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Campus responds to America’s tragedy
Groups of students come together to console, help, and raise funds

By KRISTINE NETHERS
Assistant News Editor

The Pacific community has quickly responded to last Tuesday’s terrorist attack and has paid careful attention to the events and consequences that have occurred in America. On the very day of the attack, President Donald DeRosa and many others of the UOP community hosted a university meeting open to all students, faculty, staff and local community members to discuss the day’s events and people’s feelings towards the unexpected circumstances.

There have been further events, discussions and spiritual services to somehow reconcile what has happened and to explain the impact on the nation. The past week included debates, blood drives, memorial services and other efforts to bring relief to the victims of the tragedy.

Jenise Honesto, campus affairs commissioner for ASUOP, commented, “ASUOP and other departments of the university have worked extremely hard to bring events to campus. Through the gatherings we have tried to bring some type of understanding to all students, staff, faculty, as well as members of the surrounding community.”

ASUOP serves up a huge slice of Cake

By CHELSEA SIME
News Editor

Whoever said you can’t have your cake and eat it too... Pacific students are learning that you most definitely can, as the music group Cake plays quirky music. Contemporary... it’s kind of a strange word, but there’s a lot of good solid forms of American music to draw from: country and western, rock and roll, funk... Even using all of those references, pulling from all of those sources, there’s always something you want to sound like at the current time.”

As for those eclectic lyrics, they can be contributed to the styling of lead singer, guitarist and songwriter John McCrea. Regardless, Cake has proved a hit among their audience. The five-piece group started 10 years ago in neighboring Sacramento, making them almost locals. At that time the band consisted of McCrea, Greg Brown (guitar), Victor Damiani (bass), DiFiore and Todd Roper (drums).

As the nation goes into the second week of investigation, mourning and reacting, the university is continuing events to promote understanding and tolerance.

On Monday, the university again gathered in a forum titled, “Our National Tragedy: Context and Responses.” Students and faculty assembled together to answer why the nation is blue, represented by a blue ribbon and a blue dress by the campus’s go-go girls.

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Communication professor receives prestigious award

Dr. Carol Ann Hackley, Communication professor, was the recipient of the Rex Harlow Award at the annual Northern California Public Relations Society of America Compass Awards on Thursday, Sept. 13. A group of her public relations students came to support Hackley as she won one of the most prestigious public relations awards.

NEWS

Navy League president talks of military action

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A Nation at War

The Preamble to the Constitution reads, in part, as follows: "We, the people of the United States, in order to ensure domestic tranquility ... do ordain and establish this Constitution for the United States of America."

Section 8 of the Constitution gives Congress, among other powers, the authority "to declare war" and "to define and punish ... offenses against the laws of nations."

Even before the President and the leaders of the House and Senate said so publicly, the people of the United States made it clear, by their own words and actions, that they fully understand that the terrorist attacks against the World Trade Center and the Pentagon were acts of war against the United States, against the American people, and against the laws of nations.

Those attacks should not, must not, and will not go unpunished. This time around there can be no equivocation, no empty threats, no useless, and often unfulfilled-promises to bring the perpetrators "to justice." War against the United States is war. Period. And it must be treated as such.

Acts of war call for acts of retaliation. And for the punishment of the international criminals responsible for those acts of war. The people of the United States understand all of this as well. And they will make whatever sacrifices are necessary for as long as it is necessary to wipe the international scourge of terrorism from the face of the earth. Not since Pearl Harbor have the American people been so furious, so determined, so united in their righteous anger.

Those who piloted the planes to their defenseless targets are already dead, along with thousands upon thousands of innocent noncombatants. But there are many others, still living, who bear responsibility for this terrible crime against humanity. They also must be identified, tracked down, and made to answer for the 11 September attacks. Moreover, it is not only those who planned, financially supported, and helped in any other way to carry out the attacks who must be punished. As President Bush already has made clear both by his public statements and by the naval/military/intelligence operations he has authorized since the terrorist strikes—any nation that harbors such international criminals must and will be held just as accountable. He deserves and will receive the full support of the American people in carrying out this policy-which already has been endorsed by all members of NATO and a growing number of other nations, including Russia. There can be no more safe harbors, ever.

The war against terrorism cannot be a one-time ad hoc operation, though. It cannot and should not be tailored with the exquisite, and self-defeating, precision characteristic of so many other conflicts of the last 50 years into which U.S. naval and military personnel were thrust-unprepared sometimes, and frequently ill-equipped as well. It must, rather, be a comprehensive and, if necessary, long-term campaign to ensure that neither the United States nor any other peace-loving nation is ever again attacked with such unprompted insolence, such brazen impunity.

One thing is clear: We cannot and should not withdraw into a fortress America. But it would be folly to believe that we can quickly or easily end all threats to our domestic tranquility—or to global peace and stability.

The world of the 20th century was the bloodiest and most violent in the history of mankind. The world of the 21st century could be even more so. It is certainly a much more dangerous world. Today's terrorists are technologically sophisticated, and they are without conscience. They already have turned commercial aircraft into weapons of mass destruction. They would have no qualms about using nuclear, biological, or chemical weapons against us as well. We must do everything in our power to deter, disarm and defeat them.

To do so will require dauntless courage, perseverance over the long term and numerous sacrifices. We must take whatever steps are necessary to protect, not only our airports, but also our seaports and harbors, our inland waterways, and our land borders. We must rebuild our entire military as well as our ground forces, which separately and collectively must possess the full spectrum of combat capabilities needed to defeat a group or any nation threatening U.S. interests, or the lives of American citizens, either here or overseas. History has shown the ability to respond, to immediately strike back and when attacked, the surest and sometimes the only way to deter war.

Just as important, though, is the willingness to strike back. As a nation we must recognize and conscientiously apply, the most important lesson of history. We cannot and will not be a force that, should the worst happen, we will feel safe because" the world's last remaining superpower. This time we acted accordingly.

Timothy O. Faruqee
National President of the Navy League

Pacifc students do their part in this time of crisis

By JESSICA C. CURLEY
Managing Editor

In response to last week's tragedies, a group of Pacific communication students came together to try to do their part for the country. Inspired by the patriotic view of the American flag rising from the rubble that was once the World Trade Center in New York City, the group created an organization called "United Stands America," or USA.

The goal of this movement is directed towards empowering the American people in the face of terrorism. According to Jason De'ak, CEO and spokesperson for USA, "The idea behind USA is to provide Americans with a heightened sense of unification and national pride."

The flag on page 10 of The Pacifican this week was published in part because of this group. The Pacifican is encouraging you to show your support for the country by playing the flag.

USA's long term goal is to develop a national trust fund to provide scholarships in remembrance of the Americans whose lives were lost.

The group would also like to coordinate a national time of remembrance on Oct. 8:45 a.m., one month after the first plane hit the north tower of the WTC. This would be a coordinated effort between universities and churches ringing their bells in a show of solidarity and freedom.

David Fredrickson, public affairs consultant in Washington, D.C. and also a Pacific alum, said, "It is very reassuring to know that you are not alone; people so far removed from the actual site of these atrocities are concerned and committed to making a difference." For more information call jasonsdeak@aol.com.
Actors Ben Vereen speaks at California stroke conference

Actor Ben Vereen addressed University of the Pacific's Northern California Regional Conference on Stroke at 11 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 15, 2001 in the Faye Spanos Concert Hall on the Stockton campus. The event was part of the university's Sesquicentennial Year celebration and was hosted by the Thomas J. Long School of Pharmacy and Health Sciences.

"Ben Vereen, who has recovered from a stroke, is helping lift public awareness of how to cope with or prevent America's number three cause of death and a leading cause of serious, long-term disability," said Phil Oppenheimer, Dean of the Thomas J. Long School. "We invited health-care professionals and the public from throughout Northern California to hear and meet Ben Vereen and to take advantage of panels that were organized to provide the latest information regarding the disease and its prevention and treatment."

Following Vereen's keynote, two concurrent education panels were held from 1 to 3:30 p.m. Session A, which was for the general public, was held in Faye Spanos Concert Hall.

For physicians, pharmacists, nurses, dentists, speech-language pathologists and physicians assistants, two hours of continuing education credits were available for participation in Session B. The sessions had been planned by Pacific faculty from pharmacy, physical therapy, speech-language pathology, psychology and dentistry.

The sessions were free to those who pre-registered by calling the school at 946-3116.
tions on certain people based on the recent events.”

Mohammed Al-Otoum, Student

All around campus there has also been speculation about America’s future and opinions about what should be done to protect our nation’s safety. Many faculty members and students have opinions that favor a more limited approach that would punish only those responsible and not kill many innocent lives in the process.

Susan Sample, assistant professor in the School of International Studies said at Monday’s forum, “America needs to react with a proportional response. If our nation attacks them by killing innocent victims, we have no higher moral ground than those that carried out the events last Tuesday.”

Professor Gerald Hewitt, from the Political Science and Philosophy departments, commented that the whole international system should be changed so that people in Arabic countries have opportunities to attain what they perceive as a good life. He went on to state that both the Western and Arabic worlds have deep-set perceptions and stereotypes that create an “us and them culture.” Hewitt went on to state, “The terrorism system accomplishes the goals of certain Arab peoples, so that is why it has persisted for this long... If the situation were to change and there was cooperation in foreign events in response to the recent events. All these gatherings encourage a rational response to the unprecedented national events and also try to console people’s emotions over the many horrific outcomes of the terrorist attacks.

A memorial service on campus is planned to remember those that were lost in the tragedies. Extended members of the Pacific community were lost in relation to the terrorism attacks. Barbara Olson, wife of alumnus Ted Olson, ‘62 died when her American Airlines Flight 77 from Washington Dulles Airport bound for Los Angeles tragically crashed into the Pentagon. Her story was featured on the news because she called her husband twice from the plane to explain the events that occurred.

Deora Bodley, 20, daughter of Conservatory Professor Derrill Bodley was also killed when her United Airlines Flight 93 from Newark, NJ to San Francisco was hijacked and went down near Pittsburgh. Professor Bodley commented that his daughter “wanted to serve, to help people in a peaceful world and to reach that peaceful world. She was a good person in search of the right thing, and... she was willing to work for others.”

There will also be continu-
New Brubeck Institute brings opportunity to Pacific

By JENNIFER ZHANG
Staff Writer

The Brubeck Institute, a living archive named after the legendary musician and UOP alumnus Dave Brubeck, was officially established on campus recently when the signing of the master agreement took place last week.

Brubeck, chairman of the institute, is well known for his extraordinary musical versatility in both jazz and classical music.

He has had a significant influence on the composition and performance of music with his distinctive use of eccentric rhythms, multiple rhythms, extended harmonic language, improvisation and counterpoint, simultaneous confiding tonal centers and fusion of musical cultures.

Brubeck prepared for his career as a complete musician here at UOP. He studied in the Conservatory of Music and graduated in 1942.

After that, his career took off as he formed the famous Dave Brubeck Quartet and performed throughout the world.

In 1967, Brubeck left the group and focused on his own interest, which was to compose more extended works and larger forms.

From then on, he has composed in a variety of music genre and style such as choral compositions, chamber music, ballet and orchestral music.

Brubeck has also continued to perform jazz around the world.

Recently the National Endowment for the Arts honored Brubeck with the Jazz Master title.

In addition, former President Clinton awarded him the Presidential Medal of the Arts during a White House ceremony in 1995.

The establishment of the Brubeck Institute at UOP is truly a great honor and opportunity for the school and everyone here.

"Dave Brubeck is an American icon. Not only is he a legendary musician, but he is also a magnificent human being. His music and jazz in general symbolize unity of ethnic diversity, goal accomplishment, teamwork and especially the American spirit," said executive director J.B. Dyas.

The institute will develop artists and audiences for the future so they will understand and appreciate contemporary American music.

"It also brings prestige to UOP," he said.

The purpose and significance of the institute is "a work in progress and hopefully always will be (like an artist throughout life). It is a living archive, a unique place and experience where jazz and contemporary music are studied, performed, composed, improvised and brought to the world.

Although for everyone, the institute focuses on the young, developing artists and audiences for the future, enriching lives in the process.

With regard to musical style, its philosophy is one of inclusivity, rather than exclusivity, reflecting the exploratory spirit and social values of the institute's namesake," wrote Dyas in his letter to the UOP community.

In the next few years, the institute will implement several components/programs.

They are the Brubeck Institute of Jazz Studies, The Brubeck Institute Summer Jazz Colony, Brubeck Jazz Reach USA, Interdisciplinary Education, Take Five International Jazz Piano Competition and finally Dave Brubeck Collection.

Accompanying the establishment of the institute, Brubeck will perform in concert at 7:30 p.m. on Sept. 22 in the Faye Spanos Concert Hall as part of the "Leadership for the common good" Sesquicentennial Events at UOP.

Tickets are available at the UOP Box Office at (209) 946-2474. You can also log onto www.uop.edu/brubeck for more information on the concert or the institute.

Blood Bank Drive

The Division of Student Life and the School of Pharmacy are co-sponsoring the Bold Bank Drive on September 20 from 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. in the Tiger Lounge at Grace Covell Hall.

A second campus Blood Bank Drive will be held on October 17 from 11:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. at the same location.

When and Where

STOCKTON
2888 W. March Lane (Corner of Feather River)
Mondays, Tuesdays & Wednesdays, 10:00 am - 5:30 pm
Thursdays, 11:30 am - 7:00 pm
Fridays & Saturdays, 8:00 am - 3:30 pm

LODI
125 S. Hutchins (Hutchins Street Square)
Wednesdays, Noon - 7:00 pm

MANTECA
275 N. Main (Valley Community Presbyterian Church Fellowship Hall)
Mondays, Noon - 7:00 pm

Eligibility to Donate Blood

• Donors must be 17 years of age, there is no upper age limit
• Donors must weigh at least 110 lbs.
• Use of aspirin, Motrin, or anti-inflammatory medication is acceptable
• Use of blood pressure medication is acceptable if your blood pressure is not over 180/100 at the time of donation
• Use of diabetic pills is acceptable
• Use of insulin is acceptable if you are stable and do not have current symptoms of cardiovascular disease
• Ear piercing is acceptable as long as it was done with sterile, disposable needles
• Body piercing: inquire with the nurse of the blood drive
• Tattoos cause deferral for one year after application of the tattoo
• Cold sores and fever blisters: these conditions do not cause deferral if the sores have healed
• Shingles do not cause deferral if the sores have healed
• Use of anti-depressant medications does not cause deferral
• Arthritis medications generally do not cause deferral
• Accutane, Proscar and Propecia use will cause deferral. These drugs may cause harm to recipients of blood. Please do not donate if you are using any of these medications.
• Recent immunization or vaccination evaluations will be referred to the charge nurse; most vaccines do not cause deferral.
• Activity putting an individual at risk for exposure to HIV will cause deferral.
• Living in the United Kingdom for more than six months from 1980 through 1996 will result in deferral.
Debate over history and the tragedies to date

The United States has experienced many tragedies in its 225 year history. There are many tragedies that have occurred on our home soil. Among the worst is the War of 1812, the Civil War, the World Trade Center bombings in 1993 and the Oklahoma City bombing in 1994.

On Tuesday, Sept. 11 the world again witnessed another American tragedy. The attacks on the World Trade Center and the Pentagon, may be the worst in our history. Although the attacks that occurred were unique in their own way it was strangely reminiscent of another attack in our nation’s history, the attack on Pearl Harbor.

In both attacks, citizens of the U.S., in every corner of the nation were struck in a surprise attack that left everyone stunned. In both circumstances most had never experienced such an attack, let alone ever imagined one.

Yet, as the planes fell from the sky hitting their targets like bulls eyes, history repeated itself and so did the sentiments of the nation.

The attack on Pearl Harbor and the recent attack on the U.S. are being compared to one another and rightfully so. The attacks are eerie in their similarity.

The most glaring similarity is that both were surprise attacks. Many question just what information we may have had on the two attacks. But for the soldiers and civilians involved in these two events, they were indeed a surprise.

Other than the element of surprise, both events produced great losses with staggering numbers.

The Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor took place on Dec. 7, 1941. The attack came in two waves. The first consisted of 183 aircraft, including 40 torpedo planes, 49 level bombers, 51 dive-bombers and 43 fighters. The second wave had 170 planes including 54 level bombers, 80 dive-bombers and 36 fighters.

Also lost were aircraft carriers, cruisers, submarines, oilers, battleships and destroyers. This particular attack was extensive and massive.

Similarly, the attack that occurred last Tuesday also came in stages. All incidents involved hijacked planes and although it has not yet been confirmed, each had an estimated four to five hijackers on each flight. The attackers reportedly only used knives and cardboard cutters to overtake the planes, but the damage inflicted was hard to believe.

The losses recorded in the attack on Pearl Harbor were shocking. The death toll totaled 2,405, while 1,178 people were wounded.

There were three ships lost and a total of 169 aircraft combined from the Army Air Corps and the Navy. The attack left the U.S. bruised and hurting.

The wounds left from that attack parallel those we are feeling now. Although exact numbers will undoubtedly be unavailable for months, they will surely reach the thousands. Currently at the WTC site, there are 5,422 people reported missing, while 218 bodies have been recovered and 152 have been identified. At the Pentagon crash site, there were 125 lives lost. Also, after compiling passenger lists from the four planes, 266 people were lost.

Beyond human lives, the U.S. also lost four commercial aircraft, both towers of the WTC, Building No. 7 of the WTC and part of the Pentagon was damaged. Despite the numbers involved in these two attacks there is more that make these two tragedies so comparable.

Although the nation suffered greatly as a result of these attacks, the nation’s morale has not. These events sparked unprecedented times of patriotism with this nation. Both igniting pride, loyalty and enthusiasm among the U.S. and citizens.

During World War II the nation rallied behind President Franklin D. Roosevelt. Last week President Bush inspired us with his words “Make no mistake, the United States will hunt down and punish those responsible for these cowardly acts.” The nation has again rallied in the face of tragedy and gathered together behind a common cause, much like it did years ago.
OPINION

September 20, 2001

Guest Column

Waging war on terrorism is a complicated issue

By Brian E. Klunk
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In response to the criminal attacks on the World Trade Center and the Pentagon, the U.S. government has announced its determination to carry on a war to eliminate terrorists and terrorism across the globe. The Bush administration officials tell us, will take as long as a decade. The United States will suffer substantial casualties, which we cannot expect to be limited to U.S. military forces. Does terrorism involve the U.S. have the tangible and intangible resources needed for the coming dark days?

The U.S. military has been organized for decades to fight large conventional wars, like the Gulf War of a decade ago. To fight a war against terrorists will require the definition of new missions and the acquisition of new capabilities on the fly. New modes of cooperation and coordination among the military services, between the Pentagon and other government agencies, and between U.S. forces and those of other countries will be needed. Mistakes and even severely failed missions are probable, perhaps even inevitable.

What is more, the U.S. will have to avoid its war on terrorism being portrayed as a war on Islam or Middle Eastern people generally, a difficult task indeed. If not, we will find that terrorism is a hydra-headed enemy. Every time we eliminate an enemy, another will appear to replace it.

It has been a given for U.S. leaders since Vietnam that the U.S. public will not tolerate more than token casualties. Have the images of destruction in lower Manhattan and Arlington, Virginia galvanized public resolve? We seem determined to exact vengeance on those who helped perpetrate those horrors. Are we to accept grief from people we have to fill up, get in my car and drive away.

The full depth of what I felt happened to me was when my family received a call from New York and Seattle, telling them that Sikh taxi drivers were being pulled out of their cars and beaten. Later, Sikh Temples were attacked all across the country. On Saturday, a Sikh man whom the perpetrator believed to be a Muslim, was shot and killed in Mesa, Ariz. I finally understood that the majority of Americans had no idea who or what Sikhs are and we were going to be punished for something we didn’t even have religious ties to. I also wondered what my fate would be once I got off the campus and got into the real world.

It was a strange week for me in other ways. I found myself walking into rooms with some trepidation on how I would be received. I didn’t want to walk in and announce: “I’m not a Muslim terrorist; you all can look away now,” but I justified it to myself by saying “it comes with that.” I found myself walking into rooms with some trepidation on how I would be received. I didn’t want to walk in and announce: “I’m not a Muslim terrorist; you all can look away now,” but I justified it to myself by saying “it comes with that.” I finally understood that I am among the lowest rungs of the hierarchy of who is American as they come. I am not of the Islamic faith. I am not Arabic.

I am a first-generation American whose family just happens to be from India. I am a Sikh. I wear a turban, have a beard and after all these years of doing so I’ve come to accept that a few unfortunate things come with that. I have to accept grief from people where I was and watched me fill up, get in my car and drive away. Unfortunately, that was the least of my problems.

My uncle, by horrible luck, happened to be driving his big rig in Texas last week. Texas is a notoriously horrific place to be for minorities of any kind during any time period. Last week those horrors were increased immeasurably, especially for someone with a turban and a beard.

He feared for his life. People at truck stops and gas stations threatened to hurt him if he didn’t leave quickly. He speaks only broken English and I feared that if a situation had arisen, he would not be able to express that he is an American citizen and not a Muslim terrorist. Fortunately, he arrived home safely.

Another jarring part of the week for me was when my family received a situation from New York and Seattle, telling them that Sikh taxi drivers were being pulled out of their cars and beaten. Later, Sikh Temples were attacked all across the country. On Saturday, a Sikh man whom the perpetrator believed to be a Muslim, was shot and killed in Mesa, Ariz.

I am not sure that is an American I can ever really be. It showed me how I am among the lowest rungs of our society. I will have to deal with something like this every time someone, who might happen to vaguely resemble me, commits an act of terrorism.

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Some might say, “America: I love it or I leave it.” I thought I loved it as much as anyone in the country, now I’m not so sure. And I might just have to start thinking about leaving it.
Guest Column

America unites in time of need

By Scott Switzer
Pacifican Alumnus

Last Tuesday I saw America's twin towers crumble; and in the afternoon I saw a country come together. Attacked for what we represent, the "shining beacon of freedom" that America holds so dear, flickered briefly but now burns stronger than before.

Terrorists sought to shake our resolve as easily as they shook our buildings, believing Americans to be fickle and easily scared. They have sent the message back that we do not scare so easily, and our resolve is more solid than the strongest steel.

In an instant we saw Americans put aside all of their differences and join together for one purpose, to help and pray for those who are not yet safe. In New York, people gathered on the streets to hold vigils for loved ones still inside and wept without shame. They applauded New York City rescue workers with more fervor than any sports hero had ever received and justified so.

In California, and indeed all across the country, citizens not being able to do anything else flocked to the blood banks. New York had said they had a shortage, and the rest of America decided with little prompting that they had blood to give, and lives to save. Even more of our young men and women line up outside enlistment centers, ready for the call to action. Much like after Pearl Harbor, the people of America are joining the military, ready, willing and able to fight back for this country.

I saw our country's leaders put aside any differences and join together in unity. The petty bickering that is so often pointed to in Washington is gone, instead there is a group of people outraged and disgusted at what could be done to their people. With grim countenances, our Congress then authorized President George W. Bush to use military force to fight terrorism.

By now the terrorists involved are realizing that they have failed. They wished to drive a country to the brink of ruin, to the edge of madness with their actions. Now they see a country more united than ever before. Flags can be seen flying over nearly every household and likewise any business. Every minute our citizens are sitting, thinking of something else they can do, some sacrifice they can make to help out those directly hurt by these cowardly acts.

Even around the world, citizens grieve for us. Last Thursday was a day of mourning in Russia and their citizens could be seen openly weeping on the streets over what happened. World leaders call President Bush to offer their condolences and to see if they may do anything to help. NATO invoked Article 5, and treats this as an attack upon all countries in the alliance. Around the world, people are quietly stepping aside, moving out of the way of America and the action that it must take.

Osama bin Laden, the terrorist suspected of these attacks, wishes to declare religious Jihad against us and what we stand for. He has always sought to bring down the twin towers of the World Trade Center, and now has finally succeeded. With that success, however, comes his final failure. He has pushed the U.S. once too often, and now we turn to face him down, to let him know that his presence will no longer be tolerated.

It is instilled in the pride of Americans that we never back down from a fight. This country was founded freeing ourselves from an oppressive ruler, and that pride has never left us. We are patriots one and all, filled with the history of those who came before. History is strife with those who sought to test us and each received the same answer; we will not be shaken, and we will not be defeated, we are Americans.

Nicci once said, "That which doesn't kill me only serves to make me stronger." This is no more evident than today. America is picking itself up out of the debris, like the Phoenix rising from the ashes. Once more, we are completely united as a country with one goal in mind—justice.

Those responsible have failed to destroy us and now must be faced with our anger. They don't know this country; they didn't realize that we don't intimidate. They were too foolish to know that in the face of adversity we would unite. As one people, we do not fall apart. So take comfort readers in the fact that these terrorists have already failed. Take heart from the fact that our beacon will continue to shine, even through the darkest of nights. Those who choose to scorn us for what we represent will continue to do so, but when they attack our people, they choose to do so at their own peril.

It is time now for decisive action. It is time our enemies learn exactly what it means to provoke our wrath. The gauntlet has been thrown down in challenge and unless we respond in kind it will invite more actions from cowards. We must leave no doubt in our enemies' minds; to provoke this nation is to invite your own demise. Let it be known, the giant stirs once more and in his wake no evil will remain.

Every American is acting the part of heroes now, acting with no concern for their own needs, but only to see to the needs of others. That is the essence of this country, that is what our foundation was built upon.

Television coverage a disappointment

By Jagdip Dhillon
Opinion Editor

In the aftermath of this enormous tragedy, almost everything seems trivial. But some things still need to be discussed. One of those things is the media coverage following the terrorist attacks.

We all use television as our main source after events like this and we should hold them to certain standards. At the beginning of last Tuesday's tragic events, the coverage was stellar. All of the networks were on top of the story and gave us all of the shocking information and facts we needed.

From there, things quickly started rolling downhill. During the attacks, President Bush was in Florida at an education conference. After making a brief statement, he was scheduled to quickly head back to Washington, D.C.

Virtually all of the network decisions that it was a good idea to broadcast this piece of information over the airwaves. I was watching CNN at the time and it was especially troubling seeing that they were broadcasting this because they were simulcasting all over the world. We were under siege and our media was alerting the enemy as to the whereabouts of our president.

In journalism, I am not an advocate for censorship of any kind. But I do believe there are times when media outlets have to show restraint. Ethics and responsibility are buzz words that are constantly used in journalism. I don't believe our media showed much of each in this case.

This was not the end of the mass stupidity in our media that day. Later on, all of the networks broadcast the FAA's plans to open domestic airspace the next day at noon EDT. This was at least a full 17 hours before this bit of information needed to be released. I couldn't understand why they were giving potential terrorists a concrete time to plot attacks.

The coverage in the days after the attacks was not much better. All of the networks acquired new videotape of the attacks the day before. All of them had various angles of the planes crashing through the World Trade Center. At first all of those new angles seemed newsworthy until you saw them over and over again.

Eventually it became a case of excess. This was not a football game; we did not need numerous angles of the same view of what was so clearly visible. Watching it over and over made one numb to the impact of the attacks.

Unfortunately, the networks didn't conduct themselves in a better fashion off the air. According to the New York Post, CNN sent them a press release touting their high ratings during this tragedy. This kind of conduct is too shameful for words. Later a network put out a press release congratulating themselves on being the first to feature a flag on the screen.

This is being labeled as the first war of the 21st century. This is also the information age. Though these two facts do not seem to mix well. As the nation reads itself for war, I wonder how much of it will be broadcast on television. And if a large majority of it will be, is that in the best interests of the country?

These are all issues and questions the various networks have to deal with in the upcoming weeks, months and years. Hopefully they will welcome the responsibility that comes with having freedom of the press. If indeed there is a war, it is not one the nation wants to lose because of an irresponsible media.
Letters to the Editor

DISBELIEF

To the editor:

It was just another morning. I got up, got ready for work, got in my car and turned on the radio. As I was cruising down the highway with the radio turned up, I heard a break in the music. “The World Trade Center has been hit by a plane five minutes ago,” announced the radio DJ.

What tragedy, I think to myself. I wonder what happened? As I begin to pray, everything goes terribly wrong. “Oh my gosh!” says the DJ. “Another plane just hit the other tower of the World Trade Center!”

As reports come in, I have this sense of horror. This can’t be happening. Within 15 to 25 minutes ago,” announced the radio DJ. “Another plane just hit the other tower of the World Trade Center!”

As I walk into the office in a daze and start my workday all I hear is the screams of people and the crashing of buildings. I can hear crying babies, the smell of burning buildings and the feel of ash and soot on my skin and I can’t shed a tear. I am numb. This can’t be happening.

Then it gets worse - the rumors of other hijacked planes, heading to LA, heading to San Francisco. The fear for my family, my friends and the faceless strangers that live in these populated areas. As a younger generation, we never had to deal with any large wars or presidential assassinations. We never lived through the Great Depression or even the Cold War.

As the next generation, all we are familiar with is the technology age and school shootings. It comes as a great shock to us that something like this could happen. We have been sheltered from the world’s reality. We live in a bubble where bad things happen far away. Sure, there are problems in this society but we are so fortunate and so blessed.

This is a time of tragedy, but also a time of strength. Please, urge everyone to pull together. Make a difference. Help out. Comfort each other. Believe in one another and believe in God. He is so much stronger than us. He can lift away our burdens. He loves us.

It is so important to know Him, especially in this time when He is the only dependable thing on this earth. Please.

Stephanie Kong

PACIFIC’S REACTION TO TRAGEDY

To the editor:

I was very disappointed with the assembly meeting on Tuesday night led by our school president. While I applaud the intention behind the meeting and recognize that it was put together on very short notice, I believe the tone of the meeting was more disturbing than helpful.

As the panel of guests opened up the floor to concerned members of our Pacific community, the overwhelming theme seemed descriptive of how to avoid the hatred and racially motivated crimes that may occur on our campus if we begin to point fingers. I must say, I was very surprised.

I have been a member of our university for only a few weeks now and I have already grown a sense of pride for what UOP does for students and the community. I have never felt excluded nor would I guess that people here are in the practice of excluding. Especially on generic, stereotypical prejudices. This comes coupled with the fact that I just don’t believe our generation was raised in a society where that type of behavior is encouraged. Since I can remember, I have been taught how diverse our world truly is and what to do in acceptance and promotion of that diversity.

The meeting surprised me because it seemed to add fuel to the fire, rather than blowing it out. I don’t think half the students there were taking part to learn how to avoid acts of hatred. I believe they were there to be educated as to how to spread compassion and love to so many that have been personally struck by this vicious tragedy.

I found most disturbing that a Muslim student sitting on the panel, felt the need to defend who she is and how wrong it is to make judgments based on skin color. I would like to have had it made clear that ‘Muslim-American’ still carries the word ‘American.’ Other ethnic groups as well, whether it be Chinese-American, Native-American, Asian-American, or Mexican-American all have a common theme...American!!

All of us were tremendously affected by this attack on our fundamental belief in the virtues of America and the native language or country of a student or his/her parents does not affect that person’s feelings.

I would hope that the next community focus comes in the form of what we can do to aid, comfort and support our fellow Americans rather than how to not fester feelings of negativity at a time when our country really only has room for the positive.

God bless all Americans!

Cynthia Rollins
In light of the recent events, The Pacifican encourages our readers to display the American flag in support of the nation and those affected by the tragedy.
Black sorority breaks down barriers, stereotypes

By Hue Huynh
Staff Writer

Twenty-two women felt the need to create something new and different in the sorority scene. These women wanted to create a sorority that had a meaningful purpose, other than socializing. They established a sorority that was based on giving back to the community through public services. With this objective in mind, they established Delta Sigma Theta in 1913, with Myra Daving Hemmings and Madree Penn as founders. Their motto was “Black college, educated women committed to public services.” Delta Sigma Theta was first chartered in 1974, re-chartered again in 1992 and once more in 2001.

Originally, during the civil rights movement, the sorority was only open to black females. In 1958 Jeanne Noble, president of the National Chapter, decided to open the sorority to all races because she believed it wasn’t right to oppress other women from joining.

Delta Sigma Theta was first introduced to UOP last semester taking on seven members.

“Delta and a majority of the ethnic sororities were formed because minorities did not feel accepted or did not get accepted into a sorority of predominantly one race - in this case, it was white,” said Dr. Mamie Darlington, advisor to the sorority.

Through the years, discrimination prevented certain races from joining certain fraternities and sororities. Darlington believes that ethnic fraternities and sororities should be established for minority students to feel accepted and respected.

Senior, Frances Johnson, is the president of this sorority. Her role came into effect when she was chosen by the chapter. Johnson was well qualified due to the fact that she was the one that had decided to bring Delta Sigma Theta to campus for black women who did not feel they fit into the traditional sorority. It took Johnson nearly two years of intense researching and paperwork to bring the sorority to campus. Delta Sigma Theta is open to all females here on campus, regardless of ethnic background.

Delta Sigma Theta is not just about socializing, it is also about conducting and providing public services to the black community.

“Every female has her own reason on why they wanted to join this sorority and the public services that they provided,” said Johnson. “Pride and...”

Professional fraternity mirrors social fraternities

By Leah DeGuzman
Staff Writer

Greek life on campus is definitely abundant - from raging parties to loud obnoxious chanting in the middle of the night. Greeks make up 20 percent of the student body at UOP. What most don’t recognize is the flip side to Greek life, those Greeks that study a little more and party a little bit less.

The fraternities I’m talking about are our professional fraternities and sororities. These are lesser-known organizations, but with just as much brotherhood and sisterhood as the rest.

Specifically, the members of Delta Sigma Pi, or simply Delta Sig, are the professional business fraternity on campus.

Delta Sig has four core events that take place each semester including fundraisers, community service events and professional events as well as social events. Past fundraisers have included car washes, golf tournaments, a free-throw shoot-off, garage sales and “In Your Face.”

“In Your Face” raised over $400 in the Spring of 2000. This event was an innovative fundraiser put on by Trina Donahue, who at the time was vice president of finance for her pledge class. It allowed for faculty and student involvement. The event consisted of 10 business professors, which in fact were all members, as half of the ESB faculty belong to Delta Sig.

The professors had their own jar, similar to a penny war and so the professor with the most money in his jar “won” the pie. The winner was the one and only Associated Dean Ray Sylvester.

Another main event with faculty is the annual basketball game, faculty versus students.

Community service is also a vital part of Delta Sig. Some of the more successful activities that have taken place in the past was a book drive, spending a Saturday afternoon with children at Mary Graham Children’s Shelter, face painting at an Easter celebration and collecting gifts for needy children during the holiday season.

Professional events are meant to help prepare members for future career aspirations.
**ORIGIN**
By Kilgore Trout
Staff Writer

A sullen landscape brightens and steadily gains entrance into unwilling bellies. Shadows no longer effective at concealing its defeated legions, lift its unkempt brow to announce the long overdue recognition of a Stockton landmark - Chuck's Hamburgers, a restaurant celebrated for its hefty portions.

My midsection, having been denied sustenance for the entire day and thus rightly freed from the pleasuranties of polite society, greedily fixed itself upon the first entrée that fell into my line of vision. The unfortunate victim anxiously assumed the undignified shape of Soupy San ($6.75). It took the form of a real messy sandwich - mushroom, chicken and jack cheese nestled together with avocado, lettuce, tomato and small onion rings.

My mouth had been pleasantly captivated by the meal. The subtle seasoning of the chicken, wrapped in a tender blanket of soft bread, stretched lazily across my tongue, while the onion rings encased within brought with it a shockingly sharp texture that delightfully scraped across my cheeks.

The sandwich gathered before me had swaggered convincingly, occasionally bleeding out an intimidating phrase here and there. Its arrogance however, was unjustified for while I left satisfied, I was far from full.

I suppose I should have selected the "manhole covers," referred to by mere mortals as pancakes, (one pancake at $1.95, enough for most; two at $3.75, a meal in itself; three at $4.75, good luck!!). Those who attempted to enter into such a pact with the pancakes found their plates burdened by overflowing left-overs. Defeated customers were scattered about, faces arrested in a singular moment of pure rapture. Eyes fought desperately to stay leveled, only to loll inward in ecstasy. Lips parted, groans hung low, caught between the trembling threshold of pleasure and pain, while the sound of un-buckled pants emptied out into a symphony of delight.

Chuck's interior did well to impart a considerable degree of comfort. Disparate objects seized the walls in a furious motion. An obese colander was paired with an enormous can opener to form a lopsided grin worthy of Alice and Wonderland, while timid clocks hued a song from the sizzling pans.

The film stars Keanu Reeves (The Matrix) as Connor, Wayne Warren, who portrays the Kekambas' school teacher. Ms. Wilks (Diane Lane), Connor's gambling coach the Kekambas, a group of young, smart-talking baseball players from the wrong side of town.

Connor is not initially pleased with the job, but a surprising turn of events helps him to get his life on track.

Although Reeves is the big name of the movie, the true stars are the young actors who portray the Kekambas. Their performances switch from comedy to drama with perfection. This film is sure to launch a few new careers.

The PG-13 rating of the film should be considered when taking younger kids to this movie. Although there is no sexual content, the movie does feature mild violence and strong language.

If you are expecting a kid flick, you should definitely look somewhere else.

This film is highly recommended for anyone who enjoys both comedies and dramas.

You will be pleasantly surprised with this version of the classic "The Bad News Bears."
self fulfillment is what I get from these public services."

To become a member of Delta Sigma Theta, a student must have 24 units completed. With the 24 unit requirement, freshmen cannot join. The unit requirement shows Delta Sigma Theta that the girls know how to proportion their work between class, work and school activities. Hence, by the time the girls join, they would have had some college experience and the confidence to determine which sorority was best for them to join.

Darlington agreed to the policy because she felt that "freshmen are not ready to take such demanding responsibilities. A sorority requires a lot of time, commitment and participation."

The downfall of having this requirement is that incoming freshmen might not be patient enough to wait until their sophomore year to rush. This might mean that Delta Sigma Theta will lose out on the number of girls that could have been a part of their sorority experience.

Then again, it's not all about the number of girls that sign up for Delta Sigma Theta. Rather, it is about commitment. Commitment is essential because it is the key to Delta Sigma Theta's longevity. Rush takes place during the spring but not the fall. As Delta Sigma Theta is a new sorority, with only seven members, it will take a long time to verify paperwork from their National organization and build their membership. However, members can obtain more experience to learn how to manage more for Delta Sigma Theta through regional and national conventions.

For current members, there is a chapter and national fee of $100 each. For new members who are pledging, the fee is $600 and this includes the two years of chapter fees of $200, two years of national dues of $200, and the remaining $200 is for the pin and pledging materials.

So what will Delta Sigma Theta do with the money that they've earned from these fees? The majority of the money will go back to the community by providing scholarships for black high school students.

Part of the money will also be used to send several of the members to the regional or to the national conventions to meet other Delta's like themselves.

"Our hope is to have an increasing number of African-American females joining this year and the years to come. At the same time, we are also hoping to publicize ourselves more so that we could get recognition from everyone," said Darlington.

If you want to join, you may contact Frances Johnson at (209) 477-4539 for more information on upcoming events. Delta Sigma Theta deserves the longevity that is in store for her and for her members.

Soon after MTV aired the video, "Here's to the Night" gained Eve 6 MTV spot. MTV picked ten fans and gave them each a digital video camera and had them record what they did for one week. Then the fans attended an EVE 6 concert in New Jersey. The fans filmed both the show and the band backstage. MTV then created a new version of the video that mixed fan footage with parts of the original video.

"We knew we had something special with EVE 6 and their new album. As for the latest video, MTV has never done anything like this before, putting an actual video in the hands of fans," said Gottlieb, RCA Records Senior Vice President of Marketing.

EVE 6 is now getting ready to take a break from touring and concentrate on writing their next record instead of promoting their album, "Horrorscope."

"We're really proud of the record," said Collins. "We're happy people are finally getting to hear it."
Here is a listing of various clubs on campus. All meetings are open to students interested in joining.

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Entertainment industry halted

[U-WIRE] America is reeling. In New York City, Washington D.C., and Pennsylvania, the rescue efforts are in full force as Americans collect themselves and attempt to begin life anew.

In the aftermath of Tuesday's vicious terrorist attacks, the entertainment industry could be one of the most negatively impacted sectors of commerce in the United States.

In Los Angeles on Wednesday, the second annual Latin Grammys and Emmy Awards were cancelled, record companies shut down their operations and several high-profile concerts (including Madonna at the Staples Center and the L.A. Philharmonic) were postponed.

In New York, as one might imagine, the music, film and television industries came to a standstill with scheduled performances postponed or cancelled, music festivals and conferences halted and TV and film productions coming to a screeching stop.

David Angell, co-creator of the hit NBC show "Frasier," was a hijack victim on American Airlines Flight 11, which crashed into the north tower of the World Trade Center. Production on the show has been shut down indefinitely.

Barbara Olson, a frequent commentator on CNN's "Larry King Live," was a passenger on American Airlines Flight 77, which crashed into the Pentagon. Olson managed to call her husband twice from the plane before it slammed into one of the central buildings of Washington D.C.

Trailers for the film Spiderman, set to be released in May 2002, were pulled from theaters because they feature the superhero fighting crime on the World Trade Towers.

In addition: Arnold Schwarzenegger's new film "Collateral Damage," set for an Oct. 5 release has been delayed indefinitely due to its terrorism-related subject matter.

Network television also has some tough decisions to make as to whether or not to continue with plans for next week's premiere week. NBC has moved the debut of its fall season to Sept. 24, while the others are continuing with plans to air their premieres beginning Monday.

Movies such as "Independence Day" and "The Peacemaker," set to air this weekend on ABC, were scrapped and replaced by light-hearted programming ("Mrs. Doubtfire" and "America's Funniest Home Videos," respectively.)
Local Art & Entertainment events
September - October

Today (6 p.m.)
Thursday Night Street Faire on the Miracle Mile, Pacific Avenue

Sept. 21 (8 p.m.)
CAKE concert at Fox Theatre

Sept. 22 (11 a.m.)
Trip to Oakland A's Game

Sept. 27 (5 p.m.)
Faculty soapbox series: Dr. James Hetrick

Sept. 28, 29, 30 (8 p.m)
Movie: TBA

Oct. 4 (5 p.m.)
Faculty soapbox series: Dr. Lydia Fox

Oct. 5, 6, 7 (8 p.m.)
Movie: "Virgin Suicides" at McCaffrey Theatre

Oct. 11 (5 p.m.)
Faculty soapbox series: TBA

Oct. 12, 13, 14
Fall holiday weekend

Oct. 18 (5 p.m.)
Thursday night Street Fair on the Miracle Mile

Oct. 19 (8 p.m.)
Jazz Band concert

Oct. 20 (noon-4 p.m.)
Homecoming Festival

Oct. 26 (8 p.m.)
Lecture: David Sedaris

For more information regarding movies, lectures and faculty soapbox series contact ASUOP at 946-2233.

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Such events are résumé and interview workshops, interacting with a panel of professionals already in the real world to gain awareness of the process of everyday life as an accountant, financial advisor, project manager or marketing executive.

All work and no play is not the motto for the Lambda Mu Chapter. Being on UOP's campus since April 28, 1984 the members aren't only geared for academic success.

From Halloween parties to camping and river rafting, to banquets and dances, when the time is right the members of Delta Sigma Pi know how to let loose and have some fun.

Aisha Jones, senior vice president, hopes to recruit 15 new quality business and economic majors this semester.

Several benefits come with joining Delta Sig, including leadership and networking opportunities and more importantly, lifelong friendships and bonds with students of similar career interests.

For several members, the bonds become so strong that most become roommates and very close friends.

Another benefit is that many have at least one member, if not more, in a class for study groups.

With all these benefits, like most organizations, comes a cost. A one-time due for members each semester is $100. Pledges dues are $80 in the beginning and another $80 towards the end. However, all dues come back to members in some form or another.

There's a reason for social and professional fraternities and sororities. Neither is more superior or inferior. Everyone is different and can potentially belong to one or the other or even both for several students.

If you're not the "crazy, party every night" type you may want to consider becoming a professional Greek. Cruise your professional fraternity or sorority in your school.

If there isn't one in existence, consider starting one up. Other professional fraternities/sororities include Phi Delta Chi (co-ed Pharmacy), Phi Mu Alpha (all male conservatory), Alpha Chi Sigma (co-ed Chemistry) and many more.

"Delta Sig will prepare you for the real world. Classroom learning is only half of what you need when you graduate and a professional fraternity can fill the other half," said Delta Sigma Pi president, Matt Carvalho.
We Stand United

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The NFL will play a full 16-game schedule this season, making up last week’s missed games in the first week of January. And while it may still reduce the number of playoff teams from 12 to eight, commissioner Paul Tagliabue said Tuesday that full playoffs are still a possibility.

Tagliabue said the league’s competition committee had voted unanimously to keep the 16-game format, switching the games called off last weekend to the weekend of Jan. 5-7, when wild-card games had been scheduled.

But he said the committee is still looking at ways to keep the normal complement of 12 playoff teams rather than eight.

That would mean three division winners and three wild-card teams in each conference would make the playoffs rather than the three winners and just one wild card.

“This would be the best of both worlds. If they can keep the 16-game schedule and the six wild cards, then everybody's happy. It's just back to business,” said coach Mike Sherman of Green Bay, one of many teams whose playoff chances would be hurt badly if the NFL cut back on wild cards.

“I'll be curious to see what follows after this,” added Andy Reid of Philadelphia, another team that might be affected. “I'd hate to disrupt the playoffs in that situation.”

When the teams return, they could have the regular officials back. The league and the NFL Referees Association continued negotiations Tuesday.

As for the playoffs, Tagliabue said, “We continue to work on keeping six division winners, six wild cards and our entire post-season format intact. Several options have been presented to us in recent days that would help us accomplish that. If we cannot resolve our entire post-season lineup in a satisfactory fashion, we then will go to a system of six division winners and two wildcard teams for this one season only.”

One option would be to move the Super Bowl, to be played in New Orleans, from Jan. 27 to Feb. 3. There is only a one-week break this year after the championship games.

One way to do that would be to switch the Super Bowl and the National Auto Dealers Convention, scheduled for the next week. The Pro Bowl, scheduled for Feb. 4, would either be moved back a week or played as scheduled without players from Super Bowl teams. Another option would be to schedule most of the potential playoff teams for Saturday, Jan. 5, then play the wild-card games on Wednesday, Jan. 9.

for granted.

Many countries have bombings and things like this happen on a regular basis, but the thought of it happening here never entered our minds. We take what we have for granted, and don’t realize that things could very easily be much different.

Sports are just one of the freedoms we have, and in a like this, sports should be the last thing on people’s minds.

It looks like the U.S. is going to take action on bin Laden, Afghanistan and whoever else is behind this attack. Hopefully the prophecies of Nostredamus don’t prove to be true.

Nostredamus, the famous 16th century French astrologer, made many predictions that over time have come true, and it looks like the attacks on New York are another one of these.

Over the last week, many scholars have claimed that Nostredamus predicted these attacks would lead to World War III, and here’s a passage from his Century Six, Quatrain 97 that definitely points to this:

“In the year of the new century and nine months, From the Sky will come a Great Terror. The sky will burn at forty-five degrees. Fire approaches the new city.” Did Nostredamus really predict this attack, or is this just mere coincidence?

In the “new century and nine months” obviously seems to point to September of 2001. The “Great Terror” did come from the sky, as the terrorists used U.S. commercial airplanes as the weapons of attack. Forty-five degrees stands for the latitude of New York City. Although the city is actually at 41 degrees latitude, this is still pretty close. Especially when Nostredamus didn’t have a map or a globe to look at in the 16th century.

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Golfers set for Ohio

THE PACIFICAN

The women’s field hockey team was the first Pacific team to get on an airplane after the horrific tragedies last week, and the men’s golf team is right behind it.

The Tigers golfers will pack up their clubs and fly to Ohio next Wednesday to take part in The Preview, a tournament in Columbus, Ohio.

“The best of the best are going to be there,” said Troy McKinley, junior. “Hopefully the experience at nationals last year will give us confidence when we compete against these same teams.”

Two weeks ago, the Tigers took fifth place in the prestigious Top of the World Tournament in Japan. Senior Jason Highton led the team with a 212 to take home seventh place.

Sophomore Ben Scribner led the Tigers in the final round with a 69, as the Tigers upset Loyola Marymount.

The golf team hopes to continue the success that capped off last year with an 11th place finish at the NCAA Championships.

Highton was one of the Tigers’ top performers last year. He led the team with a 72.37 average, posting six top-20 finishes, two top-10 finishes and 13 rounds of par or better.

Next weekend, the Tigers will travel five golfers, but not necessarily the same five from last year.

That was determined by four rounds of stroke play the past two weeks here in Stockton.

“This tournament will be a learning experience,” added McKinley. “Hopefully we can do well in this tournament, and continue this success throughout the year.”

Smart sent packing; to red-shirt this year

Pacific All-American heads off to classes in Australia

By BRET BARRIE
Sports Editor

The Pacific swimming team had a lot of success last year and senior All-American Matt Smart played a big role in that.

But the swimming team will take on a much different look this year, as Smart has opted to red-shirt this season.

Most people that red-shirt do so to work out at a harder level, looking to improve themselves for the next season. Smart is definitely red-shirting for that reason, but he’ll be working out in an area that is much different than Stockton.

He’ll be going across the globe to do it; in Sydney, Australia.

With all the success that Smart has experienced in his previous three years at Pacific, one would probably ask why someone would want to walk away after three great years.

But leaving for Australia will allow Smart to do three things:

First, it will allow him to complete the classes required for him to fulfill his computer science minor. Smart, who is majoring in communication, will still be able to complete his degree in four years.

Second, it will allow him to work on his MBA when he gets back, while still participating with the swim team.

Third, his chances of making the 2004 Olympics will be much greater, since he’ll have had another year of practice. Plus, he’ll graduate only a year before the trials, whereas normally he would have had to wait two years.

“The opportunity kind of existed, so I decided to take it,” Smart said earlier this summer.

“My decision was based on the fact that I couldn’t make the Olympics last summer, and I know there are risks involved, but if you don’t take risks you won’t go anywhere.”

The 6-foot-7 Smart fell short in the Olympic trials last summer in the 100- and 200-meter freestyle, as he caught a cold right before the event began. His top finish was 12th in the 100, but that wasn’t good enough to make the Olympics.

If Smart makes the Olympics in 2004, he’d be the first Pacific swimmer since Brad Schumacher did in 1996.

Schumacher was a two-time All-American at Pacific, and also took home two gold medals in the ‘96 Games.

“I’ve talked to Brad about the Olympics a few times,” Smart said. “My expectations for myself have always been high. You have to train hard and smart, and a lot of people don’t have no direction, but I’m going to train hard this year.”

The Tigers might have a few big holes to fill with Smart’s absence this year, but the opportunity kind of existed for him to fulfill his computer science minor. Smart, who is going to be there,” said Troy McKinley, junior. “Hopefully the experience at nationals last year will give us confidence when we compete against these same teams.”

Sophomore Ben Scribner led the Tigers in the final round with a 69, as the Tigers upset Loyola Marymount.

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As we watched unspeakable crimes being committed in New York City, in the back of our minds we knew that our lives would change forever.

For us in California, because we were so removed from what had happened, we watched in shock as it played out like a movie. As most of us sat glued to our televisions, trying to understand all that had happened that day, the Pacific women’s field hockey team had other things weighing on its mind.

With the lockdown on flights all over the country, the Tigers were afraid they would not be able to travel to their scheduled games in St. Louis, on Thursday, Sept. 13th.

“We don’t know what is going to happen now,” said sophomore defender Cameron Kato. “Some people want us to fly, some don’t. The university says we can’t and who knows when people all over the country will be allowed to fly.”

Players were filled with confusion and anticipation as to what would happen, as their ears were filled with the tragedy and the fear of more hijackers.

The problem that players saw was that the majority of the games that would be played in St. Louis were conference games.

This meant that if the trip was canceled, the games would be almost impossible to make up. The way the Tigers saw it, they were going to have to go.

In the course of about 24 hours since the attack, the airlines had said that they would once again be in the sky on Wednesday at 12 p.m. So, now Pacific was getting ready for its Thursday flight.

However, there were rumors that the team would not be allowed to leave due to Pacific’s officials. Yet, two days after they were scheduled to fly, it was now Sunday, Sept. 16th, and Pacific field hockey was on its way to St. Louis.

The Tigers rescheduled their flight and their games; they woke up and got ready at 4:00 in the morning for their 9:00 a.m. flight, expecting tremendous chaos and heavy security at the airport.

This, however, was not the case.

According to junior defender Courtney Radonich, “We had a good flight. Everyone was nice and there were no problems. We were a little ahead of schedule getting to St. Louis.”

Expectedly, people were nervous, but for the most part we felt safe,” said Radonich. “We all knew we had to go because that was our scheduled conference games and everyone dealt with it. We stuck together.”

Because of the delay, Tigers played Monday, Sept. 17, at 1 p.m. against Missouri State. They then played Tuesday against South Carolina and Wednesdays they faced St. Louis for second time.

They returned to Pacific Wednesday. Results of tournament will be available next week.
IS IT REALLY SAFE TO TRAVEL?
Pacific athletes express concerns

BY MATT DUBENDORF & JESSE BOWEN
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The images of the terrorist attacks against the Pentagon and the World Trade Center are not something that will ever be forgotten. These attacks, though appearing so surreal, have the cruel reality that any one of us could have been on one of those ill-fated planes.

Though security in airports has been beefed up around the country, can we still feel safe? When will we be able to get on a plane and feel the same security we did before this attack?

Sports are the farthest thing from people's minds in a time like this, as they should be. But what happens when life goes on, as it inevitably must, and our athletes must board planes to get to their destination?

Is the added airport security enough to make Pacific's athletes feel safe about their travels? Will this attack add more stress to traveling? And if so, will this affect their level of play?

We interviewed some athletes and coaches at Pacific, trying to get a feel for what they felt about traveling and the attacks in New York and Washington D.C.

Athlete
JENNIFER
Dacre
Sport
SOFTBALL
Grade
SOPHOMORE

Thinking about what happened with the planes is really alarming and scary, but it's not enough for me personally to not want to fly.

Athlete
QUINCEY
Noble
Sport
BASEBALL
HEAD COACH

It's the safest time to go. I'd rather not go on a train right now. I'd rather get on a plane.

Athlete
GUIDO
Baumann
Sport
TENNIS
HEAD COACH

I believe security will be much improved, and I'm not too worried about it. After what happened, I don't think we're not going to have too many more problems.

Athlete
KRISTINA
Fetter
Sport
SOCCER
Grade
SOPHOMORE

I get to leave Stockton, but I have to miss class.

Athlete
GARRETT
Larsen
Sport
VOLLEYBALL
Grade
SOPHOMORE

I enjoy the service that is provided when I am on the plane, but I really can't stand the delays that occur when we fly.

Athlete
NANCY
Dinges
Sport
BASKETBALL
Grade
SOPHOMORE

The good thing about traveling is that you get to see new things and it opens your world to new experiences. The bad thing about traveling is that you have to make up all the work you miss.

Athlete
GILLIAN
D'Hondt
Sport
BASKETBALL
Grade
SOPHOMORE

The best part about traveling is that it gets us out of Stockton. But at the same time we really don't get to see the cities that we go to.

Athlete
MATT
Hansen
Sport
GOLF
Grade
JUNIOR

Traveling is one of the more enjoyable experiences in life because you don't have to worry about anything, you just have to concern yourself with one thing at a time. I won't let the recent hijackings ruin my traveling experiences.
The next world war?

Wow. What a week this has been.

Last Tuesday, we watched the biggest attack on the U.S. in the history of this country, and there was nothing we could do about it.

The largest, most powerful country in the world was under siege by a terrorist organization led by what now appears to be one man, Osama bin Laden. However, one man alone didn't do this. It was definitely a group effort.

This past weekend I had the opportunity to escape to Yosemite National Park for a camping trip, and beforehand I thought this would be the perfect opportunity for me to clear my thoughts and really figure out where I stood on the issue.

And I think I figured it out, at least to some degree.

At first, I didn't think that sporting events should have been cancelled. It wasn't that I was insensitive to the victims of the tragedy, but I felt stopping our everyday lives is exactly what the terrorists wanted to do.

I didn't really even look at the fact of travel, or even the idea of security at games. But after watching all the tragedies last week, I felt that Sunday would have been a great opportunity to sit together, have some family time and possibly even watch a little football.

However, after a weekend of pondering this issue, I don't feel that way anymore.

What this tragedy has brought to my attention is the fact that we often take all of our freedom and liberties for granted.

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Pacific sports recovering from tragedy

Tigers back on the playing field

BY BRETT BARIE
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Last week the country was in complete turmoil, and no one really knew what was going to transpire.

Everyone is still in that frame of mind, but it looks like sports teams are going to be back on the field.

Last week the women's soccer, volleyball, cross country and field hockey teams saw some of their events postponed, as did the men's water polo team.

Most of those events have been re-scheduled and fit into the season. Some of those games will happen this week, and some of them will occur at other times during the fall.

So here's a quick run-down on what all the fall teams will be doing this week:

# 7 Women's Volleyball (8-1)

The No. 7 women's volleyball team started off its season on a hot streak, including two straight tournament victories. The Tigers were hoping to carry that momentum into their Big West Conference opener against Cal Poly on Sept. 13.

Pacific was supposed to play another conference match last Saturday against UC Santa Barbara, but that contest was postponed as well.

The Cal Poly match will be made up on Tuesday, Oct. 9 and the Santa Barbara match will be made up on Tuesday, Oct. 30.

In the meantime, the Tigers will be on the road this entire week. They took on Nevada up in Reno on Tuesday, before traveling to Cal State Fullerton and UC Riverside on Friday and Saturday.

Results of all three matches will be available next week.

Women's Soccer (3-1)

After three straight victories, the women's soccer team was looking for its momentum to take the team into games against Nevada and St. Mary's last week.

The Nevada game was made up on Tuesday, while the St. Mary's contest is yet to be given a make-up date.

Pacific will host San Francisco tonight at 7 p.m. in the stadium and then take on Fresno State Sunday at noon at Knoles Field.

Women's Cross Country

Katie Engel led the country team to a four place finish at the Stanislaus State Open two weeks ago, and the Tigers were supposed to run in the Fresno State Invitational last weekend, but that was cancelled.

That meet hasn't been en a make-up date, but Pacific will be in Davis on Saturday, running in the Aggie Invitational.

Women's Field Hockey (1-4)

The field hockey team had the first Pacific team to open an airplane after tragedy, when the team traveled to St. Louis earlier this week to make-up two conference games.

The first game of the week was worthwhile, as the Tigers downed St. Louis 2-1 Monday.

Courtney Radonic and Giovanna Tripiano put in terrific goals, while goalkeeper Lisa Beach saved three St. Louis' 11 shots on goal.

After playing South Missouri State on Tuesday and St. Louis again Wednesday, the Tigers traveled to Cal on Saturday to take on the Golden Bears.