Silence came yesterday, reading at the Humanities Covell Dining Hall.

A dinner was held at Elbert AIDS Awareness Day, and in the basement of John Bal-Coffeehouse, followed by a march to the PRIDE Center on Monday. Silence was observed at the University of the Pacific Conservatory of Music in Stockton, California June 20 through July 24. Over 450 junior and senior high school musicians from throughout the western United States are expected to attend. Students will have the opportunity to work with 60 faculty and staff including leading music educators, professional musicians, and Pacific Conservatory of Music faculty.

The Junior Band & Orchestra Camp for grades 6-8 will be held July 11-17 followed by the Senior Band, Orchestra Chorus & Piano Camp for grades 9-12 (July 18-24). Offerings will include concert band, orchestra, choir, jazz ensemble, and piano instruction along with classes in music theory, conducting, music history, and careers. Pacific guest conductors will include Dr. Eric Hammer, Director of Bands, Dr. Edward Cetto, Director of Choral Activities and Dr. Nicholas Waldvogel, Orchestra Director. Master classes and private lessons will also be available with Conservatory of Music faculty members.

The Brubeck Institute Jazz Camp (grades 8-12) will be held June 20-26. Instruction will include big band, jazz, combos, improvisation, and rhythm.

The Pacifican

This week, the Promoting Respect in Diverse Environments (PRIDE) Center and the Pacific community commemorates Pride Week, a national observance raising awareness of the continuing struggle of the gay rights movement. The opening night of Pride Week on Monday saw a poetry reading at the Humanities Coffeehouse, followed by a march to the PRIDE Center in the basement of John Bal-landyne hall. Tuesday was AIDS Awareness Day, and a dinner was held at Elbert Cowell Dining Hall.

The National Day of Silence came yesterday, April 21. Heather Dooley, the coordinator at the PRIDE Center, and an estimated 30 other students took part in the silent protest that honors those who have died to and continue to remain silent about their gender orientation, rather than risk possible bigoted retribution. The observance was started nine years ago by University of Virginia students, and has since grown into a nationwide event: The silence was broken at 5 p.m. in front of Burns Tower.

In a show of solidarity with Pacific students, about two dozen local Franklin High School students also participated in the Day of Silence. Also on Wednesday, gay activist and actor Wilson Cruz presented a speech at Pacific Theatre. Cruz is perhaps best known for his supporting role on the television dramedy “My So-Called Life,” co-starring Claire Danes and Jared Leto.

This Friday, April 23, there will be a performance by the Los Angeles based drag-king show, “Sugar Daddy.” In contrast to drag queens, who are men who dress as women, drag kings are women who masquerade, and in some cases, live as, men. The show will start at 9:30 p.m. in Raymond Great Hall. For more information, please contact the PRIDE Center at 946 2152.

Piano Camp for grades 9-12

The Susan G. Komen Foundation is hosting its annual Race for the Cure on Saturday, May 8 at Cal Expo in Sacramento. The 5 kilometer run/walk begins at 8 a.m., and there will also be a survivor program and awards ceremony.

The Race for the Cure is the largest event of its kind in the world, with a national series of 112 races and over 1.5 million participants. According to the Sacramento Valley Affiliate website, the Sacramento race is expected to draw over 20,000 local participants in support of the cause. Proceeds from entrance fees and donations go to global research for a cure to breast cancer and local breast health outreach programs.

The Susan G. Komen Foundation was founded over 20 years ago by Nancy Goodman Brinker in the name of her sister who died of breast cancer. It is a world leader in the fight against breast cancer. The foundation raises money for research through this event and through international affiliates.

The purpose of the race is not only to raise money for the cause, however. The event will raise awareness of the disease, commemorate the lives of victims, and celebrate and acknowledge survivors. Pacific students Lex
Gender-Bender Dance to be held for PRIDE Week

An LA-based drag king show called Sugar Daddy will dazzle Pacific with a performance on Friday, April 23 at Raymond Great Hall starting at 9 p.m. Drag kings are the opposite of drag queens; that is, women dressed as men. Contact the PRIDE Center at 956-2512 for information.

Theatre Arts department to stage King Lear

Shakespeare's masterpiece 'King Lear' will be brought to life on Pacific's campus the week of Friday, April 23 through May 1. The production dates are April 23, 24, 25, 28, 29 and 30. All productions start at 8 p.m., except the 2 p.m. matinee on Sunday, April 25. Tickets cost $8 for students and senior citizens, and $12 general admission. For tickets please call Pacific Box Office at 946-2867.

Spanish-language films featured at Pacific Theatre

The Spanish Language Film Festival starts at Pacific Theatre tonight, April 22, with the film 'Amores Perros.' On April 23, the film 'Talk to Her' will be featured, and on April 24 the film 'Y Tu Mama Tambien' will be shown. All showings are at eight p.m., and are free to students with ID.

Celebrating Diversity

The Filipino Cultural night will be held on Saturday, April 24, at the Faye Spanos Concert Hall. Shows start at 2 p.m. and 8 p.m. For further information, please contact Multicultural Affairs at 946-2436.

Celebrate Research and Creativity Day

The fourth annual Celebrate Research and Creativity Day is Wednesday, April 28 from 2-3:30 PM in the Common Room. The event is sponsored by the Office of Research and Graduate Studies, and Sigma Xi—the Honorary Society.

Susan G. Komen race for the Cure

The annual Susan G. Komen Race for the Cure will be held on May 8 at Cal Expo beginning at 8 p.m. It is the largest 5K race series in the world, and benefits cancer research, treatment and awareness.

Hispanic History Celebration

California's rich Hispanic heritage and the state's Mexican and Latino cultural legacies will be the focus of the 55th California History Institute to be held on Pacific's Stockton campus April 23-24. Conference organizers are seeking academic participation by scholars who focus on California under Spain and Mexico as well as Mexican-American and Latino issues during the American period. Contact Bill Swagerty for further information at x6-2527.

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Scheuble said that. "Sometimes don't understand with chemotherapy to the human body. A cure would be priceless. Only for people who breast cancer now, our future generations is well?"

Several on-campus and community organizations are participating in the event, including, Cowell Wellness Center, Baun Fitness Division of Student Affairs, Career Resource Center, ASUOP.

Junior Jessica Bankston, senior Heidi Vanlief, and senior Kristen Vanlief are both participating in the race and have been touching cancer in their lives.

Computing Safely: So You Own a Mac

By David Lundy
IT Security Officer

While PC users have been facing an onslaught of viruses this Spring, Mac users have been quietly working away. Some Mac users even chide their PC brethren about their vulnerable PCs and how much better the Apple Macintosh computer is.

Macs have not faced the problems experienced by Windows based PCs. There are several reasons. When Apple released OS X, the current system software for the Mac, it was a completely rewritten system. The vulnerabilities of the older system versions were gone and old Mac virus infection methods no longer worked. OS X was built on top of Unix, a robust operating system. Much effort had been devoted to Unix security prior to its adoption for the Mac. Apple also brought a serious concern for security to the table as they developed OS X. Finally, Macs are a small percentage of the computers in use. Virus writers have focused on the widely deployed and often vulnerable PC instead of the much smaller collection of Macs.

That does not mean that Macs are invulnerable. Recently a software security company, Intego, announced a weakness in OS X that allows some files to appear to be other kinds of files. They demonstrated a Trojan horse, MP3Virus.gen, which can be imbedded in MP3 music files. Clicking on the file launches the Trojan first before the music is played. Fortunately this Trojan is just a proof of concept. It does not appear to be circulating out in the wild or doing any kind of damage.

The Mac can also be exploited through its network connections. OS X includes a lot of code from its unix base. When vulnerabilities are found in unix programs, this may include the Mac versions. In addition vulnerabilities are found from time to time in the code specifically written for OS X. Shortly after Apple released Panther, the current release of OS X, they announced that vulnerabilities had been found and offered a patch. They did not immediately announce a patch to correct the problem in Jaguar, the previous version of OS X which was also vulnerable. While that has changed, it caused some pundits to wonder in print about Apple's security support. Apple was quick to reply that security was important to them and that they have a policy of responding quickly to issues.

Mac users should keep up with OS X patches just as PC users need to keep up to date with Windows patches. Security updates are available at HYPERLINK "http://www.apple.com/support" http://www.apple.com/support. Installing the files found there can fix the vulnerabilities discovered by Apple.

The most effective new attacks on the Internet have come when someone exploits a weakness for the first time. The vigilance of many PC users has been raised because of virus and worm attacks. Because the Mac has seemed to be immune, most Mac users are much less concerned. Only a small number of Windows machines were vulnerable to the "code red" worm. Despite this code red was one of the fastest spreading worms in Internet history. Wise Mac users install security upgrades from Apple as they become available to keep this from happening to them as well.

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King Lear, a production from the Pacific Theatre, opens Friday, April 23, at the Long Theatre. The show will run through May 1st. For more information call: 209-946-2UOP. The dates and times are as follows: April 23, 24 - 8:00 p.m.

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King Lear
William Shakespeare

The ASUOP All Stars is a new award for the exemplary Pacific student. It is a way to recognize those highly involved students who often do not get recognition for their hard work and time spent behind the various scenes.

Be an ASUOP All Star you must be actively involved on campus and exude Pacific spirit. This person enlivens the social, cultural, and/or educational aspects of university life and responsibly represents the student body.

The first ASUOP All Star awards were presented to the Men’s 2003-2004 Basketball Team for their excellent display of athleticism as well as their ability to responsibly represent Pacific.

We were proud to present Vikki Dorward with the second ASUOP All Star award for her motivation, spirit, dedication, and involvement on campus in the Orange Army, RHA, and the Honors Program.

Last week the ASUOP All Star award recipient went to Akil Gibbs for his active involvement in the Pacific community including the Cheer and Stunt squad, his Residence Assistantship, and his support of the International Spring Festival.

Next week the ASUOP All Star could be you! For more information on how to nominate someone, visit the ASUOP website at asuop.uop.edu.

The Travis AFB Jazz Ensemble will also make a special appearance to give master classes and a free concert on Tuesday, June 22 at 7pm in the Faye Spanos Concert Hall. All camps will conclude with a Saturday afternoon concert featuring all large ensembles. Total cost per session ranges from $325 for commuters. The cost per session ranges from $325 for commuters. Students may buy these containers and reuse them for takeout meals. By doing this, individual students can help cut back on the level of trash generated every day by the Pacific community.

On Sunday, April 18, students from SEA biked to Victory Park to commemorate Stockton’s 16th annual Earth Day Celebration. At the festival, SEA demonstrated to children the effects of pollution on ground soils. They used candy, Oreo cookies, ice cream, and soda to show the kids exactly what happens to liquids once they are emptied onto the ground.

An ongoing activity encouraged by SEA and coordinated by PAC-Raccoons is regular recycling. There are 90 recycling bins on campus for paper, bottles and cans. Paper in particular is the most thrown-away item in the United States. If the majority of American households recycled their Sunday newspapers, a half million trees would be conserved every week.
BYOB to the Dining Hall

Dining Hall is helping recycle on Earth Day

By Cheri Kromer
Guest Writer

The campus is getting jazzy with activities, parties, studying, and the environment is getting its fair share of the action. The Dining Hall agreed to host a BYOB (Bring Your Own Box) in its honor; the residential halls are getting groovy with the recycling buckets; and campus shortcomings are getting some press.

For starters, everyone is invited to join in the 2004 Earth Day BYOB, as agreed to by Bon Appétit. That’s right; in honor of Earth Day, Thursday, April 22, the Dining Hall will not be serving Styrofoam to-go boxes. In the place of Tupperware, all Pacific students are welcome to ‘Bring Your Own Box’ for to-go meals. Reusable food containers will be available for purchase outside the Dining Hall on Earth Day, Thursday, April 22.

When it comes to activities, the residential halls are buzzing environmentally. Not only are there recycling buckets in all residential halls, but they are also being filled, and are often overflowing. The Pac-Racoons are working hard to empty these buckets regularly, and also to get more buckets for all the halls. The goal? Recycling bins in all residential hall bathrooms.

Unfortunately, the Pacific campus is still falling short of its environmental potential. Thanks to the efforts of a few Mentor II policy groups, we now know that around 1000 Styrofoam boxes are taken from the Dining Hall daily. Using this conservative number, it has been calculated that the Dining Hall’s Styrofoam output would fill Burns Tower in 170 days, or roughly 24 weeks. And Burns Tower stands 256 feet tall!

All in all, the Pacific campus is beginning to get its environmental act together. Although there is still work to do in this area, the Dining Hall’s BYOB on Earth Day, Thursday, April 22 (today), and the use of the recycling buckets in the residential halls are promising steps in the right direction.

Restrictions are tighter

By Paige Elisha
Staff Writer

Last week, the administration announced that it would be opening an Irish pub right here on campus! The pub, according to administrators, would be opened in an effort to encourage responsible drinking among the university students. With drinking taking place within the confines of campus, students would not be tempted to drink and drive and would be encouraged to form a cohesive student body. Proceeds from the pub would be used to support various clubs on campus.

Alright, so I’m kidding, the above paragraph is sadly not true. Okay, so no pub on campus-no opportunity to act like a unified student body, no opportunity to enjoy the ‘classic college’ life that we all looked forward to (we can always bond at a football game). The sad part is that after almost four years here, I have grown used to life with the restrictions imposed by the school. Yes, I may be twenty-two, and I may enjoy having a beer or two with friends but that really isn’t a possibility unless we want to drive off of campus and get one. No, that’s okay, please don’t treat me like an adult.

Things didn’t always used to be like this. With each year that has gone by, rules have continued to restrict our movement as students. But have these rules decreased drinking or pushed it into the closet or off-campus, necessitating that students drive to and from their destinations? I know that my argument isn’t a new one but I would like to add a new twist, food for thought on changing policies.

For a large part, rules are changing due to concerns over liabilities. Things have gotten so out of hand in this crazy legal world that anybody can sue anybody for violence and injustice.

When I heard her speak, she spoke briefly about the death penalty, saying it is something that only “barbaric nations” do. Many months later, I heard Pulitzer-Prize winning author and civil rights activist, Alice Walker express the exact same sentiments regarding the death penalty.

All these thoughts from respected intellectuals and humanitarians makes me think, when will these words become powerful enough to give pause to the U.S. who, despite its supposedly democratic image, still actively employs the death penalty?

All this brings me to recent news that the International Court of Justice in the Hague, established in 1945 by the United Nations with the goal of “providing diplomatic solutions to international conflicts” has demanded that the U.S. complete the “meaningful review” of the cases of 52 Mexican Nationals who are on Death Row. Since the U.S. repeatedly ignores and allows the execution of its own people, they appear to be just as negligent and callous when it comes to the rights of prisoners outside our borders.

The main issue in contention here is that the nationals were not provided consular assistance which is guaranteed as established in the 1963 Vienna Convention on Consular Relations. This was a severe violation of their rights and such actions could result in execution for certain nationals as early as May 18.

The U.S. has so far re-
The Delta loop is an exciting adventure
Pacific student reflects on the 10-mile scenic route along Stockton's Delta

By Kara Buchanan
Staff Writer

I was intending to experience the Delta Loop, and I experienced The Delta. Sometimes when on a mission for a day trip, we start out with a narrow focus and certain expectations and this has an unfortunate tendency to limit the potential of the experience. The Delta has a unique character in which it is easy to become immersed. The Delta loop is undoubtedly one of many good spots to begin the immersion. Even though I did not complete the loop, the experience was certainly well-rounded and I did end up coming full-circle, with a great appreciation for this unique landscape.

The Delta Loop is a 10-mile scenic drive along the Mokelumne and San Joaquin Rivers. It is marked by what looks like a buoy on the side of the road. Taking I-5 North to Highway 12 West and driving out through about twelve miles of fields, will lead you to Brannan Island, home of the Delta Loop. If you in fact make the quick turn off, and get started along the Delta loop, be prepared for some treacherous road conditions -bumpy dirt roads which really only accommodate one lane, but which are supposed to be two-way, wind their way along skinny levies. Look out for geese crossing.

This was my first diversion. When I came around the corner, I was greeted by a flock of about 10 geese, who apparently own the road. They slowly waddled around my car. I figured this was my sign to get out of the car and soak in the Delta atmosphere. I took photos for at least a half hour and truly allowed myself to absorb the Delta climate. I could now look out over the water to my left or across the expansive, meticulously plowed farmland to my right, rather than simply stare at the road in front of me. I could see the layers of paint peeling off of the boat houses, and read the signs advertising beer and entertainment at the marina up ahead. After crawling around in the high grasses with my camera trying unsuccessfully to capture the essence of this unexpected stop, I returned to my car with a vivid mental picture and continued along the loop.

At about the seventh mile, I came across a legitimate detour - the kind marked by an orange road sign. I never found my way back to the loop (partially, I am sure, due to my extreme sense of direction deficiency). I enjoyed the additional 45 minutes it added to my drive back to Stockton through fields and vineyards, and across bridges. I became acquainted with a few new housing developments scattered along the wetlands, some state parks and campgrounds that are calling me to return.

A good day for Pacific students to discover the Delta will be May 1. The Delta Loop will be hosting its 6th Annual Delta Loop Fest complete with at least five hot dog and beer stands, pony rides, and raffles. Stick around as long as you like at the B&W resort where the festivities will be taking place, and then encourage you to go get lost on the levees.

Condoleezza Rice sets the record straight

By Mara Title
Pacific College Republicans

In last week's Pacifican, there was an article regarding Condoleezza Rice's supposedly willful approach in dealing with the 9/11 commission. "Why won't she testify? What is it that the Bush administration is trying to hide?" the writer asked. Obviously nothing, as we can see after her three-hour testimony with the commission last Thursday morning.

Her bold-faced, no-non- sense statements weren't even inhibited by a drink of water (which she politely passed on, when it was offered by one of the commissioners). She was probably reluctant to testify in the first place, because she had just had a private, no doubt equally grueling testimony session with the commission. It seemed unnecessary to have that one in the first place, if they were just going to ask her the same questions again, only this time in front of the world? She kept responding, "As I told you before in the last session..." I can definitely see why it would be tiresome to have to spend weeks preparing for another round of questioning, knowing that it would basically be the same.

Ironically, she could be spending the time it takes getting ready for the commission to work on tracking down al Qaeda. The whole 9/11 commission reeks of hilarity. First, the media was claiming that the Bush administration entered into war entirely too fast. They didn't seem to have enough information, and they were more or less choosing any Middle Eastern country to attack. Now all of a sudden, the blame centers around the Bush administration for not being able to prevent the attacks. How did so much go wrong on 9/11?

Condoleezza Rice answered this question, along with many others during her testimony: "To the best of my knowledge, Mr. Chairman, this kind of analysis about the use of airplanes as weapons actually was never briefed to us. I cannot tell you that there might not have been a report here or a report there that reached somebody in our midst."

"Part of the problem is...and I think Sandy Berger made this point when he was asked the same question...that you need thousands of pieces of information, to bombs and this method and that method...and you have to

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anything-and win! Fast food is making me fat, I can sue! My hot cup of coffee, was too hot, I can sue! There is money out there just waiting to be made.

Suing gets out of hand, companies, organizations and individuals crack down and refurbish rules and regulations in an effort to protect themselves and the craziness wins out in the end. What used to be allowed and enjoyed is now banished. What will go next? There will always be something to get rid of. Right? This goes beyond drinking to a general over-fixation with liability concerns.

Pretty soon the lives that we lead will be completely governed by the regulations that we have imposed upon ourselves.

Maybe I am just growing up and learning what life in the real world is like. But I can’t help but be taken aback and wonder, if one for a moment, where it is all headed and do I want to be a part of it. Forget all of this thought-let’s go get a beer. Do you want to drive or shall I?

If you would like to express a concern, idea, or viewpoint regarding any of the articles in this newspaper, please send a self-edited opinion piece to pacificanperspectives@pacific.edu

United Nations speaks: Secretary General Kofi Annan addresses the media.

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Targeting knowledge can be used with much more efficiency.

During her opening statements, Rice affirmed that terrorism of the U.S. was nothing new before the attack on the twin towers: “The terrorist threat to our nation did not emerge on September 11, 2001. Long before that day, radical, freedom-hating terrorists declared war on America and on the civilized world. The attack on the Marine barracks in Lebanon in 1983, the hijacking of the Achille Lauro in 1985, the bombing of the World Trade Center in 1993, the attacks on American installations in Saudi Arabia in 1995 and 1996, the East Africa embassy bombings of 1998, the attack on the USS Cole in 2000, these and other atrocities were part of a sustained, systematic campaign to spread devastation and chaos and to murder innocent Americans.”

So, for those people who feel that terrorism isn’t bad enough of an issue, take into account these previous events. Condoleezza Rice brilliantly defended herself and the Bush administration with in-depth, concrete answers— they become even better when you have to repeat yourself.

What makes the 9/11 commission so ridiculous? They’ve basically concluded that terrorist intelligence was not shared which lead to the infamous attacks. This probably why the Bush administration developed the Homeland Security Department, vital

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**THE PACIFICAN LIFESTYLES**

**Kill Bill slices to the top again**

By Mikey “Cobra” Vu

Film Critic

*Kill Bill* starts off in the general vicinity in which *Kill Bill 1* left off, with The Bride (Uma Thurman) off to kill the final three members of the “Deadly Viper Assassination Squad.” We have Bud a.k.a. “Side-winder” (Michael Madsen), a former member and currently broke Nightclub bouncer who lives in the middle of nowhere. Elle a.k.a. “California Mountain Snake” (Daryl Hannah), a one eyed badass whose only goal is to defeat The Bride in battle, and last but not least Bill (David Carridine) who was responsible for the murder of her friends and for the bullet in her skull.

Don’t go into *Kill Bill 2* expecting the same over the top violence and action that was seen in the first film. These are two very different movies. *Kill Bill 1* was a homage to 70’s kung fu flicks with some exploitation and Shaw brothers thrown in for good measure.

*Kill Bill 2* is in essence a spaghetti western with the Tarantino dialogue told with more emotion and more plot. If *Kill Bill 1* is like a grade A stripper, than *Kill Bill 2* is like the beautiful woman that you fell in love with and married. *Kill Bill 1* in its own right is very entertaining, fun to look at, and kinetic, but if you take away the outside layer, you aren’t left with much. *Kill Bill 2* is a much less exciting film action wise, but the overall experience is much more fulfilling.

The film is once again divided into chapter titles, my own personal segment being “The Cruel Tutelage of Pai Mei.” Pai Mei’s character is easily one of the most entertaining, homages in the entirety of *Kill Bill*.

He is played as a classic kung-fu master who has lived for over 200 hundred years, has a long white beard and eyebrows, and is the supposed sole master of the legendary, self explanatory “5 point exploding heart technique.” He is the one who trains The Bride, and his chapter explains how she became so deadly.

*Kill Bill 2* is much more emotional, what Tarantino does is that he achieves his point in humanizing The Bride and Bill, and in turn creates a story in which we cheer for The Bride to get her daughter back. Tarantino heavily borrows various elements of film noir in *Kill Bill 2* as well as in his utilization of heavy contrasts between black and white, excessive use of the soft focus lens, and the witty banter that his films are known for.

If you’re expecting a chop’em up sequel, then I advise you stay at home for you will be sorely disappointed. What *Kill Bill 2* offers is the yin the *Kill Bill 1*’s yang, for what Tarantino gave us in style and fun, he has gladly traded in for plot and character development. And you know what? I enjoyed every minute of it.

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**RETURN OF THE BRIDE: Uma Thurman returns as the Bride in Tarantino’s second volume of Kill Bill.**

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Pacific summer housing rates increase

By Ha Tran
Guest Writer

Thinking about summer school at Pacific? If you are one of the students planning on living on campus while going to summer school, be aware of the costly housing plans.

The summer housing rates at Pacific this summer have increased from last summer. In addition, Grace and the UC's are not available for housing this summer. Brookside, Manor, Townhouse Apartments, and the Towerview apartments are the only housing available.

The cost of summer housing has increased, just like everything else and has had a sour effect on the students remaining on campus.

Junior Jennifer Poon is attending all three sessions of summer school, and is worried about her living conditions. While her parents would like for her to stay on campus, she would rather save money by finding a place off campus.

"It's not as convenient as living on campus, but summer housing is so much this summer, I'd rather rent out a place or something," said Poon.

Poon, along with other students, decided to rent out a small apartment a couple miles from school in order to save money.

"Last year, I saved money by commuting to school, but I can't this year, so I had to find the next best thing, renting out a cheaper place than living on campus," said Poon.

For those who do not have cars or have to live on campus, summer housing at Pacific is the only option.

One tip to keep the cost low for on-campus housing is to try to find the maximum number of students allowed to live in a single residence.

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TOON IN PACIFIC

THIS WEEK:
"FUTURE CONCERNS"

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HEY GEORGE! HAVE YOU BEEN THINKING MUCH ABOUT WHAT YOU ARE GOING TO DO AFTER COLLEGE?

HUUH? YOU MEAN THERE'S LIFE AFTER COLLEGE?!

ACTUALLY, I THINK IT'S FUNNY HOW PARENTS THINK ABOUT IT!

WHEN YOU TELL THEM YOU WANT TO GO TO COLLEGE FOR FOUR YEARS, THEY'RE ALL SMILES ABOUT IT...

...BUT WHEN YOU TELL THEM YOU WANT TO GO TO COLLEGE FOR FOUR MORE YEARS, THEY GENERALLY START TO GET KIND OF ANGRY!

By Sally Nichols
Galaxy Guru

ARIES
Life has a tendency to throw curves balls when you are least expecting it. Put on your armor and get ready for a rough week. You will learn who your true friends are when the shit hits the fan.

TAURUS
You are awaiting important news this week. Possibly a job or internship offer. Try to not let that be a distraction from your everyday responsibilities. Also, you should be in for a pleasant surprise by the end of the week.

GEMINI
Democracy is part of your life as an American citizen whether you like it or not. It is your responsibility to take part and make sure that your government is run the way you want it to. Stop complaining about Bush and go do something about it.

LEO
Thinking about studying abroad? Go for it! This is your chance to take control of your life. But if the situation is not right for you, at least send a letter to your friend who is abroad to let them know you are thinking of them.

CANCER
You have a stressful week ahead with a lot of work. All teachers seem to give due dates for assignments on the same day! However, if you give 110%, your weekend will be more enjoyable!

CAPRICORN
Showing your lover how desirable they are is necessary when trying to keep a relationship alive. It is nice to know how loved individuals are and how much happiness they bring to others. Communicate this to your lover this week and the boat will be rockin'.

SAGITTARIUS
Bikini and swim trunk season is rapidly approaching. It's time to hit the gym and start a new work out schedule! Many classes are offered at the Baun. Take this opportunity to get in shape and feel comfortable on the beach this summer!

AQUARIUS
I know that April has been more than trying for you, but just keep in mind that April showers bring May flowers. The bright side has already begun to show and before you know it the sun will clear away those problems of yours.

VIRGO
Ever play the LOTTO? This may be your lucky week! The numbers are rolling in your direction and I want to help you pay for a future trip! Take a chance, it will be worth the investment.

PISCES
Are your sports problems interfering with your social life? Try taking a bowling class though Pacific or a Tai Kwon Do Class! Doing things with your friends is a great way to relieve stress and a great way to learn something new. Have fun!

LIBRA
Life is full of unexpected turns, be prepared for plans to take an undesirable path. You will be able to fix this by keeping all your senses attuned to your surroundings. These turns can be good if handled the right way. Good luck!

SCORPIO
Okay, all you excited teenagers keep your pants on! We are all in college, but this doesn't mean we need to act like barbarians! Have fun, but be safe, and know your surroundings. This is not Kansas anymore. Todo, things can be scary out there!
Despite loss, Pacific earns No. 2 ranking

By Taro Fitzpatrick

Last Saturday was a day of tremendous victory for the Pacific softball team, which was followed by a narrow defeat on Sunday to Cal State Fullerton Titans in the three game series. The Tiger's are now 28-13 overall, and 6-3 in the Big West Conference, giving them a number two ranking in the conference.

Despite the close loss on Sunday, these women have nothing to be ashamed of as they continue to receive accolades and continue to rise up various rankings. As of April 7 the Tigers were ranked number 21 in the USA Softball Collegiate Top 25 Poll, released April 13th, Pacific softball received a number 23 ranking. These rankings have received such high praise as they continue to receive accolades and continue to rise up various rankings. In the ESPN.com/USA Today/NCFA Division I poll, released April 13th, Pacific softball received a number 23 ranking. Pacific softball received a number 23 ranking.

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has been marked by victory, where this team has now broken and set a program record for best 20 game start going 17-3. Many of these victories were against ranked teams such as no. 3 California, no. 7 Alabama, and no. 15 Fresno State. They are primed for their ninth straight winning season. The Tigers will spend the next two weeks on the road facing the Wolf Pack of Brigham Young University, Utah, and Cal Poly State, and no. 20 Long Beach State.

Baseball faces competitive play in Big West

By Nick Rosenquist

Only just beginning, baseball season for the Pacific Tigers has been full of fierce competition.

The first two Big West opponents facing the Tigers have been Cal State Fullerton and Cal Poly, who rank 2nd and 3rd in the conference.

Last weekend, the Tigers lost three straight games to Cal Poly by scores of 11-3, 16-6 and 8-3. This was the second straight series in which the Tigers have been swept. Two weeks ago, the Tigers faced Cal State Fullerton and lost 16-1, 13-0 and 13-5. The Titans were ranked seventh in the country in the preseason by the National Collegiate Baseball Writers Association.

First baseman / second baseman Aaron Harper, a senior at Pacific, shined for the Tigers in the six-game stretch, combining for an 8-24 showing, with a double, triple, three HRs and 11 RBIs in six games.

Junior catcher Brandon Gottier was another bright spot for Pacific. In the four games he played between the two series, he hit a .417 batting average, hitting a double and HR and totaled four RBIs in those four games.

In this past weekend sweep of the Tiger's, 3B Jesse Kovacs had a 4-7 performance with a triple, three RBIs in six games. Junior catcher Brandon Gottier was another bright spot for Pacific. In the four games he played between the two series, he hit a .417 batting average, hitting a double and HR and totaled four RBIs in those four games.
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**MLB in Northern California**

By Todd Merz

Guest Writer

When Spring comes around, the avid sports fan is getting ready for another season of Major League Baseball. In Northern California we have two teams that once again are competing for the coveted World Series trophy.

The San Francisco Giants and the Oakland Athletics are coming off strong 2003 seasons and are looking to get even further this year. Gregg Reynolds a student at Pacific said, in order for the Giants to do well this year they are going to have to play good defense and get good pitching out of their starters. The Giants opened their season this week against the Houston Astros. Barry Bonds was one of the big spots when he hit two home runs to come that much closer to his god father Willie Mays.

Some key players they have this year are: A.J. Pierzynski, David Aardsma, Nelfi Perez, Barry Bonds, and Jason Schmidt.

On the other hand you have the Oakland Athletics. They have not made too many off season acquisitions, but still have a good team coming back.

According to Pacific student Sven Eriksson, "The A's need to have a good year if they stay healthy."

Some key returners for the A's are: Barry Zito, Tim Hudson, Mark Mulder, and Jermaine Dye.

All in All it should be exciting seasons for both of these teams.

**NL Central**

**Houston Astros**

Oh what a difference two former Yankees make. Andy Pettite and Roger Clemens with Roy Oswalt give the Astros a fearsome three some. The Astros have a balanced offensive lineup but the bullpen took a major hit with the loss of Billy Wagner.

Key to success: The bullpen is a major question mark. Set up man Octavio Dotel gets the first nod as the closer and has the tools to succeed.

Player to watch: Craig Biggio is not the player he once was but if he finds a way to get on base the way he used to the Astros will be in good shape.

**Chicago Cubs**

Dusty Bakers boys are favored to come out of the National league but are stuck in a tuff division. The Cubs have a dominant one two punch and Sammy Sosa but will the supporting cast be enough?

Keys to success: The Cubs need to stay healthy. If Mark Prior can come back a hundred percent and Moises Alou stays healthy the Cubs might be able to prove the experts right.

Player to watch: You can make a argument Greg Maddux was the most dominant pitcher in the nightlies but the nightlies are over. Does Maddux have anything left or did the Cubs overpay?

**Saint Louis Cardinals**

The Cards have two new out fielders in Ray Lankford and Reggie Sanders who are past their primes. The Cards have talent but not enough to win the central.

Keys to success: Sanders and Lankford need to be productive and Matt Morris needs to be an ace for any success.

Player to watch: Albert Pujols is just un human. Pujols is every fantasy players dream and will continue to put up unbelievable numbers.

**Milwaukee Brewers**

The Brew crew gave up their best player to fill three different positions.

Keys to success: The Brewers are a bunch of scrappers and need to scrap as many runs as possible.

Player to watch: Ben Sheets is a gold medalist and will one day be the cream of the crop. For the Brewers to have a chance he needs to put the pitching staff on his shoulders and carry the team.

**Cincinnati Reds**

The starting pitching staff is patchwork at best and stands no chance of beating anybody.

Keys to success: The Reds have the bats but not the arms. The bats though will win some games.

Player to watch: Danny Graves is back to the closer position was he should give the Reds some confidence.

**Pittsburgh Pirates**

The Bucs seem to be going nowhere again this year. What the front office is doing is beyond anyone.

Keys to success: Kip Wells has started to look like an ace. The Pirates if smart can get a good package for Wells.

Player to watch: Craig Wilson is the jack of all trades when it comes to defense. Positions and now his bat is drawing as much attention as his different gloves.

**NL West**

**San Francisco Giants**

The Giants are in trouble and unless they get healthy quickly the Giants will catch themselves slipping.

Keys to success: the bullpen needs Nen and protection for Barry Bonds.

Player to watch: Barry Bonds, need I say more.

Los Angeles Dodgers Picking up Milton Bradley was a steal and the bullpen has Eric Gagne.

Keys to success: The Dodger bats need to be able to score more then one run a game.

Player to watch: Adrian Beltre is in a contract year.

**Arizona Diamondbacks**

Losing Curt the Hurt hurts but Brandon Webb is going to be pretty good.

Keys to success: The offense needs to be more patient and play small ball.

Player to watch: Richie Sexson can hit the long ball and Arizona needs that.

**San Diego Padres**

The Padres are starting to put it together.

Keys to success: The Padres need to be healthy and the starting pitching needs to eat innings.

Player to watch: David Wells will give the pitching staff a winning attitude.

**Colorado Rockies**

The Rockies have no arms to compete.

Keys to success: Pitching well never work in Coors and the Rockies don't have the hitting.

Player to watch: Larry Walker needs to stay healthy.
**National league preview**

By Arash Scott Behnam
Sports Editor

**NL East**

**Philadelphia Phillies**

The Phillies have spent the money now they need the results. The bullpen has dramatically improved with newly acquired Billy Wagner and Tim Worrell.

Keys to success: Do the Phillies have the starting pitching to outlast the Marlins?

Player to watch: Pat Burrell had a horrible year last season but if he can put the past behind him and put up good numbers, he is capable of winning the NL East this year but the magic run to success last year. They are capable of winning the East this year but the magic run to success last year. They will need the closer's help. If healthy Floyd and Reyes will give the offense much needed spark.

**Florida Marlins**

The Marlins had a magical year last year. Their hitting? They don't need it this year and look for Gillick to pull off another spectacular trade.

Player to watch: Miguel Cabrera is the real deal and a Pujols type of player. Cabrera will carry the Marlins who will need all his offense.

**New York Mets**

New Mets Mike Cameron, Braden Looper and Kat Matsui are upgrades but the Mets still have many holes.

Keys to success: Health is a major factor for Cliff Floyd and Jose Reyes. If healthy Floyd and Reyes will give the offense much needed spark.

Player to watch: Tom Glavine had a below average year last year. Glavine spent the off-season working on his mechanics and now has redemption on his mind.

**Atlanta Braves**

The dynasty is over. The Braves will struggle this year as the rebuilding begins. Russ Ortiz and Mike Hampton are not the old Greg Maddux and Tom Glavine.

Keys to success: The Jones' are still around and need to have extraordinary years if the Braves think they can compete.

Player to watch: J.D. Drew was once a prodigy now he is nothing more than a talented injured project.

**Montreal Expos**

Oh those poor Expos, no home no team, a product of what is wrong with baseball. The Expos again will be in the cellar.

Keys to success: The Expos do have one of the best shortstop, second baseman combo's in the league in Orlando Cabrera and Jose Vidro.

Player to watch: At one 

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**FREE AGENT STATUS**

By Jesus Hernandez
Columnist

Quite a lot has happened since the last installment of Free Agent Status, so much I don’t know where to begin. How about starting off with the Giants beating the Lakers a couple of days ago then choking and giving away the Pacific Division to the Lakers after failing to lock it up against the Nuggets and the Warriors. Ah my beloved Warriors played the spoiler. But now with the playoffs under way we’ll see what can happen since there are up against a Dallas team that can light up the scoreboard at will. If the Kings can play some D, which they failed to show against the Nuggets and Warriors, then I have them advancing to the next round. But reaching the finals won’t be a possibility this season with them having to face either the Spurs, Timberwolves, or Lakers in the next round then one of those three again in the conference finals.

With the NFL draft coming up I predict that the #1 pick will be Eli Manning if San Diego decides to trade away their draft choice. I’ve been hearing that they don’t want to pick another QB with their #1 pick and end up getting another Ryan Leaf, so look for a trade involving someone who will give up something good for a Manning since some scouts have said that Eli may be even better than Payton, last season’s Co-MVP. The Raiders will take a Wide Receiver with pick #2, but who knows what owner Al Davis rather have, Pitt’s highly skilled Larry Fitzgerald or Texas speedster Roy Williams. Everyone knows Davis loves speed but can he pass up on a player similar to Tim Brown? I don’t think so. So jolt down with Larry Fitzgerald being a Raider, who best to learn the trade from two future Hall of Famers? Tim Brown and Jerry Rice were you looking forward to choose a Maurice Clarett or Mike Williams’ jersey, you will have to wait because a federal appeals blocked them from entering this weekend’s draft but left open the possibility of taking part in a supplemental draft. So, all of you Pac-u football players thinking about jumping to the NFL this year will have to wait it out like these guys. What if an off-season it has been the NFL Champion Patriots. Their defensive captain Ty Law has gone public expressing his differences with coach Bill Belichick and saying he no longer wants to play for the Patriots because of “irreconcilable differences” caused by a contract dispute. The same Ty Law was recently arrested and charged with two misdemeanors leading cops on a brief foot chase. Two wrongs do make a right, because the Patriots acquired All-Pro running back Corey Dillon from the Bengals for a 2nd round draft choice. Way to bet on an already solid team, they got the only piece that they’ve been missing since losing Curtis Martin a few seasons ago: a solid running back and everyone knows that Dillon can run. Baseball’s back in full swing, Barry’s swinging for Balco, A-Rod’s just looking at the ball pass by and the A’s are doing what they always do, and that’s win. Tejada who? Bobby Crosby is the real deal, Jermaine Dye is back at 100% and it’s showing. He’s already leading the league in RBI’s. Oakland’s going to do it this year and look for GM Billy Beane to pull off another spectacular trade.

BONDS AWAY: Barry Bonds is congratulated by Willie Mays after hitting his 660th home run, tying his godfather.