New GLBT Center in 2003

By Arthur Murrillo
Staff Writer

The Pacific Gay Straight Alliance (PGSA) and the university plan to open a Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual and Transgender (GLBT) Resource Center on campus in the spring of 2003.

Julie Sina, Vice-President of Student Life, said that there was a need for such a center because “many other campuses have a center that provides wonderful support and services to GLBT students and the entire campus community. PGSA is a very active organization.”

The community became stronger in the spring of 2002 when the Pride Flag was stolen from the McCaffrey Center. The flag was recovered following a lead that directed staff and students to find the flag, which was urinated on in the men’s bathroom next to the summit.

Sina said, “An advisory board of students, faculty, staff and the community will develop the purpose and services that the center will fund.”

Trisha Nealy, a member of PGSA’s Executive Board said, “We are very excited about having the center because it will be a place where people can go for information about homosexuality, bisexuality and transgender issues. We are collecting donated books to help establish a library at the center.”

Sina said, “Ines Ruiz Huston, Director of CIP and Multicultural Affairs will supervise and provide support to the center.” PGSA has an event planned, on campus, for World AIDS Day in December. Nealy said, “We will be asking PGSA to consider volunteering at the Lambda Community Center, in Sacramento.”

Jerry Sloan, co-founder of the Lambda Community Center said, “The Lambda Community Center building opened in Aug. of 1986 with all volunteer staff,” for the purpose of providing support to the gay and lesbian community of Sacramento.

Sloan said the Lambda Community Center is in the planning process to build a new community center that will include “community meeting rooms, senior housing, child care for same sex couple’s children, a youth center for teenage kids and a community theater for entertainment.”

On Tuesday, Nov. 5, the Lambda Community Center held their first community meeting to begin the planning process and over 25 volunteers attended. The next Lambda planning meeting will be in Jan. of 2003.

For more information contact PGSA via email at UOPGSA@hotmail.com or the Lambda Community Center at lambda@lambda-sacramento.com.

Community BBQ

By Frances Johnson
Guest Writer

On Saturday, Oct. 26 the women of Delta Sigma Theta, the men of Phi Beta Sigma and the students of the African American Student Union gathered at the Stockton Homeless Shelter to BBQ, play with kids, talk to parents, and have a great time. All three organizations set out to serve their community that day, and what a day it was. The event lasted from 1 p.m. until 5 p.m.

The student organization planned this event throughout Oct. They went to local businesses in Stockton to get donations and discounted prices for the items they needed to make the event a success. Alpine Packing Company donated 200 beef hot dogs, Domino’s handed over 10 medium pepperoni pizzas, while the Community Involvement Program (CIP) and Pacific Dining Services gave picnic and cooking utensils. Wonder Hostess Bakery Outlet gave the students a 10% discount on hot dog buns. The rest of the supplies needed for the event came out of dues paid to run each organization.

By 1 p.m., laughing children and a round of musical chairs was underway, as well as face painting, and pick-up basketball games. Kevin Bowie, president of Phi Beta Sigma, said, “I loved interacting with the kids. I was at the face painting booth. The kids wanted me to paint bunnies, vampires, and kittens. They have great imaginations because I can’t draw that well.”

The families at the shelter were very receptive of all those who participated. Will McBride of Phi Beta Sigma and Bill Campbell of the Homeless Shelter grilled the hot dogs, Miyisha Johnson kept the kids grooving to the tunes for musical chairs. Johnson, president of Delta Sigma Theta, said, “Ariel Macon, V.P. of Delta Sigma Theta presented the idea at chapter. We all saw it as a chance to get involved with the community. We invited all the Greek houses that attend Greek council, but only Phi Beta Sigma decided to join us. AASU was invited via invitation of their president, Akossiwa Lawrence who also serves as the Delta Sigma Theta’s secretary.”

Along with everyone at the event, Johnson agreed the best part of it all was seeing the smiles on the children’s faces.

Katrina Donahue and Ashley Young helped put smiles on those little faces when they started a shaving cream fight. Everyone was running all over the playground with piles of shaving cream in their hands, looking to smash the cream on some unsuspecting victims.

Margie Johnson, 12 years of age, said, “I usually stay in my room because there is nothing to do on the weekends. My favorite part of today was the shaving cream fight.” By the end of the fight, kids and students alike were breathing hard, laughing and covered with shaving cream.

When McBride and Campbell finished preparing the food, everyone gathered around the picnic table to serve and eat food. Everyone was welcome to eat. Mostly the families ate, but a few
Genocide in Rwanda worse than Holocaust

By Jesse Merkel
Staff Writer

April 7, 1994, genocide in Rwanda was rampant. One hundred days later, one million Tutsis and Hutu moderates lay murdered by the hand of a fanatical Hutu majority. The international community did nothing to halt it. This heinous moment in history was revisited Tuesday afternoon when Dr. Margee Ensign, Dean of Pacific's School of International Studies, gave a stunn­ ing lecture to a mix of students, faculty, and Stockton community members in a packed George Wilson Hall, chronicling the genocide and relating her experiences in this grie­ stricken nation.

Ensign began the presentation with a brief history of Rwanda starting in the pre-colonial era and ending with her most recent visit to the country three weeks ago. She emphasized the fact that before European colonization, primarily by Germans and Belgians, "ethnic distinctions were fluid, social mobility was common­place." This aspect changed when the Europeans arrived in the nineteenth century and the creation of a categoriza­ tion that depicted the Tutsi minority as racially superior from the Hutu majority. This theory, developed "out of thin air," left the Tutsis with an inflated ego and the Hutus with "a big inferiority complex."

The colonization also in­ stituted identity cards based on ethnicity that the Hutu majority would use to system­atically commit genocide more than three-quarters of a century later. When the Belgians withdrew from the country in the 1950's, there was a reversal of roles as the Hutus, having lived for so many years under the colo­ nial rule, removed the once favored Tutsis from power.

The ensuing years of bloodshed between the eth­ nic groups would eventually lead to a seizure of power by Hutu Major General, Juvenal Habyarimana, that would last from 1973 until 1994. Throughout this period, the Hutu power ideology was encouraged and in 1990 the "Hutu Ten Commandments" were published in Kangura.

Representative of the hate the ideology espoused, the tenth commandment stated, "It was the duty of every Hutu to spread widely the Hutu ideology and exter­ mine the cockroaches (Tutsis)."

This growing hole of ethnic division was seemingly not visible to the international community as they pressed President Habyarimana to institute power-sharing and democratic reforms.

In April 3, 1994, having just signed this type of agree­ ment in Arusha, President Habyarimana's plane, also carrying the president of neighboring Burundi, was shot down by two surface-to-air missiles, widely believed to have been fired by Hutu extremists opposed to sharing power with the Tutsis. Thirty minutes later, the genocide began in earnest.

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 Tutorial center helps

By Angela Richards
Staff Writer

Phillip Jay is one important graduate assistant. Working at the Benerd School of Education, Jay works 20 hours a week as the Tutorial Coordinator. Jay receives up to nine units each semester plus a monthly stipend.

Sounds like a good deal. Well, the School of Education has plenty of these positions open. If anyone is interested all you must do is fill out an application and return it to the Dean's office.

As the Tutorial Coordinator Jay recruits, screens and trains all tutors, supervises the Tutorial Center's clerical workers, maintains records, does hiring paperwork as well as payroll information and writes evaluations for the program. On top of all this, he is a graduate student.

Jay knew that he wanted to get into education because he knew it would be the job that makes him most happy. He specifically wants to teach in early elementary school because there are virtually no male teachers under grade four and kids need the influence of a positive male role model. He feels that a teacher is also responsible for teaching discipline and social skills. Basically he wants to teach his students to be good honest people who are life long learners.

Jay enrolled in the School of Education in 1998 because the teacher preparation program is one of the most respected in the states. When he decided to work on his teaching credential he looked again to the Benerd School and found that it has a great Master's program as well.

Working in the Tutorial Center seemed like the best graduate assistantship for Jay himself had been a tutor for many years and really like working in Bannister Hall because of the people. He also knew that he would really enjoy working under Snyder.

The Tutorial Center is free and open to all students, even if they are not doing poorly in their classes. Some students come in because they are failing, others just like the little bit of extra help to keep the A or B. A student must come to the center in person to make an appointment if they would like to be tutored.

Each appointment usually lasts for an hour and it is a one on one session with the tutor. Although it varies semester to semester, the tutors are available for a wide variety of subjects.

If the center does not have a tutor for a certain subject they will search for one and hire them. Tutors are paid eight dollars an hour. To be a tutor, one must fill out an application, have good people skills and hold a B+ or higher in the class they would like to tutor.

The Center has been growing a lot since Jay has started working there. The enrollment has been up and students are becoming more aware of the fact that the center is on campus and free. Jay says the program is getting better each semester.

The ERC Tutorial Center is located on the first floor of Bannister Hall next to the fitness center. It is open Monday through Thursday from 9 a.m.-9 p.m. and on Friday from 9 a.m.-5 p.m. To contact the center by phone call 946-2437.

Pacifican goes to Florida

The Pacifican

The Pacifican staff is always on the prowl of what they can do to make The Pacifican a better newspaper. Recently they got the chance to travel to Orlando, Fla. to see how college campuses around the nation are creating their own publication.

The Associate Collegiate Press and the College Media Advisers brought together hundreds of college students to share ideas and information as well as learn about new topics through various workshops.

The conference provided the chance for editors to look at other campus publications and see how things are getting done elsewhere and what issues are important to students across the country. The Beacon, Florida International University's student newspaper, gave Pacifican editors the idea to hire copy editors who would serve to edit all the article for grammatical, typographical, content and syntax errors thus making the paper more credible.

The editors also had the opportunity to attend workshops that focused on things like how to research articles, how to incorporate public journalism into your stories you are covering, how to manage and train your staff, among others. Lisa Hoffman, Elizabeth Vigil, Jessica Wakefield and Amber Prochaska also had the opportunity to coordinate their own workshop incorporating how we at The Pacifican use public journalism and what issues we cover in such a small campus.

Our paper had one of the best layouts and the most eye catching among the sea of dull black and gray newspapers. The Pacifican editors realized that regardless of the size of our school and staff we are a pretty good newspaper competing among ranks of university's with over 20,000 students. This proves that size doesn't matter as we strive to improve The Pacifican.

The Pacifican is looking for
Spring 2003
staff writers.
For more information, contact us at 946-2115.

Retraction

In the Nov. 7 issue of The Pacifican, the kicker titled, "Giving back to the community" should have read: The sorority Delta Sigma Theta, the fraternity Phi Beta Sigma and the African American Student Union gave their time at the Stockton Homeless Shelter where members hosted a BBQ and played with children.

If you would like to get involved be sure to do something that will be meaningful to you and those you help. The members of Delta Sigma Theta, Phi Beta Sigma and the students of the African American Student Union all felt good.

The Pacifican apologizes for any inconveniences this caption may have caused the above organizations.
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The process in selecting a faculty member for an endowed chair is very complicated and consuming. Currently, the university is reviewing nominations and credentials of a few candidates in the search of that perfect professor to be the next endowed chair.

Having endowed chairs is a very prestigious recognition in university circles and the university is honored to have them. The "Never Hulsey Endowed Chair in Business Excellence" will help a qualified professor to teach students about marketable skills that will be usable skills that will be used in the near future.

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The truth about your friends

By Jemilyn Ancheta
Guest Writer

Choosing friends in college can be critical. Some people go to great lengths just to find them. Joining sororities and fraternities, clubs, or even attending campus events is how some people hope to find their niche of friends. What if really comes down to is, whether or not those friends will benefit you or affect you in a negative way.

This is when you realize whether those friends are good friends or bad friends.

Cutting class, falling behind on homework, and even developing smoking habits are just some of the effects of having bad friends. Yet if we make the choice to keep them, then the deeper a hole we will dig to which we can never get out.

Having bad friends causes you to forget your school priorities. You'll find them bothering you to go out with them. They'll pester you for always studying and not having time to hang out with them. Being convinced that they are so much more important will make schoolwork less important, going to class less of a necessity and in the long run you will pay the price.

Your self-esteem will also be shot down. True good friends would compliment you or boost your ego when you get depressed, but having bad friends will make you feel less important or worthy.

Instead of hearing, “It’s ok, things will be fine,” you’ll hear, “Get over it.” Until then you’ll realize what bad friends they are.

Having supportive friends is a very important thing. You’ll find that bad friends will not always be there for you, to comfort you. They will just run off and make excuses on other things they need to do instead of making you feel better. Then will you realize that the saying, “I’ll scratch your back and you’ll scratch mine,” will soon be a thing of the past.

Many of your friend’s influences will also rub off on yourself. Like the saying, “You are what you eat.” If your friends smoke, then you will eventually smoke. If your friends drink and party, then you will drink and party. Some of these habits will become life long and can be hard to break.

A lot of us would think that if things are so bad with these friends, then why would anyone want to hang out with them. As humans we don’t want to see the flaws or what their friendships have done to us. We just want to be happy with the fact that we have friends.

To a lot of people it doesn’t matter how you make friends, it just matters that you have them. Whether you buy them or earn them, it doesn’t really matter.

So think twice before...
November 21, 2002

Letter to the Editor: Disappointed in ASUOP

It is my understanding that ASUOP is trying to improve communication with the students of Pacific. In doing so, ASUOP has developed Tiger Tracks, a bi-weekly newsletter for the university. However, if they want to improve communication with students, maybe they should start with themselves.

As News Editor, I have a hard time communicating with ASUOP. Who are those rude people answering your phones that constantly turn my writers and me away whenever we are trying to write about one of your events? I call to ask if they have anything they want covered and all I receive is a rude "no." Again and again I have writers unable to meet deadlines because ASUOP would not speak with them.

I know ASUOP complains about not receiving enough coverage, however they should not complain when obviously they are no help.

Tiger Tracks is a prime example of how ASUOP is once again separating themselves from The Pacifican, as well as students. Only this time they are not only ignoring The Pacifican, they are cutting all ties with us.

Respectfully,
Amber Prochaska
News Editor

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If the Grinch can figure out the true meaning of the holidays...
The Republicans sweep the country
What does this all mean, who is to credit?

By Alexandra Wagner
A&E Editor

For the first time since the 1934 elections under FDR, the party of the president gained control over both houses of congress in a midterm election.

After such a rare occurrence, political analysts from both ends of the spectrum are asking the same questions: what does this all mean, and who is to credit? The answers to these questions are very important to both parties' campaign strategy for the next presidential election and each offer differing perspectives as to how this all happened.

President Bush is the most popular answer for the question of who is to credit for the Republican congressional sweep. Noting his intense campaigning efforts and his personal selection of candidates in important senate races, many analysts believe the Republicans should thank Bush for their victory.

In contrast to this popular view, the results of a CBS news poll conducted the day before the elections suggests otherwise. Only 27% of the voters polled before the elections said that they would cast their votes for the Republicans in order to support Bush, and 55% said that the president would be no factor in their decision. In another poll conducted by Newsweek, it was found that Bush's approval rating has dropped to 60%, an all-time low since after 9-11.

A major factor influencing the outcome in the elections for the House of Representatives was the redistricting process that takes place every ten years. State legislatures in most states drew districts to protect incumbents of both parties so there were only a handful of truly competitive races. Furthermore, the GOP had control of the majority of the governorships and state legislatures during the redistricting process and no doubt influenced this process to their advantage.

Despite the gerrymandering and campaigning of a popular president, the Republicans only added five seats to their slim majority in the House. And, the two senate races that gave control to the Republicans were very close, decided by a mere 197, 600 votes.

The truth is Bush should not be credited for the Republican victories, and it really isn't clear that the GOP candidates should be either. The true reasons for how the Republicans pulled off this congressional sweep are really the consequence of events beyond their control.

The Republican victories can be traced back to the events after the September 11th attacks. Since 9-11, the mindset of most American's has been flooded by a whirlpool of paranoia. Terrorist threats, sniper shootings, nuclear arms discoveries and the incessant violence in the Middle East have made voters nervous about security and have tipped the swing voters toward the Republicans in many tight races.

The Republicans wasted no time in announcing their intentions to pursue a very conservative agenda. Recently, the ultra right-wing members of the House voted against their own leadership in defeating a Republican sponsored bankruptcy bill that their pro-life constituents felt unfairly targeted them. They are also ready to pass Bush's Homeland Security bill as it stands, allowing for the workers right to unionize parish.

What will happen to this county if the Republicans fly through these next two years unchecked? Will the rights of workers, women, and immigrants be forgotten? Will the war in Iraq become a stepping-stone for the United States to solve all its international conflicts with force? Who will stand up for the elderly when Bush privatizes social security and congress passes a prescription drug bill written by the pharmaceutical industry?

Many leaders in the Democratic Party are calling upon their members to stop playing politics and to act more like statesmen. They implore Democrats in Congress to take the offensive and counteract Republican proposals with their own. If the Democrats are to succeed, they will need to convince the American people that they are just as committed as the Republicans to issues of security. And, they need to show that the greatest threat facing this country is not terrorism, but how our leaders respond to it.
nesses fold, health does not always stay positive, homes are not always guaranteed to grant shelter, credit cards have limits, and meals are not always able to be purchased. Life can throw us curves and that person that you don’t even give a thought to without a home or a dime could possibly become you.

Thus, live in the present. Be thankful for what you have. Celebrate life, living.

letting your guard down to become a friend. Think and analyze what they do and say, so you too won’t be the next bad friend.

Like Elizabeth Thompson says, “Picking friends is like baking a cake, if you add too much salt or too much flour, then the whole batch goes bad.” So choose wisely, or you’ll live with regrets. You don’t want to be a part of the next batch that goes bad.

Michael Jackson makes the news again. This time he is testifying in a $21 million breach of contract lawsuit. I don’t know what looks worse his nose or the beginning of a beard that reminds us that he is male.
The Apple Tree grows on endless love

By Paula Krueger
Staff Writer

Love, the timeless theme of most classical stories, is the underlying topic of Pacific’s production of ‘The Apple Tree.’

This musical, put on by the Theater Arts Department and the Conservatory of Music, contained three acts, which served as three separate stories.

In the first act, The Diary of Adam and Eve, a new interpretation of the first existing couple is told through humorist writer Mark Twain. While the punishment God administers to Adam and Eve due to their consumption of the forbidden fruit is not the center of this story, there is an emphasis on Adam and Eve’s relationship.

The play begins with Adam (Joshua John McKay) sleeping on the ground until God’s deep, heavy voice awakens him. He orders Adam to name the animals and he realizes that there is a great variety among the animal kingdom, showing the degree of God’s power regarding creation.

As the play continues, Eve (Mary Eilers) is created and her presence annoys Adam, at first. What is truly unique about Eve is her ability to name any living or nonliving organism by merely just looking at it.

In addition, contemporary issues of men and women are exemplified. Eve complains about Adam’s lack of activity and doing nothing useful. Adam, on the other hand, criticizes Eve for talking too much.

Throughout the play, the snake (Carley Bain) attempts to entice Eve to accomplish evil. This is finally achieved when Eve eats the forbidden apple. Eve encourages Adam to do the same arguing that apples are not forbidden, rather, it is chestnuts. Of course, she is mistaken because the snake tells her this in order for Eve to eat the fruit.

Adam finally complies with Eve and as a result, they leave the forest.

Ironically enough, after eating the apples, they start developing a close, intimate relationship and Eve gives birth to the twins Cain and Abel, who are well known for their rivalry. In the end, Eve dies and the scene ends abruptly leaving the audience debating his probable outcome. In between the beginning of the play and Captain Sanjar’s trial, the princess contemplates what door she would want her lover to open. On one hand, she says the tiger because she would not want another woman to marry him. However, she does not desire him dead. This moral dilemma creates fear in Princess Barbara. Specifically, fear in what is going to happen to her lover. Either way, she is going to lose him.

In the third act, love as the main theme returns. In the story Passionella, another modern interpretation of a classic is exhibited, known as Cinderella. Ella (Betsy Hooper), a chimney sweeper who fantasizes about becoming a glamorous movie star, puts so much emphasis on appearances. Instead, he would rather be involved with a woman who has soul and acts herself.

Senior Betsy Hooper plays a chimney sweeper chasing stardom.

By Alyson Dodei
Guest Writer

Buses arrived, people filed into the cathedral, and the choirs rehearsed their songs. On Sunday Oct. 10 at 6:30 p.m., University of the Pacific choirs met in the practice rooms to prepare for it’s concert. Pacific Singers, Oleanna, and the University Chorus had been working hard throughout the semester perfecting their music arrangements.

Such songs included in the concert by Pacific Student’s were: In Remembrance from “Requiem,” by Eleanor Daley; Loc Lomond arranged by Jonathan Quick, and Al-leluia from George Frideric Handel’s Coronation Anthem No. 2.

The concert incorporated a wonderful group of talented musicians who joined together to put on a fantastic show. Not only was it a show full of Pacific students, but it brought other schools together as well. For example, Sacramento State College bused in their chorus and showed the audience what it means to be apart of a university choir.

A wonderful conductor, who arranged a successful repertoire of music for the audience to enjoy, led the choirs. The show lasted for two hours and each choir sang beautifully, proving that with hard work and effort a successful show is fun and easy to put on.

The choirs enjoyed coming together and socializing with one another outside of class. They enjoyed watching other choirs from other schools, witnessing their hard work shine through. The choirs selected a nice arrangement of music that was exciting and uplifting to listen to. It was relaxing and moving at the same time.

After the show was completed the choirs went their separate ways, but hopefully the performance at the Cathedral of the Annunciation will become an anticipated annual tradition.

It is great bringing various schools and choirs together. It is a great way to build community and join together to spread the love of music. Some audience members went to dinner after the show and to their surprise they ran into the Sacramento choir and saw them laughing and dining together comfortably in Stockton.

“It was wonderful to see,” said one performance attendee, it felt real and promising to see another school come to our area and enjoy themselves so freely. They definitely agree that bringing in schools for activities like music is a worth while cause and it needs to be done more often.
"Requiem for a dream" offers a haunting reality

By Michele Arrighi
Opinion Editor

If you are looking for an uplifting movie to rent this Saturday night don’t pick up “Requiem for a Dream.” If you want a movie depicting the reality of drug addiction that haunts you for weeks after viewing, then Requiem should be your choice.

The movie has four main characters. Harry played by Jared Leto, his best friend Ty played by Marlon Wayans and his girlfriend played by Jennifer Connelly. The fourth character is the mom of Harry played by Ellen Burstyn.

The plot is simple enough in that it shows the steps that a person would deal with regarding the danger of drugs.

The mom lives alone and after receiving an invitation to appear on a television show she is obsessed with, begins to try to lose weight. When her will power to avoid food isn’t strong enough she turns to a “shady” doctor and his diet pills. These so-called diet pills are actually capsules of speed and she becomes addicted to them.

Meanwhile, her son Harry, his girlfriend, and his best friend Ty come up with the idea to deal small drugs. This idea seems to be the answer to all their financial problems and they are soon rolling in the money. Then the drug market gets all shaken up when a war breaks out between the Italians and African Americans.

It is too late for our characters for they have been “testing” all drugs before they sell them. They are deep in their addictions and when the money is gone they get desperate.

This film isn’t a “feel good” film, it actually made me sick. It doesn’t have a happily ever after ending; it shows the reality of drugs. The character’s lives are destroyed. While watching it, you feel their pain. It drags your spirit through the mud and into the gutter and you will not come out.

It is the type of movie that haunts you for weeks. It makes you wish you had never seen the movie but you are still glad you did. It makes one swear to never try drugs.

The final moments of the movie are so powerful it is beyond words to describe. The basic idea is that love doesn’t always conquer all, obstacles and drugs don’t care if you are a good person they will destroy you anyway.

Marlon Wayans takes a serious turn in "Requiem for a dream."

By www.ew.com

“Harry Potter and the Chamber of Secrets” (Warner Bros.)
Weekend gross: $87.6
Number of screens: 3682
Weeks in release: 1
Cross to date: $87.6

“8 Mile” (Universal)
Weekend gross: $21.3
Number of screens: 2496
Weeks in release: 2
Cross to date: $86.4

“The Santa Clause 2” (B. Viesta)
Weekend gross: $15.1

Number of screens: 3346
Weeks in release: 3
Cross to date: $82.5

“The Ring” (DreamWorks)
Weekend gross: $11.0
Number of screens: 2882
Weeks in release: 5
Cross to date: $101.6

“Half Past Dead” (Sony)
Weekend gross: $8.2
Number of screens: 2113
Weeks in release: 1
Cross to date: $8.2

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Free Concert!
Low Brass and Percussion Ensemble to perform
Contributed by Steve Perdicaris
Conservatory of Music

On Nov. 25, the Pacific Trombone Choir, Tuba/Euphonium Ensemble and Pacific Percussion Ensemble will perform at 7:30 p.m. in the Faye Spanos Concert Hall. The Pacific Percussion Ensemble, under the direction of Allen Brown, will offer a wide variety of sounds and styles from traditional Guatemalan, Mexican and Spanish folk songs to an arrangement from Beethoven’s Symphony No. 8 for mallet ensemble. Conservatory student Leah Mathews, will be featured on xylophone in an arrangement of the Log Cabin Blues.

Second on the program is the Tuba/Euphonium Ensemble directed by Douglas Hunt. They will be performing works by Pavel Tchesnokov, Johannes Brahms, John Stevens and a lively arrangement by Jack Gale of the Tiger Rag.

The 10-member Pacific Trombone Choir will open the program with works by Derek Bourgeois, Felix Mendelssohn and Eric Ewazen. Steve Perdicaris, director of the choir said, “This year’s trombone studio is one of the strongest since I began teaching at Pacific, enabling me to program difficult selections that are challenging to the performers yet pleasing to the ear. I would like to encourage all to attend and enjoy the wonderfully talented students here at Pacific.”

By Rocheal DeRonde
Staff Writer

Blake Cuevas and Brandon Mettler are both seniors in the same fraternity, Pike. However, they have been friends before they even came to school at Pacific. Mettler’s older sister was a Dreamgirl at the frat, and Cuevas’s older brother was in the frat as well. They first met at Mettler’s parent’s house in Lodi on the 4th of July.

What were your first impressions of each other?

Cuevas: I liked his collared shirt he had on. I thought he was a nice, stand-up guy.
Mettler: He seemed like the tough guy...the type of guy who would kick my dog at any moment.

What is your best memory?

Cuevas: This past weekend was pretty memorable. A big group of us were in Lake Tahoe celebrating my 21st. We found Mettler asleep in the middle of the hotel room with a courtesy shower cap on his head.
Mettler: I plea the 5th!

What do you admire most in each other?

Mettler: His readiness to have a good time no matter what the circumstance.
Cuevas: His instigating capabilities.

Mettler: It took me a while to hone those.

What do you least like about each other?

Mettler: Blake seems to think that Shakira concerts are more important than hanging out with me.
Cuevas: He sweats profusely.

Are there any strange traditions the two of you have?

Both: EVERYTHING IS TRADITION!
Cuevas: I drive with my left foot when Brandon is in the car.
Mettler: Making fun of our other friend, Jacob Saewert, has become a tradition, to name a few.

How will the two of you keep in touch after graduation?

Cuevas: Cellular telephones.
Mettler: Text messaging.
Cuevas: Brandon is going to be my son’s godfather.

What will you miss most about each other?

Cuevas: Not being able to just go downstairs and knock on his door whenever I want to hang out.
Mettler: Watching him sing “Country Boy Can Survive” by Hank Williams at 3:30 on a Tuesday morning.
Cuevas: Honestly, see, I don’t like him that much.

By Rocheal DeRonde
Staff Writer

Brandon Mettler and Blake Cuevas
The Osbournes are fired up

By Elizabeth Vigil
Managing Editor

No one could have ever known that the man made famous for biting the head of a bat would be worth gold for MTV. Ozzy Osbourne and his family, stars of The Osbournes, hold the record for the highest-rated show in MTV's history. Last year's debut series had many viewers intrigued with the antics of the self-proclaimed Prince of Darkness, his wife Sharon and teenage children Jack and Kelly.

Last year's season made The Osbournes a household name and launched the family into the spotlight of mainstream media. Ozzy, already famous from his days as a member of Black Sabbath and star of Ozzfest, and his family became instant celebrities. Daughter, Kelly launched her music career on last September's MTV Video Music Awards where she performed a version of Madonna's 'Papa Don't Preach.' Son, Jack is currently scouting talent all over the country in hopes of starting a record label. Sharon is set to host her own talk show next fall. The show has even made celebrities of the family's numerous pets.

One Osbourne child chose not to be involved with the show. Aimee, Ozzy and Sharon's eldest daughter, moved out when MTV cameras invaded the home. Aimee told Diane Sawyer in a recent interview that she also wants to be a singer and does not want to be stigmatized based on the show. Aimee also mentioned that she is embarrassed sometimes by her family's behavior and constant cursing.

However, these were the things that attracted the show's success because she was the brainpower behind the show's success because she was the brainpower behind both.

The second season will chronicle Sharon as she undergoes chemotherapy and Kelly as she records her debut album.

This second, and perhaps final, season of The Osbournes is sure to be just as delightful to watch as the first. Tune in on Tuesdays at 10:30 p.m. after the Real World.

Aries
You tend to act with impulse, however this week think things thoroughly before making rash decisions. Someone is uncertain where he or she stands with you. Let them know where you want this relationship to go.

Taurus
You are very laid back, which helps you easily deal with stress, tension and worries. A friend may need you to help him or her chill. This week, have a night out with your closest friends.

Gemini
Your charm shines this week, however do not suppress those feelings you've kept bottled up. Let it out and let your charm take care of the rest!

Cancer
You are such a good friend. You are the one everyone runs to when they need someone to listen. Do not let other's burdens create more stress for you.

Leo
You are big-hearted. You always have a positive outlook on situations. Use your creativity to get yourself out of problems that may arise this week.

Virgo
Do not be so critical, use your creative potential to be tactful and diplomatic. Your initial reaction to a difficult situation may be to worry about it, however know that it will pass and relax!

Libra
Usually you are well balanced, but this week may be too hectic for even a Libran to handle. Use your brainpower, energy, style and charm to give you comfort.

Scorpio
This week, listen to your intuition and take action. Your powerful, inquiring mind will come in play to help you combat any opposition you may feel this week.

Sagittarius
Do not push away any suggestions you receive this week. You have intellectual potential. Keep moving physically and mentally.

Capricorn
Your inner desire to reach the top, socially and in your career, really shows this week. Do not succumb to negative feelings. This week, you'll achieve a great deal!

Aquarius
You are so independent that you are keeping someone you really care about at a distance. Don’t let this distance get in the way of you expressing your emotions. Express your individuality creatively and you’ll be on the right track.

Pisces
Your response to difficult situations is to look for an easy way out, however look at who you are hurting in doing so. This week, do not offer help if it is an inconvenience. Remember, a relationship is about sharing.
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Scorers missing in action in season’s first three weeks

By John Hollinger
CNN.com

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Overall, there are seven teams — nearly a quarter of the league — averaging fewer than 90 points a game this year. The league as a whole is shooting 42.4 percent from the field and committing 16 turnovers a game. Last year, by comparison, the league average was 44.5 percent from the field and teams turned it over just 14 times per contest.

The results are plain to see on the scoreboard. Last year the league average was 95.5 points a game, but this year it’s fallen to a sadder 91.9.

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Pacific Junior Tim McKenzie: a natural born fighter

By Brandon Winslow
Staff Writer

You may have seen him around campus, or had a class with him but what you may not have known is fellow student, junior Tim McKenzie, 20, is a bona-fide “Bad Ass.”

McKenzie is a part of a world that includes trained fighters participating in the IFC (International Fighting Championship). Fights take place in an 18 feet by 18 feet octagon ring, which allows all styles of fighting techniques and permits biting, eye gouging, clawing, groin techniques, striking to the throat or fish hooking the mouth, and striking the spine with the point of the elbow.

This past weekend on Saturday, November 16th, McKenzie entered into one of those very rings for the fourth time in his fast start career. The result was the same as his previous three matches, a decisive victory. He is now a combined 4-0 and has a very bright future in a sport that most people would never think to join.

A total of about 40 members of this University supported McKenzie during the entire 1:04 seconds it took the referee to call the match and prevent McKenzie from hurting his opponent, Jeremy Escover of Tracy any further.

McKenzie said, “Winning feels great... hopefully I’ll keep it up and make it big.”

Dr. Mark Van Ness of the Sport Science department was among the 700 plus audience at Howard Park in nearby lone. Fans also included numerous students from Pacific and a few family members of McKenzie.

“I’d rather ride a bull than get in that ring,” said Van Ness.

McKenzie works out at Gracie Jiu Jitsu gym with trainer, Steve Heath and has been training for a total of two years including the last six months for this last fight. McKenzie’s main focus is in Jiu Jitsu and he also participates in boxing drills in preparation for any match.

“A lot of mental preparation is involved before a fight, it’s about 90% mental and 10% physical,” said McKenzie.

As for the future, McKenzie has a bright one and I for one can’t wait to see what’s next for him and you should too.

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the first game. But the Tigers rallied to tie the game at 27-27 and proceeded to score three consecutive points and win the game 30-27 win.

Pacific took the momentum for game one and ran with it. They built an early 4-1 lead and never trailed on their way to a 30-23 win.

Junior Jennifer Joines led the Tigers with seven kills in the game.

The third game and final game was a lot tighter than the two previous games with neither team building a sizeable lead.

Joines led the Tigers with a match-high 19 kills, Joanna Rentz was the only other Tiger in double figures in kills with 10.

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San Francisco - A judge plans to rule Dec. 18 in the case to determine the owner of Barry Bonds’ 73rd home run ball.

Closing arguments ended Monday in the trial before Judge Kevin McCarthy, who is hearing the case without a jury.

The ball, perhaps worth $1 million, landed in Alex Popov’s glove for an instant on Oct. 7, 2001, at Pacific Bell Park. In the ensuing pileup, the record ball popped out and Patrick Hayashi pocketed it. Popov sued and the two men have been in court for two weeks of trial.
Women's Basketball

The Women's Basketball team of Pacific is set for its season and home opener tomorrow, Friday, the 22nd against Northern Arizona. The game will begin at 5 p.m. and is part of a double header with the men's team.

After completing their exhibition schedule, the games that really count are upon us. The Tigers went 1-1 in the pre-season with games against Cal State Stanislaus (Win, 95-81) and Cal State Bakersfield (Loss, 86-79).

Head coach Craig Jackson said, "In preseason exhibition play, you find out what needs to be improved upon for the start of the regular season and what works within our game plan."

With the start of the regular season, here are a few constants you can expect to see this season, according to junior guard Corinne Wong, a great inside game and quickness from junior guard Jasmine Ewing, a first rate shooting from junior guard Nancy Dinges, excellent rebounding ability from junior forward Andrea Nederostek, a strong presence on the court from junior forward Gillian d'Hondt, a knack for drawing fouls and getting an easy two from the line by senior forward Vanessa Dupont, all-around play from Clark and a team full of hard working individuals with the same goals for success.

"This Friday should kick off a great season," Nederostek said while commenting on the start of the season.

So don't miss out on the action and come support the Tigers this Friday night at the Spanos Center.

Water Polo

STOCKTON, CALIF. - The Pacific Tigers men's water polo team fell 11-7 to #5 UCLA on Saturday, Nov. 16th. The loss drops Pacific to 10-12 on the season and 3-5 in the Mountain Pacific Sports Federation, while the Bruins improved to 12-7 overall and 4-4 in the MPSF.

After Pacific broke on top 1-0 on the first possession of the game, UCLA threatened to blow the game open as the Bruins scored five of the next six goals to take a 5-2 lead with two minutes remaining in the opening period.

The Tigers, however, responded with three goals of their own to tie the match at 5-5 with 6:07 remaining in the second period. Seniors Danny Johnson (Westminster, Calif.) and Kraig Jorgensen (Lodi, Calif.) had two goals each in the opening period for Pacific to keep the game close, while junior Jared Pendergrass (Fresno, Calif.) tied the game at five with his 11th goal of the season.

With the match tied, UCLA took its game to the next level as the Bruins scored five consecutive goals in the next 13 minutes to take a 10-5 lead into the final period.

Pacific will be back in action on Saturday, Nov. 29, as they begin play in the MPSF Tournament in Los Alamitos. The Tigers opening round opponent will be #1 Stanford.

Cross Country

PALO ALTO, CALIF. -- Three members of the Pacific Tigers cross country team competed in the NCAA West Regional at Stanford on Saturday, Nov.16.

Senior Marlene Eggener paced the Tigers as she finished 157th in the 6k event with a time of 25:27.

Softball

STOCKTON, CALIF. - University of the Pacific head softball coach Brian Kolze announced today the signing of two recruits for the 2004 softball season. The Tigers signed Gina Carbonatto and Lizzie Hagen to national letters of intent.

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Hagen, who will be attending the University of the Pacific, was selected to the Coke County Register All-City second team and the All-County Register All-City first team as a junior.

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Volleyball

IRVINE, CALIF. -- Pacific junior middle blocker Jennifer Joines has been Player of the Week for the week of Nov. 18, 2002. The selection is her third of the 2002 season. Joines was also named to the AVCA/Sport Imports National Player of the Week the week of Oct. 7.

Joines hit .467 (33-5-60) and averaged 5.50 kills, 2.33 digs, and 1.67 blocks per game in Pacific's Big West Conference victories at Idaho and Utah State last weekend.

She pounded 19 kills without an error in 30 total attempts (.633) to lead the Tigers to a three-game sweep at Utah State on Nov. 16.

With 10 total blocks on the weekend, Joines moved past four-time All-American Charlotta Johansson and into sole possession of seventh place on the Pacific career list with 480 total blocks.

She currently has 1,469 career kills, just 17 shy of surpassing two-time U.S. Olympian Elaina Oden for third place on the Pacific career list.

Honors Society includes: "Gina is an exceptional athlete who has set the bar at the high school club level," Kolze said. "She will allow us to move her to the outside of her colleague career path."

Hagen will join the Tigers from Rosary, Calif. She played two-sport letterwinner in softball and tennis. A year starting Rosary HS, Hagen was an all-league first teamer in her sophomore and junior seasons and second team recognition as a freshman.

She was selected to the Coke County Register All-City second team and the All-County Register All-City first team as a junior batting .418 for the season. Hagen recently participated in the Smoke18U Gold program.

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Five Pacific water polo players sanctioned by the NCAA for misconduct

The Record

Five members of the University of the Pacific men’s water polo team have received sanctions from the NCAA and the Mountain Pacific Sports Federation for a post-game altercation that occurred following the Tigers’ 9-8 victory over Pepperdine on Sunday.

Senior Nic Hepner and junior Eddie Wisniewski, both All-Americans and Pacific’s top two scorers, received two-game suspensions for fighting, and senior Chris Nowak, junior Brady Norvall and sophomore Will McLaughlin have been suspended for one game for leaving the bench area during the altercation.

All five players missed their final home match of the season against No. 5 UCLA, and Hepner and Wisniewski also will miss the Tigers’ first-round match of the MPSF Tournament on Nov. 29 against #1 Stanford.

“It’s horrible. It’s flat-out horrible,” Pacific coach Courtney Porter said of the decision. “This is totally unfair. These kids were neither the agitators nor the aggressors. The kids that came off the bench were peacekeepers. It’s an injustice. I’ve been in education 23 years and have coached about 1,000 water polo games and I’ve never seen anything like this.”

Pacific athletic director Lynn King and associate athletic director for development Cindy Spiro took part in a conference call with the MPSF on Friday. The MPSF executive review committee looked at video tape presented by Porter, which he believed would exonerate his players. It didn’t.

The MPSF determined from the tape that Wisniewski should be sanctioned for fighting when Porter maintains he was trying to break up the altercation.

“It hurts our depth and our seniors, Nic and Chris, won’t get to play their final match at our pool,” Porter said. “I’ve really struggled with this. Adults let these kids down.”

Porter received a red card in the third quarter of the same match and won’t be allowed to coach today. Brad Schumacher took his place against UCLA.

With five of their players serving suspensions, Pacific could not compensate for their two leading scorers out as they lost 11-7 to UCLA.

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Roll out the red carpet, b-ball is back

The Tigers were carried by junior guard Miah Davis, who led four Tigers in double figures with 23 points. He made 7-of-9 from the floor and all but one of six from the free-throw line. He epitomized Pacific's hustle when he dove over the press table after a loose ball in the second half.

"Whatever it takes to win, that's what I'm going to do," said Davis, a transfer from Stanislaus State. "We practice free throws and shooting a lot. The emphasis is on taking good shots. That's Coach's biggest concern and we did a good job of that."

Pacific had a poor night at the free-throw line, making 27-of-43 (63%), but they took good care of the ball (12 turnovers) and played defensively. "We have to shoot free throws better," Tigers coach Bob Thomason said. "The whole team didn't shoot them very well."

The Tigers took a 23-5 lead in the first half, displaying a level of athleticism seldom seen in past years. In the first half, when Demetrius Jackson lobbed a perfect pass to Myre Bowden, who stuffed it through the hoop, it sent the crowd of 3,250 at Spanos Center into delirium. The Tigers led 41-28 at halftime, but Chico State, a Division II school, scored the first eight points of the second half.

Pacific woke up and went on an 11-0 run to take a 52-36 lead. The Tigers enjoyed their largest margin of the game (69-47) with 9:30 remaining, then held off their guests, who bombed away from the perimeter.

Scott Land made four 3-pointers and scored a team-high 22 points for Chico State. Christian Maraker scored 16 points and had eight rebounds for Pacific.

Jackson scored 15 points and Bowden had 11. After a spectacular preseason from the Tigers, fans anticipate much high-flying, in-your-face hoopla compliments of Pacific's men's basketball program. The roar is back and louder than ever, can you handle it?

Pacific volleyball finds rhythm on the road

The Tigers rebounded from last weeks disappointing home losses to sweep two teams on the road.

The first team to fall to the Tigers was Idaho. The Tigers lead, 15-11, at the midpoint of the first game before Idaho rallied off seven of the next nine points and went up 18-17. The game remained close the remainder of the way, with Idaho serving for the game at 29-27. That is when the Tigers turned on the heat with Hayley Anderson, Megan Hauschild, and Sarah Vinall pounded consecutive kills to give Pacific a 30-29 edge, but the Vandals proceeded to knot the game at 30-30. Senior Elaine Goeders followed with a solo block to give the Tigers a chance to serve for the game. On the ensuing point, Joanna Rentz pounded down her first kill of the match to give Pacific the 32-30 win.

After a close game one, the Tigers came out looking to put Idaho in its place. Pacific took an early 8-3 lead, and was never seriously threatened in the game. They coasted to the 30-23 win behind four kills each from Joanna Rentz and Megan Hauschild.

The third game however, was a little closer. Pacific held an early lead at 6-5 before the Vandals rolled off a 6-1 run to claim an 11-7 lead. Idaho maintained its lead until the Tigers fought their way back into the game and tied it at 22-22 on a block by Anderson and Joines. The Tigers finished with an 8-5 run to win the game, 30-27 for a three game sweep.

Junior Jennifer Joines led Pacific with a match-high 14 kills, while Hauschild added 13 kills and a team high 12 digs.

Next up for the Tigers was the Utah State Aggies. The Aggies came out ready to play and built a seemingly comfortable 23-17 lead late in the second game.

Pacific responded with a 14-7 run to tie it at 27-27. Senior Elaine Goeders and Joanna Rentz added two consecutive kills, then senior elaine Goeders added her third kill to give the Tigers a 29-27 lead. Idaho came back to tie it at 30-30, but Pacific won the ensuing point to win the match, 32-30.

Pacific won the match over the Aggies, 30-27, 32-30, and 30-27. The Tigers are now 1-1 in the MPSF this season.

By Blake Blackwell
Staff Writer

ATHLETE OF THE WEEK

Name: Miah Davis
Year: Junior
Sport: Basketball

Davis led Pacific with 23 points including four three pointers.