Foreign Policy

By Jesse Merkert
Staff Writer

On the evening of Nov. 8, author and Senior Fellow for U.S. foreign policy at the Council on Foreign Relations, Walter Russell Mead, presented his theory on the mechanics of American foreign policy. Addressing a full crowd at George Wilson Hall, Mead discussed his idea that U.S. foreign policy is comprised of four basic schools of political thought and action. In dialectic fashion, the Jacksonian, Jeffersonian, Wilsonian and Hamiltonian approaches are Mead’s answer to the question of why the United States excels “or at least does better than the rest of the world,” in foreign policy.

Before describing the four schools in detail, Mead discussed perceptions of U.S. foreign policy and their validity. He said, “We are all taught in school or hear in the press that Americans do not care much about foreign policy, that foreign policy doesn’t really matter in American politics.” Utilizing the 2000 Presidential election to illustrate the internationally motivated actions of the American people, Mead dismissed this apparent fal­lacy by arguing that “In Fla., 60,000 Cuban-Americans, who voted for Bill Clinton in 1996, voted for George Bush in 2000 and why? Because there is a little boy growing up in Cub: Elain Gonzalez.” Adding a historical example to his argument, Mead explained that Robert E. Lee’s invasion of the North dur­ing

Sex offenders in our midst

By Tora Cuslidge
Staff Writer

On admission and employment worksheets applicants are asked the basics: name, age, sex, address and criminal past.

To a sex offender the area concerning criminal past has recently become more important.

For offenders who attend colleges and universities in Calif., a new disclosure requirement went into effect on Oct. 28.

In conjunction with Megan’s Law, “which requires sex offenders to register with local law enforcement agencies,” Assembly Bill 4 now makes it mandatory for all offenders to also register at any college campus they work at or attend.

According to the Calif. College and University Police Chiefs Association web-site, the bill impacts all public and private universities with certified police departments.

Pacific does not have a certified department; therefore sex offenders do not have to register on the campus.

They do, however, need to register with the Stockton Police Department.

Associate Director of Public Safety Jerry Houston said Pacific students should not worry about the bill not affecting the campus.

“We come under the um-

First Pacific speech fair

By Angela Richards
Staff Writer

The Pacific Democrats and ASUOP held their first free speech fair Thursday, Nov. 21 in the McCaffrey Center.

From 11 a.m. until 2 p.m. McCaffrey was decorated with paper where students could read famous speeches and had a chance to write what they would like to speak about.

The Pacific Democrats decided to do this as a response to issues like Pacific housing Promise Keepers. When the Promise Keepers came to Pacific in October, the Pacific Democrats protested; however, campus security forced them to leave campus. The group realized that they did not know their rights for free speech here on campus. They also wondered what other students knew about their rights. The Pacific Democrats and ASUOP decided to put on a free speech fair as a response to security and to encourage others to speak out.

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Students ready for Sacramento Experience

The Pacifican

On the job training will become a reality for 10 Pacific students participating in the Sacramento Experience beginning in Jan. of 2003.

Students Noelle Adamek, Megan Coombes, Megan Gilbert, Jamie Moore, Reyna Navarrete, Kunthear Rim, Brandy Rogers, Frank Scotti, Jacqueline Suhar and LaKetha Walker have been selected as the first class of interns for the Sacramento Experience.

The new internship program will provide work experience in government agencies and nonprofit organizations.

The students will also be involved in seminars to learn about the relationships between government, lobbying and legislation. They will also get an insider's view of Sacramento as the state capital and a growing metropolitan center.

According to Executive Director, Dr. Robert Benedetti, "Students will have a great opportunity to apply what they've learned in the classroom at Pacific to their professional work environment in Sacramento.

The goal of the Jacoby Center is to help them develop work skills, leadership skills and a vision for making a difference in their communities.

The seminars will be a team effort, utilizing the knowledge and expertise of individuals who have firsthand knowledge of state government practices and policies.

Dr. George Condon, former Executive Assistant to the President at the Maritime Academy, will teach the Public Affairs Seminar. Benedetti will lead the Sacramento Metropolitan Seminar.

"Students will gain a better understanding of the interconnection of people and organizations in the capital and will be able to see how the work in their internships relates to the bigger picture of state policies," said Benedetti.

The mission of the Jacoby Center is civic engagement between students, faculty and the communities which surround them. The Jacoby Center is funded by endowment and grants and is a member of Campus Compact.

For more information about the Sacramento Experience, contact Jennifer Fredette or Robert Benedetti.}

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Fredette. She is motivated to have more events like this on campus so students can have many opportunities to speak about their minds. "We (the Pacific Democrats) don't want to be the only ones talking," she said. The Pacific Democrats meet every Thursday at 5 p.m. in the Humanities Lounge in Southwest.

"Pacific Democrats is not necessarily a party, even though we lean more to the Democratic Party," said Fredette.

Pacific Democrats also coming out this December newspaper called The Politician. The newspaper is encouraging writers to write about political matters, regardless of what party you affiliate with.

For more information contact Jennifer Fredette via email j_fredette@uop.edu.

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brella of the Stockton Police Department," said Houston.

"Anyone who comes into the city would be required to register," Houston said. Pacific has not encountered any problems with sex offenders during his 16-year stint here.

"We have never any concern that I know of about that problem, that's not to say they aren't some on our campus," Houston said.

A report in The Record two weeks ago indicated that within the Stockton school community there are two-dozen registered sex offenders.

14 of those are attending San Joaquin Delta Community College just down the street from Pacific.

Thomas Staiano, a 21-year-old student at Delta, said the bill has both positive and negative aspects.

"I don't agree that it should be a part of your life thing," said Staiano. He does not agree with the continuous persecution of sex offenders, saying they should be given a chance to rejoin society.

However, Staiano said that the bill will help prevent recurring offenses.

The bill requires all students, faculty and staff to have ever been convicted of a sex crime to register.

Only campus police retain all information. Other agency will be able to access.

"It's one more step of control, it will probably create a lot of good keeping track of those type of people," Staiano said.

AB 4 protects the Delta College campus. Staiano said that Pacific should create a law that mirrors the AB 4 Bill, even with sex offenders already registered under Megan's Law.

Assemblywoman Pat Bates, a democrat from Laguna niguel wrote the registration law, which includes all personnel and employees no matter their work status.

Even with the local registration requirements, Freshman Ben Cooper is little worried about not having the added security campus.

"They should be registered," Cooper said of the sex offenders. "It's not to know about the people."
Pi Kappa Alpha Fraternity goes homeless

The members of the Pi Kappa Alpha Fraternity (Pike) at Pacific will be going homeless in the name of charity in the beginning of Dec. This event, called "Hit of Reality," was first started at Pacific in 1996.

Last year, Pikes were able to raise over $100,000 in food for the San Joaquin County Food Bank. This is a unique event because each dollar raised by the fraternity members is worth $25 in food for the San Joaquin County Food Bank.

Fraternity members are determined to raise even more money this year by setting their goal at $100,000, which will provide $250,000 in food for those less fortunate in the Lodi, Tracy, Manteca and Stockton communities.

This year's event will take place from Dec. 4 until Dec. 6. During that time, the fraternity members will be abandoning their daily lives, going homeless for 50 straight hours.

"We will be living without shelter to bring homelessness not only to the attention of Pacific students, but the residents of San Joaquin County as well," said Pike President Benjamin Starr.

Additional information can be found by contacting public relations chairman, Bryan Quinn, at (408) 210-4802 or by visiting the "Hit of Reality" website at http://www1.ucd.edu/~k-clark/letter.htm

December 5, 2002
Lions, tigers, and lawsuits

By Michele Arrighi
Opinion Editor

Over the Thanksgiving break I had time to talk and hang out with my family. In an after dinner conversation we began talking about underage drinking. We began to discuss who was to blame.

Just recently in my hometown there was a drunk driving accident. This car crash involved five people underage drinking and driving. In the end three boys were killed and the driver is looking at six years in prison. Rumors has it that the parents of the boys that died are suing anyone they can, including the drivers parents and the bar that the kids were drinking at.

My mom was arguing that these parents have every right to sue the driver and her parents and also the bars that the kids visited that night. I was arguing that maybe the parents that are suing should realize that their children were also drinking that night.

It is at that point that I realized just how much it bugs me that no one these days ever takes responsibility for their own actions. It seems that ever since that guy spilled hot coffee in his lap at McDonalds and then sued them for his own klutziness that now everybody is suing everyone else for their own mistakes.

Have we forgotten the true meaning of accident? It means that know one is to blame. That means that no one should have to end up paying.

I mean come on people, let’s look at the facts. A guy goes through a drive-up window orders coffee, he then is dumb enough to spill and burn himself. How is that McDonalds fault? The coffee is supposed to be hot, he knew that when he was buying it. So maybe if McDonalds wanted to be nice they would give him a new cup of coffee, or maybe pay the dry cleaning bill, and throw in a couple ice packs for the poor guy’s lap to be taken to court!!!

The other example of drunk driving involving kids that account... Yeah, I know this is a horrible thing, it is still an accident. No restaurant or liquor store involved was following rules and carding everyone. I don’t see how it can be turned into a lawsuit.

Letter to the Editor:

The many ways of interpretation

Dear Editor,

This is in response to Ms. Goon’s letter concerning my advice to a student about her relationship with a friend who has an eating disorder. I feel that some points need to be clarified, along with addressing those statements taken out of context and misconstrued.

In the statement, “People who have this disease are very controlling and think about themselves constantly,” I was trying to convey that people with eating disorders have a need to control their bodies by denying themselves needed nutrients and that they constantly view themselves unrealistically.

In the statement, “Their mind is warped which is why they need help” is a true statement but perhaps not diplomatically put, because people suffering from this disease are not thinking clearly.

While I do not have a degree in clinical psychology, I did do some research on people who have eating disorders. Prior to responding to this article, I contacted a local physician and discussed how people suffering from this disease could be helped.

What I learned was not what I expected. I was told that this disease is all consuming to the patient. Family, friends, counseling, forced feedings, and interventions do not change the patient’s behavior if they are truly focused on their disease.

There have been cases where even those who are hospitalized and on IV’s for substance, will refuse help and even pull out IV’s in the extreme case. It was my assumption that all avenues had been explored regarding the friend, and that the reader needed advice on how to cope with her depression, not her friend’s illness.

Ms. Goon stated in her suggestions that “Never once (did I) suggest to (my) reader that talking might be a good solution. Maybe Ms. Goon skimmed over the part where I advised the reader to ‘tell her (friend) that because she is so negative all the time, it is difficult for you (the reader) to be around her.’ Also left out in her comments was the fact I stated that the friend ‘probably doesn’t realize that she is affecting her family in this way’ and she needed to ‘tell her (friend) that she is pushing you away from your friendship.’ Perhaps a little ‘tough love’ needed to be expressed, but it was never my intent to promote ‘selfishness and inconsiderate behavior.’

When I stated that ‘Your emotional and psychological state is just as important as her, if not more, it was meant to suggest that the reader needed to hear of the depression so they would become more aware of how it was affecting her and the family. It was not a suggestion to ‘abandon (her) in (her) time of need’ but rather to help the reader become stronger so that she could try again later. A crash that is lined with cracks supports one.

Allie Wager
Racism continues to be a problem in school

By Elizabeth Carranzo

Dear Editor,

The other day my friend and I attended a basketball game at San Joaquin Delta College. My friend and I were searching for a place to sit when an older Caucasian man (Grandfather Material) approached me and asked what my sweater said. I was wearing my black Pacific sweater with white lettering. I let the man know that it said Pacific for the University of the Pacific. To my surprise the first words out of that man’s mouth were “You wish you went to UOP!” My mouth just dropped, I could not believe that this man had said that to me.

After I came back from the instant state of shock I was in I simply told the man, “No, I don’t wish because I do,” and I just walked away. As I was walking away I could still hear the man saying rude things to me.

Once half time rolled around my friend and I decided to step outside for a moment and once again the man was standing at the entrance. When the man saw me he immediately approached me and he began to say smart remarks like, “yea if you go to UOP I play for your baseball team.”

At that moment I was so mad that I didn’t know what to say. I mean seriously how badly would it have looked if a young woman told a senior citizen “$@#% you!” I wasn’t about to make myself look bad in front of all those people.

So I decided to play his game by telling him, “Really you play for our baseball team. That’s great, well maybe I’ll see on campus some time,” and once again I walked away. My friend and I were amazed that someone could even say that to me but the reality was that someone had just did.

I know why the man said that to me, for the simple reason that I am Mexican. I am quite aware that many people in this country can’t believe that a Mexican can get a higher education.

Especially at a private university like Pacific but the truth is that ALANA (African, Latino, Asian, Native Americans) students do attend Pacific and I am one of them. People believe that just because we are minorities we should be ignorant but the true ignorance in this case was that senior citizen.

As a Mexican female I have run across many closed minded people that feel I should be working in the fields like many hard working Mexicans do. I admire all those people who work in the fields because I have done it and it is very hard. But I want something different for my life.

I want to prove to others and myself that I, a Mexican female can succeed in this country. I just hope that people won’t be so ignorant sometimes when it comes to ALANA students getting an education and succeeding.
Question of the week
What’s the one thing you do to get through finals?

“Eat bowls of cereal and lots of fresh air.”
— Amberlee Avina, Sophomore

“Try not to stress out.”
— Lindsey Fitch, Freshman

“Sleep the whole time and then show up to finals with a hangover.”
— Bo Leland, Freshman

“Get play from the ladies.”
— Kyle Harkness, Sophomore

“I’ll study and then I’ll party real hard.”
— Mike Rocha, Freshman

“Find an attractive and smart girl in my class that I could cuddle up with so she could give me some late night pointers.”
— Bryon Quinn, Sophomore

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their fault. How is a waiter supposed to know if the IDs are fake? I understand that the parents of these kids are mad and in an immeasurable amount of pain but it is just as much their fault as the restaurant. Maybe they should have taught their children not to drink and drive.

If these example don’t show how crazy things have gotten maybe this one will. Rumor has it that a group of kids are suing a fast food chain. The fast food chain didn’t tell the kids that if they ate their food every day that they would get fat!!! All I have to say is that people are so stupid.

So I guess what is really bugging me is that after all these people do dumb things and then blame others it affects us. Now everything has to have warning labels on it. Every company is trying to cover its butt so they won’t get sued by the next dumb idiot that comes along. Not to mention how much tax money we are paying when these ridiculous lawsuits get taken to court.

Come on people let’s take a stand here. This really needs to stop. It is a hindrance on our own freedoms. Accidents are always waiting to happen, just deal with them.

Photo of the Week
What to get the person who has everything. Good luck with all your Holiday shopping.
Pacific shows off its holiday spirit

By Golden Vansant
Staff Writer

Even a few weeks before Thanksgiving was celebrated this year the malls were decked out in full holiday decor and cheery music began to be played on the radio. The holiday season is upon us and signs of it are everywhere you look. The University of the Pacific community is no exception with glittering lights adorning the buildings and trees around campus. The arrival of the holidays here at Pacific means something else as well. As tradition dictates, there will be a tree-lighting ceremony at 7:00 p.m. to ring in the season following an interfaith service presented by university chaplain, Joy Preisser. The holidays are a time when people come together and celebrate not only similarities but differences as well. This campus places a high value on multi-cultural relations and this ceremony is a festive way to bring a sense of unity to the campus here at Pacific.

President Don DeRosa and his wife Karen are hosting a holiday open house in their home on the evening of the tree-lighting ceremony, which will begin at 4:30 and run until the interfaith service at Morris Chapel begins at 6:30 p.m. Cocoa and cookies will be served in the President's room following the lighting ceremony and there will be a house lighting in Greek Circle at 7:45 to conclude the evening. If you plan to attend the open house, please RSVP to the President's office by December 5th at 946-2222.

The holiday season brings a frustrating problem to those less fortunate as the weather gets colder and warm clothing becomes necessary. Donations of wrapped gifts to the Saint Mary's Dining Hall will be accepted at the open house and some suggested items are toiletries, underwear, and socks.

Also in accordance with the holiday spirit, the Saint Mary's Dining Hall will be serving lunch to the homeless and needy in Stockton. Volunteers are welcome to help. Those who want to volunteer should show up at the dining hall from 11:00 to 3:00 in the afternoon on December 16th.

So come out and share in the holiday cheer with fellow students at the 12th annual tree lighting ceremony and festivities on Sunday, December 8th. And if you need inspiration to be in the holiday spirit, just look around at the holiday decorations and remember that this semester is almost over!

The most popular wizard

By Elizabeth Vigil
Managing Editor

When Theodor Seuss Geisel, better known as Dr. Seuss, died in September of 1991, many of his readers were left with an empty feeling. Many grew up with his books like Green Eggs and Ham, The Cat in the Hat, The Lorax, and others. It seemed Dr. Seuss could never be replaced and then JK Rowling came along.

British born Rowling is the genius creator of the Harry Potter series. Her books have sold millions worldwide and the corresponding films have brought in billions of dollars to date.

Her last movie, "Harry Potter and the Chamber of Secrets," came in third place in the all time top weekend box office following "Spiderman" at number one and "Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone" at number two.

The plot of "Chamber of Secrets," involves Harry, played by Daniel Radcliffe, being warned by a house elf named Dobby not to attend Hogwarts this year because "terrible things are in store." For Harry, not attending Hogwarts is not an option. He would rather risk his life to attend Hogwarts than stay with his abusive "muggle" aunt, uncle and cousin. When Harry's uncle refuses to let him leave for school, Ron Weasley (played by Rupert Grint), one of Harry's best friends, and his twin brothers rescue Harry in their flying car.

Upon arriving at Hog-
Stay up with Letterman

By Jon Kelley
Guest Writer

Are you sick of hearing about who is going to come out on top with the late night ratings for talk shows? Well, tonight, stay up and watch "The Late Show with David Letterman" at 11:00 on CBS. It is as good, if not better, than all of the competing late night shows.

What makes it more entertaining is not only Letterman's feature interviews and snappy wisecracks, but Paul Shaeffer, his lead musician. Paul's band is almost at the center of attention on the show. He regularly speaks his mind, plays his instruments, and does what he wants any time he wants.

Letterman's interviews far outclass his opposition. His timely chats with famous people are excellent because he clearly tries to interview people who are the talk of the town, for the moment. This is just one strategy Letterman uses to stay number-one in the ratings.

Paul Shaeffer is really what holds this operation together. When David does not have a joke on the tip of his tongue, the cameras turn to Paul and he is forced to come up with a snappy comment or insult very quickly. Paul never disappoints his audience. Not only is he an exceptional bandleader, but his jokes are humorous and original.

David Letterman's monologues are second to none in the comedy business because of his great ability to change smoothly from one subject to the next. Along with his hilarious monologues, Letterman includes a funny component to late night television. He always lists the top ten reasons for something. For all these reasons, I would say that David Letterman is one of the funniest men on television.

So, tonight, please stay up and give Letterman a shot. I know if you watch it once, you will be hooked forever!
Harry and Draco Malfoy (played by Tom Felton) are dueling it out as Quidditch seekers for their respective houses. Hermione is petrified into a comatose state after she sees something she is not supposed to see.

This film in some ways is better than the first because Harry is now seen as a bad guy when many students at Hogwarts believe he is the one causing students to be petrified. They believe he has opened the Chamber of Secrets and is the blood relative of one of the founders of Hogwarts.

This film is also the last film for Richard Harris, who plays Albus Dumbledore the headmaster of Hogwarts, School of Witchcraft and Wizardry. Harris, age 72, died this year in October. CNN reported that Harris had been undergoing treatment for Hodgkin's disease at the time of his death. Warner Brothers is reportedly looking for a replacement for Harris. Production for “Harry Potter and the Prisoner of Azkaban” is set to begin early next year.

Audiences are sure to love this lengthy movie: it peaks at two hours and 41 minutes. They will be on the edge of their seats throughout the whole meeting. This movie is not recommended for those that are weak of heart or children under five because there are some scary scenes that had many jumping in their seats.

If you think the only adults that go see this film are those taking their children to see it then you are wrong. Half of the people in the audience are adult couples without children. One of the persons that enjoyed the movie the most was my 20-year-old sister who laughed out loud during scenes that were not even funny. Regardless, this movie is great and encourages people to read the books, which my sister owns the set of four.
By Pacific Media Relations

Women's Basketball
Wash. - The Pacific Tigers women's basketball team defeated St. Bonaventure 61-42 on Saturday, Nov. 30th to improve to 1-3 on the season. With the loss, St. Bonaventure fell to 3-2 overall.

Trailing 8-7 in the early going, Pacific went on a 12-2 run to take a 19-10 lead. Five different Tigers scored during the run, led by four points from junior Andrea Nederostek. Pacific would extend its lead to as much as 13 points at 29-16 and went into the break with a 29-20 lead.

After the Bonnies got within seven on a jumper by Lyndsey Maurer to open the second half, the Tigers re-extended their lead to 41-22 on a three-pointer by Joines. Nederostek finished with 10 points and Nederostek finished with 10 points. The Bonnies were led by 10 points from Courtney Mattingly.

Women's Volleyball
Irvine, Calif. - A total of four Pacific women's volleyball players were honored with All-Big West Conference recognition for the 2002 season, as announced by Big West Conference Commissioner Dennis Farrell. Junior Jennifer Joines was named to the All-Big West Conference First Team, senior Megan Hauschild and sophomore Joanna Rentz were named to the All-Big West Conference Honorable Mention team, and freshman Ashley Groothuis was named to the All-Big West Conference Freshman Team.

Joines was named to the All-Big West Conference First Team for the third consecutive year after averaging 2.67 digs and 2.43 kills per game and received All-Big West recognition for the first time in her career. She nearly recorded her first career triple-double with nine kills, 10 digs, and a career-high eight blocks in Pacific’s three-game victory at Idaho on Nov. 14.

Groothuis was selected to the All-Big West Conference Freshman Team after averaging 2.12 kills, 0.66 digs, and 0.43 blocks per game in 74 games. She pounded a career-high 18 kills in Pacific’s five-game victory at Cal Poly on Sept. 20, and recorded 12 kills against Creighton in her first career start on Sept. 6.

Swimming
Stockton, Calif. - The Pacific Tigers men’s and women’s swimming team swept the UC Davis Aggies on Saturday, Nov. 23. Scores for the meet were 144-118 for the men’s team and 144-117 in the women’s competition. With the victories the Tiger women’s team improved to 9-4, while the men moved to 7-4. The UC Davis men’s and women’s teams each fell to 3-1 with the loss.

In the women’s competition, Pacific won nine of 14 events despite half of the Tiger team being at the Stanford Invitational. Sophomores Allison Shasy and Laura Besmer led the Tigers as each collected three victories. Shassy and Besmer got the Tigers started as they teamed to lead the 200 Medley Relay team (1:51.72) to victory in the first event of the day. Shassy then brought home the 100 and 200 backstroke (59.75 and 2:08.81), while Besmer grabbed the 100 Fly (1:00.26) then closed the day as part of the 200 Free Relay team (1:42.33).

For the men’s team it was senior Filip Wronski and sophomore JP Russell that led the charge as the Tigers captured nine of 14 events, including a combined six by Russell and Wronski. Pacific got out front early as Russell and Wronski teamed to lead a Tiger victory in the 200 Medley Relay (1:35.83). Russell then collected victories in the 100 and 200 backstroke (52.39 and 1:53.72), while Wronski brought home the 100 and 200 breaststroke (56.79 and 2:03.93). The sixth victory came in the 200 Free Relay as Russell led the Tigers with a strong second leg (1:26.99).

The Tigers made only two Gives down for a .419 average. At the same time the Tiger defense posted its best game of the season against Nevada to a .184 close out the matches with a 30-20 victory. Joines led the Tigers with match-high 18 kills. More Sarah Vinall added 12 kills, senior Elaine Johnson and Hauschild contributed 10 kills.

With the win, the Tigers would face Washington in the Championship match. The Tigers out in an early game one as Pacific held the Huskies to a .189 lead, but the Huskies were able to take their way back into the match with four of the next five points to cut the Tigers lead to 19-13. With Pacific leading 25-22, Washington scored the next eight points to take its first game and control of the match.

The Huskies carried their momentum from the first game into game two as Pacific held Pacific to a .233 average in the game that rolled to a 30-15 win.

The Tigers regrouped for the third game but were unable to overcome Washington as the Huskies hit .354. Turning point in the game came with Washington leading 19-17. The Huskies scored seven of the next eight points to build a 26-23 lead and then cruised to a three-set win.

The Tigers were led by kills from Joines. In consolation action, Wronski (22-9) stormed back from a 2-0 deficit to clinch third place with a 19-30, 30-28, 30-25, 17-15 victory over Southwest Missouri (21-9).

However, this was only a temporary set back for the Tigers. On Sunday, Dec. 1, the NCAA announced the Tigers would keep the streak of NCAA Tournament appearances alive. With their appearance the Tigers earned its 22nd consecutive tournament berth. The Tigers (18-12), who also with Penn State, Stanford, and UC Santa Barbara are the only four teams to have been selected to each NCA Women’s Volleyball Tournament.
All-American Eddie Wisniewsky scored 8 goals in three matches in the MPSF tournament as the Tigers took 8th place.

Los Alamitos, Calif.- The Pacific Tigers men's water polo team dropped to 10-13 on the season as the number one ranked Stanford Cardinal defeated Pacific 12-9 on Friday, Nov 29th in the opening round of the Mountain Pacific Sports Federation (MPSF) Tournament. With the win, Stanford moved to 22-3 on the year.

The Cardinal received four goals from Peter Hudnut and three apiece from Mike Derse and Tony Azevedo to defeat the Tigers. Stanford jumped to a 5-2 lead after one quarter as five different Stanford players scored.

The Tigers, however, didn't give up as they battled back to pull to within 10-8 after Eddie Wisniewski scored his third goal of the game at 6:17 in the fourth.

Stanford answered right back as Hudnut tallied his fourth goal of the match at 4:38 and Azevedo tossed in his third at 4:03 to push the margin to 12-8. Pacific goalee Laurie Trettel had 11 goalie saves.

On Saturday, Nov. 30th in the second round of the Mountain Pacific Sports Federation (MPSF) Tournament, the Tigers fell to #5 UC Irvine 9-4. With the win, UC Irvine moved to 16-10 on the year as the tigers fell to 10-14.

Jeff Powers scored four goals to lead UC Irvine to the 9-4 win and senior Nic Hepner scored on consecutive possessions midway through the second period. Unfortunately that would be as close as the Tigers would get as the Anteaters scored the next five goals to cement the match.

Hepner led the Tigers with three goals in the match.

Senior Laurie Trettle finished his single season with Pacific recording 204 saves in the goal.

On Sunday, December 1, 2002, the men's water polo team finished its season 10-15 as the Tigers fell 9-8 to Long Beach State in the seventh place game of the Mountain Pacific Sports Federation Tournament.

The #49ers Nathan Allard scored the game winning goal at 2:20 in the first overtime period as neither team could score in the second overtime.

The overtime loss spoiled an inspired comeback by the Tigers as Pacific trailed 7-4 heading into the fourth period. In that period the Tigers clawed their way back as senior Sasha Maese got the rally going with his 32nd goal of the season to make it 7-5. On the Tigers next possession junior Eddie Wisniewski tallied his second goal of the game to draw Pacific within one at 7-6.

Following a 49er goal, Pacific tied the game on back-to-back goals from senior Chris Nowak and junior Brady Norvall. Norvall's goal came with just 21 seconds left in the game to tie the score, 8-8.

Earlier in the game Pacific senior Nic Hepner tallied two goals for the Tigers in the third quarter to get Pacific back into the contest.

Sunday's contest was the final game for Hepner, Nowak, Maese and fellow seniors Danny Johnson and goalkeeper Laurie Trettel. Nowak finished a four-year career with 91 goals, Hepner had 71 career goals in two seasons, Maese finished with 52 goals in two seasons, while Johnson posted 34 goals in two seasons. In his only season with the Tigers, Trettel collected 204 saves.
Volleyball closes 2002 season in Spanos

By Blake Blackwell
Staff Writer

The Tigers finished out their regular season with some highs and some lows. In their last two conference matches they finished 1-1. The first of these matches was #6 UC Santa Barbara. The Tigers came out and played some of the best volleyball I have seen them play, but luck was not on their side. In game one Pacific raced out to an early 7-3 lead. The Tigers held the lead throughout the majority of the game, but with Pacific leading 29-26 the Gauchos tied the game with three consecutive points.

The Tigers had two more chances to put the Gauchos away, taking a 30-29 lead on a kill by senior Megan Hauschild, then again at 31-30 on a kill by junior Jennifer Joines. UC Santa Barbara, however, met each Tiger challenge to take game one 33-31.

Following a 30-25 Gaucho win in game two that saw UC Santa Barbara out-hit Pacific .367 to .186. The Tigers bounced back in game three to once again stretch the Gauchos to the limit. This time Santa Barbara led for much of the game as the Gauchos built a 19-16 lead midway through. The Tigers fought back to score four of the next five points as Joines had a kill and her only ace of the match.

Tied at 20-20 the two teams battled to a 30-30 tie before UC Santa Barbara took the game and the match.

After this tough loss, the Tigers needed someone to beat up on. Their chance came when Cal Poly came to town. The Tigers coasted past the Mustangs in the opening two sets.

Eddie recorded 8 goals for Pacific in a combined 3 games in the MSPF Tournament.

ATHLETE OF THE WEEK

Name: Eddie Wisniewski
Year: Junior
Sport: Water Polo

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Basketball falls to #9 Oregon on the road

By Pacific Media Relations

Eugene, Ore. - Pacific dropped an 88-69 decision at #9 Oregon on Saturday, Nov. 30. The Tigers fell to 1-2 with the loss, while the Ducks improved to 3-0.

Pacific trailed 20-17 in the first half, before Oregon went on a 17-6 run to take a 37-23 lead with 4:34 left in the first half. The Tigers responded though, using a 10-2 run to cut the lead to 39-33 at the half.

Senior guard Demetrius Jackson scored four of his 14 points in the run, adding two assists.

Oregon would lead by as many as 27 points in the game, but from the 13 minute mark on, the Tigers outscored the Ducks 26-18. Junior guard Miah Davis scored 12 points for the Tigers, including a three-pointer at the buzzer from just past half court.

Junior guard Myree Bowden scored 20 points to lead the Tigers. Freshman Christian Maraker paced the Tigers on the boards with nine rebounds.

Seniors (right to left) Megan Hauschild and Elaine Goeders ended their Pacific careers strong as they led Pacific to a second place finish in the 24th Annual Bankers Classic.

After coming out of the locker room for game one the Tigers found out their Pacific careers were missing in action and raised its attacking percentage to a staggering .500. Pacific went an easy 30-17 win in game one three taking a 2-1 advantage in the match.

Pacific continued its streak in game four at the Bankers Club.