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U.S.-Islamic world Relations forum

“There is a lack of understanding of the shared history that we have.”

- Professor Gene Bigler

“The federal government does not trust the local government, and the feeling is mutual.”

-John Beckham, Mayor of Lodi

audience the historical relationship between the United States and the Muslim World.

“The Founding Fathers included Islam in their vision of the republic,” he said, providing historical examples of U.S-Muslim cooperation. But things did not go as they had planned.

The current mess of U.S-Muslim relations is, according to Mr. Caje, a result of the historic foreign policies of the U.S., such as their support for both Iran and Iraq in their 1980-88 war and their support for Osama bin Laden to fight the Soviets. He argued that terrorists are provoked into their actions.

Later in the evening Gene Bigler reinforced this historical perspective when he recognized that “there is a lack of understanding of the shared history that we have.”

Mr. Bigler then began to unfold the now rocky relationship between the Western and Muslim worlds. Iraq has become a divided country of Sunni versus Shiite groups, which has intensified due to the U.S. invasion. “Families and communities are divided,” he said. “There is the possibility of civil war... and interethnic conflicts.”

Mr. Bigler then explained the role of Karen Hughes, the under secretary of state for public diplomacy, in her five day trip to Egypt, Saudi Arabia, and Turkey. She was, as Mr. Bigler put it, sent to “convince Iraqis that US policy is right,” and she received an “eye-opening...”

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School of Pharmacy celebrates 50th

Photographs by Tina Brehmer

On Saturday October 1, 2005 The Pharmacy school hosted a kick off celebration for its 50th anniversary. It was an event that looked back on the pharmacy school’s beginning, present and future. Displays of plans for new facilities where exhibited along side nostalgia from years gone by. Alumni, staff and current students were all in attendance for the beautiful event.

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Dr. Derril Bodley deceased at 60

A professor at the University from 1986 to 2000, Derril Bodley passed away in a motorcycle accident in Stockton on his sixtieth birthday. He is pictured here at the “Not in Our Name” press conference in Crawford, Texas.

By Sandy Goldberg

Staff Writer

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Bodley was more than a professor in the Conservatory of Music, he had devoted his life to promoting peace around the world after his daughter was killed on Flight 93 on September 11, 2001 in the fields of Pennsylvania.

Derrill Bodley was an extremely gifted musician. As Reverend Gary Putnam said at his memorial service: “Derrill is legendary among...”

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Pacific’s Public safety suffers from unfair pay

Simran Kaleka
Reporter

The public safety department located on campus is a 24 hours, 364 days a year protection program for the University of the Pacific. Pacific’s public safety department is one of only two private universities that actually provide police officer service in California, the other one being Stanford.

Public safety provides a full range of services including: crime prevention and investigation, making arrests, calls for services such as jumpstarting vehicles, traffic enforcement, and security at special events. Public safety is a major asset to Pacific; however, they are

Many believe that Pacific police officers make just as much, if not more, than the police officers at other public Universities because Pacific is private. This is not true at all. A Police Officer with 2 years of experience at Pacific makes $2,910 per month, which is close to 16% below the market wage of a newly hired officer at other departments.

A beginning Police Officer at Delta College makes $3,465 per month and beginning police officer’s at UC Davis make $3,773 per month. A beginning Police Officers at a CSU campus make up to $3,301 per month. 16% below the market wage is extremely low and the UOPPOA has taken notice, demanding that Pacific treat its employees with equitably.

Many Pacific students have relied on Public Safety in times of trouble and it is a scary thought to picture the campus without their help and support they provide for the students, staff, and faculty. Mike Belcher, who retired from the Stockton PD in May of 2002, has been with Pacific for two years now.

Belcher quotes, “it is much more beneficial to rely on public safety when there is an issue on campus rather than the Stockton police considering the fact that put; has a one to two, response time anywhere up to be with the Stocktontop.

The University threaten to close the Department if no change. Anyone runs into a dilemma immediately for help; Safety is located in the lower level of the Wellness Center, Brookside Rd.

PUBLIC SAFETY WEEKLY REPORT
September 25 through October 1

1* AUTO BURGLARY, LOT #4 (CLOCKTOWER)
Victim reports someone smashed the side window to their vehicle and took the faceplate to the car stereo. This occurred between 8:00 AM on 9-24 and 7:50 PM on 9-25.

2* FOUND PROPERTY, PROVOST OFFICE
Staff reported finding a sum of money. Booked for safekeeping.

3* ANNOYING CALLS, TOWNHOUSE
Victim reports x-boyfriend making threatening phone calls.

4* THREATS, McCAFFREY APPTS
Subject reports being threatened and intimidated by several male subjects.

5* BURGLARY, MANOR 10 HALL
Victim reports someone entered their room and removed $60. No force used to enter the room.

6* LOST/STOLEN, SWIMMING POOL
Subject reports losing their cell phone on Sunday, Sept 2005.

7* THEFT, HUM SOURCES
Victim reports someone removed their recumbent bicycle from the bike locker to gain access to the bicycle.

8* FOUND PROPERTY, KNOLES FIELD
Physical Plant staff found a wallet and turned it in for safekeeping.

9* CASUALTY, CAL PLANT
Assisted subject who had fallen off their skate board; subject transported to Joseph’s Hospital for treatment.

10* CR THREATS, PRICE HALL
Victim reported receiving threatening messages from an x-boyfriend.

11* VANDALISM, MYSS HALL
Victim reports someone removed the mirror to their vehicle.

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I’m north of Baghdad. There are villages near our location. It is a rural area and the homes are just like the ones in the city, made of sticks and mud with hay. It is interesting to see how the homes are very modern, just like any other location in the US. There is even a town near us with homes made from stucco-like material that look like typical townhomes you’d find Stateside but the occupants belong to the Iraq Army.

Public affairs was riding along our vehicle taking photos as we navigated around the neighborhoods and farms. We stopped to give out soccer balls and t-shirts. I was told that our unit gave out shoes several months ago. We noticed on our recent trip that what the kids need are pants more than t-shirts.

The families that we see here are coalition friendly, though we know insurgent attacks are among them. Those living in the villages come out when they see us. It seems more so to get stuff from us like packaged meals, iced water, than to say hello although some do just come by just to say hello.

These people have it rough and you can see it from the older kids. They are cut young and then around 10/12 they look like as if they aged 30 overnight.

Love you,

Vichet

From BODLEY page 1

the students of the Conservatory.” It seemed as if there were not enough words to describe Bodley’s character.

“Derrill was extraordinary, Derrill was exceptional, Derrill was different,” he was one of the brightest music students we ever taught,” said Putnam.

After the death of his daughter, Bodley was moved to write music that taught peace and understanding.

His song, “Steps to Peace” was recorded by jazz musician Dave Brubeck for his recent CD release.

Bodley devoted much of his time to being a member of a group called Global Exchange as well as the group September 11 Families for Peaceful Tomorrows.

In January 2002, he traveled to Afghanistan to meet other families who had lost loved ones and brought music to children who had been orphaned, and some who had never heard music before.

He told to the Sacramento Bee after his trip, “I looked at her and she looked at me and I got chills. I knew she felt what I felt. That really got to me. When the bombing started, my hope—and it was a futility—was that there would be no innocent victims because my daughter was an innocent victim.”

Bodley sincerely hoped that his pain and suffering would not have to be felt by others, even across the world.

Derrill Bodley seemed to have a gift to understand many different types of people. “He honored many traditions and many ways to live in the world,” said Reverend Joy Preiser.

Bodley leaves behind a wife and step-daughter as well as a legacy that will live on here at the University and with everyone who had the pleasure of knowing him.

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Human rights group issues torture report

By Shane Cipris
Perspectives Editor

The New York-based Human Rights Watch organization recently released a report regarding the torture of Iraqi prisoners of war by U.S. military personnel. Titled "Leadership Failure: Firsthand Accounts of Torture of Iraqi Detainees by the U.S. Army's 82nd Airborne Division," the report is a damning indictment of the harsh interrogation methods made graphically public in a series of digital photographs of Abu Ghraib prison which were leaked last year.

Coinciding with the recent conviction of Private First Class Lynndie England for abusing prisoners, the report is emphatic that the abuses were not simply a matter of a 'few bad apples' as was initially spun by the Pentagon. The report, which focused on abuses at Forward Operating Base Mercury (FOB Mercury) is clear that the worst offenses were the result of failure of leadership within the highest levels of the military.

The Iraqi detainees were referred to as 'PUCs,' for Person Under Control. This appellation was invented following the Bush administration's decision to classify Iraqi insurgents as enemy combatants who were not afforded Geneva Convention protections. This had come about after now-Attorney General Alberto Gonzales had authored an infamous White House memo justifying the use of torture on enemy detainees. In the HRW report, one soldiers describes how the beating of detainees was considered sport, as a way for the stressed-out soldiers to blow off some steam. This was so commonplace that there were a number of well-known phrases, including to "smoke a PUC" which meant forcing a detainee to undergo extreme physical exertion (sometimes till unconsciousness), while to "f--- a PUC" meant to beat a detainee arbitrarily.

According to the report, "The soldiers believed that about half of the detainees at Camp Mercury were released because they were not involved in the insurgency."

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Charity from compassion not competition

By Benjamin Dunphy
Staff Writer

Last week I was reading the e-news and came across a headline that read "Students vs. Faculty/Staff Giving to Katrina Relief." There was also another headline that read "Who is more giving? A contest to raise funds for Hurricane Katrina Relief." Catch phrases such as "Who will come out on top? It's up to you!" and "a competition to determine whether students or faculty and staff are more giving" enticed the reader to give to the victims of the worst natural disaster in American History.

This is sick. Do we really need to compete to give? I understand that those who designed this fundraiser/competition did so in hopes that it would involve those with not only a sense of giving, but also provide motivation with a sense of competition, and this is precisely the problem. Do we need to feel a sense of victory for ourselves even when giving to our less fortunate fellow Americans?

Is the feeling of giving enough that we must have an additional incentive? Must we instead of creating a competition, we should put up a sign that reads: "These people's lives were destroyed. Will you do the right thing?"

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they left with the physical and mental scars of war, “If he’s a good guy, I know, now he’s a bad because of the way we treated him,” one sergeant Human Rights Watch.”

week a federal judge, the release of more tortos from Abu Ghraib, while this week president Bush chose to pass over nominees for nomination to Supreme Court, likely political desicion made to avoid the inevitable backlash from Abu Ghraib and anybody else that witnessed anything that violated the Geneva Conventions...”

Regarding a Tiger unity
Student solidarity comes through good times

by Marcel Gibson
Columnist

So, last Saturday I par-took in the single greatest drunken fiesta this school has seen since the informal ban on off-campus frat parties. From A section to C, doors were open to any and all students dabbling in Pacific’s greatest pastime, and oh-boy did I tow my brew around.

Apparently, the next morning, the lawns were littered in cans and red-cups, but I wasn’t able to witness this glorious site because I had to sleep off a 15-plus shot headache. But how great was the night, with good booze, good dance, and good kissing!

Is such merry-making going to re-occur? I’m skeptically hopeful, as such good times—when Tigers are ready to let-go and live a little—occur once in a Blue Moon on this campus.

Tiger. No, it’s more likely a Tiger will mope-by the door where all the loud music is coming from, too afraid to stumble in. But the worst travesty of all: the beer-fund jar gets passed around, and from thirty drunks, only five dollars is added to it or, even more worse, money is stolen from it. Awful!

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A hodgepodge of strange news reflections

By Dan Slomin
Staff Writer

A gun-control group in Florida started posting flyers warning tourists to stay calm during traffic confrontations so that they don't get shot by the heat-packing citizens of the Sunshine State. The flyer was a response to a recently-passed law that allows Florida citizens with legally concealed firearms to fire on anyone they believe to be a threat to them. That tears it—I am officially canceling my vacation in Florida and going to somewhere safe, like Newark.

A survey polled on careerbuilder.com indicates that Americans are using increasingly lame excuses for missing work. Some excuses actually used by workers include "I was too drunk to drive to work" and "I forgot I was supposed to get married today" (understandable enough). My favorite one was the worker who said he was late for work because he doesn't believe in alarm clocks, and God forgot to wake him up. I actually use that one all the time.

Life imitates The X-Files. I read a CNN report about a 'UFO landing strip' that's under construction in a Puerto Rico city, with the approval of the city mayor. Critics jumped all over his decision, but at the very least it's open-minded, even though the E.T. nonsense is probably all about the potential tourism (and not of the alien variety). Someone call Mulder and Scully—oh right, they're fictional.

Life imitates cartoons: in Australia, a newspaper recently reported that kids "as young as 12" are smoking toad skins in a misguided attempt to get high. Really? Because I could have sworn I heard all about the dangers of licking toad on Family Guy—imagine actually doing that for a buzz. Can't these kids just drink too much cough syrup like normal people? Actually, scratch that thought—there might be impressionable youngsters reading this. Just say no, kids.

The Ventura County prison system has started issuing bright orange underwear to its inmates, in an attempt to cut down on the amount of prison clothing lost each year. Socks, undershirts and drawers will all be dyed, so that any inmate who attempts to be discharged wearing prison-issued garb will stand out. So now, the inmates will have the matched ensemble—orange jumpsuits, socks and underclothes of a Tony the Tiger.

New York motorists entering Manhattan by way of Brooklyn will be seeing a reverent new traffic sign the Williamsburg Bridge. The green-metal traffic sign reads "Leaving Brooklyn Vey!" and was put up to celebrate the borough's large Jewish population. "Vey" is a Yiddish expression of dismay or hurl like "Not just a borough experience" and "Lil other place in the world." We should have slogans when entering places such a thing. What you've got any better slogans when entering places like "Not just a borough experience" and "Like other place in the world."

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Fear and Loathing on a College Campus

Gastric Bypass Surgery due to Sex addicted Jelly Beans

By Mikey Yu
Lifestyles Editor

I was in line at the Summit last night, and at the register I saw one of my favorite foods in the entire world. Jelly beans. One has to admire how far science has progressed when you can pack the taste of an entire bag of popcorn into one little color coded candy.

I decided to purchase them being in the good mood that I was in, and popped one of those little bad boys into my mouth, but what I experienced next was nothing short of pure terror. My legs of reality were shattered by the baseball bat of disappointment. These were not Jelly Bellys. No, no they were not, these were the no-name version of my beloved confection, the Safeway cola of the candy world.

I calmed down, took a breath, and figured that I did pay for this overpriced snack, might as well give them another shot. I ate a teal colored one next, expecting some sort of delicious frutti tutti mixed berry concoction considering its wondrous color, but no. The baseball bat of disappointment reared its ugly wooden head again.

It was mouthwash flavored. Not winterfresh, not mint, but that taste of burning that only Scope can deliver. Ironically, Scope is the only thing that made my mouth taste better.

Anyways, it finally dawned on me the other day that college professors are getting it all wrong. Maybe not even college professors but our whole school system really.

They way that we are educated, we are learning things that we will never need, want to know, or even use in our professional careers. When are you going to hear, "Johnson, we're in way over our heads! Our client's changing his mind and we might lose this account unless...you can optimize the area under a quadruple integral in three coordinates. SHOW ALL WORK."

And for you more science inclined folk, when exactly do you think during your time as a pharmacist will you be asked what the exact order and species of the Galapagos brown pelican is before being allowed to give someone their medication? The only hypothetical situation I could come up with is if one of those bridge dwelling trolls that asks riddles came in for some wart cream.

While we're on the same topic of dwelling trolls that ask too many questions, I was watching The View the other day (why I was watching is neither here nor there), and I couldn't pass up.

"It was great. If another movie came to me I'd do it, but I wouldn't go seeking it. Even just to be on a set was so fun just to see how it was all made." -Sarah Bulley, international Studies major

Sandy Goldberg
Reporter

I guess that sometimes going to a bar really pays off. At least it did for one student at Pacific who just finished shooting a feature film where she plays a major role.

Sarah Bulley, an International Studies and Russian major, spent all of the last school year in St. Petersburg, Russia on her study abroad experience. Already contemplating staying the rest of the summer, Sarah found herself in a bar one evening near the end of spring semester when she was approached by a talent agent.

"I was in a bar celebrating a friend's birthday, and the bar happened to be owned by Americans and the owner asked if we were staying for the summer. She told us "They are looking for Americans to play extras.""

After taking head shots and having a call back, she was cast as an American female pilot in World War II. It was a speaking role rather than one of an extra like she had expected.

Never having acted before, and nervous to be the only American on set she said, "I seriously considered turning it down." After some coaxing from close friends and family, she realized it was an opportunity she couldn't pass up.

The film is set in 1943 at a Siberian air base close to Alaska. Americans flew planes and supplies over to the airbase where Russian soldiers then took the supplies to other Russian military. The movie follows young American female pilots who meet up with young Russian male soldiers. "It follows a lot of different characters and their relationships," said Bulley. "You see a totally different side of human interaction [that was going on during the war]."

The film will be released in March in St. Petersburg and then go on to film festivals in Europe. Whether or not it will become available in the US is dependent on whether a production company buys the rights to release it here. The director, Alexandr Rogozhkin, is quite well known in Russia and his last major movie was distributed in the United States.

When asked about the experience she noted excitedly: "It was great. If another movie came to me I'd do it, but I wouldn't go seeking it. Even just to be on a set was so fun just to see how it was all made." Not only was she on a movie set, but it also allowed her to travel in different places in Russia during filming.
Hookah, is it really safer than cigarettes?

Pricilla Park
Reporter

The hookah seems to be a growing trend among college kids. Sitting with your friends and smoking hookah at night has got to be one of the most relaxing things to do after a hard day’s work of going to classes. You get to hang out with friends and smoke flavored tobacco and it seems a lot healthier than cigarettes. But is it really?

A lot of people go out to the hookah bars or have their own hookahs to smoke. Sophomore Kristen Robertson says she loves the feeling the hookah gives after you smoke it for a long time. “It seems harmless due to the fruity flavor but some research shows that because the tobacco is being heated and not burned, fewer carcinogens are being produced in the smoke.” Hookah tobacco is made with a 1:2 mixture of tobacco and honey, molasses, or semi-dried fruit which is a lot less tobacco than cigarettes. But according to the medical journal Pediatrics, smoking hookah is just as harmful because it has the same amount of cancer causing and addictive substances. There is also more carbon monoxide being produced than cigarettes due to the self lighting charcoal. The charcoal also adds carcinogenic nitrosamines and heavy metals to the smoke.

Hookah tobacco has the
The Dan Purser band debuts at Pacific

By Abbey Golden
and Stacy Aronson
Reporters

With a fan base steadily growing, Dan Purser is more than a name of a person. Dan Purser is the name of a band on a mission.

Originally from Seattle, Washington, the band's member Dan Purser grew up singing and performing and formed a band named Foolish Souls in 1999.

In the winter of 2003, after a successful tour with Foolish Souls Dan Purser, took his career to the next level and became a solo artist. He formed his own Dan Purser band. His group members include Josh Hanson on rhythm guitar, Josh White on drums, Brändon Bee on lead guitar, and bass guitarist Bryan Watson.

With inspiration from artists like Matchbox 20, Train and fellow musician and friend Marc Broussard, Purser sings "catchy hooks and great harmonies" and his voice is a cross between Rob Thomas and John Mayer.

His unique lyrics are about a college girlfriend who broke his heart. "We were pretty serious, we almost got married, but in the second year things headed south." Purser explained.

Returning back to the University of the Pacific to perform for the campus, Purser and his band brought new songs and an even stronger desire, with a goal to not only tour select destinations, but to branch out to the entire United States.

The band's trip will bring them to 41 states making this their first national tour. "We did three shows in Coeur D'Alene, Idaho. We drove the whole night until 5:30 the following evening and played a show at 7:30pm that night." Purser explained. Suitably titled the "Not Coming Home" tour, the CD with the same name, is truly art imitating life. "I sold my place in Seattle, and when I go home, I pretty much couch exposed to more toxins and there is a better chance of getting addicted to the nicotine. Hookah seems like the better alternative to cigarettes but apparently it does the same damage to the body so maybe we should reconsider what we are doing to ourselves."

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Linda Wang, violin

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By Chase Topella
Football Analyst
NFL GURU
Overall Record: 15-13

Indianapolis @ San Francisco

I think last week may be the last time I put trust in the 49ers. After the defense gave them a 14-0 lead, the offense could not score once all game. Alex Smith is going to start next week and he will not make a difference. The Colts have been more impressive on defense than offense. Peyton Manning finally looked like himself with 4 TDs last week. This game will not be close.

Colts 34, 49ers 10

Philadelphia @ Dallas

The Eagles came back from a 24-6 deficit last week to beat the Chiefs on the road. McNabb looks better than ever and TO seems unstoppable. Dallas did not look as good as they should the last couple of weeks. Drew Bledsoe has been good and the defense has been disappointing. Philly should take this game.

Eagles 28, Cowboys 17

Cincinnati @ Jacksonville

The Bengals, just like I predicted, are atop their division and they don’t plan on looking back. Their offense wasn’t needed last week because the D only gave up 10 points. Jacksonville is 2-2, but the record is deceiving. They are better than the record says. This game should be very defensive, but the Bengals will become 5-0 because of Rudi Johnson, who is due for a breakout game.

Bengals 20, Jaguars 13

Seattle @ St. Louis

This game will be fun to watch if you like high scoring games. The “greatest show on turf” still has firepower and Torry Holt is around 100 yards every week. The Seahawks are lead by Shaun Alexander who has 6 TDs in his last two games. Even though the Rams do have a great offense, I think the Seahawks’ young secondary will have a couple of interceptions that alter the game.

Seahawks 31, Rams 27

New England @ Atlanta

The Patriots are coming off an embarrassing 41-17 loss to the Chargers last week, which broke their 21-game winning streak at home. The defense has to overcome the loss of Rodney Harrison, which is not an easy task. The Falcons beat Minnesota last week mainly because the Vikings are not very good. Vick got injured and Warrick Dunn looked like he was 24 again. The Patriots haven’t lost two games in a row for a very long time and they should keep that streak alive.

Patriots 24, Falcons 20

Chicago @ Cleveland

The reason I chose this game is because one of the teams is in first place in their division. That’s right, with a 1-2 record the Bears are atop the NFC North. Their defense is actually pretty good and if Thomas Jones can keep up his nice pace the Bears could win. The Browns have had a few close games and this should be more of the same. Trent Dilfer isn’t a great QB, but he tends to not have many turnovers. If the Browns can run for over 100 yards they will win.

Browns 17, Bears 13

Pittsburgh @ San Diego

This way the Chargers have played it is going to be very hard not to pick them. Tomlinson has been unstoppable and Antonio Gates is averaging 90 yards a game. Keenan McCardell and Drew Brees look like one of the best QB-WR combos as of right now. The Steelers are coming off a bye week when they had time to feel better about their loss to New England. Pittsburgh is one of the best teams, but the Chargers are at home and they should win.

Chargers 27, Steelers 20

Cross Country:

Fast Feet

By Courtney Coburn
Staff Writer

This past Saturday the Women’s Cross Country team finished fourth in the Gator Invitational held by San Francisco State University.

Freshman Melody Miles finished first for Pacific with a time of 24:22, followed by Freshman Michaela Klaus who came in with 24:47. The team was very proud of their placement, especially considering their competition.

But they are even more proud of their unity as a team. In fact “team” seems to be the key word this season.

Fin. Name Time
4th Pacific 2:05:23
15th Melody Miles 24:22
24th Michaela Klaus 24:47
29th Meghan Mullen 25:02
31st Jill Himlan 25:06
44th Jessica Daley 26:06
45th Ashley Cray 26:07
55th Francesca An 27:13
59th Robin Jung 28:01

With a new coach, and a large number of freshmen, comes a new outlook for Women’s Cross Country at Pacific. While each runner holds their own time in high esteem, their goal is to run as a team this year.

This past summer Head Coach Wes Stolp resigned to pursue a PhD at Georgia Tech. Greg Rhines, a private coach and sport psychology consultant, was immediately hired as the new coach.

“I am really excited for this year, because the past fifteen years the Women’s Cross Country team hasn’t been noticed. We haven’t been taken very seriously. I think that is going to change this year, and in years to come, especially with our strong group of freshmen,” said Miles.

As for the team’s short-term goals: Miles says, “We are looking forward to Big West. We really want to place high.” The Big West race will be taking place in Riverside, California on October 29th.
Brazillianian coach leads men’s club soccer

By Erin Froke
Reporter

New coach, new players and a new outlook on the year are helping the Pacific Men’s Soccer team make a comeback this season.

Eric Holmes, a junior on the team, has played soccer for 16 years going from recreational teams to high school teams. Now in his 3rd year on the Pacific Mens Club Soccer Team, things are beginning to look promising.

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Major league baseball playoff predictions

CARDINALS VS. PADS

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BRAVES VS. ASTROS

This is an instant classic with pitching being the headlines. The Astros have three of the elite pitchers in the last few years but can that carry them into the next round against the pesky Braves. Although the wild card team, the Astros are the favorites against Atlanta and the reason is simple, pitching. Andy Petite gets the nod in the first game against former A’s star Tim Hudson. Hudson has been in the post season before and will bring his A game as the same can be said about Brave’s teammate John Smoltz, but that will not be enough. The Jones’s will give Houston pitching much unwanted trouble but this series will be Morgan Ensberg’s coming out party. Atlanta depends too much on rookie Jeff Francoeur and although the bullpen has been solid it is still a bunch of patchwork arms. The Astros still have the killer Bees in Jeff Bagwell, Craig Biggio and Lance Berkman plus a new or never attitude. This will be a hard fought contest with the Astros barely making it to the next round to face rival Cardinals.

ASTROS 3 Braves 2

ANGELS VS. YANKEES

The evil empire learned a lesson last year in the hands of its most hated nemesis the Boston Red Sox. This year again the Yankees will learn a lesson but this time it is in the hands of the team formally known as the Anaheim Angels. The Angels have played the Yankees tuff all year winning six of ten. The Yankees have many superstars but you still need solid starters who keep your team in the game. The Yankees still are not sure who they will start in game two, could face the rejuvenated Bartolo Colon twice in the series. The Angels have the best bullpen in the all of baseball and are led by superstar Vlad I am rad Guerrero. With Chone Figgins 62 stolen bases at top of the Angel lineup, Yankee pitchers will have their hands full. If the Angels can keep the Yankee attack to a minimal amount of damage this could turn into a cake-walk for the Los Angeles Angels of Anaheim.

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Marathon is over as real season starts

By Arash Scott Behnam
Sports Editor

The battle of the Sox will come down to catching. Two of the best pitch callers in the game also have had a big impact with their bats. Red Sox captain Jason Varitek has a knack for the dramatics and White Sox catcher A.J. Pierzynski just likes drama (ask the Giants). The White Sox almost went from a feel good story to blowing their season but came up big when they needed too. The late season score has gotten the White Sox focusing on only one thing on their mind. The Red Sox also have been battling late in the season just to get into the playoffs. The White Sox pitchers need to keep the team with the highest runs scored off the bases. With no superstars and a just win attitude the wake up call will help the White Sox send the Red Sox home early ending the A.L East run.
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Pacific Strokes Penetrate the Delta

By Bonnie Lucero
Guest Writer

Tuesday morning at 5:45 a.m. sharp, approximately 20 Pacific students arrived at the Stockton Rowing Club, ready to start their third on water practice of the year. Wearing sweats and sweatshirts to combat the cold, the Pacific Strokes warmed up with a brief jog, some jumpies, and a few stretches. Then they were ready to enter the boat.

"I was really surprised," said Ashley Lee, the coach of the Pacific Strokes said, "when I heard that the students wanted to practice in the mornings." Indeed they did decide on mornings. On water practices start at 5:45 a.m., and are held on Tuesdays and Thursdays at the Stockton Rowing Club. "I was excited," stated Coach Lee, in reference to the students' willingness to wake up before the sun. "They were really serious about it."

The Crew Team at Pacific is new this year, after several attempts in passed years to establish such a team. "We have a lot of students interested," Lee said, "and a core of about 25 rowers." With an average attendance of approximately 20-22 at on water practices, the Pacific Strokes are getting off to a strong start.

It has been difficult to get financial support from the University at this point, according to Lee, because the Crew Team is "a new thing" here on campus, and the equipment is very expensive. Lee compared the price of a typical rowing shell or boat to that of a car. Additionally, the participants have paid their own membership to the Stockton Rowing Club in order to have access to the equipment.

Rowing is the ideal sport, according to many insiders, because it targets the entire body, as opposed to some sports which target only specific core areas. "Rowers are well proportioned," stated Lee.

The Pacific Strokes hope to register for their first race, in December. The 38th annual Bill Lockyer Christmas Regatta will be held at marina Stadium in Long Beach, California on December 4th. The rowers get the entire body, as he gets ready to stroke at Tuesday morning's practice.

If you are interested in becoming a member of the Crew Team:

- On water practice: Tuesday and Thursday at the Stockton Rowing Club at 5:45am, sharp.
- On land practice: Monday and Wednesday at Baun Fitness Center at 6:30am, sharp.
- General meetings: Every other Tuesday on the Redwood deck of the summit at 12 noon. The next meeting will be Tuesday October 11, 2005.
- Membership in the Stockton Rowing Club for Pacific Strokes is $75.
- If you have additional questions, contact Pacific Rowing atrowpacific@gmail.com
- Or visit the website at www.groups.yahoo.com/groups/rowpacific

PACIFIC ROUNDUP

WOMEN’S VOLLEYBALL

The Tigers evened up their record to 7-7 with a win against Cal State Northridge. The Tigers took control early and often losing a close second match but putting together an impressive streak in the next two matches for a 3-1 victory. Led by Kara Uhls three aces and a consistent barrage of kills Pacific was no doubt glorious against their conference foes. Senior Ashley Groothuis led the game in kills with an impressive 21.

FIELD HOCKEY

The Tigers furious comeback ended with all smiles as Pacific beat powerhouse Stanford in overtime. Down by as many as three goals in the second half, Vianney Campos got the Tigers on the board with the help of her teammates. Campos was not done scoring the equalizer right after a goal by Marissa Atiana. The Tigers will be going to Berkeley to play the Bears of Cal on Saturday.

WOMEN’S SOCCER

After the tough loss to Long Beach State University the Tigers came into the game knowing they could not get down on themselves. Facing a hard fighting Sacramento State team the Tigers showed why many have been so impressed with them. Mandi Van Dorn found the back of the net on a cross by Carla Vellutini in the 97 minute of overtime giving the Tigers the fourth overtime victory of the season.