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Anchor Splash: Fun for a good cause

Claire Thompson
Staff Writer

On Sunday, September 25, 2005 Delta Gamma hosted their annual philanthropic even, Anchor Splash.

A tradition that became a legend. Every year hundreds of students flock to the pool on south campus. The weather this year was amazing and all you could see was a sea of swimsuits.

Anchor Splash, was a success this year. Every year Delta Gammas donate over a million dollars to charities such as Aide to the Blind and Service for Sigh. Money from the proceeds go to glasses, books and special help for blind children.

“I think that Anchor Splash is a great way to have fun while doing a good thing for the community,” says Evan Garcia, who brought the South/West hall to it’s victory during one of the races.

The annual Anchor Splash event at Pacific took place last Sunday at Chris Kjeldsen pool, where Delta Gamma Sorority members put on a series of get-wet events.

Fraternities, Sororities, and living communities were all invited to compete in a series of water related races, with the winners taking home glory AND desirable prizes like Chili’s gift certificates.

Sigma Chi won for the fraternity, TriDelt won for the sororities, and South/West took the win for the Living Communities.

“It was a very competitive day, but it was all in good fun. It was awesome to joke around with the other frats” said Mark Wiener, a junior in Pike.

Once again, Sigma Chi won the synchronized swimming event in a dazzling display of kicks, waves and spins.

Of all the races, the watermelon race was the most entertaining. Each team had to race across the pool with a Crisco covered watermelon in tow.

Anchor Splash is one of the first events of the year that unites the whole greek community and it was Delta Gamma’s first philanthropic even of the school year.

“Anchor splash... I think I am in love. Same time, same place, next year?” Asks Pike junior Mike Boucher. Definitely.

Inspiring Israeli Film Festival at Pacific

By Courtnee Coburn
Staff Writer

This past weekend students flocked to the Pacific Theatre for the highly anticipated Israeli Film Festival. The three films shown were Kedma (2002), Time Of Favor (2000), and The Inner Tour (2002).

Thursday night’s film Kedma is set in 1948 amidst the violent recognition of Israel as a state. Freshman Evan Berbano said, “I was surprised that I enjoyed the movie as much as I did. I was really glad to have taken the opportunity to see Kedma.” Berbano was not the only student new to the Israeli film scene.

Freshman John Orofino attended the Friday night viewing of Time of Favor. “I was pretty skeptical about going to see the movie. But I found the story, acting, and just the film itself interesting.”

Time of Favor is a story built upon intertwining plots. Rabbi Meltzer is building a movement “to pray at the temple mount”, and getting his own military for this budding community. In the meantime his daughter, Michal is falling in love with Menachem, commander of the new, small military group. But this does not fall in line with Rabbi Meltzer’s plans; he wants Michal to marry Pini, a great scholar.

The last of the films in the festival was The Inner Tour on Saturday night. The movie pursues a three-day bus tour of Palestinians as they travel through Israel. Their so-called vacation occurs only months before the Arab-Israeli war recommenced in 2000. As the trip continues the diverse group
PUBLIC SAFETY WEEKLY REPORT
September 18 through 24, 2005

1*SUSPICIOUS PERSON BROOKSIDE RD. 091905
Employee called in a suspicious person. Officers attempted to make contact and the subject ran from the officers. He was later apprehended and officer found him carrying a shopping bag filled with mail. Officer later determined the mail was stolen from the mailboxes of Pacific Commons. The subject was charged with several crimes and turned over to postal authorities.

2*STOLEN BIKE MONOGAN HALL 091905
Victim reports she secured her bike with a chain lock at 9:00 AM and when she returned at 10:15 AM, the bike was gone. Bicycle valued at $80.

3*ARREST SPANOS CENTER 092005
Officers stopped a subject on a bicycle who was in the area of Spanos Ctr. He was arrested on an outstanding warrant.

4*ANNOYING PHONE CALLS GRACE COVELL 092005
Victim reports receiving several annoying calls on their phone message machine. The calls are usually received in the morning hours.

5*LOST/STOLEN REPORT EISELEN HOUSE 092105
Report taken on a missing cell phone.

6*THEFT ANDERSON HALL 092205
Victim reports someone had taken her purse which was left unattended. The purse was located later in the men's restroom minus the money.

7*THEFT CHAPEL LN 092205
Victim reports the theft of his parking permit from his locked vehicle. The window was partially open.

8*AUTO BURGLARY MENDOCINO & KENSINGTON 092205
Victim reports that she parked her car off campus at 7:55AM. When she returned at 16:35 PM, her vehicle was broken into.

9*THEFT ART DEPT. 092205
Victim reports she left her back pack unattended in a classroom at 2:00 PM and when she returned at 4:30PM, her wallet was missing.

10..VANDALISM TOWNHOUSE APARTS. 092305
Report that someone threw an unknown object through a stationary glass door.

11..STOLEN BIKE CASA JACKSON 091905
Victim reports they secured their Motiv Groundpounder yellow & black bicycle with a cable lock at 10:00 AM on 09-22-05 and when they returned at 7:31AM, the cable lock was cut and the bike was missing. The bike was valued at $150.

12..VANDALISM KENSINGTON & DAVE BRUBECK 092305
Someone threw a brick thru the window of a white Mitsubishi.

13..CASUALTY ATCHLEY & DAVE BRUBECK 092305
Staff member fell on the pavement. She was transported to St. Joseph's for treatment.

14..AUTOBURGLARY LOT #3 092305
Victim reports someone broke the rear window of his vehicle and took a MP# style car stereo and tennis rackets.

15..THEFT LOT #25 092305
Victim reports the theft of her license plate to her vehicle.

Share your space, but live on your own.

From FILM page 1

What begins as a vacation becomes an emotional, powerful journey.

Each of the films shown at the Israeli Film Festival illuminated different sides to the Israeli "movie making" world. The festival offered many students an opportunity to see movies they might never typically see. The film festival was quite the success this past weekend.
America's economic divide still apparent
A shameful history of oppression is reflected in modern-day racial disparities

By Benjamin Dunphy
Staff Writer

Hurricane Katrina has brought to light the racial economic divide that exists in this country. George W. Bush has been accused of not caring for Black Americans, which he promptly refuted. For once, Mr. Bush is not to blame in these accusations; for America's racial economic divide is based on the lack of reparations given to those who suffered through the dark history of the United States.

Our forefathers, who fought for their freedom in this new land, liberated themselves from the oppressive rule of the King of Britain, giving them the freedom to oppress the natives, blacks, women, gays, "witches," communists, and Japanese-Americans, to name a few.

Slavery and the Jim Crow laws placed blacks at the very bottom of the classes, and many lived and still live together in poverty in ghettos. These communities are populated by uneducated, hopeless products of a past that has placed them in that very position. The steps taken to repair this damage, however, have not been nearly adequate. Two hundred years of oppression are not made right by simply making the practice illegitimate.

The spectacular divide is shown in the numbers. The median net worth of white households in 2002 was $88,651, or 14 times greater than African-American families ($5,988). With the average public college costing $8,513, and the average private college costing $20,082, the prospect for a post-secondary education looks grim for many.

In light of the poor and desolate environments in which these minority children grow up, many revert to crime in order to get by, and sometimes to survive. And the facts speak for themselves. Statistics from the U.S. Department of Justice state that "At midyear 2004 there were 4,919 black male prison and jail inmates per 100,000 black males in the United States, compared to...717 white male inmates per 100,000 white males."

This correctional system works against itself as well. Ex-convicts have a more difficult time finding a job than they did before they were incarcerated, leading these poor and uneducated men to survive by reverting to crime once again, such as selling drugs. It is a cycle that continues with each passing generation.

What needs to be done, and what the government seems to not understand, is that the source must be prevented rather than addressing the outcomes. In order to prevent crime, the...
Letter to the editor

"...another liberal, leftist tirade..."

I am writing this open letter to you as a proud British citizen and in defense of my government, its good name, and the British armed forces stationed overseas in Iraq which you so righteously took it upon yourself to publicly defame. First of all, I would like to point out that the two soldiers, who are part of an elite unit/British military, to get out of a vehicle and to blindly fire their weapons into a crowd of innocent men! Your lack of proper investigation into the matter is beyond absurd. There is no reasoning behind two soldiers, who are part of an elite unit/British military, to get out of a vehicle and to blindly fire their weapons. The TV footage of the equipment the Iraqi police put on display was a light caliber rifle, a light machine gun, an anti-tank weapon, and surveillance equipment. They weren't off to fight a war by themselves. You also mentioned, small-arms of the type favored by insurgents. Wrong. These two men were not carrying weapons used by insurgents; they were using weaponry preferred by the British military. Last time I checked, the Royal Fusiliers weren't taking pot shots at passing coalition convoys from atop a sand dune. Now, before I go onto my next point, I would like to first point out that the two men were (according to various news sources) part of Britain's elite Special Air Service, or the SAS, but I of course wouldn't expect you know that, considering they were agent provocateurs and were sent out to punish, scrutinize, and demonize, isn't that right? Please note the sarcasm in the aforementioned statement. It seems your left wing points of view, biased liberal journalism, and lack of proper journalistic ethics has got the best of you here Mr. Cipris. Using such phrases as brazenly fired on the Coalition-trained Iraqi police, let's analyze that shall we? There are (obviously) conflicting reports as to what happened, and the reality of what happened has not, and most certainly will not ever come to light. But oh no, you seem to know what DID happen in Basra! I forgot, you must have been there. You must have been that British soldier on fire jumping out of a tank after a petrol bomb hit it; or maybe you were one of those two soldiers who probably can't tell a Shia from a Sunni! To answer the question you pose, NO I am most definitely disturbed by the fact that this quote unquote "would not have been reported in the media." May I remind you that Iraqi police refused coalition agreements of handing over soldiers arrested/hostage by Iraqi police forces, and that you are only with fear of their safety, lives, and did British forces stop in to save their fellow countrymen. You ask why the soldiers were carrying these sort of weapons, we don't even know what sort of weapons they were for a start, but barring that notion, they were quite obviously not regular British military, which implies that they carry weapons designed to your standard issue cadence rifle. After that, you just seem to go into another liberal, leftist tirade regarding the US and Israel. Are you a Palestinian or something? It seems you harbor a lot of hatred towards the Western World. Regardless, I would just like to point out your poignantly lack of respect for the British students that are part of another country's (that's British) involvement in the rebuilding of a nation, and I would like to also point out that your journalism and investigation into this matter was nothing more than a cover for your petulant immature rants about how US policy is inherently evil. Is it really that malleable that you don't feel the same way. I love my country, and I have the utmost respect for my government, it's just when uneducated plebs like yourself feel the need to bash it like you so fondly did is a greater issue than the supposed assault of two Iraqi coppers.

With pride,
Aidan Gray
Fear and Loathing on a College Campus
Demi Moore wears gaucho to Green Day concert

By Mikey Vu
Lifestyles Editor

I was at the Green Day concert at SBC Park this past weekend, and for the most part it was pretty enjoyable. While waiting for the opening bands to come on however, I discovered a large group of high school girls behind me discuss the deep philosophical semantics of statements such as “Oh my god, I am sooooo drunk right now! Raise your hand if you’re drunk!” Other thought provoking questions were raised such as, “OMG, who wants to touch me!” First, no one wants to touch your “no-no zone”, and second, it was at this exact moment of stupidity when I had an epiphany: this is exactly why you are not allowed to bring weapons into live shows.

Not because of gangs, not because of mosh pits, but because of loud mouth drunk high school girls. And I’m even willing to bet that nearly every major war can be traced back to this select group of drunkards.

Why do you think Saddam was so angry? I bet he was having a great party, open bar, everyone stood in the stands drinking. I had an epiphany: this is why we need to educate you on the fabric godsend that are gauchos. First, imagine a girl. Don't get too excited yet, I'm not even at the good part. Now imagine that she is wearing a skirt on each leg. If you still don't get it, imagine if you took MC Hammer's parachute pants and cut them off at the knees. Those are gauchos. And I love them, and if you wear them, I love you too. That is all.

Speaking of saggy things, Demi Moore and Ashton Kutcher finally got married. To be honest I was always hoping he would pull through. After years and years of rooting for the underdog, Ashton finally proved that yes, if you are wealthy, handsome, and can star in numerous cinematic abortions, then you too can get Bruce Willis' sloppy seconds. Knowing Hollywood it's probably more like dirty thirty's. And after seeing Demi in Striptease, it's more realistically like messy millions. But that is neither here nor there. I'm just hoping that their marriage doesn't affect the quality of the films that they act in. Lord forbid that they combine their talents and bring us the acting tour de france that is Dude, Where's My Striptease 2: This time it's personal.

Flogging Molly rocks Bob Hope Theatre

By Mikey Vu
Lifestyles Editor

The lights were dim, the kids dressed in green, and the scent of cheap vodka and Guinness wafted through the air. On September 23rd at Bob Hope Theatre, Pacific students got a taste of something that had been absent from our school for quite a long time. An awesome rock concert.

When first arriving to the venue however, I was a little disconcerted by the setup of the stage. Most venues have a large spacious area near the stage so that people can dance, mosh, stage dive, do whatever they please, and basically feed off the energy of the band. That was not the case with Bob Hope theatre. Walking in I saw rows upon rows of velvety seats that they are raping my music.

While I was prepared for the screaming O.C. watching preteen onslaught at the Death Cab for Cutie show last year, and even for the ridiculously over dyed half assed haircuts of the emo kids at The Arcade Fire show, nothing could prepare me for what was to come at SBC park that day.

When I was in the pit waiting, I overheard this rather lead right up to a beautiful stage that was lined with a gorgeous proscenium arch. Not really the type of place you expect drunken Irishmen to play at.

The show started off with Sacramento's own hardcore punk band the Hanover Saints. While they pleaded for kids to get off their seats and rush the stage, they were met with unresponsive action, everyone standing in the aisles bobbing their head the best they could.

The next band up was Communique, a San Francisco indie band with a little 80's throwback flavor in the same vein as The Killers and The Bravery. It was fairly clear that they were the odd one out at a punk show, but
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HOROSCOPES

By Dan Cammarano
Astrological analysis

Libra
The wise man who fishes under the walking bridge predicts your future during his lunch. You are a fisher of men and women, and your unique ability to catch them is only surpassed by your skill in releasing them. Tonight wash your hands.

Scorpio
South campus trees begin to wither with the coming winter much like your positive attitude toward classes. Make class more interesting with your own sound effects. Tonight write down your thoughts.

Sagittarius
Being childish used to be your escape from it all, and once again you must awake the brat within. The stars say to take a marker and draw poop on your dorm walls. Tonight invest in a tech stock.

Capricorn
Why did the chicken cross Pacific Ave? We will never know since he was hit by my car. You car thrashes for violence much like mine; take your beast to a shopping center and hit some carts. Tonight finger paint.

Aquarius
The blinds in your room keep you from seeing the truth. Open up the blinds and open up your mind, do something dangerous like eating right before swimming or sneezing with your eyes open! Tonight cross your eyes.

Pisces
Much like the wise Allen Greenspan, you will lose your hair and your vision will become shaky. Don't eat anything prepared at the dining hall to keep your health up. Tonight read history.

Aries
Evil sprits haunt your weekends, like the potato and agave sprits. Your soul needs materials like water and greasy foods to recover from the dehydrating evil doers. Tonight watch a little CSpan2.

Taurus
There are many strong women on this campus, and it is not just speaking of our school ladies. Seek out one of these women and ask how they feel about the glorious revolution. Tonight buy some ice cream.

Gemini
The mighty Gods of Physics suspect that you have improperly lifted your legs. Fight this fallacy with positive mental attitude and some good physical plant God's hate goes Tonight call an old flame.

Cancer
Analyze what is important in life like the powerful buters. However do not simply let in your arms in domination, attack your rivals with the force of army of Public Safety officers. Tonight visit Jamba Juice.

Leo
During a safety walk, university Dean predicted your success. I however must inform you that he was wrong your defeated a profound failure in a Calvinist on his way to his Tonight look on the bright side.

Virgo
Your soul thirsts for new experience and information about your beautiful campus. Next time you see one of those gaggles of people being lead around at the orange clad ambassador join in on the fun. Tonight paint a mental picture.

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they did a good job of keeping the ladies happy with their poppy keyboard laced tunes.

It was only after their set ended did things start to get interesting. The twenty foot space between the front rows and the stage miraculously began to fill up with people in anticipation of the Irish punk phenomenon that is Flogging Molly. Strangely, the once apprehensive security guards lining the stage hardly minded the now jam packed space. The lights dimmed, the crowd started chanting, it was clear that the real show was about the start.

The proceeding 90 minutes were nothing short of insanity. Usually there are large spaces in which one can mosh and go crazy, but when confined to a 20x40 foot space, things can get a little hectic.

Needless to say it was nothing short of chaos, but there is something uniting about being amongst all of your Pacific brethren beating the living daylights out of each other, giving out high fives to people you might not expect to see there, all while enjoying songs like "Salty Dog" and "Screaming at the Wailing Wall."

Flogging Molly’s supercharged performance was a breath of fresh air to downtown Stockton and the Bob Hope Theatre, a venue who’s most intense performance were stand up comics. Although the venue wasn’t best suited for a rock concert I think that the Pacific students did just fine with the small space they were given.

I would like to thank ASUOP for all your hard work in getting Flogging Molly to come to Stockton thank you for setting everything up, and thank you for all the hours spent working before, at, and after the show. You’ve made this campus more interesting one step at a time.

If you didn’t go, I’m sorry that you missed out on such a great experience. Only at a concert can I say that I was repeatedly punched in the ribs, soaked in other people’s sweat, and kicked in the face with a size 8 shoe by Alan Youngblood and say “Damn that was a good night.”
NFL GURU

Overall Record: 12-9

Dallas at Oakland

Dallas barely got by the 49ers last week and I do not think they will be able to do the same this week. The Raiders have been in close games with three very good teams so far. This week they will eradicate their 3 game losing streak and beat the Cowboys. Kerry Collins has played great so far and will do the same in this game.

Raiders 27, Cowboys 17

San Francisco at Arizona

This game will be played in Mexico and I will finally pick the 49ers. The Cardinals look dismal this season and they should continue to do so against a weaker defense. The Niners defense is also not too bad.

49ers 29, Cardinals 20

Philadelphia at Kansas City

Well, it finally looks that the Chiefs defense might have some holes after an embarrassing loss to the Broncos on Monday night. Their offense looked just as bad as the defense by only scoring 10 points. Philadelphia has played good enough to win this game on the road. Brian Westbrook had over 200 yards last week and TO had another TD. The Eagles should win this high scoring game by utilizing Westbrook throughout the game.

Eagles 34, Chiefs 24

Seattle at Washington

The Seahawks are one of the best home teams in football, but one of the worst road teams. I did say Mark Brunell was over the hill before their victory against Dallas and I still believe he is. Clinton Portis will have to be the guy to give the 'Skins a solid chance at victory. Shaun Alexander had 4 TDs last week and Matt Hasselbeck had no turnovers. The Seahawks should win, but you never know when they are on the road.

Seahawks 24, Redskins 14

Denver at Jacksonville

The Broncos looked perfect against a solid Chiefs team last week. I think this was mainly because they were at home. Plummer was efficient and the defense was even better. Jacksonville has one of the best defenses in the NFL and has enough firepower on offense to get the job done. Any team that only gives up 10 points to the Colts has a chance in every game.

Jaguars 20, Broncos 17

Minnesota at Atlanta

Well Mr. Culpepper it is nice to see that you can actually throw a TD pass this year. It only took you two games and 8 interceptions to figure it out. Minnesota was one of the favorites to make it deep into the playoffs and they finally showed that against the Saints last week. Atlanta has a good defense and they win games when Vick doesn't make mistakes. I am going to go with the upset and pick Minnesota because they finally figured out that running the ball equals a victory.

Vikings 24, Falcons 17

Green Bay at Carolina

The Packers have looked awful so far this year and they are limping into Carolina. Favre has not been his normal self and Alman Green has not had a good game yet this year. Carolina is the most bipolar team in the NFL and seems to have trouble with easy teams. The Panthers are at home and should be victorious because of their defense causing turnovers. Favre should have a good game on the Monday night stage, but it will not be enough to win.

Panthers 27, Packers 20

From Field Hockey Page 8

include the player using the flat side of the stick and the ball not hitting their foot. Other fouls include popping the ball up too high in the air, and obstructing the ball from the opponent.

Early injuries have caused a few set backs for Pacific. But, MacDonald believes that everything will start to work once the right combination for the field is found. Senior captain Laura Maurer feels the same way, "the injuries on our team have forced us to adapt to new situations, and for that we will be better as a whole. If our team plays together, then we can win NorPac."

Regardless of injuries the field hockey team is ready to put another winning season in the record books. Junior Vianney Campos will be the threat Pacific will use on defense, as Michelle Manson will hold the defense.

Girls in skirts, whistles blowing and sticks swinging may sound a little awkward for a sport, but don’t let the skirt fool you.

Pacific’s next home game will be on Tuesday, October 18th against Longwood at 12pm.

All games will be played on Brookside Field.
The game of field hockey can be a confusing sport. All of the whistles blown and penalties called during the game can be hard to understand. Head Coach Linda MacDonald has been coaching at Pacific for 18 years and feels that once fans come to the game, they will start to enjoy it as they catch on. "Once you get past all of the whistles, you see the excitement in the sport."

Easy rules to remember

Quick Rules of Field Hockey to Remember

1. The ball cannot hit anyone's foot
2. Player must use the flat side of the stick
3. Cannot obstruct the ball from the opponent
4. Goal only counts if the ball is shot within the striking circle
5. 2 Halves are played, 35 minutes each

Photograph by Dan Cammarano

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The idea came from the fitness center's new graduate assistant who saw the popularity of the cycling classes as a chance to challenge everyday exercisers, according to Jennifer Sexton, director of Campus Recreation. Sarah Guldenbrein and Michelle Stone, two of the cycling instructors at the fitness center, are also participating in the challenge. "Spinning [cycling] is an easy way to get in a bunch of miles fast and in a fun way," said Guldenbrein. "I think they [the participants] can get the miles in if they ride a little bit everyday," encourages Guldenbrein; "the challenge also encourages to cyclists to put in more miles and go a little further."

Photograph by Dan Cammarano

Jennifer Hite-Smith
Editor-In-Chief

Baun Fitness Center is finishing up a 300 mile "Lance Armstrong Fitness Challenge." Participants had three weeks to complete 300 miles of biking - indoor, outdoor, or cycling classes. Over the summer famous American cyclist, Lance Armstrong won his seventh consecutive Tour de France, all the more incentive for those Pacific students and faculty that have joined the challenge here on campus.

The challenge began on September 12 and goes through this weekend. All participants who complete the 300 miles will be given a yellow "Livestrong" bracelet. The bracelets are from the Lance Armstrong Cancer Fund.

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