.

Featured speakers include Pacific alumni Dave Riddles and Phil Schroeder. Riddles, one of Hollywood's most in-demand session musicians has performed on more than 600 major motion picture soundtracks, and still plays regularly as a member of the Simpson's orchestra. Producer Phil Schroeder of Oakland-based Green Street Music has composed music for television, radio and film projects for clients including Apple Computer, Sony, Sprint and the San Francisco Giants. Other speakers include music contractor Kevin Porter, local music promoter Mid-

Correction: In the November 16 issue, there was an error in the ASuop article. Frances Wang no longer works for ASuop.

EVENTS
RHA Formal
Tickets on sale
Dining Hall
Today, 11/30, during lunch and dinner
Friday, 12/1, at lunch
ACCIDENT
ATHLETIC'S PARKING
11-12-06
Officers initiated a non-injury accident report where someone backed into the reporting party's vehicle.

THEFT
KNOLES HALL
11-13-06
Victim reports the theft of her purse which was left under her desk between 3:15 and 4:30 PM. The office was not locked at the time of the theft. Loss was the purse, credit cards and a set of university keys.

VANDALISM
KNOLES & PACIFIC
11-14-06
Staff reports someone spray painted graffiti on their CIP sign during the evening.

THEFT
FAYE SPANOS HALL
11-14-06
Victim reports someone took his bicycle which was secured to the hand rail with a cable lock. When he returned to his bike, it was missing but the cable was cut.

DISTURBANCE
TOWNHOUSE APTS.
11-16-06
Officers responded on a report of someone yelling and screaming. They made contact with the resident who reported being assaulted by his girlfriend. Officers contacted the girlfriend who suffered a neck injury during the incident. She was transported to the hospital for treatment then booked into the jail on assault charges.

PROPERTY RECOVERY
ALPHA PHI
11-16-06
Officers took a report last week where someone had stolen a rug from the premises. Officers conducted some follow up with several groups and the rug was returned to the house a short time later.

CASUALTY
SOUTH CAMPUS
11-17-06
Subject fell off his razor scooter and hit his head. AMR ambulance responded and treated the subject who refused to go to the hospital for further treatment.

PROPERTY RECOVERY
PUBLIC SAFETY
11-17-06
Last week officers took a report on a stolen long board. Officers were able to identify the subject who took the board and discovered it was taken in error. The long board was returned to the owner.

AUTO BURGLARY
CLOCK TOWER LOT
11-18-06
Officers were responding to a disturbance at an event at Raymond Great. Officers arrived and observed several subjects not welcome by the event's hosts so officers asked them to leave. After they left, officers inspected the area where their vehicles were parked and observed two Honda Civics with their windows broken out. Owners were contacted and found several items missing from their vehicles.

ARREST
LARRY HELLER DR.
11-19-06
Officers stopped a Nissan Pathfinder for traffic violations at 1:51 AM and found the driver under the influence. CHP assisted with processing of the driver, driving under the influence.

VANDALISM
ATHLETIC'S PARKING
11-19-06
Officers located a vehicle with a broken driver’s side window. Officers notified the victim who returned to his vehicle. Officers observed several valuable items inside the vehicle including an IPod but nothing was missing.

THEFT
QUAD DINING HALL
11-20-06
Victim reports someone removed a calculator from her backpack. She was unsure when it was removed as she had been several days since she last used it.

THEFT
GRACE COVELL HALL
11-21-06
Victim reports someone took his keys when they were left unattended for approximately 35 minutes.

ARREST
PACIFIC & KNOLES
11-21-06
Officers observed a near collision between two vehicles. The officer stopped the driver of one of the vehicles at 2:51AM. Officers found
symposium from cover

Hugh Goodwin, and Mae-Peter Jaffe of the Stock-Symphonic, who will join Pic and Delta faculty to
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ic, respectively, will
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etiquette from cover

The dos and do nots of
dining interviews

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• read national and
• say ‘please’ and
• don’t order messy
• don’t have more than
• don’t argue over the
• don’t blow your nose
• don’t eat as if this
• don’t get too
• don’t talk about personal
• don’t eat the garnish
• don’t drink from the
• don’t use toothpicks
• don’t discuss dietary

restrictions; downplay your
food preferences
foods that are apt to splatter
or spray (i.e. spaghetti)
one alcoholic drink; if in an
interview situation, do not
order an alcohol beverage
the check or offer to pay the
the host who invited will
take care of both
your napkin
your last meal; on the other
hand, don’t dine on half a
lettuce leaf; you’ll make
the best impression by eating
like a human—not like a wolf
or a bird
get comfortable; even if the meal
isn’t technically an interview

situation, you need to be on
your toes
• don’t eat too fast or
too slow for the group’s pace
• don’t smoke, chew
• don’t have more than
• don’t order messy

DOs
• relax and keep the
• don’t get too com-
• don’t request a take-
• don’t shout, whisper,
or otherwise disturb others

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der the age of 21.

HT AND RUN
WPC LOT
11-21-06
Subject reports someone
their vehicle and left
out reporting it. Officers
able to determine who
esponsible was. Report
led on the incident.

DISTURBANCE
828 DAVE BRUBECK
11-25-06
Officers received a call
from Stockton Police to be
of a subject who may
come on campus who recent-
ly assaulted a female at the
above location. The subject
was described as a male with
a ski mask, long hair and
missing teeth on a bicycle.
The suspect was later ap-
prehended and Stockton Police
took custody of the subject.

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Drink, appetizers, and beverages provided.

Source: Career Resource Center
A New Beginning
For Freshmen
A Few Things On My Mind

By Nicole Van de Star - Silva
Columnist

It's Tuesday, November 28 at 10:52 p.m. Now as you all know, this paper comes out every Thursday, which means that our articles are due to the editor on Sunday evening. So, I guess the question is, "Why the hell am I writing this article at the last minute?"

Today was the first day in this entire semester where I didn't have any homework to do, so I actually, for the first time, found a spare moment. With that, I also had time to do some thinking, and I realized there are a few issues that are really bugging me.

Número Uno; What is up with this weather? This morning when I woke up, I realized that I couldn't feel my toes. It was so cold, I sat in bed for literally ten minutes staring at my bedroom thinking, "I really have to pee." Finally when I had the courage to get out of bed, I realized I had had my window open all night. No wonder there was a breeze. Actually, at this time of the year, I am really thankful that I don't live in the dorm rooms. I heard from a few of my friends that they had spent the night with no heater because all the power went out. Although, this makes a compelling argument for class, "I'm sorry I don't have my paper profes-
sor, my computer froze."

Number Two; It suddenly dawned on me that there are only three weeks of class and then finals week left before the semester is over. This means that in one month, we will be about one-eighth or one tenth of the way done with college. When you look at it that way, it kind of sounds stupid, but I guess what I am trying to say is that it went by fast. I am really hoping that next semester will be easier. I know for a fact it will be harder academically, but I mean times management and stress wise.

This semester has truly been a pain in the neck. I can't even find the time to sleep. Two nights ago, I had the brilliant idea to pull an "all-nighter" so that I could write a paper that was due the next day. I started writing at 11 p.m. and finally finishes at 7 p.m. The next day, I slept through all of my classes and at one of the computers in the library. I do have say, those keyboard are not as uncomfortable as they look.

Numéro Trois; For all of you students out there, who are like me, and have to take Bio 61 next semester, I feel your pain. I just got an email from the director of the biology labs asking students to change classes if they could. I was signed up for lab 5, which is on Wednesday night starting at 7:00 to 10:00 or something like that. Now the class that we had change over to is on Tuesday night at the end of October. I really would have hoped that the open lab section could have been earlier. I don't want to have class that late at night, especially when I start class at 8:00 the next evening. Well, I guess biology will with a sad puppy-dog look on their face they say "I've been sexiled."

Now, you may be wondering, what exactly is "sexiled." It's a good question which has a very sexual answer, as the urban dictionary put it "to be banished from one's rooms that the room mate may engage in private sexual intercourse." The example that is used with this definition surprisingly works well with this article. "Last night my roommate brought some grotsky ho and I was sexiled to the student lounge." With that out of the way I present my case to the administration of this University in charge of building new dormitories on this campus. I must congratulate you when Monagan and Brooks were built with each student getting their own room which included their own door lock. A+ work! But nearly all the rooms on main campus (not including the Greeks) are doubles, which means any sexually active college students will sexile their roomate at least once a year.

But let me get to my point as one of my roomates experienced this past Halloween night. I live in the Townhouses and there are three guys to one apartment. We have 2 bedrooms, a single (which I got, heheh) and a double which they got. My roommates are two foreign exchange graduate students from France. One is 24 while the other is 25. They share a room. We're also all named Nick, I thank housing for this.

On this wonderful night at the end of October Nick thought it would be a great idea to sexile Nick. Of course we were all in a drunken state of mind, and my birthday mind. Nick got the bright idea to sleep in the bathroom of the couch downstairs. The next thing he knew was being forcibly to which I then discovered that he had been sexiled. In point I am getting is that these two have to "fight" for the chance to live in a single.

Being sexiled is one of my worst feelings in the world. First, you're not getting that night (usually) that you have no idea your room mate is taking.

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Sexiled Why It Sucks In College

Nick Hansen
Columnist

It's late at night and you see your friend sitting in the lounge in Grace. Your first thought is "why are they studying out here?" So you go up to them and ask why they're sitting out in the lounge. They look up, and
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act that if they are not getting any action and they are not hot and horned right then and there, then self-pleasure is the way to go. As we learned from Erin Birmingham's article on the Female Orgasm, talking about masturbation is ok. From statistics I obtained from a student who is best known by as his alias 'god_bless_uop', a sharer of vast quantities of pornography material found that his highest dispersal times were 10 minutes after classes had started and Friday and Sunday Nights. He attributed this to that the 'room mate had left the room for class and what better time to get their jollies off then to download some porn and do their business.' Upon last check, the upperclassmen student population will know what I'm talking about. What am I getting to with this article besides letting the world know that sex is rampant on college campus's? Perhaps the idea that all college students who are sexually active should have their own room so they can do as they please without interrupting the lives of their peers.

I remember my freshman year when two band kids had sex like rabbits next to my friends' room every night. Each night we'd be in his room watching TV and we would hear the bed squeak and hit the wall repeatedly. At this point in time, my friend would turn up his speakers and play "Let's Get Ready to Rumble" by Jock Jams. It puts you in that dancing mood, or the "not so turned on mood" when you know your neighbors can hear you going at it. At which point you'd hear the bed hit the wall harder and harder and then suddenly stop. "Seems like he won," because sex is a race you know. He/She who finishes first gets to sleep first. Let's look at the bright side however, if you have such a wonderful relationship with your roommate and you're both geeky enough to not get any play then no worries, you won't be sexiled. Or you can be so oblivious to the entire thing and you won't notice that your peers are being sexiled from their rooms. Just keep in mind, while we're not UCSB, some students on this campus probably do have some STD's, and it is in your best interest guys to wrap it up. 40 boxes of condoms can be purchased at Costco for like $10.

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Numer Vier: Now I don't know how many of you celebrate Christmas, or even care about it, but I am one who does. So for me, Christmas time is a huge deal for me. I recently had a little damper put on my Christmas spirit. I found out that I only have one final, or last midterm, to take this semester. The problem is that my professor put it on the last day of finals. So, I have to stay here an extra week freezing to death, just to take on stupid test. I guess this isn't my lucky day.

Now, I am sorry for all of this complaining, but I am sure a lot of you have things you want to get off of your chest. Here is some advice, if you are feeling stressed or overwhelmed of upset, talk about it. It really makes you feel better and if you don't it tends to make things worse. I can really voucher on this one.

Well, I hope you all had a great Thanksgiving break. To all of you that went home, I hope seeing your family was a great as you hoped it would be. To all of you that didn't get to go home, just think, during Christmas you get more gifts since they all missed you so much.

And for those of you, who are wondering, there are 25 days left until Christmas break.

Until Next Time
By Mikey Vu
Lifestyles Editor

In the past week, as everyone should rightfully know by now, the Playstation 3 and the Nintendo Wii launched nationwide. In the preceding week, gamers, parents, and money hungry eBay’ers lined up, up to four days in advance to get their hands on the future of gaming. What ensued were fights over last copies, and angered mobs over shortages. You’ve got to love America when the only thing that can stir up a riot is a commercial product that can simulate golf in front of your television.

As many of you probably wondered, what the hell was Nintendo thinking when they named their system, the Wii (pronounced “We”, as if you haven’t heard all the oh so hilarious puns by now.) I mean really, upon hearing the name for the first time, I figured that someone on the Nintendo marketing team had to be on some serious hallucinogens when they thought up that name. Yet it somehow all made sense when a friend of mine named “B-Rab,” explained to me his epiphany that, “You can’t say Wii without a smile naturally appearing on your face!” Coincidentally, he was under the influence of hallucinogens at the time, so maybe those guys in advertising do know what they’re doing. I mean, they did create a video game console where you can recreate bowling in your living room, expect without the smelly shoes and mullets. Unless of course you have athlete’s foot and are of Canadian descent. Then you lose.

For those who care, Pamela Anderson and Kid Rock, the couple that just barely won out the “Most White Trash” award from the recently divorced Kevin Federline and Britney Spears, have also jumped on the bandwagon and gotten divorced. Who would have thought? Tell me it ain’t so! B-but they had so much in common! I think they had a good thing going, I mean, you would be hard pressed to find a couple whose combined number of STDs were so great that they cancelled each other out. Right? Not quite Paris Hilton status, at least.

And in other dreg-worthy celebrity news, Michael Richards, or as most of you know him as, “Kramer” from the series Seinfeld, was caught on tape by an audience member hurling racial epithets at black audience members that were heckling him, making statements like, “50 years ago, we’d have you upside down with a fork up your a$$.” Tsk-tsk, tsk Mr. Richards. Perhaps this is why the half your lines on Seinfeld solely consisted of random outbursts of noise, like an ADD kid with Tourettes. And before you know it, Mr. KKKramer himself, is backed pedaling faster than a seasoned politician. He appears on Late Night with David Letterman offering up the most forced apology I’ve seen since OJ Simpson. Looks like the only KKKramer will be burning through now are the ones in the poor house.

Welcome to college. Late nights and lousy course loads. Kind of makes it tough to stay awake in class. Lucky for you, there are McGriddles in three delicious versions like sausage, bacon egg and cheese, and sausage egg and cheese, all served between two warm and toasty McGriddles cakes with the syrup built right in. It’s required knowledge for the student who struggles to drag their mass out of bed in the morning. Goodbye sleepyhead. Hello McGriddles.

i'm lovin' it
www.morningimpaired.com

The Cure for the morning impaired
Freshman guard, Jake Kelly.

Photograph by Chelsea Gomes

Junior guard, Kelsey Lavender

Photograph by Matthew Lange

Sophomore forward Whitney Price

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LIFESTYLES

You want earth to breathe to you
You want the waves to grow loud
You want the sun to bleed
- The Cardigans, "Rise and Shine"

8/23-9/22 Virgo
In your silence you would love to forget
But restitution hasn't come quite yet
And with one accord you keep pushing forth
You stretch your heart to heal some more
- "Collective Soul" Forgiveness

9/23-10/22 Libra
How much longer will it take to cure this
Just to cure it cause you can't ignore it, it's love
Makes you wanna turn around
And you don't know nothing 'bout love
- "Counting Crows" Accidentally In Love

10/23-11/21 Scorpio
And you would give your heart
Give you the world, risk losing everything you got
You see a line of cars and you'd give it all up
- "Craig David", One Last Dance

11/22-12/21 Sagittarius
Stripped of life, alone
In the midst of something that you
Want to play with your evil inside
Wanting letting go of
What never could be again
Lost and alone
- Disturbed, "Awaken"

12/22-1/19 Capricorn
You stand in the line just to hit a new low
You're taking a smile with the coffee you go
You say your life's been way off line
You're falling to pieces every time- Daniel Powter, "Bad Days"

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Answers to this week's Sudoku:

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LIFESTYLES

Scoot and Big Tone’s Restaurant Review

Jack In the Box

4989 S Highway 99
Stockton, CA

920 E Hammer LN
Stockton, CA

2592 W March LN
Stockton, CA

6200 Pacific Ave
Stockton, CA

By Tony Modrigal & Scooter Bloom

Columnists

What is one suppose to do when it is 1:00 a.m. and they are hungry but the dining hall, Summit, is most restaurants are closed?

Go to Scooter and Tony’s favorite after hour dining establishment, Jack In The Box. Jack In The Box doesn’t only taste great but is cheap and quick too. Most of you probably have your own little special order when you go to Jack In The Box but for those of you who don’t here are some recommendations. If you are broke, like most of us are, go for two tasty tacos for $1.00. If you have a $1.50 we recommend going for a Big Cheeseburger. For those of you who have a little bit more money go for Tony’s favorite, Jack’s Spicy Chicken Sandwich. If you are really hungry we recommend a combination of any of these delicious items. One of my favorite items at Jack In The Box is Jack’s thick shakes, especially the Oreo Cookie Shake. It has actual whipped cream and cherry on top! You can’t go wrong with any of these items.

A little advice for everyone, if you are going to Jack In The Box on the weekends make sure to have a designated driver. According to Tony, “Jack In The Box makes great drunk food.” The great thing about Jack In The Box is there are three locations in a 5 mile radius. You can go south on Pacific Ave and there is a Jack In The Box at the corner of Pacific Ave and Harding Way. You can go north on Pacific Ave. and there is a Jack In The Box on your right hand side just past Swain Rd. Or you can take Pacific Ave. north and make a left onto March Lane heading west and there is a Jack In The Box on the corner of March Lane and Quail Lakes Ave. Tony and I give Jack In The Box 10 “finger licks” for a great late night dining experience. Remember they don’t make it until you order it.

The Expatriate

Food Poisoning

Jeff Morgan
Columnist

One can never be certain of leftovers in foreign countries. It’s amazing to me how quickly food in this country goes from good to bad and from bad to not safe to eat in only a week. If memory serves, leftovers back home could last a long time.

Wednesday of last week I found myself getting to know the toilette bowl in a very intimate way for five hours. It is not an experience I would endorse for others studying abroad and certainly not one that I wish to duplicate myself. After a night of complete release I found myself tired and yet able to attend my Rudyard Kipling lecture. Being sickly as I was I couldn’t help but notice that my paleness and silent suffering didn’t seem to initially imply anything out of the ordinary for most people in the class. Perhaps lack of colour and a look of disgust is not that uncommon. Do not trust meat in other countries unless you overcook it. But even in the midst of food poisoning experiences I couldn’t help

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The Post Marakar Era

By Arash Scott Behnam
Sports Editor

The Post Marakar era has arrived for Pacific and the only real given is Pacific will not finish in the bottom half of the Big West Conference. Anything else is possible for the 2006-07 Tigers who will get first crack at life without Christian Marakar. And after the first five games, reality has started to sprout its ugly face. It is too early in the season but Stockton, we have a problem and it has nothing and everything to do with Marakar.

What made Pacific the darlings of the mid majors had a lot to do with the clutch Marakar. Two years ago Utah State learned the hard way what real ice in the veins could muster up with its back against the wall. The legend of Marakar and his crew reached immortal that faithful night. It was Marakar who shot the last dagger in the hearts of Joseph Smith’s boys and girls stunning the whole state. Down 61-53 with 30 seconds left in the game, Pacific made a furious comeback. Marakar’s game winning shot with four seconds left made believers out of any atheist who doubted the magic of the Tiger. Over night everything changed for the Tiger program. The bar was raised and Marakar was the prince of the conquest of the Big West.

Marakar had no doubt special but in all of the hype one important aspect of the Marakar dynasty gets watered down. Point guard play. Pacific could make the argument in the last 3 years they have had the best point guards in all of the mid majors programs. The Big West Conference agrees with this notion giving its prestigious MVP Award back to back to the Pacific generals Miah Davis and David Doubley. Johnny Gray also deserved the MVP last year. But with Christian Marakar being a senior and losing out to fellow point guards the last two years the decision was simple, rightfully so. Gray did receive first team honors.

Turnovers have been a big part of all three losses and the responsibility of the rock falls on the shoulders of the floor generals. That is what separated Gray, Doubley and Davis and made Pacific so dominant. It seems that basketball is not without a sense of irony as the 2006/07 Tigers have learned. Before the season point guard play was going to be one of the strengths of the Tigers for years to come but in five games turnovers have been the Achilles heel of this team. The future is bright for Pacific point guards but the present has been shaky and experience is the big factor. What made the point guards of the Marakar generation great was they understood a simple stat. Turnover to assist ratio. They also knew the importance of crisp accurate passing and ball control. By delivering perfect passes it made the job of Marakar and the rest of the big men of Pacific easier. It also made it harder for defenders to steal the ball or slap it out of the hands of the post players. Part of Marakars success was the delivery of the ball in the post.

Against New Mexico State the Tigers had 22 turnovers to 8 assists. Loyola Marymount Pacific had 28 turnovers to 16 assists and against Hawaii 19 turnovers to 17 assists. It was not just point guard play as the post contributed immensely to the turnovers with lackadaisical effort. The Big West Conference is no cakewalk this year and success comes at a price. The big bulls eye is on Pacific’s back and every team in the BWC has the two games against Pacific circled on their calendars. Teams will judge themselves based on their games against the Tigers. No doubt Bob Thomason will have his team ready, as this is the year that Thomason’s legend has a chance to really grow. For as much credit as coach Bob Thomason has gotten, deserving so these last few years, Thomason did rely heavily on Marakar the way great coaches rely on great players to take over games thus making play calling simple.

With a young team and no Marakar, coaching and play calling down the stretch will be critical in the success of the Tigers. The issue of turnovers has already been addressed. Freshmen C.J Morgan is already doing his best Davis, Doubley, Gray impersonations. Add junior transfer Solomon HorseChief to a backcourt that already has Steffan Johnson who is considered the next great guard, Pacific is talented. If the Tigers can take care of the ball an NCAA Tournament berth is in the horizon. The key will be turnovers and the young Tigers hopefully have learned a costly lesson. With a chance to play Cal in the championship game, which was nationally televised, bringing notoriety back to Pacific, the Tigers lost in the semi finals in double overtime due to turnovers.

The Tigers have not started a season below 500 since the 2003-04 season. Pacific went on to tie for the regular season championship, win the conference tournament and beat Providence in the first round of March Madness. Senior Mike White was on that team. The magic of the Tiger. Over the holiday break, the basketball team traveled to Anchorage, Alaska, where they participated in the Great Alaskan Shootout. A typical day for the basketball team would include waking up around 9 am for practice, and then arriving at the hotel where they have to have a gourmet chef prepare our meals. The team had to have a day off the bench and providing the team with much needed energy.

In spite of finishing fourth, the team still enjoyed their experience in Alaska. D’Angelo Garrett explained that “the food we have had since 1999.”

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the Oakland Raiders. They came into this weekend facing a Texans team that has only one win on the road. David Carr has proven that he is not the most reliable quarterback in the world, but neither is Raiders quarterback Aaron Brooks. Both teams possess a solid tandem of receivers who can make big plays. The Raiders should be able to beat this Houston team, and Raider Nation fans should miss this because this will likely be the Raiders last win of the season.

Raiders 14 Texans 6

Carolina Panthers at Philadelphia Eagles

The Panthers and Eagles are two teams that have been to the NFC Championship and Super Bowl within the last three years. This season both teams are struggling and are in jeopardy of both missing out on the playoffs. Panthers quarterback Jake Delhomme is not having his regular efficient season, and they are getting no help at all from their running game. The Eagles received a huge game from Brian Westbrook last week, as he rushed for 125 yards and gained 50 yards receiving. Since Donovan McNabb is out for the season with an injury, Westbrook is going to have to step up every game for the rest of the season. The Panthers defense has enough weapons to slow down Westbrook and they will get one game closer to the playoffs with a win on Monday Night.

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team and his leadership and play is vital in easing the loss of Christian Marakar. Junior Anthony Brown's new role as the go to guy also will help in helping get over not having Marakar. The key will be what happens to sophomore high school division four player of the year Joe Ford. An injury might force a red shirt, which will be a huge blow for the Tigers. Only will time will tell the story of life without Marakar as all good things do eventually come to an end.
Rec Sports Week 2
Power Rankings

3v3 Basketball
Men's A
Rnk (Prv Rnk)
#1(1) Fundamentally Sound 1-0 - The only dominant team in the division
#2(2) Team Felony 1-1 - Letdown against the Blazers proves this team is vulnerable
#3(3) Cuidado 1-1 - Stiles' clan could emerge as the 2nd best team by week's end
#4(4) Blazers 1-2 - Holt is out for the year which could mean the Blazers are also out
#5(5) Juice 0-0 - The lineup just isn't that impressive

Men's B
#1(1) Swat Team 2-0 - Sigma Chi is just rolling over teams
#2(2) Kappa Psi 2-0 - Capitalizing on being in the weaker division
#3(3) Iron Lungs 2-0 - Strong play is crippled by poor sportsmanship
#4(4) HGL Fo Life 2-1 - Rausch is a beast inside
#5(5) Rec Staff 2-1 - Team has won four straight games with full roster
#6(6) Phi Delta Chi 2-1 - Win against Hot & Ready will lock up a playoff spot
#7(7) Be Legit 1-2 - The addition of the twins means it no longer counts as a Pike team
#8(8) H.A.A. 0-2 - No playoffs for these guys
#9(9) Hot & Ready 1-1 - Playoff fate rests on matchup versus Kappa Psi
#10(10) Asian Boys 1-2 - The team is a one man show
#11(11) JBK 0-2 - Only chance for a win is against H.A.A.
#12(12) Bulldogs 0-3 - Bulldogs will need a miracle against Rec Staff not happening

Men's C
#1(1) Super Smash 2-0 - Who doesn't want to see a Super Smash vs. Have Mercy showdown?
#2(2) Theta Chi: Have Mercy! 3-0 - We could see an all Theta Chi championship
#3(3) Theta Chi: Is this BBall? 2-0 - Raoul has his squad primed for a championship run
#4(4) The Goldfishes 1-0 - Yo's team hasn't played any contenders yet
#5(5) Lava Lining 1-1 - This team is a bunch of scrappers
#6(6) Kappa Psi 1-1 - I'm just not sold on Kappa Psi being a playoff team
#7(7) Bayoers 1-0 - Harris & Co. don't have a prayer against Super Smash
#8(8) The Block Party 1-2 - The team is a one man show
#9(9) MBAllers 0-2 - The lineup just isn't that impressive
#10(10) Who Let the Dogs Out? 0-2 - The team didn't get skunked
#11(11) Bulldogs 0-3 - Bulldogs will need a miracle against Rec Staff not happening

Women's
#1(1) Delta Gamma 2-0 - It looks like the DGs are going to run the table
#2(2) Da Wahine 2-1 - Tamura has the ladies clicking on all cylinders
#3(3) Better Looking Team 0-1 - There's whispers that P.'s is past his prime, and it's time to hang it up
#4(4) Ritter Strikers 0-1 - It's not that your bad. It's that everyone else is that good.
#5(5) Kicking Boots 0-1 - The division is just too loaded with talent for you to make a run

Co-Rec A
#1(1) Good Times 2-0 - Team is making a statement to the rest of the division
#2(2) Phi Delta Chi 3-1 - Plenty of time to rest up for playoffs
#3(3) Duck Fat 0-1 - The team is good but not great
#4(4) We Don't Play Soccer 0-2 - The sad thing is one of these last two teams is guaranteed the playoffs
#5(5) MBAllers 0-1 - Just not a lot of promise on this squad

Rec-Sports
GAME OF THE WEEK
Women's A 3v3 Basketball
Mystics vs. X-treme
Main Gym
TONIGHT!! 9:00PM
Notes: A battle of two undefeated squads. Last year's champs, The Mystics, are red hot and poised to win back-to-back championships. Pre-season favorites, Team X-treme, may be the only team with enough athleticism to knock The Mystics off.

Prediction: The Mystics will have to rely heavily on their sound fundamentals to overcome the size and strength of X-treme's Freeman, McCarty, and Zimmerman. The team chemistry of the Mystics will be the difference maker.
Mystics over X-treme: 15-10, 6-15, 6-3

UPCOMING TOURNAMENTS
Brainbuster Trivia Bowl
Wed. 12/6 @ 8pm
4v4 Indoor Flag Football Tournament:
Sun. 12/10