Moore rallies at Pacific

By Taro Cus lidoe
Staff Writer

Academy Award winning documentary filmmaker Michael Moore gave a power packed, lengthy speech to a crowd of over 5,000 at the Alex G. Spanos Center on Oct. 22.

The event attracted a large group of Pacific students, members of the Stockton community and people from outside San Joaquin County.

The Pacific stop, presented by the Associated Students of the University of the Pacific, the Stockton Peace and Justice Network and the Stockton Arts Commission, was one of 39 in 23 days for the accomplished filmmaker and book writer.

Moore started the evening off with a press conference at 6:30 p.m. in the newly renovated Pacific Theater.

"Stockton is not unfamiliar with tragedy," Moore explained before the main event, while speaking to members of the local and Sacramento-area press.

He spoke briefly of the 1989 Cleveland Elementary School shooting when gunman Patrick Purdy walked on campus and opened fire on students and teachers. Purdy killed five and injured 30 before turning the gun on himself. Moore solemnly addressed the Stockton occurrence before elaborating on the problems with gun control in America.

"You put your family in danger when you have a gun in the house," he said. "What is the purpose of making a hand gun or an assault weapon?"

During the brief press conference Moore also expressed his feelings regarding the recently released home movies of Columbine High School gunmen Dylan Klebold and Eric Harris. The students were shown bowling a week prior to the April 20, 1999 Littleton, CO killings.

Though Moore had yet to see the new footage, he was impressed by the original security footage that he used in "Bowling for Columbine."

"I liked it, it was very informative," Wilburn said. "I think its great that whether (the audience members) were there to support him or didn't like what he was saying, it was really a great turnout."

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Chapel damaged

By Jemilyn Ancheta
Co-News Editor

On Sunday, Oct. 25, 2003 a disaster hit us right on the heart of Pacific. A fire damaged a meeting room in Col liver Hall, in the south wing of Morris Chapel. No one was injured, but Stockton fire officials estimated that the blaze caused $175,000 in damage.

The fire began about 8:30 a.m. in the Kirkbride Room on the first floor of Col liver Hall. University police and the Stockton Fire De partment responded, and firefighters contained the blaze in less than 10 minutes.

Fire officials said that the blear turned to find the room in flames. Luckily no one else was in the building at the time.

Although the fire did not spread to other rooms, it did cause smoke damage to the office of the University's chaplain, which is directly above the Kirkbride Room.

The 1920s sanctuary was spared, and three weddings took place that Sunday despite the damages that occurred. The chapel is one of Stockton's most popular locations for nuptials, and some 200 weddings are held there every year.

"It is upsetting to hear what happened because my mother got married in the chapel, so to me it carries such sentimental value," Louise Dunn said.

"We are trying to handle the situation in a compassionate and professional manner while we relocate and schedule appointments for weddings," Jan Wammack said.

Morris Chapel's office has now relocated to the eighth floor of Burns Tower.

Although the fire was a tragedy to us here at Pacific, it brought unity amongst the community in Stockton. "Physical plant, Stockton firefighters, Service Master crews and Cazelles flowers all worked together for the common goal in making a bride's special day perfect," Jennifer Wallen said.
Singing at the Summit

By Eugene Sefanov
Guest Writer

“It’s always about taking that first step, being the opening act, attacking the microphone first in front of friends and strangers,” said junior Rachel DeRonde, about the ASUOP sponsored event “Karaoke at the Summit” This event happens every first Wednesday of the month; all Pacific students are invited to participate in the fun and entertainment.

“It’s a great way for students to break away from their studies and just have fun,” said Allison Gomer, ASUOP Arts and Entertainment Commissioner.

“Everyone can see how much fun it is to get up in front of the group with a microphone in one hand and sing like they were in the shower,” said junior, Carley Bain. Many students agreed that this is a pleasurable event and that it offers wonderful new things to do on campus.

“It gives students something different to do other than drinking,” says freshman Henry Chang.

The enthusiasm of the group allows for all different styles of music. The audience is treated to a variety of songs from many different genres, from patriotic to hip-hop, Metallica to Madonna.

Students can choose from a long list of past and current well-liked songs.

Judging the show can be a pretty tough job.

“Most of the performances are extremely funny and full of talent but sometimes you just want to cut the music,” said Jenny Avon, ASUOP Public Relations Commissioner and judge.

At the end of the night, judges usually have a difficult time deciding who the winners are.

The event is open to all Pacific students and prizes are awarded to the top three acts.

Prizes can range from Pacific clothing items to gift certificates.

“Karaoke at the Summit” has been a hit on campus and seems to be drawing more people to the event every month.

Students are encouraged to come and croon or even just sit back and groove to the music.

Either way it is a guaranteed fun time. See you at the Summit on Wednesday, Nov. 5, for a little karaoke!
Heartfelt thank you

Photograph by Elizabeth Carranza

ECOVERING: Sheena Nodau recognizes that there are still great people in this world.

Sheena Nodau
Guest Writer

Wednesday, Oct. 15, 2003, 2:30 a.m. The exact moment realized that there are still great people in the world.

I got in a horrible skateboarding accident, which resulted in a broken leg, and I was by myself with no cell phone.

Mr. Anonymous did not have a cell phone either, but he went over to the building along the sidewalk near the Education Building and came over to see if I was OK.

I wish I knew his name. This gentleman went out of his way to help a perfect stranger. The accident occurred about 100 feet or so from the Education Building and I was by myself with no cell phone.

Mr. Anonymous did not have a cell phone either, but he went over to the building for something of a trivia test. He asked the three Pacific students questions about Canada, and vice-versa. The Canadian, a visitor from the Sacramento area, ultimately won the game and received a "Bowling for Columbine" DVD.

Katy Fic, a senior studying social science, pre-law and education, was one of the three Americans brought up to the stage. Though Fick was stumped on the questions, she said Moore is something of a "guru" to her.

"He's just a regular Joe from Flint, Michigan challenging the system," Fick said. "It was great to be able to be there with him in Stockton and at UOP."

Both Fick and Yeager arrived at 6 p.m. in order to beat the rush for the limited number of floor seats.

At the end of the evening, Moore did a quick question and answer period while members of the ASUOP staff ran around with microphones accomodating the many people who raised their hands. The event lasted until just before 10 p.m.

Moore is currently working on a documentary called "Farenheit 911. The Temperature at which Truth Burns" and his book "Dude, Where's my Country?" debuted at #1 on the New York Times Bestseller list on Sunday.

Moore, who doesn't sugarcoat anything, made it very clear throughout the night that he makes no exception to have someone call an ambulance.

He saved me from at least a half an hour of excruciating pain.

My message to this gentleman: Thank you so much. Thank you for going out of your way to help me. Thank you for waiting to make sure the ambulance got there. Thank you for caring. Thank you.

There was another gentleman who I would also like to thank. I only remember his first name Johnny.

My message to him: Thank you so much for letting me hold onto you. Thank you for helping to comfort my pain. Thank you for not leaving me alone. Thank you.

I honestly hope that these gentlemen see this article. This is my only way to thank them. I just want to let you gentlemen know that I appreciate every effort and every moment you put into caring for this stranger's condition.

Thank you. May God bless you and I wish you the best of luck in life. May the world return the kindness and care you have offered to me. Thank you.

By Ki Kallbrier
President of Kappa Alpha Theta

"We have shared celebrations, catastrophes, and secrets. The threads of our experience have become so interwoven that we are linked." - Pam Brown.

There are certain things that happen in everyone's life that they will never forget. For me, one of my most cherished memories will be the time as a Kappa Alpha Theta at the University of the Pacific. My name is Ki Kallbrier and I am the president of this sorority.

When I first became a member, I had no idea how much Theta would come to mean to me, and how it would literally change my life. Although the ritual of Theta is extremely important, along with its dedication to community service and high scholarship, the members of Kappa Alpha Theta are what have made my experience so enriching. I have met the most supportive, honest, and genuine people in Theta who remind me everyday that I have a lot to be thankful for.

Theta's philanthropy is CASA, an acronym for Court Appointed Special Advocates. This organization is committed to helping children who are caught up in the court system. At the Midnight Madness philanthropy event, Theta raised over $1800 for CASA. Theta also sponsors promotional coupons to raise money for CASA.

Kappa Alpha Theta also places a tremendous emphasis on scholarship. There are many programs designed to help students achieve their academic goals and positive programming dedicated to help members stay motivated.

Theta can also provide members with leadership opportunities as well as several different chances to attend informative conferences. Last semester executive officers of Kappa Alpha Theta were invited to attend a District Leadership Conference in Spokane, Wash.

Theta offers its members a wide variety of opportunities. Formal dances, fraternity exchanges and sisterhood retreats are some of the other aspects of Theta membership. However, the number one thing I will graduate from college with is a powerful support group and an irreplaceable group of friends who only come around once in a lifetime.
On the Town

Brandenburg’s bash

By Elizabeth Carranza
Co-News Editor

Upbeat music, creative costumes and a lively atmosphere, are what makes up Brandenburg’s Halloween Bash. Brandenburg’s will be celebrating Halloween with a bang and invites everybody over 21 to attend. The event will take place on Oct. 31 from 7 p.m. – close at 6002 Pacific Avenue across the street from Pacific Bowl.

For this day only, Brandenburg’s will close up its parking lot in order to make this Halloween bash an outside/inside event.

“Brandenburg’s Halloween Bash gives people in the Stockton community something fun and safe to do on such a celebrated date,” said Pacific alum and owner David Smith.

A beer garden will be set up beside the building and there will be $2 shot specials being distributed throughout the crowd by the cocktail waitresses.

The event will feature a costume contest that will be judged on originality and creativity by all of Brandenburg’s staff. “We are definitely in search of costumes that will blow our minds and it doesn’t matter if they are homemade or store bought,” said general manager, Jeffrey Wilson.

There will be three cash prizes for the winners, first place $300, second place $150 and third place $50.

A mixture of music will be played throughout the whole night giving people the opportunity get their groove on to the latest beats. “The D.J. is sure to have music for every ones liking,” said Wilson.

So if you need something to do on Halloween, head on over to Brandenburg’s where you are sure to have a fun night. There will be a cover charge of $6. If you have any questions regarding the event contact Brandenburg’s at (209) 955-0595.

Safely crossing over

By Kristin Stern
Business Manager

For those students who rarely go to North campus, there has been a recent project and installation this past week that increases the safety of Pacific students.

At the beginning of the year it was sometimes hard, and often dangerous to cross Brookside without a crosswalk available. The students and citizens of Stockton speeding by could pose quite a threat on a busy day.

Students were told that crosswalks were going to be painted, and that there would be a sign posted to make it slightly safer to cross the street and get to the Monagan and Brookside apartments, the Health Center, the Long Pharmacy School, and the new Health and Sciences building. The school splurged for the newest technology in pedestrian safety.

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The new high tech crosswalks have a button that activates flashing lights on the crosswalk, and signs that flash as well, to warn drivers of pedestrians crossing.

The lights make people more visible, especially at night when it is harder to see. Flashing lights get the attention of the driver more effectively than a typical painted crosswalk.

Although this is a smart safety precaution, students still must walk with caution, and awareness of vehicles.

There are downsides about the installation however. Many students commented on the location of the crosswalk. John Aaron Hedges said, “I think it is a good idea, but it should have been put closer to the apartments. I still have not actually used it.” Another resident of the Brookside Apartments, Jesse Bowen mentions, “It is too far away for us to use, but it was a good idea.”

Then again, a lot of students who do not venture in that direction have not even heard about the crosswalks. Junior campus resident Mysty Nakama, said, “I haven’t seen it yet, it sounds like a good idea, The next improvement to our North campus is waiting. Rumor has it a bridge going from the parking lot behind the city houses across to the side road will be built by the end of the year.

That would save a lot of time and energy, as well as provide more safety for students walking home at night.

Senior Hidajet Fific “Abridge would reduce our worry about physical plant or public safety. It would be a safety precaution, students walking home at night.

Obviously the school does care about the safety of students. Everything takes time, often a lot more than expected, but we will be safe soon enough.
A tribute to Pacific authors

The Pacifican

A celebration was held last week to commemorate Humanities faculty who have authored, edited or written book chapters since 1990.

Students, faculty and staff gathered in the President's Room to view works from over two dozen Pacific faculty members. The event was sponsored by the Pacific Humanities Center and the Library.

Featured Authors:
- Associate Professor of History and Chair of the History Department, Ken Albala, wrote Eating Right in the Renaissance, Food in Early Modern Europe (forthcoming), Opening Up North America (with Professor Caroline Cox), and numerous chapters, articles and encyclopedia entries. 

- Professor Emeritus of History and former chair of the History Department, George Blum, wrote articles and chapters in Research Guide to European Historical Biography, Statesmen Who Changed the World in the Twentieth Century, Encyclopedia of World War II in Europe, and Events that Changed History (forthcoming).

- Professor and Chair of the Honors Program, Greg Camfield, wrote Sentimental Twin: Samuel Clemens in the Maze of Moral Philosophy, Necessary Madness: Comedies of Domesticity in Nineteenth-Century American Literature and The Oxford Companion to Mark Twain.


- Assistant Professor of History, Caroline Cox, has a forthcoming book, A Proper Sense of Honor: The Rank and Status of Soldiers and Officers of the Continental Army, 1775-1783.

- Professor of Spanish, Arturo Giraldez, wrote Studies in Pacific History: Economic, Politics and Migration.

- Associate Professor of Spanish and Assistant Dean of COP, Susan Giraldez, wrote Las Sergas De Esplandían Y La España De Los Reyes Católicos.

- Associate Professor of French and Film Studies, Katherine Golsan, translated Fascism and Communism and co-translated Life in Common: An Essay in General Anthropology.

- Assistant Professor and Chair of the Music Management Department, Keith Hutschek, co-authored How to Get a Job in the Music and Recording Industry.


- Associate Professor of French, Christophe Ippolito, wrote Narrative Memory in Faulkner's Works.

- Associate Professor of Classics, Lynn Kraynak, co-authored Excavations at Nemea: Topographical and Architectural Studies: The Sacred Square, the Xenion, and the Boston Excavations.

- Assistant Professor of English and Film Studies and Director of the Humanities Center, Courtney Lehmann, wrote Shakespeare Remains: Theater to Film, Early Modern to Postmodern and soon to be followed by The Red Shakespeare: Alternative Cinema and History (forthcoming).


- Professor Emeritus of History, Sally Miller, wrote From Prairie to Prison: The Life of Social Activist Kate Richards O'Hare.

- Associate Professor of English and Coordinator of the Gender Studies Program, Camille Norton, co-edited Resurgent: New Writing by Women.

- Associate Professor of History, Suzanne Pasztor, wrote The Spirit of Hidalgo: The Mexican Revolution in Coahuila.

- Associate Professor of Social Ethics in the Religious Studies department, George D. Randels Jr., co-authored a chapter with Pacific sports sciences Professor Becky Beal, What Makes a Man a Man?: religion, sport and negotiating masculine identity in the Promise Keepers, in With God on Their Side: Sport in the Service of Religion.

- Professor with a joint appointment in English and Religious Studies, Gilbert Schedler, wrote Honest Talk, a book of poetry.

- Professor of Art History, Merrill Schleier, wrote The Skyscraper in American Art, 1890-1930, and contributed to The Skyscraper Culturally Reconsidered. She is currently working on a book entitled Skyscrapers/Gender/Film.

- Professor of German in the Modern Language and Literature department, Michael Sharp, wrote a chapter on Georg Trakl in Major Figures of Austrian Literature, and wrote The Poet's Madness: A Reading of Georg Trakl.

- Assistant Professor of English, Eric Sonstroem, contributed to How Can you Tell if a Spider is Dead? And More Moments of Science.

- Associate Professor of Religious Studies, Tanya Storch, is the editor of the forthcoming book, Religion and Missionaries in the Pacific, 1500-1900 and author of the chapter Law and Religious Freedom in Medieval China: State Regulation of Buddhist Communities, which appears in Religion, Law, and Freedom: A Global Perspective.

- Associate Professor of History and the Director of the John Muir Center, William Swagerty, co-edited Nez Perce Nation Divided: Firsthand Accounts of Events Leading to the 1863 Territory.

- Associate Professor of English, Douglas Tedards, wrote Journal Writing and the Study of Poetry, which appears in When Writing Teachers Teach Literature.

- Assistant Professor of Philosophy, Eleanor Wittrup, wrote The Possibility of Persuasion, which appears in Community, Diversity and Difference: Implications for Peace.

Associate Professor of English and Director of Ethnic Studies Program, Zhou Xiaojing, Elizabeth Bishop: Rebel in Shades an Shadows and her manuscript, The Poetics and Ethics of Alterity: Asian American Poetry is under construction.

BOOKS, BOOKS, BOOKS: Professors display their fine pieces of work.

Card Corner

The newly relocated Raney Recreation is now part of the PacificCard System. Students who wish to use this area must ‘swipe’ their PacificCard to enter. The PacificCard will also turn the lights on to the facility during the evening hours and users will also be notified by a ‘bell’ when the lights are going to turn off. Swiping the PacificCard again will reset the lights timer. Hours of operation are from 6 a.m. to 1 a.m.

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Ninjas come out at night

By William Grove
Guest Writer

Halloween. It’s the one time of the year you can be anything you want. But for college students, Halloween is usually just another time to party. Still, everyone has their favorite Halloween memory and mine was last year.

For college students, Halloween usually just means partying, but the only difference is you are in costumes instead of regular clothes. Last year, during my freshman year, two of my friends from home and I decided to do something a little different.

“Operation ninja” would leave an everlasting impact on many.

Me and my two friends decided we were going to dress in full, homemade ninja outfits, and see where things could go from there. Before I spin this magnificent tale, I need to explain our costumes.

We wore black pants and jackets, which were our old Karate outfits, black shoes, fake wooden swords, and we figured out how to make homemade ninja facemasks by manipulating a shirt around our faces.

Our garb was complete, and we were soon ready to unleash stealthy ninja havoc on the unsuspecting general public of Livermore, Calif.

It was a crisp autumn night, chilly but not cold. After donning our full ninja attire, we decided our course of action. We decided to infiltrate Wal-Mart with the objective of not being seen. However, since this was our first Ninja mission, a few kinks needed to be worked out, so a few people spotted us as they entered the store.

Some people were taken aback when they saw three young strapping men running through Wal-Mart in full ninja gear; granted it was Halloween night but the power of the ninja is reputed.

guards. We could see them scurrying around the store talking on their walkie-talkies but they were not able to find us.

After some time we decided to leave the store, but not before leaving many in fear of the power of the ninja. Put yourself in the shoes of someone in the store, buying whatever people buy there, and seeing three guys running amuck in ninja outfits.

Our mission was complete at Wal-Mart; although a few people saw us in the beginning, our cunning and skill proved too much for security.

We were doing nothing wrong and causing no problems, but for some reason, they were attempting to find us.

We later decided to try to infiltrate Target, but we made it about 30 feet into the store before being kicked out by security.

The security guard at Target must have been tipped off because it is inconceivable that he would be able to catch us so quickly.

Huge tests, long papers, extensive labs, all of these are part of midterms. Midterms are a part of the educational experience. Anxiety can become a large factor. For different majors, midterms seem to cause different stress levels and come at varying times of the year. Do not forget to relax and have some fun once midterms are over.

It seems as though professors plot against their students with their lousy planning of midterm dates. Professors either pile all the tests in on one day or week, or they spread them out, practically lasting the whole semester with midterms leading into more midterms.

Gardner Landen, a senior Engineer and Business double major said, “My midterm experience is sporadic. I don’t really have any ‘midterms’ per se. Most of my classes have two to three ‘midterms’ throughout the semester.”

School has been in session for nine weeks. Half way through the semester, which means that midterms will soon be behind us.

Be an optimist. There is not much time until Thanksgiving and not too much longer until Christmas break. Students are already planning their spring class schedule. Or, you could be a pessimist and think of it this way: there are still eight weeks of classes, long lectures, and more tests to come. Not to mention the anxiety of finals.

Students have realized now that Stockton is not the most exciting place in the world, but there are things to do and places to go. Students who strive to go off campus here are a few ideas:

1) Catch a movie, sit back and relax.
2) Go ice-skating; nice and conditioned fun.
3) Go bowling, work on your hand-eye coordination.
4) Watch a Stockton Pers baseball game.
5) Feel like frozen yogurt? Try Tiger Yogurt, it’s within walking distance.
6) Choose a restaurant to fill your tummy.
7) Take a walk in the parks.
8) Visit the Delta, not part near campus!
9) Hit the bars of Stockton (if you’re over 21 of course)
'Popularity must start somewhere'
A look at the four most popular third parties

The Green Party
The Green Party has been around since the 1960s, but the U.S. Green Party was officially formed in 1996. The U.S. Green Party is a confederation of state green parties that is partnered with the European Federation of Green Parties and Federation of Green Parties of the Americas.

The ten most important values of the U.S. Green Party are: 1) Grassroots democracy 2) Social justice and equal opportunities 3) Ecological wisdom 4) Nonviolence 5) Decentralization 6) Community-based economics and economic justice 7) Feminism and gender equity 8) Respect for diversity 9) Personal and global responsibility 10) Future focus and sustainability.

The most well-known Green Party representative is Ralph Nader, who has run for President multiple times. For more information go to www.gp.org.

The Libertarian Party
The Libertarian Party was created in December of 1971 and has the most members of all the third parties in the U.S. It is committed to America's Heritage of Freedom through individual liberty and personal responsibility, a free market economy, and a foreign policy of non-intervention, peace, and free trade.

The party is also pro-environment and believes there should be no permission for gun ownership. It also does not believe in restrictions on immigration.

The most well-known Libertarian representative is Dr. John Hagelin, a quantum physicist, who ran for President in the 2000 election. For more information go to www.natural-law.org.

American Independent Party
The American Independent Party has been on ballots since 1968. It is a very fast growing party here in California.

Americentric

Jeff Swartz
Guest Writer

Pop Quiz Hotshot:
1. What is the capital of Canada?
2. Who is the Prime Minister of Canada?
3. Name three countries that border Afghanistan.

Think you can handle it? I'll bet at least 85 percent of this school's student population could not even answer the first question. In fact, my point was proven last Wednesday at Michael Moore's lecture.

So what's the point of this article? Well, the point is that half our country can't find Iraq on a map and the percentage is far worse for college students. Pretty scary considering we've spent $87 billion to bring our own forms of democracy to Iraq.

Last Wednesday three of our own 4.0 students volunteered to represent the bright minds that Pacific yields. Yet those three top students could not provide the name of our nearest neighbor's capital. Sure, it might have been muffed out there after the microphone was passed to them, but the fact of the matter is that it took some serious thinking and head scratching just to figure out what the capital of Canada is. And the saddest part of the whole thing is that a School of International Studies student, a student who is constantly quizzed on the geography of the world and the demographics of hundreds of countries, couldn't provide a legitimate answer on the spot.

If a straight-A SIS student can't name three countries that border Afghanistan, what will the future of Americentric college students know about Geography? Has Geography been ruled out as a core concept in the fundamental learning process?

Ok, so I'm not saying that everyone should go out, buy a map, and memorize it. It's too late for that. Is the future of American students screwed? Yep. Something has to be done in order to improve the current education system. Or, maybe more parents should start reading atlases to their kids. How many kids actually have a globe in their room anymore? According to Michael Moore, who got his statistics from the latest National Geographic Geography Quiz, 11 percent of students aged 18-24 can't find the U.S. on the map.

Yeah sure, maybe a bunch of students wanted to skew the results just to make American students look stupid. I know my friends and I would do stuff like that, so maybe that's not a good representation of what the survey's results were. The National Geographic-Roper 2002 Global Geographic Literacy Survey polled more than 3,000 18- to 24-year-olds...
Making and breaking you

So truth be told and mistakes unfold, but ain’t it funny that the ones who teach you also burn you at the stake? Let us go, you and I, to a place that resembles life; a field were I first met Brooke, the unholy ghost of emotions and alter egos.

In a place where we act like glory days, it is unfair to judge our actions, let alone our words, and punish all sides for the actions of one person for being caught up.

Is it fair for one to do what society has thought of them and then get punished for it? Truly, I ask: is it fair?

Sure, this is a weak argument because we are all responsible for our own actions, but don’t we all, to a certain extent, lack common sense?

Let us go, you and I, to a place where music videos are made, a place where it’s cool to be hard; to be gangsta and to be thug.

It bothers me when I become a product of my own society, and the same society that makes me, breaks me. You see and learn, imitating monkeys, and then when it’s all said and done the ones that make you and break you are stealing your dignity and making you wear, a dunce cap; while your name melts in the mouths of others.

Stories are fabricated like the ‘phone-game’ and it becomes evident in every which way you look, for what else do we have to do but to rag on others, lifting our own spirits? The worst part of it all is that they take your family down with you.

Confused? Well let me try to explain. Sometimes people act like fools; it’s human nature to lose your cool. But it’s not how you fall but how you get up, so they say. It is as if they create the way you are, and punish you for being that way. I am a product of my own society, how can I help it? I am what they expect me to be. I see what is on TV and in movies and even though society says ‘it’s only entertainment’, it’s not real, but how can this be?

How can they brain wash me, and then blame me for being ‘brain-washed’? How can they hate on the way I am when it is the only way I know? Is it what they teach me; it’s all around me, and I have a thug life tattoo on my chest and NWA in my walkman.

So, when I get caught up in emotions and when my instincts grab hold of my mind, losing all common sense and thinking I am in a movie, why then, do I have to pay the ultimate price?

Why must it be like that? Adding insult to injury, they steal the dignity of those I associate with.

Now I know it’s a weak excuse and this charade has been written on many times, but the point is to ask: why do others have to suffer for my own mistakes?

Especially since my actions have been inked in my head since I was a little boy. It is all I know; for it is all I have been taught, it’s part of being a man’s man. Don’t punish those who wear the same color jersey; punish me for being what they want me to be.

Even as an individual, I am forced to reconcile my independence to fit a mold of indifference. I’m only human, girl, I make mistakes; I love football like a fat kid love cake.

Is this not the place were we are free to open our minds and step away from what society teaches us? Is it not through education that we receive mental and also emotional, spiritual, and physical enlightenment?

Is why take that away from us? Why punish others for my actions? Why insult my actions, when it is what I have been taught by mainstream society.

Yeah, I know life isn’t fair, and we are only puppets for the “Man” who molest our minds and steals our innocence. Is this not the place were innocence is rethought?

Is college not the place we are to learn to adapt to society, but not be a part of it? Why take away my physical education?

In a place of higher education we should be taught lessons not by punishment, especially punishment for those who are not involved, but by guidance, counseling and yes, the old cliché: let’s talk about it, share your feelings. But, who said life is fair?
FROM EAST TO WEST

Wisdom for Today

“No one is an island. We live surrounded by our family, our friends and the rest of the world. We are all connected. The key is to display our individuality while living harmoniously within that web of relationships.”

-Daisaku Ikeda

Interfaith Buddhist Student Association

wanna be like Mike

Shone Cipris
Perspectives Co-editor

Pacific as an institution tends to get its fair share of ribbing, both from myself, as well as many other students. Our school, after all, is seen as the kind of place that would rather use tuition money to build clock towers and rose gardens instead of, say, taking better precautions against the weekly destruction of the gates on the Calaveras River footbridge. One gets the sense that the campus, and particularly the administration, is perhaps slightly off-kilter, as if the behind-the-scenes ‘man behind the curtain’ is mildly brain-damaged or simply drunk (please note: I am not referring to President De Rosa). In any case, it’s undeniable that sometimes the school—specifically ASUPO—does extremely well indeed. Having been a fan of Michael Moore ever since watching his landmark documentary Roger and Me years ago, it was awesome to have the big rabble-rouser (it’s a compliment) on campus and to hear him speak to the rabidly enthusiastic stadium audience. Moore was an extremely dynamic and consistently funny speaker who was able to provide serious commentary on socio-political issues in a manner engaging to the audience, a valuable gift.

Moore spent some time on a few topics from his latest book Dude, Where’s My Country? such as the need for a national scopecat (like France) during times of highly controversial governmental policy. He only briefly touched on other topics in the book, such as the decades-old business ties between the Bush and Bin Laden families. Osama bin Laden, however, make an amusing cameo appearance’ prior to the talk along with his breath cardboard bad-guy Saddam, the very first instance when “An Evening With Michael Moore” veered into high fare (before Michael had even shown up). This sort of set the stage for the rest of the evening.

Was anybody surprised by the result of the Canadian-American political trivia challenge? I was. To think, I actually thought ‘Smart Americans’ could pull the rug out from under a ‘Dumb Canadian.’ I really thought the Yanks could win; how naive and optimistic of me. This ‘Canadian trivia challenge’ skit was also seen on an episode of Moore’s short-lived television series “TV Nation,” which I am proud to say I watched in its original broadcast run during the mid-90s.

I liked the fact that, in the interest of fairness, Moore was ready to point out the faults of ‘wimpy’ Democrats, as well as the strengths of Republicans. Ofentimes the talk swung into pure stand-up comedy, such as his hilarious verbal exchange between two ‘wimpy-washy’ Democrats who can’t decide what to eat for dinner, and the ‘take-charge’ Republican who bellows, “Right, get in the car, we’re going to Sizzler!” (pounds the podium for emphasis). I swear to you, I saw people carried out on stretchers—that line just killed.

Incidentally, I wonder if Mike thought we were a ‘stoner school,’ considering some people actually booed his admission that he’s never smoked pot (“I feel like I’m back at the Oscars,” he said with a bewildered chuckle). Then, when he later joked, “Who knows, maybe I’ll smoke my first joint here in Stockton,” the stadium erupted in a huge ovation.

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Last Saturday, I received a card from a student who, after reading my last column discussing MTV’s role in depleting societal value, believed I had articulated a significant portion of the Conservative Agenda,” he wrote. Slightly dismayed, I realized that this reader had been brainwashed by the conservative-created stereotype, which argues that the Liberal Agenda is void of value.

He has been fooled into believing that moral deterioration in society is a direct result of liberal-backed reforms (i.e. civil rights, abortion, and corporate reform).

I hope I can redirect this misled reader and prove to him that liberals have values too.

Liberals, like Conservatives, want to “fight societal deterioration.” Where they differ, however, are in their ideas on the best and most just ways of achieving this. Unlike their conservative counterparts, Liberals want to improve society for everyone, not just for the wealthy, male, white, minority.

Case in point: President Bush is the poster child for Conservatism. According to his 2000 Presidential campaign, he is a special kind of Conservative who will practice “compassion.”

What he really meant, was that he would show favoritism to those who make up his electoral-base.

He has done this by passing two enormous tax cuts, two-thirds of which go to the wealthiest ten percent of the electorate.

He has also shown a great deal of “compassion” to the religious-right, which also happen to make up as much as 40 percent of his support base.

One of his first actions as president was to withdraw U.S. support for the World Population Fund, which against the wishes of the Christian Coalition, provide contraception and abortion to impoverished women living in the overpopulated and underdeveloped world.

With their anti-abortion, and pro-business agenda, Conservatives believe restoring value to society means diminishing women’s rights and taking money from those who don’t have it and giving it to those who do.

Conservatives promote the restoration of a society that benefits them. According to Michael Moore, Conservatives have figured out that the majority of the American people are Liberal, which explains why they are so angry. But, don’t just take Moore’s word for it.

Public opinion polls for example, continue to indicate that the majority of American people are pro-choice, pro-environment, and pro-corporate reform.

Roughly two-thirds of the American electorate are ethnic minorities or women, so if Conservatives want to maintain their power and pursue their agenda, they had better start advocating reforms that make society better for everyone—not just their small electorate base.
By Paige Elisha
Staff Writer

The 50-second free-fall
Gravity and tranquility, it's like a dream

I was in the plane wondering how I could be so calm as I watched my fellow students make their adrenaline-filled exits one by one. Before I knew it, I too was perched at the plane's open door, looking down and seeing the vast sprawling cornfields below. I noticed the quickly-disappearing black dots that were my friends as they raced towards the wide earth, but nothing seemed too out of the ordinary.

I remember expecting to have an extreme sense of the feeling you get when your body drops and it feels as if your stomach has decided to stay behind. I expected an extreme version of the feeling from a roller coaster ride or a dipping highway. But, the feeling never came. Instead, my body's instant defensive mechanism set in and I couldn't feel a thing—not even the anticipatory butterflies. It is all I can do to vaguely recall the passage of the following events.

We only crouched at the door for a second before we were in a hurtling racersomersault, a chaos that I had not expected. In a second, my tandem partner had stabilized us and our belly-first, fifty-second fall began. During this fall, the racing wind made the largest impression on me. Arching my back and trying to keep my arms and legs in the correct positions, I was keenly aware of an almost unbearable blast of air rocketing up my nose, into my mouth, and through my sinuses. Pleasant? I think not. In a vain attempt to look cool and fun on the video of the jump that was being made, I kept trying to yell things like, "This is so cool!" Note for anyone who is as stupid as me and thinks that stuff will actually come out on the video: it won't, and you will pay for keeping your mouth open during a 13,000-foot dive.

I had been looking forward to going skydiving for years—it had always just been one of those things I knew I would do sometime, and that I always had to look forward to. And then suddenly, the date was set and the weeks flew, by and before I knew it, I was driving out to Lodi with a few other Pacific students to jump out of a plane. It was just that simple. We went, we jumped (or were at least connected to someone that jumped), we hurdled, then we fell and we fell and we fell. With 50 seconds quickly behind us, and the earth growing ominously larger, it was time for the drum roll and the pull of the parachute cord. The 'chute opened and we were wrenched back into reality. Suddenly, the view of sprawling land below came into focus and I could identify the colorful dots that signified my friends as they peacefully floated down to earth. I tried to yell but couldn't. Instead, I just soaked up the view.

Looking back on my experience with a week's retrospective, I realize that skydiving may not have been the life-changing catharsis that I had been expecting, but it was, nevertheless, a once-in-a-lifetime chance to push my limits, broaden—or at least catch a glimpse of—my horizons, and just plain spend an afternoon with friends.

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One of Moore's most thought-provoking topics was his very last one: the notion of an unspoken contract between the military and the public. The essence of the idea was that those who join and serve in the armed forces—often young men and women—have made a commitment to the ultimate sacrifice, namely their own lives. They are prepared to die in order to protect others—they will die, so that you don't have to. All they ask in return is that the public and the government never, ever subject them to the possibility of dying without a damn good reason.

Considering the film's justified (and ulterior motive-laden) wars on Afghanistan and Iraq, Moore felt that the government had tipped its hand: "They do not support the troops! They don't care about our troops!" He roared, to thunderous applause. Then, with a grin and perhaps a final scratch underneath his baseball cap, he left the stage. Always let them wanting more! Despite Pacific's shortcomings, it occasionally does something right. I for one am proud that Michael Moore is now part of our school's history.
Marsalis to perform at Pacific
Nine-time Grammy winning jazz musician will play

By Eugene Sefanov
Guest Writer

"For Wee Folks," "My Funny Valentine," and "Legend of Buddy Bolden," are just a few from Wynton Marsalis's long list of hit songs. But who would ever know that he is an accomplished classical jazz composer?

The nine-time Grammy award-winning trumpeter and Pulitzer Prize winner will be performing at Pacific on Saturday, Nov. 1 at 7:30 p.m. in Faye Spanos Concert Hall. The event is co-sponsored by Pacific's Conservatory of Music and the Associated Students University of the Pacific.

"We are ecstatic to have Wynton Marsalis here since he is so talented. I personally love live music and to hear one of the greatest jazz artists ever, is quite a privilege," Jenny Avon, ASUOP Public Relations Commissioner said.

Wynton Marsalis, a New Orleans native was born in 1961. He is widely recognized as a perfectionist of modern jazz, particularly for his continuous work connecting the gaps between the classic jazz musicians of the past and the young, hip musicians of the present.

"He has inspired generations of musicians. He is one of the first classical jazz artists to make a real name for himself. Upcoming musicians of today look at him as a role model for success," music management major, bassoon and saxophonist, Robert Albini said.

From a very young age, Marsalis displayed a remarkable amount of dedication and intellect. With a 3.98 grade point average, he was swamped with scholarships from Ivy League universities such as Yale. However, Marsalis chose the prestigious Juilliard School of Music in New York.

"I think it's amazing that he was able to achieve excellence in both school and music. I find it difficult enough to handle my courses alone," trumpeter, Ian Cherrington said.

Marsalis has produced over 40 distinctive jazz or classical albums. He is perhaps the most celebrated jazz musician of the last three decades. Marsalis has made it his mission to teach young people about music, mostly on the history and tradition of jazz created before the 1960s. Countless times, he has offered lessons or donated instruments to underprivileged youth.

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Marsalis was also a commentator and important contributor to Ken Burns' Jazz, this was, a documentary that made its debut on PBS in 2001.

To experience what Marsalis is truly about, purchase your ticket at the Faye Spanos box office before they sell out. General admission is $30 and Pacific students with a valid I.D. are $15.
Infidelity not acceptable
Is forgiving Kobe easier than the average Joe?

By Georgette Rodarakis
Lifestyles Editor

Infidelity is one of those words that makes me cringe. It is a concept that I just do not understand, but am, unfortunately, very well aware of due to the continuously declining moral society we live in. Infidelity has been the focal point of mainstream media in recent years; such as when our own past-President Bill Clinton engaged in sexual relations with a Whitehouse intern and now basketball superstar, Kobe Bryant adds to the list by admitting to the list by admitting to the list by admitting to having sex with a 19-year old girl who worked at a spa resort.

Men like Clinton and Bryant are role models in our society and are exactly those who abuse their status and end up disrespecting themselves and their loved ones. Their acts of infidelities permanently effect society’s tolerance of unfaithful and immoral behavior.

Assistant Professor of English and Film Studies and Director of Pacific’s Humanities Center, Dr. Courtney Lehmann said, “It goes hand in hand with power. People buy into their own delusions of sexual prowess and when given the opportunity to act on them, they do.”

While I am aware that adultery among celebrities, politicians, and athletes is something that has always been present (which does not make it right), the reaction of today’s society has been surprisingly accepting and forgiving to these adulterers.

Senior Carrie Davis said, “The public gives more leeway to celebrities.”

My concern is that women like Hilary Clinton and Vanessa Laine Bryant, who stand alongside their spouses are embedding the idea that adultery is tolerated. Many argue that Hilary stayed by her husband for political reasons; does that make it anymore justifiable for her than it does Vanessa, Kobe’s wife, to stick by her man for reasons such as for their child sake or perhaps for pure love?

Please note that I do sympathize with these ladies because they were forced into a situation because of the stupid acts of their spouses. They are technically doing the Christian thing, the “right” thing by forgiving them...right?

Many people who I have discussed the issue with attack me with the same sarcastic question, “Would you leave Kobe if he did that to you?” As if I was going to say I wouldn’t because he is a wealthy athlete.

These statements reinforce the sad idealism that our society relates to happiness. I would not want to be married to someone who had disrespected me in the most wretched way. People who are fogged with the idea that money buys happiness are even more pathetic than those who are committing the act.

Senior Carrie Davis said, “It’s disgusting; when it happened with Clinton and now with Kobe. Sexual relations outside of a marriage is not acceptable. It’s a mockery of the institution of marriage.”

Adultery is a selfish, deceptive act that displays loss of self-control. Adultery is in no way acceptable, not for celebrities or for ordinary folk; it’s that simple.
Horrible Scary Movie

By Mikey Yu
Movie Critic
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This film marks the third installment in the Scary Movie series, and what sets it apart from the other two is that the Wayans Brothers did not participate in writing the script. Instead, they are replaced by Kevin Smith (Dogma, Clerks, Mallrats) and David Zucker (Naked Gun series). Now, upon hearing that Kevin Smith was involved instead of the Wayans, I was actually excited to see this movie; I expected it to be somewhat decent. Oh, how sorely mistaken I was. First off, who decided to make this movie PG-13? What happened to the R rating? That's one of the things that made Scary Movie 1 & 2 tolerable—the over-the-top gratuitity. Scary Movie 3 without an R rating is like a strip club without the nudity.

The plot starts with the only returning character, Cindy, wanting to find out why aliens are trying to take over Earth. From that one plot point alone, Zucker tries to put together a some-what coherent parody. For those of you not familiar with the Scary Movie series, they poke fun at horror movies, action movies, and any pop-culture references you can think of. The story is convoluted, loosely attempting to tie in each of the vignettes with one another. One minute we are watching a country white boy rapping in an 8 Mile-ish club and in the next we are shown Mother Theresa bobble-head dolls being given out by the president. Now I don't know about anyone else, but when I go to see a funny movie I expect it to be funny. I mean, shouldn't a prerequisite of a comedy be that it's funny? Is that a little too much to ask here? I honestly sat through the entire film staring at the screen blankly, waiting for the muscles on my face to twitch. But I was left with only blinks, and even those were few and far between.

With the change of writers, we trade in the dick and fart jokes for an excessive amount of slapstick. So, instead of seeing scantily clad women being chased around by stoned killers, we are treated to such heart-warming scenes like the attempted resuscitation of a corpse with electrical wires. One strange thing is how many cameos there are in this movie. Everyone from Charlie Sheen to Redman and Method Man, have speaking roles. It's like we're supposed to be so star-struck that we forget about what we're watching. No matter how much you try to decorate some cow feces, may be be with flowers or maybe even some wrapping paper, it will still be a piece of cow shit. You know, I have said so many things about this movie, and I really want to say something positive so people don't think I'm a total asshole...so...um...the set pieces are pretty similar to the ones getting parodied. Ok, that's about it.

A warning to anyone planning to see this movie, if you haven't seen The Ring or any of the other films, you will be totally lost (don't worry though, you won't be missing much). I wonder, was Scary Movie 2 so good that some movie execs thought they should make another? I sure as hell know I didn't walk out of it saying "Boy oh boy, that movie was goe gosh swell, I sure hope those hilarious Wayans Brothers keep making comical gems." Why, the hell are pointless sequels like this put out in the first place? Oh, that's right, because we keep paying to see them. Undoubtedly with this film already grossing over $50 million, Scary Movie 4 will be inevitable. Fight the power; do something useful full with your $8.50. I feel stupider for having watched this movie.

My Grade: D

Horror's best films

By Mikey Yu
Movie Critic

With Halloween around the corner I know, that everyone will hopefully be renting some scary movies to liven up their evening. Since I have a special place in my heart for the genre, I have made a list, in no particular order, of some of my favorite horror flicks.

1. Halloween 1 & 2
These movies are horror landmarks in so many different ways. They should be viewed as one long movie so you can enjoy Michael Meyers (not Austin Power's Meyers) in all his glory. That closet scene from the first Halloween is still frightening today.

2. Texas Chainsaw Massacre
I think this is one of the scariest movies ever made, although many modern day horror fans probably will not appreciate it for its lack of graphic gore. The shaky filming gives it a documentary-like feeling, and the campy yet realistic feeling of the setting becomes quiteunsettling at times.

3. The Shining
A masterpiece in horror film making, it chronicles how the young Jack Nicholson gives into his own madness. The pacing of the film will undoubtedly bore many people, but it is this deliberate pacing that drives much of the terror. Redrum, Redrum!

4. Silence of the Lambs
An Academy Award winning (like that really means anything today) horror/thriller about a transvestite serial killer named Buffalo Bill. Terrifying movie, great cast, and some scares to keep your appetite whetted. Just don't use that favas beans line, its overused and you'll just look silly.

5. The Thing
Imagine being stuck in the Antarctic with a group of your friends. Now imagine if you didn't know which one of them was an alien. A psychological horror film that plays off trust and extreme paranoia. Another John Carpenter film that is a must on my list.

6. Alien
Many people argue that Aliens, the sequel is the superior movie; but Alien is much more terrifying. This movie has been re-released in theaters, so go check it out it in full surround sound goodness. I bet you'll never look at stomach aches the same way again.

7. Deliverance
Not a conventional horror movie by any means, but I guarantee you it will scare you more than any of the garbage that is out today. Another film with a documentary feel to it, Deliverance will scare the bejesus out of you. Be wary of those rednecks and Banjos.

8. Psycho (1960)
Many say this is Hitchcock's best film while I may not agree with this, I think Psycho is one of his scariest. The fear you get from watching Norman Bates is not a jump out of your seat fear, but it is a fear that will leave you paranoid and claustrophobic. Kind of like listening to Avril Lavigne.

9. From Dust Till Dawn
This movie shouldn't really be on the list since it's not really a horror movie. Unless you mean horribly funny! Wooooooooo! Sometimes I just kill myself. Anyway, watch this if you are in the mood for a gory, funny, and highly entertaining film written by Quentin Tarantino.

10. From Justin to Kelly, Gigli, Grease 2, and toddler
For the combined five of you that saw these movies, you know that these are the scariest movies that you will ever see in your entire lifetime. Therapy not included.
QUESTION OF THE WEEK
What are you going to be for Halloween?

“I am going to put on a dress shirt and slacks and wear devil horns. I’m going to be a corporate Devil.”
Freshman Ted Gallagher

“I’m going to be a mutilated corpse. It’s basically this costume.”
Freshman Tarren Corbett

“Well...I’m dressing up as a woman skilled in the art of love. Known as a “wsal” in Texas.
Freshman “Dallas”

“I’m going to be Mr. Michael Jackson.”
Sophomore Savon Vy.

“Spong Bob. It was a hit last year so I decided to dress the same this year.”
Senior Nick Peruzzaro
HAVE A FUN AND SAFE HALLOWEEN THIS YEAR!
- MARTIN CROWNOVER & THE REST OF THE PACIFICAN STAFF

By Sally Nichols

Galaxy Guru

Aries

You will have a vacation vibe off the week. You will concentrate on fun since there are no distractions to interfere with your goals. Plan, plot and preach today and swing into action by tomorrow.

Taurus

You’ll have the energy to party all night if you want. Most likely, you'll simply enjoy visiting friends or speaking your mind out at a group meeting this week. Make future plans to enjoy a fun evening with charming company; it will help you ease your stress.

Cancer

This week focus your attention on group activities and gatherings with pals. Now is the time to make plans to visit someone you haven’t seen in a while. The truth about your friend will be out sooner than expected.

Leo

You'll feel inspired at your job this week by your original thinking. There will be a happy emphasis on partnerships. Earlier this week, however, you may have had some conflict. Take along your camera and you'll see something neat.

Virgo

Spend some time with financial matters this week. Members of the family will feel especially close to entertaining at home. Find a more sensible approach to your romantic life and stick with it.

Libra

Initiative brings you advancements in your career this week, but you'll need tact in your dealings with sensitive types. Charm work wonders when given the right amount of energy.

Scorpio

Be careful with your checkbook and credit cards this week. Keep a close eye on your expenditures, since someone is inclined to extravagant spending. Consider getting involved in the entertainment world as a hobby.

Sagittarius

Elegant school matters just can't wait to deal with them. However, family members are likely to make demands for your time. Check out cute little boutiques nearby, your friends will be in your workplace, you will be finding the perfect birthday present for that perfect someone.

Capricorn

Your powers of concentration are excellent. You're not going to mind that work overload. If your job has taken a toll on your health, you're in for a treat. If someone is too bashful for behavior, you'll see some competence in the area.

Aquarius

This week is highly favorable for work on a mental nature. Not everything will be as it appears tonight, but stay careful not to draw wrong conclusions; you might think you have to fill this ticket now using your memory that they have a job to do as well.

Aries

Time to improve your income and status. Also, conclude travel plans. Your efforts to promote yourself will prove successful. Try not to give group members such a hard time, something might be going on that you’re not aware of. If someone is too bashful for behavior, you'll see some competence in the area.
Pacific tiger men and women sport briefs

The Pacifican

MEN'S TENNIS

Pacific sophomores, Lennart Maack and Arnar Sigurds-son, each suffered three-set defeats in the Singles Round of 16 at the ITA Regionals on Friday, Oct. 24, at The Home Depot Center.

With the losses, both Tigers were eliminated from singles competition at the tournament.

Sigurdsdson suffered a 6-7, 6-4, 6-1 loss to Tobias Clemens of UCLA.

Clemens, the tournament’s top seed, is currently ranked No. 3 in the nation in the ITA singles rankings. Maack fell to Pepperdine’s Scott Doerner 7-5, 2-6, 6-3.

Pacific wraps up the fall portion of its 2003-04 schedule at the Cal Poly Invitational Nov. 14-16, at San Luis Obispo, Calif.

MEN'S VOLLEYBALL

The men’s volleyball team brought home a bronze medal after their triumph at the 17th Husky Dino Cup last weekend, finishing the tournament in third place with a record of 2-2.

To obtain the bronze medal match, the Tigers played three games.

First the Tigers fell to 20-18.

In the semifinal match, the Tigers played their third five-game match, losing to Western (17-25, 25-22, 20-25, 25-23, 15-21).

For the third-straight match, the Tigers were led by junior, Nils Daubers who finished the match with 23 kills, 18 digs and a pair of service aces.

In the gold medal match, Trinity Western defeated UCLA 3-0 (31-29, 25-22, 27-25).

MEN'S WATERPOLO

The Pacific men’s water polo team fell to a 0-5 record and continuing to play two men short. The Tigers have a hopeful outlook on next season with 11 key-players returning.

Laura Guerin produced five saves on 14 shots—while her counterpart also had five saves on 10 shots—it was not enough to prevail over the Mustangs.

Cal Poly netted the game-winner just four minutes into the match.

The Tigers also lost to UC Santa Barbara last Friday 2-0.

The Tigers will play Cal State Northridge in the final game of the Big West Conference regular season on Sunday, Nov. 2 at Noon.

WOMEN'S TENNIS

Junior Katharina Heil was defeated in the singles round of 32 on the second day of action at the ITA Regionals last Saturday.

Heil fell to Camille Parme in three sets (6-4, 3-6, 6-4) ending the Tigers play in the main singles draw.

WOMEN'S SOCCER

Pacific Women’s soccer team fell to 4-11-2, 3-4-1 on the season to No. 22 Cal Poly last Sunday.

Even though junior Sadye Reish led the Tigers with three shots and freshman Trinity West- ern defeated UCLA 3-0 (31-29, 25-22, 27-25).

TOUGH BREAK: Long Beach did all they could to get a shot in against the Pacific men’s waterpolo team last Saturday.

WOMEN’S FIELD HOCKEY

The Pacific field hockey team crushed Cal Poly, 5-0, last Sunday with freshman Marissa Atienza, Vianney Campos and Audrey Harrington leading the Tigers to victory with four goals and two assists.

See these girls in action again this Saturday as they face Stanford in the regular season finale at 1 p.m.

The Pacific men’s water polo will have a chance to redeem themselves on Saturday at Noon against Pepperdine.

MEN’S SOCCER

The Pacific men’s soccer team finished off their season with an advance over UCLA 3-1 last Saturday, but fell to UC San Diego 2-0 after losing two men to red cards.

UNMODEST SUPPORT: Members of the Men’s Waterpolo team show support for the Women’s Volleyball team

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Intramural Flag Football Playoff Results:

- MA: Pike def. Field of Dreams (27-18)
- MB: Team UC def. Sigma Chi B (20-6)
- MC: Sigma Chi C def. We Rock (19-8)
- CO: Tri Delta/Hashers def. JBC I (25-6)
- W: Jersey Pride def. Alpha Phi (32-0)
Women’s Volleyball splits conference home game

Ryan Hundley
Staff Writer

It was another up-and-down weekend for the Tigers Women’s Volleyball Team as they swept UC Irvine and were swept by Long Beach State.

On Thursday, the Tigers faced a difficult task in Irvine who came into the game tied for first in the Big West Conference.

The Tigers, however, answered the call by sweeping the Anteaters 30-26, 32-30, 30-27.

Game one was anything but easy for the Tigers as they started down 10-8. But, Pacific quickly rallied by taking the next eight of 11 points.

Led by great serving from Sarah Vinall and six kills from Stevie Mussie, the Tigers ended with 18 kills for the game, 14 of which were assisted by Hayley Ander­son.

The second game was played even tighter with 16 ties and 10 lead changes.

A late Irvine error gave the Tigers the lead which they did not give back.

In game three, Pacific looked to be in trouble trailing 25-22, but came roaring back late in the game thanks to a combined five kills from Jennifer Joines and Joanna Rentz.

The team was led by Joines with 19 kills in the match and out hit Irvine .303 to .258 for the match.

On Saturday, the Tigers had a much harder time with the Long Beach State 49ers losing in three games 30-21, 35-33, 30-20.

Game one started poorly and ended the same way as Pacific found itself trailing early 6-4.

The second game started just as bad as the first, but the Tigers found a way out when the team ran off six consecutive points.

The team held a lead through much of the game and got within one point of a victory.

However, this time, the 49ers came back to tie the game 29-29.

Long Beach took game two and the momentum for game three with back to back kills.

On the match, not a single Tiger was in to double-digits for kills. The team encountered much trouble in passing and executing its transition offense. With the win against Irvine and loss to Long Beach, the Tigers are now 11-8 overall and 6-5 in the Big West.

Pacific must now think forward to its upcoming road games against Cal Poly and conference leading UC Santa Barbara.

“We need to come together as a team,” commented Vinall. “We are a good team, we just need to put it all together.”

SPIKE: Pacific warms up before their game.

PHOTO: Photograph by Rebecca Jones

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Pacific games for the week:

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NFL Week 9: Chiefs are NFL's best team at 8-0

The Kansas City Chiefs have remained with an undefeated 8-0 record. They are a contender in the AFC. The Dolphins beat the Chargers on Monday night in Arizona in overtime. The Cardinals and 49ers missed a total of six field goals combined, and 49ers kicker Owen Pochman was cut out right after the game. The 49ers fell to 2-5. Plain and simple, they aren't playing good football right now. The Rams have won four in a row. The 49ers were stunned on Sunday by the Cardinals in the opener. Brett Favre has a hairline fracture in his thumb, and he's setting out practice this week. That, plus Favre's record in domes makes me lean toward the Giants. New Orleans at Tampa Bay—The Bucs defense came start in 15 years after losing to the Rams last week, failing to 2-5. They have had their chances to win close games, but maybe starting Jerome Bettis was the wrong decision. He's a goal-line running back now, no longer an every down back. The Seahawks lost to the Bengals last week, and are 5-2. It's never good to lose to the Bengals, but they actually look like an NFL team this year. I like the Steelers in an upset. STEELERS Carolina at Houston—The Panthers improved to 6-1 with their 3rd overtime win of the season, beating the Saints 23-20. Stephen Davis bounced back after a bad week for over 170 yards. Houston lost starting QB David Carr last week and backup Tony Banks is starting. Carolina's defense should make it tough on the Saints offense, although RB Dominick Davis is now a premier running back. PANTHERS N.Y. Giants at N.Y. Jets—The battle of New York isn't a spectacular matchup, but at least the rivalry will make it intriguing. The Giants were able to beat the previously undefeated Vikings, improving to 3-4. The Jets, meanwhile, will have QB Chad Pennington starting for the first time this year after missing the first 8 weeks with a hand injury. Pennington was the NFL's highest rated passer last year and should greatly improve the Jets offense and the team overall. JETS Washington at Dallas—The Cowboys were brought back down to earth after having their five game winning streak snapped at Tampa Bay. Their defense kept them in it, but the Bucs D was just too much. The Redskins had a bye week and have lost 3 straight games. The Cowboys defense should overwhelm young QB Patrick Ramsey, and Parcells will definitely have them ready to play after an embarrassing defeat. COWBOYS New England at Denver—The Patriots have won a snoozer last week over the Browns, 9-3. It wasn't pretty, but it was their 4th straight win and now have a 6-2 record in first place. Denver was only able to manage 6 points in their loss against the Ravens last week. Until Jake Plummer comes back from injury, it will be tough for the Broncos to win. Denver's defense should be able to get after him. Pats should win. PATRIOTS Oakland at Detroit—The Raiders had a bye last week, and found out that QB Rich Gannon will be out 2-3 weeks. Backup Marques Tuiasosopo will start for the Raiders, which could be a blessing in disguise for them after a terrible 2-5 start to the season. The Lions have been the worst team in the league the last couple weeks, with the offense only scoring 16 points in those weeks. If the Raiders could ever use an easy win, it's this week. Pats will win.
Riding the Pine

By Kristen Rocho
Sports Editor

Watch out Sacramento Kings fans, your window of opportunity is closing fast. While the Maloof brothers spent $68 million on Brad Miller, a mediocre center that came via free agency from the weak Eastern Conference, they let go of two critical bench players in Scott Pollard and Hedo Turkoglu, with Turkoglu being sent to the defending champion San Antonio Spurs. Also, keep in mind that the Kings will be without Chris Webber for about 28 games, most in part due to injury with the rest coming from a league suspension for his fib to the federal grand jury. As the rest of the Western Conference powerhouses beefed up their lineup with key free-agent acquisitions, the Kings sat contently hoping to rely upon the leadership of guard Mike Bibby. Wishful thinking might just be what ruins the Kings’ chances for a championship once again.

The Kings’ fiercest rival, the Los Angeles Lakers, will be starting four future hall-of-famers, with upcoming prospects such as Kareem Rush and Luke Walton lying in wait on the bench. And despite the allegations looming over Kobe Bryant, he will be playing with a purpose this year and might even add a few more tattoos of his wife Vanessa while he’s at it. The less mobile Vlade Divac and Brad Miller will find it hard to defend against the triangle offense and a quicker, more physical Laker team. And even though in years past, the Lakers found themselves struggling to defend the duo of Doug Christie and Bibby, the problem should be alleviated with help coming in the form of Gary Payton. Sadly to say, the edge has to be given to the Lakers.

Even stronger competition comes from Mark Cuban and his highly potent offense of the Dallas Mavericks. Already loaded with Dirk Nowitzki, Michael Finley, and Steve Nash, the Mavericks have added to their dangerous lineup by acquiring Antoine Walker, Tony Delk, and Antawn Jamison. In which the latter two have accounted for 50 point games respectively, therefore erasing any doubt in regards to their explosiveness. Say what you want about their lackluster performance on defense, the Mavericks could possibly average over 120 points per game. Even though they may not be able to hold their opponents to 100 points per game, the fact that their competition can’t limit the Mavericks scoring output as well, creates a large problem to the entire league, specifically the Kings.

And don’t rule out the defending champion San Antonio Spurs yet either. The reigning MVP Tim Duncan will continue his finest play and lead the Spurs back into the playoffs. Despite not being able to post as many points as the Mavericks, or present such a star-studded lineup as the Lakers, the Spurs bring fundamentals back into the dunk dominated NBA, and give a clear definition of teamwork to an era concerned with individual statistics.

The Kings this year will be without one of the most critical aspects of the game that is being overlooked, a quality bench. Bobby Jackson still remains, and plays a significant role in coming off the bench, the loss of Turkoglu will come back to haunt them. But no matter what the Kings have lost, they will not be without the best sixth man in the entire league, their fans. Arena presents the best home court advantage in the NBA simply because of the enthusiasm the crowd brings to every home game. Will the cheers from the Kings faithful be enough to help them overcome other Western Conference elites and propel them back into first place, will remain to be seen. But the chance for a championship in Sacramento seems to sadly be narrowing.