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'Udder-ly' perfect birthday for Pacific student

By Amber Prohoska
Editor-in-Chief

There was much "Gratitude" shown when freshman Tara Hodgetts received a visit from a prize-winning dairy cow for her birthday last week.

On a college tour last year, Hodgetts came to Pacific and met Professor and Assistant Dean of Engineering Gary Martin, who was surprised that Hodgetts was not "wowed" with what Pacific had to offer.

When he asked her if she planned on attending Pacific, she said, "I'm leaning towards Cal Poly" because they had something Pacific did not: cows.

Martin then promised her that if she came to Pacific, he would bring a cow to campus.

"It was a joke between us," Martin said. "She would always ask me where her cow was."

Martin contacted a local 4-H organization and got in touch with cattle owner Patti Faria who brought the brown, 1,500-pound cow named Gratitude for Hodgetts' 18th birthday.

"We want to make students' experiences here as positive as possible," Martin said, "I finally came through in my end of the deal."

By Jemilyn Ancheta
Co-News Editor

It has been 12 days since both San Diego and San Bernardino County were hit with wildfires destroying over 729,000 acres of land.

By the handful, families were evacuated from their homes as firestorms enveloped their communities.

Most people returned later to find their memories in ashes. More than 14,000 firefighters from several counties—including San Joaquin County—struggled to fight the roaring walls of flames fed by powerful winds in Southern California since Oct. 26.

The blaze was said to be started by arson and those responsible could be charged with murder, since the blazes have been blamed for several deaths.

We still have not seen a full halt on all the fires in Southern California. It might be another several days before all the fires are contained.

"When I was in Orange County, you could look straight at the sun and it looked red. It then began to rain ashes," sophomore Allison Nasser said.

There have been an estimated 20 deaths, including several firefighters and over 2,700 homes have been destroyed.

There is an estimated $2 billion in damage and it is still increasing.

"It is a terrible situation that no one wants to be in. People can prepare for it, but no one really does and when it hits, it hits hard. It is a big loss for everyone," junior Ben Matheny said.

Senior Amy Simonson organized a donation center outside the McAffrey Center for students to drop off money for Southern California’s fire victims.

By the first day, $500 had been collected and it was a big success.

"It really saddens me that such a beautiful area where I have a lot of beautiful memories has gone up in flames. The idea of close friends having to evacuate their homes and go everywhere with a mask on their face breaks my heart," senior Sonia Salcido said.

As for the victims who have lost their homes and possessions, there is a long road ahead.

Thankfully, Pacific’s students were able to help make an impact in the lives of those affected.

If you would like to make a donation, send it to: Red Cross, 747 N. Pershing Ave., Stockton, CA 95207.

DONATIONS: Pacific students dedicate their time to collecting donations for So-Cal wildfire victims in the McAffrey Center.
I desperately wanted to hear the sound of my father's heartbeat. Quietly, I rolled out of bed so I would not wake up my sister. I could not wait for my eyes to adjust to the darkness. I felt that familiar path to my parent's room holding onto walls and chairs. Once next to their bed, I allowed my eyes to adjust to the darkness. Would I see his chest rise and fall with his breathing, or would he be still and dead in the night? I quietly thanked God for the movement of his chest and lay down next to my father. Now sleep would come easier after being comforted by the steady 'hub-dub, hub-dub' I could hear in his chest. He asked me to wake up my oldest brother. My father gave him instructions to take care of our mom. Next thing my father remembered was a loud, gravelly female voice yelling in his right ear. "Breathe, damn you, breath. You have five kids who need you to breathe." He knew he must do everything in his power to take a breath, but it seemed next to impossible to accomplish this once easy task. He then remembers opening his eyes to the sound of a gentleman's voice. This man was standing at the foot of his hospital bed talking to my mother. The first words this man, who my dad only later understood to be his cardiologist, were, "Your husband will be saying goodbye to you and your children if he ever smokes another cigarette in what is now a fragile lifetime for him."

My father suffered a massive heart attack at the age of 52. His heart was so weak it stopped five times within the first hour and a half after his heart attack and had to be shocked multiple times in order to restart. Sitting in an emergency room waiting area with my brothers and sisters that first night, I knew some "code blue" over the intercom my father's heart had stopped again, was more than any 15-year-old should ever have to bear.

His entire team of physicians agreed smoking was the chief cause of his extensive heart attack. This same group strongly believed my father was fortunate to have lived. I believe it too. My dad never smoked another cigarette from that terrible day on. He has been fortunate enough to live 30 more years and has had the privilege of getting to see many grandchildren born in his lifetime. That is why I am one of the lucky ones.

Unfortunately, the 70 percent of smokers who see a medical provider each year, only 20 percent receive any medical advice or assistance in quitting. Only about four percent of smokers quit every year.

Wouldn't it be nice if there were a single way to quit smoking that worked for everyone? Unfortunately, that is not the case with this habit. There are multiple programs available which you and your medical provider can determine would be best for you. Pharmacotherapy, or nicotine replacement therapy, can be added to quit smoking programs. There are no contradictions.

Many people have also success through hypnosis and imagine how good they can feel after quitting.

Twenty minutes after last cigarette your heart rate, blood pressure and pulse decrease and the temperature of hands and feet improve. The carbon monoxide in your blood returns to normal and oxygen levels increase only after 48 hours. As early as 24 hours after you quit smoking, your risk of a heart attack decreases. Your nerve endings to the absence of nicotine are and your ability to smell improves 48 hours of quitting.

Days of becoming smoker and your bronchial tubes relax. After two weeks, your circulation improves.
Advocating student involvement

By Jennifer Fredette, senior

The key to affecting change is being a leader and a follower and having friends tell you which to be at different times.

- Jennifer Fredette, senior

Photograph by Alex Wagner

Advocacy: Community and student leaders held a panel discussion last Tuesday for the Journey Towards Democracy discussion series.

Students for Environmental Action (SEA), now known as Students for Environmental Justice, was formed in 1999 by students Charlene Wilson and Anna-nough, and featured many students, faculty, and staff members who had started the group over the years. Pacific did not have a campus-wide recycling program, and the group hosted America Recycles Day (ARD), and was awarded a certificate of recognition by the Stockton City Council. Two years later, there are recycling bins throughout campus, a Green Committee made up of administration, faculty, and students, as well as an increased interest in “green” issues all over campus.

SEA began as a movement to help make our campus more earth-friendly, and has evolved into a group that works to bring awareness and action to an increasingly earth-conscious campus. The group has worked with other environmentally based organizations in Stockton to host informative assemblies, rallies, meetings, and events in the area.

The theme of the event will be “Democracy: What are the Rules?” Speakers will include Beverly McCarthy, founder and chair of the San Joaquin County Commission on the Status of Women, Dr. Matt Weinstein, Professor of Political Science at Delta Junior College, and student leader Julianne Smith.

The third and final town hall session will be held on Nov. 12 at 7:30 p.m. at the Kappa Alpha Theta sorority on President’s Drive.

Our next project is transforming SEA into an official Sierra Student Coalition (SSC) by fall of 2004. We are interested in changing to a SSC in order to gain support and become more actively involved in the state and national environmental protection arena. We feel that SEA has done a fair amount of activism in the past, but in order to stay focused and better meet the needs of the Pacific and greater community we need to link with a larger organization that can assist with training and information on a bigger scale.

As the President for SEA, I have worked on several of the projects stated above.
Downtown Stockton gets a make over

By Loan Kim Nguyen
Guest Writer

In May, Stockton resident and developer Alex G. Spanos donated $500,000 toward the renovation of downtown Stockton, and Congress awarded $225,000 in 2002 to help renovate the Fox Theatre, which is located on El Dorado Street.

Thanks to the donations, residents now have something new to look forward to.

This will enable downtown Stockton to become a favorite hangout for locals. By the end of winter 2003, residents and visitors will fill the seats of the new 16-plex Fox California Bob Hope Theatre.

The renovation of the theatre will hopefully continue the legacy for Stockton movie patrons, welcoming people from every direction.

This impressive theatre will literally shine a whole new light on downtown Stockton.

A glass skylight will allow maximum daylight, and a dome will make spectacular illumination at night.

Fox Theatre is not the only attraction that will bring residents downtown.

They will have the opportunity to shop in a 18,500 square feet retail area located right next to the Fox Theatre.

Also across from the Fox Theatre on the waterfront will be a sports and entertainment center.

“We want to be able to finish this project before the holidays for everyone to enjoy,” said Jose Dominique, a construction worker interviewed by News Channel 10 last Monday.

The downtown 16-screen Cineplex will be completed by December, however, it doesn’t end there for downtown Stockton’s waterfront neighborhood.

The city expects the renovated Hotel Stockton to be completed in 2004-2005, and a Sports Event and Entertainment Center will also be completed in 2005.

RENOVATION: The 16-plex Fox California Bob Hope Theatre will open this winter.

Bike thefts are on the rise
Bike locks may not be enough to save your bike

Public safety has taken mediate action and caught two non-students with cutters down their pants and in their backpacks.

“I think it is really due because bikes aren’t really expensive,” freshman Stacy Costello said.

Students are so concerned with the rise in bike theft that they are finding it need to keep their bikes in their dorms.

“It is unfortunate that people have the urge to steal students’ bikes and it is just plain sad that now I have to keep my bike in my dorm room,” freshman Sountha Key said.

Public safety needs everyone’s help in order to stop these bike thefts.

Public Safety asks people to call (209) 946-6911 if they witness any suspicious activity around bike racks.

Elizabeth Carranza
Co-News Editor

“The recent wave of campus bike thefts is reaching epidemic proportions with four new thefts being reported this past week.

The thieves are believed to be non-students and are cutting the chains and cables of improperly secured bikes.

“Students need to be aware of how to secure their bikes,” Mike Belcher, director of public safety said.

The best method of locking a bike appears to be with a Kryptonite type lock, which is not as easily broken as chains and cables.

“If you own a bike you need to keep your bikes,” said Jose Dominique, a construction worker interviewed by News Channel 10 last Monday.

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SAFELY SECURE: Students lock their bikes outside of WPC, hoping they will be there when they return after class.

Photograph by Elizabeth Carranza

October 19-27, 2003 prepared by Officer John Alfred

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After five years, the same risk is decreased in regards to lung cancer. A non-smoker for 10 years can expect the risk of lung cancer to be the same as a lifelong non-smoker, and the risk of all other cancers decreases as well.

Of course this article would not be complete without hearing the statistics on smoking, but when you read these, please remember that you may one day be the parent of a young child who needs you desperately.

Tobacco use is the leading preventable cause of death in the United States and is responsible for 440,000 deaths each year. The United States Surgeon General's 1990 report differentiates smoking-related deaths by disease category. Cigarette smoking accounts annually for an estimated 115,000 deaths from heart disease; 106,000 deaths from lung cancer; 32,000 deaths from other cancers; 57,000 deaths from chronic obstructive pulmonary disease; and 27,000 deaths from strokes. Currently, 47.2 million people in the U.S. smoke, representing 26.4 percent of adult men and 22 percent of adult women.

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The children of smokers have lower birth weights and a higher incidence of mental retardation. These children have more frequent respiratory infections and chronic ear infections. Approximately 53,000 deaths per year in the United States are attributable to second-hand smoke.

We all have to make decisions in our lives. Some decisions we make by doing nothing. These are the decisions which may one day hurt you and those who love you, care, and possibly depend on you.

Please don't let smoking be one of those passive decisions. Consider all the consequences to you and those who love you.

Please take the time to think about this and discuss options and support for quitting with your health-care provider. Consider making an appointment at Cowell Wellness Center for smoking cessation instructions and support. Call (209) 946-2315 to make your first appointment.

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**One card/meal plan update**

Students on meal plans may now redeem their lunch period meal plan count during breakfast. Just tell the cashier you would like a "sack lunch" exchange. This can be helpful if you will not be able to make it to the dining hall for lunch, but still want to be able to utilize the meal plan. Any questions please send them to PacificCard@pacific.edu.

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**3rd Annual Pacific Music Business Symposium**

Mr. Dennis McNally will be discussing his career in the music industry, as well as his recent best-selling book, “A Long Strange Trip: The Inside History of the Grateful Dead,” at the Nov. 8 Pacific Music Business Symposium. There will also be speakers from pop, jazz, metal, and R&B labels telling their success stories. The free event will be from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. in the Faye Spanos Concert Hall on campus. So come and get the 411 on what’s happening in the Indie music scene at this FREE music industry event.

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**BRIEFS**

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have been working with SEA since I was a freshman in 2000, and now am a senior in the School of International Studies (SIS). Working with SEA at the Anderson Y Center has allowed me to improve my communication and relation skills through the interaction with people in various local and official positions.

I have had the opportunity to take a leadership position, one I was unaccustomed to before entering college. In high school I worked with clubs on a minor scale; now, I’m running one, which as I stated before, is quite a change from my past experience.

I couldn't have planned my involvement with the campus and university life any better. I have always had an interest in becoming environmentally active and involved, however I had no such opportunities in high school.

I am quite fortunate to have discovered this group among the many others on campus. Though I haven't been affected the world on a large scale, I have realized that you can make a difference at a local level.

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This opportunity has also allowed me a first-hand experience of the time, effort, and organization it takes to make a difference not only at Pacific, but in the community as well. Working with SEA has also helped me in other areas.

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By Jennifer Fredette
President of Pacific Democrats

Politics affect us all. We may not care about politics, but damn, it sure does care about us! Just ask an 18-year-old registering for the draft. If you’re not speaking up, decisions will be made for you without your input or consent—and sometimes, those decisions can be scary. That’s why involvement in political organizations is so important!

Liberals and conservatives have the same goal in mind: to improve their country. It just so happens that they have different opinions on how this goal can be achieved.

So, why get involved with the Pacific Democrats? We speak up and hold activities to participate in and educate both the Pacific and Stockton community about how we can improve our country—from a liberal perspective. We’re organizing a large liberal meeting on Nov. 12 for all like-minded groups, such as Students for Environmental Action and the Pride Center.

We’re hosting a “Phenomenal Women” day of education, activities and speeches for Dec. 2 in celebration of over half of the world’s population.

Here are some other key markers that you might be interested in participating in Pacific Democrats:

You appreciate women. You believe in gender equality under the law. You think a woman should make decisions concerning her own body, instead of a congressman who will never possess a uterus.

You like the environment. You think pollution laws need to be enforced. You like Yosemite and Mono Lake. Or maybe you just don’t like wheezing in L.A.

You think school is a good thing. It worries you that our schools are getting worse and worse, and our students getting dumber and dumber. And your conscience kind of bothers you when you think that teachers practically get paid in beans.

You know that it is impossible to shell out more money on things like education, health care, and even the military, without bringing in more revenue. People who call for tax cuts and more spending on education or the military make you giggle.

You like people. You think that, as an American, it is your responsibility to help other Americans be safe, healthy, and educated. You have a hard time telling struggling single moms, “Pay for private schools!” You think kids shouldn’t be able to get their hands on semi-assault rifles; and you think your parents deserve good health care after spending their entire lives investing in Social Security.

By Eric Tompkins
Co-Founder of College Republicans

The College Republicans were founded in 1892 at the University of Michigan by James Francis Burke and christened into existence by then Ohio governor William McKinley, as the American College Republicans League. Burke went on to become the youngest chairman of the Republican National Committee, and Governor McKinley became the 25th president of the United States.

The College Republicans are a dynamic growing organization that seeks to educate, involve, support, and prepare the current and future leaders of the conservative movement in our communities. The College Republicans are working to set the record straight on those issues that are of importance to us all: supporting strong communities and families, making quality education available to every child and student, realizing the potential of a single market economy, opportunity and diversity, and ensuring that individual liberties are preserved.

Our overriding goal is to support a campus initiative of civic engagement, while furthering the mission of the GOP. Over the next several months the CR will bring special politicians, advocates, reporters and many more to Pacific in order to interact with and address our concerns of our campus and society.

We will hold forums and public articles outlining the Republican positions on local, state and federal issues that impact each of us. Finally, we will do all these things, and we will have fun doing it.

This isn’t your parents’ party anymore. The College Republicans are a highly diverse group of people who value traditional family values and fiscal responsibility. From partner organizations like Log Cabin Republicans (Log Cabin Republicans are the fast growing Black and Hispanic Republicans, the College Republicans are a party of diversity!) for more information about the College Republicans, please visit www.logcabinrepublicans.org or contact Enya Burke (209) 466-4929.

El Partido Republicano comparte metas con la comunidad minoritaria. Como miembros de la comunidad minoritaria compartimos una misma serie común de valores, objetivos y ambiciones. El espíritu del Partido Republicano es uno de apoyar a cada familia y persona merced a una vida mejor. El Partido Republicano está dedicado a: apoyar comunidades y familias fuertes, hacerle posible a cada estudiante educar, escuchar de calidad, aumentar el comercio internacional, la diversidad, asegurar que las libertades individuales se conserven. El Partido Republicano es tu partido y es tu PARTIDO TAMBIÉN!

An interview with our very own, Dr. Cipris

By Suzanne Vyborney
Staff Writer

Recently, I had the privilege of participating in A Celebration of the Book, an event hosted by the Pacific Humanities Center and the University Library. This event served as a reception to “recognize and honor the contributions of Humanities faculty.” Specifically, I got the opportunity to personally interview one of our fine faculty authors, Dr. Zeljko (Jake) Cipris, on his translation of the book, Soldiers Alive.

Cipris obtained his doctorate from Columbia University and he now teaches courses in Japanese Language and Culture in the Modern Language and Literature Department. He is currently working on an essay translation for an anthology of a prophetarian writing called An Antitwar Literature by Kurosawa Denji. Soldiers Alive is an honest, yet disturbing look at the experiences of Japanese soldiers in Nanking during WWII. It demonstrates the brutality and violence soldiers were capable of, yet reminds us of the humanity these same men were stripped of as pawns of the Japanese government. Its author, Ishikawa Tatsuzo wrote Soldiers Alive as a response to his frustration about the biased and dishonest view he felt was presented by the Japanese government. As a journalist/novelist, Tatsuzo knew that there were stories other than the conventional ones in the newspapers, which presented the soldiers as brave, noble and valiant. For eight days he interviewed soldiers from the 33rd Infantry Regiment of the 16th Division and his observations and experiences he created Soldiers Alive. This bold work which presented the Imperial army as something less than heroic was immediately banned by the Ministry of the Interior and its author, Ishikawa, was sentenced to years of confinement.

Dr. Cipris translated Soldiers Alive and his translation of the book has been nominated for the prestigious Kiriyama Pacific Review Book Prize. He said he was inspired to translate Soldiers Alive because it is an outstanding example of literature that depicts war. Below is an excerpt from my interview with Dr. Cipris.

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What is a real Democrat?

By Robert Christian
Staff Writer

Democrats are Democrats because of their values, not a “real Democrat” is. They contend that the Democratic Party is the anti-war party and that all Democrats must oppose abortion. They do not realize that Democrats are Democrats because of their values, not specific policy positions on two issues. Most troubling, they turn their back on the centerpiece of the party: tolerance and inclusion.

When you think Democrat, do you think of Dean, McGovern and Wellstone, or do you think of the great Franklin Delano Roosevelt, Woodrow Wilson and John Kennedy? I think of the latter, and guess what, these men were not pacifists. In fact, they led the fight against fascism and communism. They used military tactics to fight the good fight for democracy outside of our nation.

Michael Moore says we should be grateful to France for helping us to win the Revolutionary War. If their actions are venerable, why are our actions in delivering the freedom of religion, speech and press, along with democracy, liberating millions of our fellow humans, not celebrated, but rather deigrated?

We are not the party of selfishness.

War is not only for self-defense. We have an obligation to the rest of humanity to ensure that genocide, bellicerence and governmental slavery are destroyed. Pacifists should be the ones begging us to cede control and telling us not to use a litmus test for allowing them to play a role in our party, instead of the opposite. But we do not make you explain. Why? We recognize that FDR made us the party of inclusion and acceptance of opinion. Real Democrats can be pacifists or very militaristic. One issue does not determine if one is a Democrat or not, especially this issue.

That is what is so repugnant about the current presidential race. Howard Dean and General Wesley Clark are favored over Dick Gephardt and John Kerry by this sect in the party. Howard Dean’s long history of economic centrist, attacking medical benefits, and supporting gun rights, and General Clark’s voting record, (which is dotted with votes for Republicans) are supposed to be ignored because they are “real Democrats” because they opposed the war in Iraq. Meanwhile, Gephardt and Kerry who have fought courageously for Democratic proposals in Congress are being thrown out the window, because of one vote. The litmus test is blind and ignorant.

We as Democrats lost the battle on the moral issue of the 1840s and 1850s. That issue was slavery, and we sided with valuing economics and choice over life and justice. We were locked out of control until FDR. We are making the same mistake we made last time with abortion. Most of us know that abortion is wrong. Yet, once again we side with choice and economics. The Democratic wing of the Democratic Party tells us that men should not tell women how to live their lives. That’s what you said last time. You were wrong then, you are wrong now, believe me.

If you do not accept that we should be a pro-life party, then at least, be tolerant of those within the party who oppose abortion rights. One of the core groups within the party used to be Roman Catholics. The strength of the party rested on pulling groups from the Republican Party after the Democrats lost the great moral debate over slavery.

The tenors of social justice and equality pulled many groups, like Catholics, into the party. Now, the “real Democrats” are alienating them once again. Forty-six percent of Catholics voted for Bush in 2004. Many are Democrats who have let become the abortion position. Not simply that the presidential candidate supported abortion rights, but that the party demands full support in protecting abortion rights.

The Catholic Church, rightfully, will never flip on the issue of abortion. So must a practicing Catholic ignore their church’s teaching? And his or her conscience on the issue of abortion. Should they instead ignore their desires and their church’s desires for a more, just, equal and fair society and vote Republican? How about neither?

The Democratic Party must remain the big tent party. These litmus tests destroy that. Our core members are being alienated because one sect has grabbed the party by the throat and wallet. Anti-war activists can belong to the party, but we are not a party of pacifists. Likewise, pro-life’s should be allowed to belong to the party without having to flip on the issue of abortion.

The core values of our party are inclusion, diversity and tolerance. Let these take precedent. Members of the party are members because of all of these values, and the party policy should reflect a rigorous, continuing, democratic debate about how to further these values. Litmus tests destroy that and lead our party down the path towards ruin. Let us diverge from this path, so that together we may lead this country.
THE PACIFICAN

PERSPECTIVES

By: Arash Scott Behnam

Breaking backstage

Trying to break backstage at a 311 concert is as tough as chewing sandpaper. I was sure I would land an interview with S.A., for the sake of journalism, but the dreams of the little man coming up in the world of editors was shattered from the very beginning. In my confidence of this interview, I had asked the Pacifican for their only digital camera used to take pictures, because that's what cameras do, they take pictures.

Not realizing it was the Pacifican camera and nothing seems to work at the Pacifican because of budget—the fact of the matter is, our school was rather use our tuition to build fences and over-water the grass instead of supporting the school newspaper—Oh, and it didn't help that I was seeing how far I could chuck the camera in the air without dropping it or playing catch with another era, I was a bit upset but I have a sister and she has a camera, so that situation worked itself out.

Arriving at the Fillmore, I pulled out my press pass (not my Pacifican press pass), thinking I was going as gold. This pass was my meal ticket. This pass has gotten me into Camden yards, the old Vet and made me a V.I.P in strip clubs, bars and other clubs.

You would be surprised what people would do for their 15 minutes of fame and who better to provide it to than I, even if it is not really 15 minutes. Don't get me wrong, the press pass is for real, but the stories behind it are not. According to my last escapade on the East Coast, I was a journalist for Maxim, Time, Life and most importantly, Sports Illustrated. So I knew Abrahamaimg was in good shape. Hey, in my mind I can make people keep passing sticks in the air, as it is, he bothered me. He told me his "homegirl" almost got in a fight. I asked him why, and he told me a couple of chicks had told his girl that she was "too ghetto for a 311 concert."

Roaming around like Lewis and Clark, I decided I was better off just going to my seat and enjoying the concert. The scene was as cloudy as a Cheech and Chong movie; all around me people kept passing the sticky-icky.

Being the social butterfly that I am, I spread my wings and met a fellow who kept throwing his hands in the air, as if he just did not care. The dude told me a story that really bothered me. He told me his "homegirl" almost got in a fight. I asked him why, and he told me a couple of chicks had told his girl that she was "too ghetto for a 311 concert."

For the love of God, America is a country where diversity comes together for appreciation of art? I soon realized that even in a place where joints were passed to neighbors with smiles and hugs, ignorance still existed.

Music isn't about money, it's about poetry.

I was content with not getting backstage because I was happy I saw a great performance. It was a bit worried about my sister's camera, so, I went to get it from the coat rack. I was informed I needed to be escorted out with the camera. I knew my day would not be complete without pulling a simple scam. I got a camera, was escorted out and a minute later convinced an usher to let me back in, in time to catch the last song and a cult classic: "Down, Down."
The hassles of air-travel Paris 2002-2003

By Paige Elisha
Staff Writer

As I make my annual pilgrimage back east to see the boyfriend, I am once again faced with the not so pleasant realities of air travel. Unfortunately, I seem to be condemned to a life of solitary travel—it is hard, but certainly a bit comical.

First, anyone who knows me knows that I always, no matter what the length of my trip, seem to have three or four carry-on bags. I don’t know how it happens, it just does.

I know it isn’t allowed, so I spend a half-hour on the way to the airport stressing out about how I am going to shove three medium-sized bags into one or two not-so-large backpacks. I will try this until I have worn myself out, and eventually give up and move on to plan “B”—act cute and ignorant. “What do you mean I can’t bring these three huge bags on board with me?”

As if maneuvering through security and finding a place to wait until my flight boards isn’t enough, there is always the inevitable trip to that bathroom stall with my ever-increasing bags. Usually, I have one with a long strap over my neck, a backpack on both shoulders and a rolling case if I am lucky—when I am not, there will be more.

Traveling alone means that it all must somehow fit into that tiny bathroom stall with me. Those 4x3 stalls are not big to begin with, and now I have to figure out how much in there? I have worked out the only system I see possible: push the roller bag in as far as you can, and then squeeze behind it. Next, try to twist your body (a bit difficult with the full backpack) so that you can push the roller to the side, force the door closed and then push the roller behind the door. Hang one bag on the hook on the door, hang your jacket or sweatshirt on it and start working on finding a place for that backpack. Hooray, I am in the stall! That is just getting in.

Getting out is just as tricky. It seems inevitable that somewhere along the way, one item of mine will brush against the toilet seat, the thought of which sends chills down my spine.

Airports are also laughably inconvenient when it comes to food. Due to recent financial problems, airlines have begun to cut back on their food service. Gee, no problem, nothing like one of those huge bags of pretzels to get you through a six-hour flight!

Fine, I think, I can suck it up and spend the obscene nine dollars on a turkey sandwich in the airport. But wait, walking through LAX tonight (where I was counting on picking up dinner), I find store after store closed. Outside stand signs explaining that the recent decrease in airline travel has resulted in the temporary closing of restaurants. Hmm. Finally I find somewhere open, and end up spending eight dollars on a smoothie. At least it is healthy.

Now that people are forced to provide their own food, airplane cabins are filled with quite a variety of smells.

Nothing like sitting in front of someone eating a Big Mac. On the way to Philadelphia, the smell of McDonalds fills our small plane. I can’t decide which is worse, being in a confined space with the stuff, or realizing that I am hungry for it. Apparently, the smoothie isn’t going to do it.

I used to love to fly. Heck, I even liked it so much I would get a kick out of going to the airport. I would jump at the chance to drive the 13 hours to Denver to pick my older sister up at the airport when she would come back to visit.

I loved the constant movement of people, the flow of travelers negotiating the crowded concourses. The sound of the PA system would prick my ears and demand my attention, even when I knew no announcement would ever concern me.

There is just something about the feel of airports, with their dim lights, constant elevator music and corridor after corridor of moving walkways, shops and gates.

The most amazing part of airport is being able to stand under those six or more TV screens and gaze at the seemingly endless possibilities of destinations. Hong Kong, Honolulu or Houston; Bakersfield, Baltimore, Bang-kok or Boston.

Those screens are still up, but somehow things have changed. Maybe it is my three studies abroad or simply due to commuting back and forth between school and home, but flying has really become a different experience.

I am still grateful and appreciative of those big (yet seemingly little) machines that whisk us so easily and quickly from one point to another. They are a modern-day miracle.

I think the problem is clear; it is me. I have got to learn how to do this. I can’t think of anything that should encourage me to give up and live my life in Paris. And travel.

By Clara Siverson
Guest Writer

Effectively describing the study abroad experience is like trying to get a land mass slightly smaller than Texas to fit into an empty Corona bottle. And you know, that it could be even harder than that to convey the personal change and the intellectual awareness that going to and studying in another country affects on a person.

No matter what age you are, where you want to go, or your personal interests, there are millions of experiences that would best convey to you (whose background interests count so many billions more of experiences had, and to be had, and desired to have) than the scant few of my personal experience.

I do not think that it is necessary to travel abroad to have a satisfying life. It is by no means my task to judge what billions of other people should do in order to live happily.

However, I can say that for me, and for quite a number of people on this campus (both people who have lived abroad and people who are currently doing so), studying abroad is like slowly emptying the tightly-packed sand that we as a culture have squished into a bottle.

Grain-by-grain, symbol-by-symbol, we start to unfold the story of a nation, of ourselves and of individuals we do not come from the same background as we do. It opens millions of stories and discoveries that make us realize that we—both personally and collectively—are hardly even an inkling in this huge bottle of dirt.

For me having a personality that tends to focus on social life, when I recall my experiences in Paris I first remember the people that I met while I was there.

The author of this photograph, and his interest in computers and technology and strange music (just like a lot of people here on campus), is just an example. The first time I met him he told me his name was Benjamin, and, thinking I did not understand what he had said, continued: “You know, like Benjamin Franklin.”

I remember also the first time that I went to my friend Jean-Noel’s house in a suburb of Paris, and was surprised to see that the movie posters on his walls reflected a sense of taste and a personality not unlike those of students that we run across everyday on the Pacific campus.

I also remember the people that I met during my internship with a Parisian homeless shelter. They talked about love, and their passions, and played Scrabble.

These people had come to Paris not only from regions of high-unemployment within France, but Eastern Europe and Northern Africa and sometimes even places farther away from France than that. But no matter where any of these people came from, they all possessed a love of joy and a desire similar to that which lies within every one of us.

I made friends with one Algerian man who loved talking about his girlfriend who he wanted to marry, saying, “I really love her. It is not because she is French.”

But the study abroad experience is not entirely about learning how similar another culture is to our own. Like Paige Elisha wrote in her article about her semester in Ghana, when we study abroad we run into things like buses full of cockroaches that challenge us to heighten our tolerance level for bugs of all shapes and sizes. We are given invitations, welcome to evaluate and reevaluate our ethics and morals with those of our new environment.

We finish with a renewed impression of ourselves and
“If you want to understand the causes that existed in the past, look at the results as they are manifested in the present. And if you want to understand what results will be manifested in the future, look at the causes that exist in the present.”

-Nichiren

Interfaith Council Buddhist Student Association

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learn how to do this! I can’t do this. Why is it that I can’t leave the house without five bags, why I can’t part with my jacket long enough to let it go with my checked baggage? There is always that thought in the back of my mind: ‘but what if I want this or that?’

What if the airplane is too cold? What if I am feeling really motivated and want to finish my political science reading. This never happens.

I cart all of these things around with me; knock seven people on the head (or shin) trying to drag them down the narrow plane aisle, break my back trying to get them into the overhead bin and give up precious leg space, jamming them under the seat in front of me. It is both sad and embarrassing. Some day I will break this nasty habit. Someday I will get the hang of this.

Until then, go the misadventures in airplane travel.

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our surroundings.

We begin to unravel the symbols and stereotypes of the culture we have entered, and come away from the experience with hearts filled with a greater understanding of the world: a greater understanding of each grain of sand, each aspect of the French—or whatever other culture.

We reflect upon each tiny aspect and carefully replace it in its bottle, leaving the culture and each grain virtually unchanged by our observation, but taking each unraveled morsel into our hearts.

And a large portion of that land mass the size of Texas or Russia, or Lithuania—is effectively embedded into our own life stories.

Rhetoric vs. reality

“I will defend my record at the appropriate time and look forward to it. I’ll say that the world is more peaceful and more free under my leadership and America is more secure.”

This statement by President Bush at a Rose Garden news conference on Oct. 28 offers an important lesson to the American people on the need to distinguish between rhetoric and reality under this administration.

While every voter will have to decide for themselves, I will argue that this statement is a clear example of the many uses of rhetoric by Bush in order to cover up the sad realities that exist as a result of his leadership.

First, let us ask what part of the world is enjoying more freedom and peace as a result of President Bush’s actions? One might argue the Iraqi people are more free since the U.S. blew-up Baghdad and ousted Saddam Hussein, but even that is debatable, and I hardly believe anyone can argue their lives are more peaceful as a result. Rather than present some quote or statistic reported by The New York Times to prove that they are not, I consulted a number of Arab newspapers to find out if that region of the world is enjoying the freedom and peace that Bush argues he created.

Similarly to the articles that appear in U.S. newspapers from Qatar, Kuwait, Iraq, and Egypt are filled with the same reports of daily attacks in Iraq, Israel, and Palestine. Gulf News reported that there are as many as 30 attacks per day in Iraq since the American occupation began and that last Monday’s attack that left 43 dead and another 200 wounded, Iraqi people declared a ‘day of resistance.’

Since the Supreme Court elected Bush in 2000, women have lost the freedom to receive a safe medical procedure that could save their lives and all of America have lost the freedom to live without fear that the government is spying on them.

Since the Bush Administration rushed the USA Patriot Act through congress, the government now has the right to access any citizens’ library records, bank statements, and other personal information without having to provide reasonable cause for suspicion. Even if you argue that America is “more secure” under Bush’s watch, it is definitely not freer.

“The world is more peaceful...” I leave you with a few statistics on the status of America since Bush became president to help you distinguish the reality of that statement (yes, these are from the New York Times):

- 34.6 million Americans live in poverty
- 360 soldiers and service people have been killed since the war began in Iraq
- 222 since after Bush declared the war over in May.
Extraordinary jazz performance

By Georgette Rodarakis
Lifestyles Editor

Eager attendees arrived at Faye Spanos Concert Hall over an hour early this past weekend to experience the sound of the nine-time Grammy-winning jazz musician, Wynton Marsalis. The sold-out concert drew many from the Stockton community, including Jazz Director of Capital Public Radio Gary Vercelli. Vercelli—also an on-air radio host—introduced Marsalis as not only an accomplished artist but also as a “classy dresser,” which I attest is true.

When the lights finally dimmed, Marsalis and his entourage entered onto the stage where they were received with a roaring applause. Marsalis, who plays the trumpet, was accompanied by his quintet: Eric Lewis on piano, Wess Anderson on saxophone, Carlos Henriquez on bass, and Ali Jackson on drums.

The band put on a mind-blowing performance. Tenor saxophonist Scott McGinty of the Brubeck Institute said, “The concert was the quintet's return for an encore. The audience quickly rose to their feet and gave the ensemble a standing ovation, and within minutes, the quintet returned for an encore.”

Throughout the performance, Marsalis, conversed with his fellow band mates and graciously took their bows and exited the stage. Tenor saxophonist Marsalis, the band, and the audience.”

During the encore Marsalis took pauses to explain that the great thing about the Blues is that they “can have a lot of space” and that “you don’t have to be in a hurry.”

The performance was extraordinary and something every Pacific student shouldn’t have missed. Junior Alberto Castello said, “I really enjoyed the performance. His quintet is awesome. This was one of those rare experiences I'll remember for a lifetime.”

Marsalis, who is also a big advocate of educating the present generation about jazz, stayed after the performance to sign autographs and listen to Pacific’s Brubeck Institute's sextet. He gave them what Newbauer explained was an “Impossible experience.”

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KFC chicken: A healthy choice?
Original Recipe meal has less fat than a BK Whopper

By Eugene Sefanov
Guest Writer

As competition in the fast-food market increases, KFC sales have declined. This week, KFC will implement a new strategy designed to inform the public that fried chicken can in fact, be part of a nutritious diet.

“We want to set the record straight. Consumers should no longer feel guilty about eating fried chicken,” Scott Bergren, KFC’s Executive Vice President, Marketing and Food Innovation said.

“Consumers will be surprised to learn they can enjoy fried chicken as part of a healthy, balanced diet. Of course, they should eat all food in moderation, and balance that with an appropriate amount of exercise—it's all about energy in, energy out,” Bergren continued.

Fried Chicken vs. The Whopper

The Louisville, Kentucky based company will begin comparing its “Original Recipe” chicken’s nutrition content (fat, carbohydrates and protein) to Burger King’s Whopper.

“Until now, most people probably didn’t realize they can enjoy an entire freshly prepared meal at KFC (“Original Recipe” chicken breast, mashed potatoes with gravy and corn on the cob) for less fat and calo-
Non-Traditional Students

Compiled by Della Richardson
Adult Student Coordinator

The non-traditional students at Pacific are celebrating Non-Traditional Student month.

Q: What is Non-Traditional Student Month?
A: November is a month set aside to honor adults who have decided to return to school, to pursue their college degree.

Q: Who are adult non-traditional students?
A: Any student who has had a break in his/her pursuit of a higher education and who is returning to college to complete personal, academic and/or career goals. These students are often in transition: downsized, divorce, career change, empty nest syndrome, released from the military, or simply pursuing their dream of a college education.

Q: What is the difference between a traditional and non-traditional student?
A: The traditional student is responsible for one person. A non-traditional student struggles to meet the demands for themselves, their spouses, their children and their jobs. Often, they are part of the sandwich generation, caring for both young children and/or elderly parents at the same time.

Q: What is a typical day like, in the life of a non-traditional student?
A: They attend classes before, after or around working hours. They must shop for necessities, feed their families, help with the children’s homework, get everyone bathed and off to bed at a reasonable time, clean house, do laundry and then study.

Q: Are there many non-traditional students?
A: This targeted population constitutes a significant and growing portion of the California higher education student body. There are over 200 students at Pacific who fit this profile.

Q: What effect do these students have on higher education?
A: As adults re-enter higher education their institutions are challenged to be flexible and receptive.

Q: What are some of the needs of the adult non-traditional student?
A: These students have issues such as childcare, financial assistance, evening and weekend classes, part-time schedules, and learning disabilities. Adult learning differences and assessment of prior learning are among many of the concerns that must be addressed.

For more information contact Adult Student Coordinator, Della Richardson at (209) 946-2424.

The "G" Spot

Georgette Rodarakis is taking a break this week. The "G" Spot will return next week addressing the music industry.

Lifestyles is looking for writers interested in writing about music, celebrities, religion and money. E-mail pacificanlifes tyles@pacific.edu
Don’t be reluctant to go see Matrix Revolutions

By Mikey Yu
Movie Critic
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The Matrix Revolutions marks the final installment in the Wachowski Brother’s sci-fi trilogy. The Matrix was a breakthrough in film-making with its innovative 360-degree freeze frame sequencing. The Matrix Reloaded burst into theatres with mixed reviews. Yesterday, The Matrix Revolutions brought the story of Neo, Trinity, and Morpheus to a tumultuous end.

For every person that loved The Matrix there was another who hated Reloaded. Maybe it wasn’t the action-drenched sequel many expected, hell maybe there was too much plot and dialogue for some, but the general consensus of the people who watched the film was a resounding “Eh.”

I am hoping that Reloaded will not turn people away from watching Revolutions just because they thought the sequel was bad. The way I look at it is sort of like the way Star Wars Episode 4-6 played out. Personally, after watching The Empire Strikes Back I felt very “Eh” about it as well. But after watching the rest of the trilogy, The Empire Strikes Back was probably the best of the three. Why? Because in that film almost everything is unveiled to us. Lando turns Han over to Boba Fett, Darth tells Luke that he is his father, and Luke discovers that he’s been touching the old light saber to thoughts of none other than his own sister.

In Reloaded, we find out definitively that Neo is the One, the Oracle is nothing but a program, Agent Smith has crossed into the real world, and the ambiguous ending leaves us wondering if Neo is in a double matrix or if he is just super powerful.

In Revolutions we will find out if he has the power to truly save mankind from the machines in the on-going battle of good vs. evil.

The Matrix trilogy has been plagued with disaster from the very beginning of production. From the numerous accidents on set, to one of the main characters Gloria Foster—the woman who played the Oracle—dying before any of her scenes in Revolutions could be finished, it will be interesting to see how the Wachowski brothers will handle it.

Who will be the one to die and become the martyr? Will Smith defeat Neo and take control of the world? Will we have to sit through another rave sex scene again? To see if Revolutions will make or break the Matrix trilogy, flock to the nearest theatre and see if Neo can defeat Smith as he is destined to. Just don’t put him in a room with Colonial Sanders again, I think that would just confuse too many people.

On a personal note, I’m still waiting for feedback; so don’t be shy and IM me dammit.
An unforgettable Halloween in the Castro

By Jeff Swartz
Staff Writer

Halloween, one of my favorite holidays. Year after year when I was a kid, I would trick-or-treat, stop at a haunted house and even stay up late to wait for my sister to come home from a high school Halloween party.

As I got older, trick-or-treating soon grew out of fashion and I began to spend the holiday with my friends getting into trouble and doing stuff that our parents wouldn’t be proud of.

This hoodlum act also grew out of style, and I entered college unaware of what Halloween experience I might partake of.

Last year, my Halloween night was spent cramming for a midterm while all of my friends went to frat parties and enticing off-campus clubs.

But this year, I decided I needed some well-deserved Halloween madness.

“We saw pornographic Fred Flintstones, ex-convicts, confused sexual robots and trippy butch leather dudes. Everything and everyone imaginable was there.”

Instead of spending my weekend backpacking through Point Reyes or going home to be with my family and friends (after a long week of deadly wildfires that unfortunately got too close to home), I choose to make the trip with some good friends to San Francisco for a crazy Halloween night in the Castro district.

On Friday afternoon we piled into my friend’s car with our costumes (one of my good friends was Siegfried and I was Roy) and headed down the well-traveled I-5 freeway to see what the Castro hype was all about.

Well, the cards played in our favor Friday night, my friends’ parents had decided to spend the weekend out-of-town, leaving us the house to “watch over” for the weekend.

The sun soon set and there was a 19-year old with a big empty house in the middle of San Francisco on Halloween night.

So, what happens next? Well, like any other typical college students we took advantage of the situation and partied.

Who in their right mind would think we would certainly get lost but we stuck together through the “Castro experience.”

Never have I seen such an outrageous sight. Every person there was tripping off some sort of substance as we walked past groups of cross-dressed Swedish blondes and tramps galore.

Anna Nicole Smith was there as well as a gentleman decked out as Lacey Peterson with a plastic baby dangling by the umbilical cord dragging behind.

We saw pornographic Fred Flintstones, ex-convicts, confused sexual robots, and trippy butch leather dudes. Everything and everyone imaginable was there.

Glaring strobe lights and heart thumpin’ techno music set the mood as each of us got hit on by transvestites.

We were then surrounded by giant Vicodin, Codeine, Percocet and Zanex pills and were followed by a strange man with a fetish for large, bloody tampons.

After strolling down Castro Street trying to get away from the dude who humped my friend and a bum with a large neon fish sign who smelled just as bad as the fish, countless other freaky people I have ever seen in my life.

Left and right, there were thousands of people dressed up in the wildest costumes ever imaginable.

There were seven of us and I thought we would certainly all get lost but we stuck together through the “Castro experience.”

We shared in each other’s experiences the whole blocks back to our friend’s house which had soon grown into an house party...which is a whole other story.

My point being is that my experience was unique, or say the least. If you want to have one of the craziest experiences of your college life and laugh about it for days later, take my advice and make that trip to the Castro with friends next year.

I know I’ll go back, it’s the Mardi Gras of San Francisco and no one should miss out!
WHY DOES THIS HAPPEN TO ME EVERY TIME I HAVE TO GIVE A PRESENTATION?

HA! HA! HA! HA! HA! HA! HA!

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By Sally Nichols

GEMINI
Remember that certain someone that from last weekend? Well, their number is still in your back pocket. You should DEFLECT all it to some good use. Go for health you need to go to the gym and start acting so many bad habits from the summer!

CANCER
Your family should come first, at least that is what Mrs. Blue-thinks...haha... But seriously don’t forget to call your mom. You might get free stuff out of it! Also, don’t forget your inclination of self-pity, no one likes a whiner!

LEO
Alright astrologers, guess or know, show the world what you are made of! This week, if you look in the right places, you will find that your qualities are not in focus and will lead you into the right directions.

VIRGO
People will be very happy to listen to your lead, but don’t let it go to your head! Your parents will soon notice all the hard work you have been doing. Did you know that Michael Jackson is a Virgo too? If so, this would explain Virgo’s hyperbolic tendencies.

LIBRA
Make time to listen and watch the children around you. It’s all the wise know children hold the secrets of the world. You can learn from even the smallest things, including the way your roommate doesn’t show mercy.

SCORPIO
We should also command your abilities to tell true feelings to those that you hold near. Scorpio’s intimate side is a key to the world that you must know! We should also command your abilities to tell true feelings to those that you hold near. Scorpio’s intimate side is a key to the world that you must know!

SAGITTARIUS
Get over yourself and realize that with school comes hard work! But with school comes meeting new people: this may mean the love sign will enter your moon zone. Look close to yourself, it is right under your nose.

CAPRICORN
You are one of the most stable and to polish signs, to add some spice in your life! Yes, those houses that we call ‘frats’ can be a bit much at times, but go and let loose! Just remember that your roommate will be there when you get back, so don’t do anything you wouldn’t want them to do to you!

AQUARIUS
Don’t hold it back, tell it like it is: So maybe you get into some trouble over the summer. If it goes on! Just make sure that all your legal documents are in the right order or else you will be getting some unexpected phone calls!

PISCES
All right water babies, get your swim trunks ready! The weather this week will be calling your name for some late night dips in the pool! Let everyone know where you are going, they never know what can happen in Stockton!
Pacific Field Hockey rises to the occasion

The Pacific field hockey team makes history on Saturday against Stanford.

By Krystine Ongbong
Staff Writer

Teams always have a hard time performing under pressure, but this is anything but true for the field hockey team, they thrive under that pressure. Last Saturday was the last home game of the year for the Tigers, and was Senior Day. A crowd of 225 people were in attendance (more than at a normal soccer, men’s volleyball, baseball, or water polo game) and the chance to continue the longest winning streak in field hockey history.

For years the Pacific field hockey team has gone into the NorPac Conference Tournament as an underdog with only a glimmer of a chance of gaining the conference title. This year is different; this is the best field hockey team the school has seen since 1989 and they are entering the NorPac Conference Tournament this week, second in the West division. This placing guarantees the Tigers out-shot the Cardinal 15-7 in that they will not be facing the powerhouse California Bears until the impending championship game.

This past weekend, the Tigers soared above all normal expectations of their team: the lack of scoring ability, the mis-communications on defense, and the mental breakdown. The field hockey team did none of that against the Stanford Cardinal. The Cardinal had been boasting about their 20-game winning streak against the Tigers, the last time Pacific beat the Cardinal was in 1994. Last Saturday, the boasting turned into a whining match in the parking lot after that game. The Pacific field hockey team beat the Cardinals with a dominating score of 4-1.

The first goal of the game was signaled by a waving Mexican flag. The goal was scored only seven minutes into the game by freshman Vianney Campos, who was also named NorPac offensive player of the week and rookie of the week, with an assist from senior Alexandra Fiorina.

Stanford quickly answered with a goal of its own, but that would be the last showing of the Cardinal. Pacific out-shot the Cardinal 15-7 in the game and that offensive domination was apparent throughout. With 10 minutes left in the first half and the game tied, Campos came through again for the Tigers, this time up the middle of the offensive circle, through three defenders, to gain a shot for a goal. The score was 2-1 at halftime and the tension was mounting. The "old" Tigers would have caved under the pressure by this time, but not these kids.

Their strong offensive effort was rewarded with 11 short corners, two of which led to a goal. One was by Heather Kottmeier and the other, a game-sealing goal by Fiorina. Kottmeier’s goal was the third of her career and probably the one she’ll remember most clearly.

The nervous nature and tension during the game can be best described by senior goalkeeper, Gina Sadler as she counted down with the clock "we were up 4-1 with 25 minutes left in the game, then it was 10 minutes, then five and at that point I thought they can’t score three goals in five minutes, we did it.”

The game ended with the bench rushing on to the field and forming a dog-pile. The joy was overwhelming, many in the crowd, I had tears in their eyes before the team did. This was a test of mental and physical strength of this team and they did it, but its not over yet. The Tigers will be facing the Stanford Highlanders in the round of the NorPac Conference Tournament, held in Louis, today at 7:30 a.m.

Kato has been selected to play in the 2003 National Field Hockey Coaches Association Division I North/South Senior All-Star Game for her outstanding performance this year on Nov. 22 at 7:30 p.m. at University of Massachusetts. Kato has played and started 13 Tiger games, leading with five defensives saves on the season.
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Sports Briefs

Women’s Soccer

The women’s soccer season ended Nov. 2 with a 2-1 loss to Cal State Northridge. The score remained tied for over 37 minutes, until the 69th minute when Cindy Mallet of Cal State Northridge scored on a breakaway. With the loss, the Tigers ended the 2003 season with a 3-5-1 record in the Big West Conference, while posting a 4-12-2 record overall.

Men’s Water Polo

Pacific’s men’s water polo team fell 12-0 in a loss to fifth ranked Pepperdine. The loss drops Pacific’s record to 5-14, while also snapping a 21-game scoring streak for senior Eddie Wisniewski.

Field Hockey

With a 4-1 victory over the Stanford Cardinal, the Pacific field hockey team collected their fifth consecutive win, making them tied for the longest winning streak in school history. With the win, the Tigers snapped the Cardinals 20-game winning streak and clinched themselves the No. 2 seed of the NorPac West in the NorPac Tournament.

The Tigers will be back on the field on today against Radford.

Women’s Volleyball

Pacific’s women’s volleyball team fell to No. 19 UC Santa Barbara in four games, dropping their record to 12-9 overall and 7-6 in the Big West Conference.

While totaling 2,000 kills for her career, senior Jennifer Joines became only the third women’s volleyball player in Big West history to reach such a total.

Look for the women’s volleyball team on a three-game home stand against UC Riverside, beginning today at 7 p.m.
Joines reaches 2,000

By Ryan Hundley
Staff Writer

Pacific Women's Volleyball team headed down the coast to take on key division rivals Cal Poly and Santa Barbara. Once again, the Tigers came away with mixed results winning their first and losing their second.

Pacific celebrated the holiday well defeating Cal Poly at San Luis Obispo in four games: 30-24, 24-30, 30-28, 30-27. The first two games of the match were tight, with the Tigers making a 6-2 run for the win in game one. The Mustangs answered back by scoring 14-8 with a 10-3 run to put the team in position. Senior Jennifer Joines finished it off with a kill, one of her 21 for the night. Game four ended tight as the Tigers took the game 21 for the night.

Despite Joines’ record, the Tigers took the loss in four games (30-19, 30-19, 22-30, 30-30) in The Thunderdome. “She [Joines] is a special athlete and it’s great to see her get it. But both she and I would trade the record for the win,” Tigers coach Jayne McHugh said.

The first game started poorly for the Tigers as Santa Barbra took an early 13-5 lead and went on to an easy win. Game two started very competitive with a tie at 12-12. Santa Barbara, however, then pulled away. The Gauchos were greatly aided by 22 attack errors committed by the Tigers in the first two games.

For the next game, the Tigers came out on fire hitting .435 as a team. Pacific took the lead and cruised to a rather easy victory.

“Momentum is key. We eliminated mistakes and were able to use momentum to take game three,” McHugh said. The Tigers took some of this momentum to game four taking the Gauchos all the way to game point. Santa Barbara, however, came roaring back finally closing out the match. “We had game four,” McHugh said “but they had a pair of great rallies.”

The Tigers are now 12-9, overall and 7-6 in the Big West. Pacific faces a crucial divisional home-game on Saturday and Sunday.

Soccer ends in a loss

Ryan Hundley
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The Pacific women’s soccer team ended its 2003 season in a wild 2-1 loss at the hands of Cal State Northridge on Sunday, Nov. 2. The loss gives the Tigers a 4-12-2 record overall and a 3-5-1 conference record for the year.

The Tigers started the game in control of both the ball and tempo. On the day the Tigers outshot the Matadors 20-8, with 11 different tigers taking a shot. Senior Gabby Oliveras took two shots on goal, which moved her to second all-time on the Pacific career shooting list.

Northridge took an early 1-0 lead with an unassisted deflected goal. Pacific answered back at the end of the first half with a successful kick from Kristina Fetter. This penalty was the first of many in a game where the teams combined for 43 penalties and six yellow cards.

One of these cautions was awarded to the Matadors bench. The game remained 1-0 until Northridge put in a game winner with 30 minutes left on the clock. While the Tigers had seven close calls, they were not able to sneak the tying goal in.

Congratulations to the Tigers for a great season.
NFL Week 10: Raiders fall to 2-6

The Vikings (6-2) have lost two straight after starting the season 6-0. The Vikings defense gave up over 200 yards rushing to the Packers last week, which allowed them to run the clock down in the fourth quarter, ruining any chance the Vikings had of making a comeback. What the Vikings need to do is find ways to get the ball into Randy Moss' hands. After a quick touchdown in the first quarter, Moss was only thrown to four or five more times. He gives them their best chance of scoring points, so why not go him more often? Incorporate the Randy ratio. The Chargers could be the worst team in the league. They lost to the Bears last week, and Drew Boys was pulled at QB for Doug Flutie.

SEATTLE

Indianapolis at Jacksonville

The Colts (7-1) have the second best record in the league and have been impressive all year, including a tough win in Miami last week. Peyton Manning has been one of the best quarterbacks all season, and RB Edgerrin James seems back after another strong performance. The Jaguars (1-7) have struggled all season, but this is expected when starting a rookie quarterback who will have a tough time his first time through a full season.

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Tampa Bay at Carolina

This is a battle between two great defensive teams who are coming off a tough week in which both were beaten by underdogs at home. The defending champion Bucs lost at home for the third time this year, falling to 4-4. Since the season began, the Bucs have won, lost, won, lost, won, lost, won, lost. Their offense has not been able to produce much this season, and they won't go back to the Super Bowl they way they are playing now. Carolina is 6-2 after being shocked by the Texans who were without their starting QB. Carolina has also had problems on offense, so this should be a defensive struggle. I like Tampa Bay in a close one.

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Buffalo at Dallas

The Cowboys were able to overcome self-destruct-
By Kristen Rocha
Sports Editor

A year removed from the Super Bowl, the Oakland Raiders look like they’re vying for a number one draft pick in next year’s NFL draft rather than a playoff spot. While the team remains much the same from last year, and fortunate not to lose any key free agents from last seasons AFC Champion team, what could possibly explain the sudden collapse of the Raiders? Maybe the five interceptions Rich Gannon threw to Tampa Bay defensive backs still looms in the back of his head. But don’t fear Raider fans, there is an upside, you don’t have to deal with a curse!

For starters, the Raiders need to get rid of the lawsuit driven old man who’s not only one of the most controlling owners, but also one of the most insecure. This past spring, the beloved Al Davis slapped two lawsuits on two different NFL teams; the first being the team that beat them in the Super Bowl, the Buccaneers, as well as the Carolina Panthers. His reasoning: the Bucs, he claimed, are guilty of taking and then slightly modifying the Raiders symbol of a pirate for their logo, while the Panthers are being accused of stealing the Raiders very own silver and black for their team colors. Generously enough though, Davis graciously gave acceptance to allow the Panthers to keep teal as their third color.

Supposedly trying to prove that the colors silver and black were originated and solely owned by the Raiders wasn’t enough for Davis, he also felt the need to sue the Oakland Coliseum for $1.1 billion and another $1 billion on the NFL. His reasoning: Davis believes Oakland itself is responsible for the swindling move to bring the Raiders back to Oakland, and then is angered at the league for keeping them out of Los Angeles. Why would you support an owner who doesn’t even want his team in your town? Or one who wants to punish fans by not televising home games in an 80-mile radius if they don’t sell out by the Thursday before the game? That makes no sense. Fans are putting money in his pocket, but yet he’s willing to somehow get revenge on the people who support the team the most.

The numbers 37, 41, and 37 should mean something to all Raiders fans. This is the age of Tim Brown, Jerry Rice, and Rich Gannon. I understand their age has been publicized and questioned numerous times, but no other trio in the NFL even comes close. Even though Jerry Rice is the greatest wide receiver ever to play the game, slants across the middle of the field that allowed Rice to gain hundreds of yards after the catch, just aren’t the smartest or the safest plays to call for the aging veteran. All professional players want to go out on top, unfortunately these three won’t be leaving that way.

Lastly, and probably the most important factor as to why the Raiders have fumbled this season, is the lack of team unity. And this just doesn’t apply to the relationship amongst players, but the relationship between players and coaches as well. A team can’t succeed with a Pro Bowl caliber player such as Charles Woodson blaming the team’s misfortunes solely on the head coach. In an interview with ESPN, Woodson claimed Raiders coach Bill Callahan has a very big ego and isn’t willing to listen to players. Maybe Callahan isn’t calling the right plays, but the last I checked, it wasn’t Callahan who threw an interception or let every running back in the league run straight up the middle on their way to a 100-yard day. It’s the players who play on Sundays, and therefore, need to start taking responsibility for their poor play instead of doing the immature thing of broadcasting to the public that you have nothing to do with the team’s overall performance.

After ranking first in offense last season the Raiders have dropped to 25th overall. And their defense isn’t much better, pulling in a 26th spot. To make matters worse, the Raiders schedule isn’t one to be desired; upcoming opponents such as Minnesota, Denver, Kansas City, and Green Bay let’s just be out of the reach of the Raiders.

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