Pacific Hosts Gospelfest 2006

Peter Neumann leads worship inside Morris Chapel

Chapel lights Welcome Saturday’s Attendants

By Erin Birmingham

Pacific celebrated Black History month this year in the form of Gospelfest, a free, large-scale gospel concert held in Morris Chapel on Saturday, Feb. 25th.

Guests filled the pews of Morris Chapel to experience several highly esteemed Gospel choirs, a popular Female Gospel recording artist and a Christian minister.

Continued on pg. 2

Big West Roadtrip

Pacific Students Head South for the Spring

Courtnee Mingling
Staff Writer

Pacific students have been keyed up the past couple of days in anticipation for the upcoming Big West Road Trip.

For $45 students take a bus to Anaheim and stay in a hotel for 3 nights. Students will take a bus down to Southern California to support Pacific Basketball in the Big West Tournament.

Not only can they cheer on the players, but the road trip is also an opportunity for students to take part in some fun tourist activities.

Buses leave Thursday, March 9th at 9 pm for Anaheim. Students can take part for only $45. The cost of the trip includes the bus ride and hotel accommodations. The buses will return Sunday, March 12, around 3 pm. Disneyland is across the street for anyone who wishes to celebrate the 50th anniversary.

The festivities will begin early on Friday morning, with a pep rally. The final game is to be played Saturday night.

Tiger Dancer Avery Hochhalter, said “I am really excited for this tournament. It will be a great finish to a fun season.”

The road trip will be an opportunity for Pacific students to support each other, and show that great Pacific school spirit off.

For Information Contact OrangeArmy@pacific.edu
Continued from pg. 1

The Morris Chapel is dedicated to providing a location for Christian worship, for both the Protestant and Catholic religions. All of the performers inside the beautiful Morris Chapel on Saturday night gathered to share their faith through Gospel music and The Gospel. All of the artists are passionate about spreading the word of God through music and community ministry.

Gospelfest took place during Black History Month because Gospel music itself is a distinctly American kind of religious music that traces its roots to African-American churches of the 1930s.

The event was extremely well attended and the audience, on their feet, seemed thoroughly enjoy the evenings proceedings. The night was well organized and executed with utmost enthusiasm and professionalism.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Film: Shop Girl</th>
<th>Mar. 2, 8 p.m.</th>
<th>Pacific Theatre</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Career Fair</td>
<td>Mar. 2, 11-3 p.m.</td>
<td>Hand Hall Lawn</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Women's Climbing Night</td>
<td>Mar. 2</td>
<td>Baun Fitness Center</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Film: North Country</td>
<td>Mar. 3, 8 p.m.</td>
<td>Pacific Theatre</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Women's Leadership Conference</td>
<td>Mar. 4, 8:30 a.m</td>
<td>Pacific Theatre</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Film: Real Women Have Curves</td>
<td>Mar. 4, 8 p.m.</td>
<td>Pacific Theatre</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>International Women's Day</td>
<td>Mar. 8</td>
<td>Bechtel International Ctr.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Climbing Gone Wild!</td>
<td>Mar. 8</td>
<td>Baun Fitness Center</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
Fear and Loathing on a College Campus

Sesame Street sent to rehab to make right "choices"

By Mickey Yu
Lifestyles Editor

I was reading a book the other day (gasp, college males read books? Sorry fellas, Maxim doesn’t count) and I came across something that for some reason stopped me in my tracks. It was a word, and that word was, “choice.” I don’t know what exactly it was but for some reason in my mind I had completely forgotten how to pronounce it. Ever have that happen to you? If you fixate on a word long enough, say it aloud or in your head, the word loses all meaning and just becomes gibberish.

No, seriously, try it. Choice. Look at it for a little bit, and then say it out loud a couple of times. Choice. Choice. Choice. Hell, by typing it enough times the word just becomes random letters strung together haphazardly to form an amorphous blob of text. And then you start to realize that all words in the English language make no real sense. I mean, who exactly decided to spell a word the way it’s spelled? Soon enough, your entire world will start to crumble around you because the English language as you know it has ceased to exist. That’s about the same time that a study break is needed.

But don’t be fooled, the same thing even happens in regards to numbers. How many of you remember a time when you’ve been staring at a math problem for so long that when you try to do basic subtraction without a calculator, you just blank. For some reason that little subtraction sign just sits there and taunts you because it knows fully well that you have no idea what to do. All you have to do is focus on something until all context is removed and what you will be left with is a lot of confusion and a headache.

How many of you watched Sesame Street while growing up? I always wondered how all of those silly muppets lived on such a clean and wholesome street that looked strangely like New York. Now, I don’t know exactly what New York looked like in the 80s (seeing as I was about 5) but I will tell you one thing, there were probably a lot more drugs and a lot less bat-counting.

But what if Sesame Street were to actually take place in New York during the 80s? Imagine The Count as a drug dealing kingpin, “Vhat is it?” Ween stumbles through the sentence. “I can’t rest knowing some other human being is being hurt” she goes on, picking up steam now. She then explains that sometimes she wakes up at night wondering how many people are getting injured or killed for no apparent reason and that this is partly the fault of everyone in this country.

“Is there any kind of coffee shop or anything open?” I ask, feeling I deserve something tangible for my two dollars and patience.

“No man, you on tha wrong neighborhood for coffee tonight.”

“Does It Matter” is a pretty politically fueled song, could you tell me what you would like your listeners to get out of the lyrics?

“The song is about - our country is hurting people,” Ween stumbles through the sentence.

“I can’t rest knowing some other human being is being hurt” she goes on, picking up steam now. She then explains that sometimes she wakes up at night wondering how many people are getting injured or killed for no apparent reason and that this is partly the fault of everyone in this country.

“Is there any kind of coffee shop or anything open?” I ask, feeling I deserve something tangible for my two dollars and patience.

“No man, you on tha wrong neighborhood for coffee tonight.”

We all knew Big Bird’s large beak was a gift and a curse. Mainly a curse. And you all know Snuffleupagus was called "Snuffy" for a reason. Right down the street we have Cookie Monster, whose addiction to chocolate chip cookies and over-the-counter prescription pills has made him a homeless bum who sits and asks the muppets who pass by, “C is for change, do you have any for me?”

Oscar the Grouch, well, I think he’d be doing the same thing he’s always done, living in a garbage can. And Bert and Ernie? Well, let’s just say they’re standing on the street corner offering “rubber duckies” for $5 a pop. I promise you that you wouldn’t want to be walking down this street late at night.
LIFESTYLES

HOROSCOPE

The Horoscopes are not completed by a certified Astrologer; they are a humorous addition to this college publication. The Pacifican does not intend to offend or insult anyone.

By Don Cammarano
Astrologist

Aquarius 1/20-2/18
What the Hell is in your head? If you were to ask the stars this week Aquarius, they would say cob webs. Go seek out a book at the library and advance your education through words. Tonight, be a little sexy.

Pisces 2/19-3/20
The Rain has visited Pacific and with it comes feeling of redundancy. The weeks go on and on without end. Go forth and seek adventure in your life; maybe you should try skydiving or sushi. Tonight, put your best suit or dress on.

Aries 3/21-4/19
Walking though the halls can bring feelings of anxiousness for you. Try and bring new life to your desk a mess and so is your life. Bring organization with some file folders and a good hobby, like camel riding or base jumping. This will go a long way to add stability to your life. Tonight, pretend to be Michael Schumacher.

Taurus 4/20-5/20
Your desk is a mess and so is your life. Bring organization with some file folders and a good hobby, like camel riding or base jumping. This will go a long way to add stability to your life. Tonight, pretend to be Michael Schumacher.

Gemini 5/21-6/21
Polka-dotted costumes can be fun most of the year, but during March it just looks stupid. While this is true it maybe in your better interest to wear one around this Sunday at 4 o’clock. Tonight, have a little mustard with your sandwich.

Cancer 6/22-7/22
In case you didn’t know it’s tax time, or at least it’s the time of year you should be thinking about your taxes. You should make a list of all the things you bought for your job so you can write them off; don’t forget those knee pads! Tonight, stay safe.

Leo 7/23-8/22
Pacific can be a Gangsta’s Paradise if you look at it the right way, and this week Leo, you are a Gangsta. Walk with a little swagger as you go into class, and don’t forget, respect is everything. Tonight, read your horoscope again.

Virgo 8/23-9/22
Virgo, there is a band out there that speaks to you, and the name of this band is The Judys. Go out and listen to Guyana Punch as many times as you can, then analyze it for future reflection. Tonight, walk tall.

Libra 9/23-10/22
1999 has come and gone, in fact 1999 isn’t even a memory for you anymore. This, however, doesn’t mean you can’t party like the song prescribes. Take it one step further and party like Prince likes to party. Tonight, use protection.

Scorpio 10/23-11/21
Life is complicated, however it’s not hard if you have the right tool. When you’re out camping a pocket knife solves many problems, you must seek out a pocket knife for life, like a book or cold drink. Tonight, take dance lessons from someone.

Sagittarius 11/22-12/21
Sometimes it scares the Stars how sexy you are. You are the envy of every sign including Capricorn. Take this blessing as you should and spread joy upon the world, it’s your job for the next seven days. Tonight, don’t have too much fun.

Capricorn 12/22-1/19
Look for things that make you feel at ease, like baking, and if you can’t bake then pay someone to bake for you. You have no idea how many friends you can make with cupcakes, or chocolate covered bananas, regardless of how dirty that can seem. Tonight, watch a rerun.

From MUSIC page 3

their Silverlake, CA house is one of their main influences on their music and the “recording studio” for their self-titled album. The house, situated on an isolated hill, sounds like an oasis in the busy city.

“I don’t want to offend anyone, but L.A. concrete jungle or cultured society?” “Both,” they recant in unison. The band goes on to describe the difference between a big city smashed into a small space and Los Angeles, a city that is spread out enough to have a “big, but small” feel.

“You could never record an album in your house in New York or Boston, because you wouldn’t have a house.” Ravi explains, “Our band would have been a fleeting thought.”

“What have been some of your influences and what are some modern bands that you guys listen to?” I say, trying to be a professional.

“Well, I personally like electronic music. A modern band I like is Boards of Canada, and I can’t help it but I also like William Orbit,” Skoda, the bass and guitar player, says while working on his second beer. At this point Ween breaks in, “I like Boards of Canada as well, but he doesn’t speak for the rest of the band with the rest of his choices.”

The only person that the whole band could agree was a serious influence was George Harrison, who they say was the inspiration to their sound. The question seemed to speak volumes on the amount of musical diversity and apparent lack of direction displayed by both parties of the interview.

“Great Show!”

“Thanks!” Ravi Dhar, who was the most energetic during the show screamed back. At that point I think we both realized that there was no direction or professionalism here that is usually displayed with interviews. There was no music critic present, just a fan.
Tiger Profile

Big Tones

By Marcel Gibson
Staff Writer

Epiceric, Grace. The site of madness of yore, slowing down of late. Hometown of underclass, but one reins supreme. In the cat and dog race, Peg Leg Tones a.k.a. Big Tone a.k.a. Poppa Tony, is like Mafioso at Pacific; just watching over the business. Ironically, he majors in Business, trying to run away with an emphasis in accounting, from which he hopes to become the Chief Financial Officer of a Fortune 500 company, a front for bigger aspirations. "My dream is to live in one of those nice, old Victorian houses, and raise a family, and have my kids grow up the way I grew up, without any problems. And I want a lot of acres, so they can have fun on a four wheeler."

Till then, he's calling Grace 1 East home for now. Known by those in the "family" as GCIE Hella Legit, the room features two couches for the Good Fellas to lay-back on while sippin' on Patrony. "We're all a bunch of good people who like to have fun. We're keeping Grace alive. It's our objective to keep Grace alive."

For Tony, a typical week-end consist of hanging at the room, putting on some music, and having people come over for some relaxation while playing video games. The hallway parties featuring "sit-and-chills" until 3:00 a.m. are always a must as well.

Born with an undeveloped foot, the doctors cut it off, and ever since, Peg Leg Tones has been a one-legged badass. "I'm just a happy person. Even though stuff has happened to me in the past, I don't let that stop me. It doesn't bother me that much. Only when my leg is in a lot of pain, and that hurts a lot. I try not to show it." His leg is constantly in pain, and he doesn't take his prescribed painkillers, because he's badass like that.

"Whenever I have the opportunity I take off my leg, I can flip it backwards and walk with it, but it's been hurting me a lot lately so I don't do that. I'll have someone with a baseball bat hit it, and scare people. I like to scare people."

He hails from Calusa, California, a small town 1 hour north, surrounded by rice fields and orchards. This little spot in the middle of nowhere is where Tony grew up fishing everyday, hunting every other day. "I have shot gun shells in my truck right now just to show how much of a redneck I am."

So, he claims to be a redneck, not a Mafioso, who hunts pheasant, duck, quail, and pig. But his official redneck status is put in question for two reasons. First, he's not part of the NRA. "They want me to be in it, but I haven't paid my dues. So I'm not in it right now. It's like 25 bucks, and I don't feel like paying, but I kept the card they sent me," Tony defends.

Second, he hates country music. "I hate country so much. I hate it with the fire of a thousand suns. I think it's because my mom likes country, so maybe it's just a little of a rebellious thing against that. Whenever I hear it I get so pissed off. I punch walls when I hear country music."

He doesn't know what band he does like. The music is more important to him. If it sounds good, Big Tony will go with it. But if it's country, you might wake up at the bottom of the levee. That, or be a wise guy about his Niners.

"I just like to kick back and watch life pass by. If there was a porch out there [at Grace], I'd be out there all day, in a rocking chair, just watching people do stuff," he explains. "The best part of life is just watching it go by."

How'd Pacific get stuck against that. Whenever I hear it I get so pissed off. I punch walls when I hear country music."

SUCCESS: Tony demonstrates how to get a leg-up in life

The Epicurean Restaurant Review

San Sars

By Jeff Morgan
Staff Writer

Rich smells of curry and spices almost sting my nostrils as I enter the clean yet humble "San Sars." A scent like this reminds me of far off lands, of bazaars in exotic places, and of holy rivers; but no this is a scent originating from the kitchen at one of Stockton's local Indian food restaurants.

There is no doorman to welcome you in fancy traditional Indian garb, but there is a statue that holds some sort of licorice and anise mixture and an amiable waiter ready to seat you. The room is small and intimate and the waiter is all smiles. Once seated, my friends and I decided that ordering would be a good idea considering that even the menu states clearly that at least a twenty minute wait is to be expected.

The selection is acceptable and not impressive, though they seem to have covered most of the basic dishes offered at any Indian restaurant. I had the chicken curry and I was very satisfied with it.

To be completely honest, I would not suggest that anyone sensitive to spice eat at "San Sars" because despite their claim that they can make something without heavy spice, members of my dining group found the spiciness of even the "mildest" of dishes unacceptable. I, however, love spicy food and found my meal to be delightful.

However, having been spoiled by many great Indian places in other cities my expectations were not truly met when I saw the check. The prices are simply unreasonable. I understand the quality of spice needed for this sort of cuisine, but honestly it just does not seem right that a simple vegetarian curry would cost close to ten dollars.

With that said I feel it is necessary to introduce some sort of rating system now that I have found a restaurant that I was not completely satisfied with.

My approval of a given establishment will come in the form of a score from one belly-rub to five belly rubs (belly-rubs being a positive gesture signifying satisfaction in my case).

Therefore, I give "San Sars" four belly-rubs because of their unreasonable price and less then captivating ambiance in the midst of a satisfactory culinary performance.

If you have any suggestions about good places to dine please contact The Pacifican by email and I will certainly try them out.

4 out of 5 belly-rubs

7610 Pacific Ave.
Stockton, CA
ASUOP ELECTIONS

Pacific students, here are your presidential candidates for the 2006-2007 academic year: Remember to VOTE!

The Pacifican

“Putting Students First in Everyth We Do.”

- Continue to bring excellent entertainment to campus, including concerts and big name speakers.
- Make ASUOP an inclusive group for the entire student body and not just for who they represent and why.
- Be student advocates, and will be there for any student when a concern is expressed.
- Support student needs and keep students at the forefront of discussions when approving/supporting any policy.
- Continue to work on getting a nationwide bank ATM on campus to save students money.
- Continue to advocate for weekend hours at the Wellness Center, the only time students have to take care of themselves.

“We want you to ask questions. We want you to feel comfortable. We are working to have a well-trained staff for ASUOP, to fight apathy, to have more advertising options for clubs. We want to work with the Greek Life to decrease their rivalry, and increase their unity.”

Joshua Foster
Vice President

Senator Candidates 2006

This year there are five senators on the ballot. Being a Senator, you go to a meeting at 4 pm each Monday and communicate with your constituent group to relay information back and forth. Senate serves as a group of student representatives to administration and other campus organizations. It is a great way to get involved and let your opinion be heard. We've been able to make a lot of change through Senate so it is a good thing to get involved in, said Sandy Goldberg, a member of the ASUOP Election's Committee. Students can only vote for the senator of the school in which they belong.

Hilary Yip
Senator COP

“I am running because I am hoping to increase involvement in clubs and campus activities. I hope to increase both the school morale and student morale as a whole. I think being a Senator will be fun and a good experience.”

Katina Sigillo
Pharmacy Senator

“The reason I am running is to increase the communication between the main campus and the School of Pharmacy.”

Albert Lee
Senator at large

“I want to do something for the school. When you go to school so many people are helping you. I want to give something back and help other students.”

Natalie Tran
Senator at large

“This will be my third year holding this position. If re-elected, my biggest goal is to create a campus-wide, student-run book fair, where students can purchase, sell, and swap their used textbooks directly with their peers in a central location, at prices they set themselves.”

Sabrina Sutherland
Conservatory Senator

“This will be my second running and serving as a Senator for the Conservatory. I think the Conservatory has a lot to offer in creative development for Pacific. The my biggest accomplishment was the Hurricane Benefit Concert; I thought to connect ASUOP Conservatory to raise..."
"The time is now!"

- Do what the students want us to do
- Communicate the needs of the students to those in higher positions
- Decrease the gap between the students, the government, and the senate
- See more information get to the students by posting weekly Senate Reports
- Set up an email account as a direct forum between us and the students that we will respond to individually

"They can promise chocolate milk and more jump ropes at recess if they want. We want to do whatever the students want. We want to do what the students need."

How to VOTE:
Voting is all online this year on asuop.pacific.edu

Polls open online on Monday March 6 and close Thursday March 9 at 5 pm. You can access the site from anywhere on or off campus; students can use any computer to vote.

Any student who has paid their ASUOP fee is eligible to vote. The ASUOP office is open from 8:30 am to 5 pm, Monday thru Friday.

Candidate Forum:
hear from your candidates

Thursday, March 2 in the McCaffrey Center outside on the stage. The three presidential candidates will be doing question and answers so that people can hear what they have to say. Students can stop by and talk to the candidates. There will also be a debate. For more information stop by the ASUOP office or call at 209-943-2233.

"Working hard so you don’t have to!"

- Strong student voice on campus
- Dedication to an effective student government
- Advocating for lower tuition rates and more on campus apartments
- More late night weekend progrmning like Tiger Nights
- Expand the Student Discount Program
- Bring the best entertainment to Pacific
- Continue to make campus life better for students on campus

"Democracy is something that needs to be re-birthed with each generation to ensure we have our freedoms. We continue to advocate for a small campus, to try and keep some things constant in order to keep the university at the right size."

Jeremiah Wiltron - Freshman - Mechanical Engineering - I want someone who is not afraid to shake some cages

"funny, involved, and a sexy social butterfly" - Claire Ingolia - Freshman - Music Education

Brianna Kerwin - Junior - Speech Language Pathology - enthusiasm, commitment, and hard work

Mindy Kreitzman - President

Vera Senic - Senator

Diana Yang - Vice President

Frankie Griffen - President
Campus living has benefits

By Nick Hansen
Guest Writer

It's raining outside, your apartment is warm, the heater is going full blast and you're watching your 'free' cable television. Your friends, however, are conserving energy and are all bundled up and lying on the couch reading a book. They can't afford to live the lavish lifestyle that they used to when they lived on campus.

The housing department at Pacific provides many great amenities that most people take for granted. But compare that to people who live off-campus and look at the differences.

Electricity: Everything must use electricity. As a part of your 'rent' you get unlimited electrical use; sure they say "turn off the lights when you're not in your room." But let's face it, you get free electricity to power everything to your heart's content.

Most students who live off-campus won't be on Instant Messenger twenty-four hours a day because they can't afford it, or they won't keep their apartments at 75 degrees all the time due to the same reason. This is one of the advantages to living on campus, electricity isn't a problem.

Cable Television: The basic cable that the University offers you is comparable to a $50 a month plan through Comcast. In a recent poll of students living on campus, a minority of the students have a television which can support a high-definition picture. Congress has proposed that by the year 2009 everyone should have a TV that supports high-definition. For $5 a month, you can get a cable box from Comcast and have HDTV in your dorm room with all the local channels (903 - NBC, 908 - Fox, 910 - ABC) for example.

Just think: American Idol in high-definition, or the Olympics, or March Madness-any of those are definitely worth $5 a month. This package also features 'On Demand,' which allows you to watch any movie available when you want. You can start it, pause it, go to class, come back and finish viewing the film. Not bad considering you've technically already paid for the basic cable service.

Internet Access: Included in your housing contract, you get internet access. Sure, if you live anywhere besides the Townhouses and the Tower View apartments you're limited as to what you can do. The geeks out there know what I'm talking about.

Pacific's network has security policies in place to scan the files you're downloading. Also, something you may not know, the university's Office of Information Technology (OIT) keeps logs of everything you download, but they don't have the time to actively police it.

Keep in mind, if they get a letter from the RIAA or the MPAA and it turns out you did download what they say you downloaded, be careful: you could be facing a lawsuit. The Townhouses and Tower View apartments, plus the three Greek houses that aren't on the campus network get Cable modems. Pure freedom on the internet, but it comes with drawbacks. You, the resident, have to provide your own router and all the cabling required to connect you and your room mates computers to the internet. No security systems are in place but you get a year's worth of cable internet for "free."

Gas and Water: The freshman and sophomores that live in the dorms are constantly saying that the "hot water doesn't exist. The Morris Chapel doesn't have the space to hold the massive bells required to play all the different tones so thus the bell tower is actually Burns Tower and the bells are speakers.

Burns Tower is a Facade. Burns tower is one of the highest points in Stockton, and it can be seen from miles around on a clear day. On top sits cell phone equipment which allows you to get stellar reception in your dorm room. But what you may not know is that behind the stained glass window is a giant water tower. And the tower you know as Burns Tower is just a facade to cover it up.

"Secret" basement in the library. From information obtained from an alumni, a friend of his worked for the head archivist in the library right before he retired and said that the education build-

Seven little-known facts about Univ of the Pacific

From secret libraries to ironic alcohol stashes

By Kilgore Trout
Staff Writer

Every college around the world has their own set of little-known facts. For instance, "the University of California at San Diego has a maze of underground steam tunnels that networks the school's main buildings and you can gain access to them with the proper tools," said one transfer student who is now a senior at Pacific. The University of the Pacific may be a much smaller school but is similar in that sense too.

This list is compiled in no particular order.

The "Bell Tower." Every morning you hear bells ringing. At noon the bells play a song, but do you ever question where these bells are? No, you can't, because they don't exist. The Morris Chapel doesn't have the space to hold the massive bells required to play all the different tones so thus the bell tower is actually Burns Tower and the bells are speakers.

Burns Tower is a Facade. Burns tower is one of the highest points in Stockton, and it can be seen from miles around on a clear day. On top sits cell phone equipment which allows you to get stellar reception in your dorm room. But what you may not know is that behind the stained glass window is a giant water tower. And the tower you know as Burns Tower is just a facade to cover it up.

"Secret" basement in the library. From information obtained from an alumni, a friend of his worked for the head archivist in the library right before he retired and said that the education build-

Lifestyles Editor Mikey Yu defiantly violates the "red cup policy" (with an empty cup).
Internet plays increasing role in elections

By Brandon Savage
Guest Writer

With ASUOP elections coming up, the University of the Pacific campus is an array of multi-colored campaign posters by the candidates, advertising their particular platform. This is typical this time of year, as we draw close to these annual elections. But what is not typical is the increasing reliance on the Internet for campaigning, both for ASUOP and for national elections.

Take for example the Facebook groups. Both Mindy Keitzman and Adam Ellison have one. Both were early adopters of the technology when they ran together last year, having a Facebook group and even a website to advertise their candidacy. This year, both are running independently and they both have Facebook groups.

Though this trend is fresh to Pacific’s campus, it is not new. For example, during the 2004 Presidential election, both Democrat John Kerry and Republican George W. Bush heavily used the Internet to contact their base. Both used online calendars, blogs, and e-mails to communicate with the thousands of followers who flocked to their campaign websites on a daily basis. John Kerry even made history when he became the first Presidential candidate to release the name of his Vice Presidential running mate via e-mail--and hours before the press conference. Both candidates used heavy use of Internet advertising, particularly among the younger generation with advertising on Myspace.

The role of technology in campaigns is not a diminishing trend. For example, MoveOn.org, the activist group, gains much of its support from the Internet. In fact, even its name (being a domain name) indicates that they have some sort of technological component.

This use of technology has not been ignored at Pacific, where both Mindy and Adam gave interviews to Pacific Perspectives (an online newspaper not affiliated with the Pacifican) to be posted on the website pacificperspectives.com. Both candidates capitalized on the fact that they could provide interviews that would be far too long for traditional print media, instead relying on the limitless space that the Internet provides in order to get additional information about each of them out to the public.

The Internet has also transformed how students vote. There is now a push to make Internet-based voting a reality. Imagine being able to vote for candidates without ever having to leave home to head to a polling place. At Pacific, we do just that: all voting is conducted online at the ASUOP website, http://asuop.pacific.edu/. The benefits of online voting are that it reduces the cost in paper ballots and poll workers do not have to be paid, but there are still serious security concerns which prevent online voting from becoming an immediate reality on a national-wide scale.

The Internet has transformed our lives, from the way we take political surveys to how we view election results. During the 2004 race, Yahoo! provided an automatically updating electoral map showing states won by each candidate as the election results became official. California’s Secretary of State put live election results on his website as well, and the practice dates back to at least the 2000 election.

With the 2006 midterm elections pending, it will be interesting to see the use of technology as an electoral tool, both at Pacific and around the United States. We already have campaign websites, online lobbying, Internet billboards and e-mail networks. With the possibilities that the Internet provides for technological advancement in the 21st century, we will see greater amounts of technological involvement in our democratic process.

Water ran out while they were taking a shower. If you live in the Townhouses you don’t have this problem, for the most part. Your apartment is self-sustaining; it’s like living at home. You have your own water heater and a pretty much unlimited water supply. Plus, you also don’t get a water bill or a gas bill each month.

Sure, Stockton water doesn’t taste too good, but a Brita (TM) water filtration system and the provided fridge will help you out in that regard. Lastly, while living off-campus provides you with the ability to ‘escape’ the campus lifestyle, depending on where you live, you can’t have big parties due to local noise restrictions. Plus, if you walked to class you first have to drive to campus, find a spot—which is often almost nowhere to be found—then walk to class.

Cost: Resident halls with a roommate will set you back nearly $2,175 a semester, in most cases, this is the same as living off-campus, but at Pacific you’re locked in to living on campus for two years. For juniors and seniors, the Townhouse Apartments and Monagan Hall Apartments are some of the most expensive on campus, tipping nearly $6k a year for 2 to 4 students respectively. Depending on where you live, you can find housing from $450 to $850 a month per person. Over a 10-month period, which is about the length of the average school year, this can set you back $4500 to $8500. But you get the amenities in some cases, like in-house washer and dryer, pool and spa, gated parking area, and a fireplace which is definitely something you don’t get on campus.

Living off-campus is cheaper, but the drawbacks and luxuries of living on campus seemingly outweigh the costs of living off campus. It’s just easier living on campus.

Pacific has a red cup policy. Set up this in your mind: you live in the townhouses, it’s the beginning of the year, and you don’t drink alcohol. But red cups come at $0.24 a cup, so it’s a cheap beverage container. Now let’s say you like drinking orange juice. Then let’s say Pacific’s finest are doing their rounds and they spot you (back to reality). Their first action is to approach you and ask you to pour your drink out. Why, you ask? You’re quickly informed that walking around with a red cup implies that you’re drinking alcohol outside, which is a violation...
By Arash Scott Behnam
Sports Editor

Sometimes a single loss can trigger and turn around a season. Although early in the season, the Pacific softball program had just experienced its first few hurdles starting with rivals Fresno State who is ranked 25th in the nation by ESPN/USA today. With no time to regroup after tough losses against Fresno State, the Tigers found themselves in the thick of the very tough Wildcat Invitational.

In order to be the best you have to beat the best and the Pacific softball program does not shy away from anyone, scheduling one of the most difficult non-league schedules in the nation. Facing powerhouse Arizona on their home field, on the last day of the tournament, tired and losing three of four earlier in the tournament, the Tigers could have just gone through the motions. Yet this year's Tigers found out a little bit about themselves and their character that last day in Arizona thanks in part to their seniors.

"I don't think we truly knew how great we were until the last day of the Wildcat tournament when we played U of A, who is the number one team in the nation right now. We played them tough and held them to a 1-0 ball game with opportunities to win. This was a big eye opener for us," said senior third baseman Crystal Presson, whose guidance and brilliant glove work has solidified the hot corner, making it her domain. "We went into Palm Springs afraid of no one. We did a good job of focusing on each game rather than going into games expecting to be battling. The craving was too tempting to pass up in the sunny southern California sun and the Tigers caught fire. Pacific went 4-1 beating the 18th ranked Baylor Bears, Long Island, Illinois-Chicago and Kansas. The only loss of the tournament was against 10th ranked Oklahoma. Senior Kristin Allen was voted Big West Player of the week leading the Tigers with eight runs batted in and two home runs.

Allen also picked up a save in the tournament.

The Tigers have seven freshman on the team and with only three seniors, leadership could have been an issue..."
GRAD FAIR 2006
IS COMING
MARCH 21, 22 & 23!
PACIFIC BOOKSTORE, 10:00 AM TO 4:00 PM

RINGS
CAP & GOWN
GRAD ANNOUNCEMENTS

Come get all your questions answered concerning your graduation and graduation products. You will be able to visit with representatives from the Alumni Office, the Office of the University Registrar, and Career Services as well as order your University of the Pacific college ring and pick up your cap and gown. We will be able to serve all your needs at one time and in one place. Some special discounts are available at the Grad Fair only!

Tel: 209.946.2327  Fax: 209.946.2039  email: bksupacific@bncollege.com

State Fund is an equal opportunity employer.

Job Opportunities
Administration  Auditing
Business Services  Claims
Communications  Customer Service
Finance & Accounting  Human Resources
Information Technology  Legal
Loss Control  Marketing
Underwriting

Visit www.scif.com/careers
State Fund is an equal opportunity employer.

From SOFTBALL Page 10 issue. Presson, Hyams and Allen quickly crumpled that notion into the recycle bin with their performance on the field and inattentive approach. Chemistry starts with the seniors and this year’s Tigers are a close-knit group.

"This team is so talented. We have all the tools this year: amazing defense, offense, and a pitching staff that we can rely on. I’ve never been on a team with this much talent and camaraderie. We get along so well on and off the field it’s probably sickening to most people."
-Crystal Presson

“We get along so well on and off the field it’s probably sickening to most people.”
-Crystal Presson

to most people. We do have seven freshmen which is a huge freshman class, but each of them already has something to contribute that we need to be successful. I don’t think the youth of our team will be an issue. We

“We get along so well on and off the field it’s probably sickening to most people.”
-Crystal Presson

and play tournaments in the fall, which allows for them to be new and work things out. But come spring they aren’t the new kids anymore,” said Presson. The seniors understand that this year’s freshman class plays a vital role in the success of the team and have the outmost faith.

"Pacific softball will have a strong core for the next few years. As for this year, it’s great to have the excitement of the new kids. We mesh really well on the field and it’s been feeling like we’ve been playing together for longer than just this season alone," said Hyams.

The sky is the limit and with the senior leadership constantly reminding the young Tigers about confidence, this year’s team has the potential to put up a banner in Spanos Center.

“We expect to go to postseason this year! Our top concern is doing the things along the way to get us there down the road. We know that if we make it to regionals we have the talent to keep going from there," said Presson. With this senior approach and talent, this program can turn this year into the year of the Tiger.

F R E E  E - F I L E
with paid tax preparation

No Cash Needed
Refund Loans in Minutes

Central Valley Tax Services
133 Bridge Street
Stockton, CA
(209) 460-0688

✓ Professional Tax Preparation
✓ Locally Owned and Operated

$10 off with student ID!
Baseball

A four-run rally in the fifth inning, led the Pacific baseball team to a 4-1 win over Saint Mary's on Tuesday, Feb. 28. The win lifted the Tigers to 10-4 on the season, while Saint Mary's fell to 6-7 overall.

All the scoring in the game came in the fifth inning as Saint Mary's scored one run in the top of the fifth inning, while the Tigers put four on the board in the bottom half of the frame.

Saint Mary's put the first run on the board on an RBI single from Orben Frederick.

Pacific starter, senior Luke Massetti (Modesto, Calif.), limited the damage to just one run in the top of the fifth as he left the bases loaded by striking out Saint Mary's number three hitter, Preston Young.

The Tigers' offense got going in the bottom half of the inning as sophomore Brett Manning (Boulder, Colo.) was hit by a pitch with one out to start the Pacific rally. One out later, junior Clint Eastman (Pleasanton, Calif.) dropped a perfect bunt single down the third base line to put runners at first and second. A walk to senior Dale Hall (Wenatchee, Wash.) loaded the bases.

That brought leadoff man, sophomore Adam Ching (Rancho Santa Margarita, Calif.), to the plate. Ching promptly lined an infield single of the glove of Gaels' starter Corey Madden to tie the game at 1-1. Senior Anthony Jackson (Modesto, Calif.) followed with an RBI single past third to make it 2-1. A walk to senior Dale Hall (Wenatchee, Wash.) loaded the bases.

That brought leadoff man, sophomore Adam Ching (Rancho Santa Margarita, Calif.), to the plate. Ching promptly lined an infield single of the glove of Gaels' starter Corey Madden to tie the game at 1-1. Senior Anthony Jackson (Modesto, Calif.) followed with an RBI single past third to make it 2-1. A walk to senior Dale Hall (Wenatchee, Wash.) loaded the bases.

That brought leadoff man, sophomore Adam Ching (Rancho Santa Margarita, Calif.), to the plate. Ching promptly lined an infield single of the glove of Gaels' starter Corey Madden to tie the game at 1-1. Senior Anthony Jackson (Modesto, Calif.) followed with an RBI single past third to make it 2-1. A walk to senior Dale Hall (Wenatchee, Wash.) loaded the bases.

That brought leadoff man, sophomore Adam Ching (Rancho Santa Margarita, Calif.), to the plate. Ching promptly lined an infield single of the glove of Gaels' starter Corey Madden to tie the game at 1-1. Senior Anthony Jackson (Modesto, Calif.) followed with an RBI single past third to make it 2-1. A walk to senior Dale Hall (Wenatchee, Wash.) loaded the bases.

That brought leadoff man, sophomore Adam Ching (Rancho Santa Margarita, Calif.), to the plate. Ching promptly lined an infield single of the glove of Gaels' starter Corey Madden to tie the game at 1-1. Senior Anthony Jackson (Modesto, Calif.) followed with an RBI single past third to make it 2-1. A walk to senior Dale Hall (Wenatchee, Wash.) loaded the bases.

That brought leadoff man, sophomore Adam Ching (Rancho Santa Margarita, Calif.), to the plate. Ching promptly lined an infield single of the glove of Gaels' starter Corey Madden to tie the game at 1-1. Senior Anthony Jackson (Modesto, Calif.) followed with an RBI single past third to make it 2-1. A walk to senior Dale Hall (Wenatchee, Wash.) loaded the bases.

That brought leadoff man, sophomore Adam Ching (Rancho Santa Margarita, Calif.), to the plate. Ching promptly lined an infield single of the glove of Gaels' starter Corey Madden to tie the game at 1-1. Senior Anthony Jackson (Modesto, Calif.) followed with an RBI single past third to make it 2-1. A walk to senior Dale Hall (Wenatchee, Wash.) loaded the bases.

That brought leadoff man, sophomore Adam Ching (Rancho Santa Margarita, Calif.), to the plate. Ching promptly lined an infield single of the glove of Gaels' starter Corey Madden to tie the game at 1-1. Senior Anthony Jackson (Modesto, Calif.) followed with an RBI single past third to make it 2-1. A walk to senior Dale Hall (Wenatchee, Wash.) loaded the bases.

That brought leadoff man, sophomore Adam Ching (Rancho Santa Margarita, Calif.), to the plate. Ching promptly lined an infield single of the glove of Gaels' starter Corey Madden to tie the game at 1-1. Senior Anthony Jackson (Modesto, Calif.) followed with an RBI single past third to make it 2-1. A walk to senior Dale Hall (Wenatchee, Wash.) loaded the bases.

That brought leadoff man, sophomore Adam Ching (Rancho Santa Margarita, Calif.), to the plate. Ching promptly lined an infield single of the glove of Gaels' starter Corey Madden to tie the game at 1-1. Senior Anthony Jackson (Modesto, Calif.) followed with an RBI single past third to make it 2-1. A walk to senior Dale Hall (Wenatchee, Wash.) loaded the bases.

That brought leadoff man, sophomore Adam Ching (Rancho Santa Margarita, Calif.), to the plate. Ching promptly lined an infield single of the glove of Gaels' starter Corey Madden to tie the game at 1-1. Senior Anthony Jackson (Modesto, Calif.) followed with an RBI single past third to make it 2-1. A walk to senior Dale Hall (Wenatchee, Wash.) loaded the bases.

That brought leadoff man, sophomore Adam Ching (Rancho Santa Margarita, Calif.), to the plate. Ching promptly lined an infield single of the glove of Gaels' starter Corey Madden to tie the game at 1-1. Senior Anthony Jackson (Modesto, Calif.) followed with an RBI single past third to make it 2-1. A walk to senior Dale Hall (Wenatchee, Wash.) loaded the bases.

That brought leadoff man, sophomore Adam Ching (Rancho Santa Margarita, Calif.), to the plate. Ching promptly lined an infield single of the glove of Gaels' starter Corey Madden to tie the game at 1-1. Senior Anthony Jackson (Modesto, Calif.) followed with an RBI single past third to make it 2-1. A walk to senior Dale Hall (Wenatchee, Wash.) loaded the bases.

That brought leadoff man, sophomore Adam Ching (Rancho Santa Margarita, Calif.), to the plate. Ching promptly lined an infield single of the glove of Gaels' starter Corey Madden to tie the game at 1-1. Senior Anthony Jackson (Modesto, Calif.) followed with an RBI single past third to make it 2-1. A walk to senior Dale Hall (Wenatchee, Wash.) loaded the bases. season by tossing a scoreless eighth and ninth.

Men's Tennis

Doubles (SDSU wins doubles point):
1) Jorgen Vestli/Vladimir Zdravkovic (PAC) def. Benedikt Stronk/Billy Timu (SDSU), 8-6
2) Christian Groh/Stephan Timu (SDSU) def. Arnar Sigurdsson/Tim Koniarski (PAC), 8-4
3) Markus Dickhardt/Eugenio Romero (SDSU) def. Alan Kelly/Austin Kakar (PAC), 8-3

Singles:
1) No. 79 Arnar Sigurdsson (PAC) def. No. 99 Markus Dickhardt (SDSU), 6-7, 6-3, 7-6
2) Jorgen Vestli (PAC) def. Benedikt Stronk (SDSU), 6-3, 6-2
3) Stephan Timu (SDSU) def. Vladimir Zdravkovic (PAC), 6-3, 6-3
4) Tim Koniarski (PAC) def. Anthony Gomez (SDSU), 7-5, 6-2
5) Alan Kelly (PAC) def. Eugenio Romero (SDSU), 8-4, 2-6, 6-1
6) Robert Sabo (SDSU) def. Austin Kakar (PAC), 6-0, 6-2