**Pacific awards top students**

Convocation celebrates the COP Class of 2002

Photo by Stuart Krengel

COP recognizes for their academic achievements.

LAUREL HOOVER
Staff Writer

Last Thursday, March 21, College of the Pacific (COP) held their spring 2002 convocation in the Long Theatre. Each award was presented by COP Dean, Robert Benedetti and Professor Emeritus Roy Whiteman. There was special recognition given to the 339 students who were named to the Dean's List for highest academic standing for the fall of 2001.

Among the many students who received awards, Senior Michael Johnson received the award for Mathematics. According to Math Professor, Deann Christianson, "Michael is an excellent student all around who has two degrees. He completed the program in the Conservatory of Music and plays the clarinet. Overall, I would have to say that he is a very accomplished student and I am sure that all that know him would agree."

Jessica Grimes, another UOP student, received an award for her excellence in the English Department. "Jessica is a fabulous student and a really wonderful person as well. She has served on so many hiring committees as a student member this year," Benedetti said.

**New Dean of COP**

Gary L. Miller, chair of the department of biology at University of Mississippi, Oxford, Miss., has been named dean of College of the Pacific. The appointment will be effective July 1, 2002.

In announcing the appointment, University President Donald DeRosa said that, "Professor Miller has established an enviable record as a builder of academic programs that extend across the disciplines and emphasize undergraduate research and teaching, international studies and scholarly leadership by faculty. These are all areas that fit well with the goals of College of the Pacific and the important role it plays within a distinctive comprehensive university," DeRosa said.

"I am very excited to have been invited to join the exceptional faculty at Pacific. It is a great opportunity to collaborate with them to provide innovative liberal arts learning experiences both for students studying in the arts and sciences and for those preparing for entry into a professional school. College of the Pacific is rapidly emerging as a leader in promoting learning through scholarship, experience, deep reflection and thoughtful discourse. It is a great opportunity for me to work and learn in this environment," said Miller.

Pacific Provost Philip Gilbertson said that Professor Miller, Mississippi's biology chair since 1995, has led a department enrolling 40 graduate students, 500 majors and more than 1,400 non-major students and employing a faculty and staff of 24. Under his leadership, "laboratory and computer facilities have been upgraded and expanded, discovery-based curriculum instituted for freshman biology courses, a biology honors program implemented, undergraduate research opportunities expanded and a program of undergraduate study in Belize undertaken," said Gilbertson.

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Many who met with Professor Miller were impressed with his success in integrating scholarship and teaching and the improvements in the undergraduate biology program that he fostered. Equally important, Professor Miller has been a key leader in the core general education program of Mississippi.

He is a recognized authority in the field of spider (arachnology) research and is president-elect of the American Arachnological Society. Professor Miller has twice served as an associate editor of Arachnology, and is a former editor of the Aquatic Ecology News Section of the Bulletin of the Ecological Society of America. With R.L. Ricklefs, he is author of Ecology, fourth edition: 1999, published by Freeman Publishers of New York. He has also authored or co-authored many books.
A new outlet for the print media field

JENNY AVON
Staff Writer

Starting today, students and faculty can log on to www3.uop.edu/tigerpaw and read the new online magazine, Tiger Paw. The magazine will soon be linked up with The Pacifican and MyPacific as well.

It will provide students with a new form of print in the field of magazine writing. Jessica Wakefield said, “The communication department does not have any classes on magazine writing and since the Pacifican primarily focuses on news articles, the magazine will give students another outlet for their creativity and will enable them to use their talents in design, photography, and writing.”

Tiger Paw Magazine will give students the opportunity to experience the working magazine field.

“It is my hope that an online magazine will allow students to leave their personal imprint on the campus. With Tiger Paw, students will soon have that outlet,” said Wakefield.

“I am currently looking for anyone interested in writing, design or any aspect of the publication and would appreciate any help I could receive,” said Wakefield.

The magazine wants to include all students majoring in the field and wants to publish opinion, art, photo-essays, nonfiction, short stories and poems. Wakefield also hopes to bring in student opinion polls and contests to make the process more interactive for the students.

For more information, you can contact Jessica Wakefield at uop_tigerpaw@hotmail.com.

Pacific students ready for the “real world?”

BY AMBER PROCHASKA
News Editor

As graduation approaches in May, college graduates in Connecticut are sharing what they learned during their first few years after college to inform students of important life skills. After noticing a difference between the knowledge acquired in college and the skills needed to face challenges after graduation, Jesse Vicky and Andy Ferguson began a company called Cap and Compass in 1999 to prepare thousands of college students for the basic demands of life, such as signing the first apartment lease, investing in a 401(k) and knowing the correct fork to use at a luncheon or business dinner.

According to a survey taken by Cap and Compass, about 75 percent of college students do not feel college prepares them to live on their own.

Professor Dr. Robert Morrow in the Benerd School of Education said, “I just think generally our school of education students are in touch with the ‘real world.’ Our students have quite a bit of contact with the ‘real world,’ especially with student teaching. I think most of our students can do what [Cap and Compass] are claiming they can’t.”

In contradiction to Morrow, co-founder of Cap and Compass, Vicky said, “It seems most graduates learn these skills through friends or trial and error [rather than through schooling].”

Pacific Alumni Joel Colf said, “You’re first concern is employment in terms of work and graduate school. The stuff that fills in the gaps, such as taxes and 401(k)’s is a good idea to bring to people’s attention.”

Vicky and Ferguson give college students seminars at colleges, businesses and leadership conferences throughout the United States. So far, in the year 2002, Cap and Compass have given seminars at 20 different college campuses.

Because of Cap and Compass’s two-year success with their seminars, the company published a book called, “Life after School.” The book explains vital “life skills” with a sense of humor.

Colf said, “[This book] would be a good idea for the university to invest in for graduating students.”

Senior Dru Warmerdam said, “I feel that UOP has prepared me adequately but it would have been helpful to have books like this available.”

Public Safety Report
March 13-18, 2002-Prepared by Jerry L. Houston

Vandalism
Where When What
Spanos Center March 17 Door kicked in
Lot #6 (by Price House) March 17 Vehicle keyed

Theft
Where When What
WPC March 14 VCR

Psychology March 14 KPAC Banner

Fraternity Circle March 13 Vehicle license plate missing
Weber Hall March 13 Drinks left over
Library March 17 Laptop computer
Rehearsal Hall March 18 Guitar
Library March 18 Loss unknown
Burglary
Where When What
Monagan Hall Parking Lot March 8 Unknown Loss

Miscellaneous
Where When What
Cuckler Building March 16 Subject loitering
George Wilson March 16 Four juveniles loitering

Did you know?
During this period of time, Public Safety officer found 17 open windows/doors (1 was propped open), provided 7 escorts, assisted 3 stranded motorists and interviewed 6 suspicious persons. If you have any inquiries about any of the information provided in this report, you are encouraged to contact Jerry L. Houston, Associate Director of Public Safety at 946-2537 or Extention 2537 from campus phones. You may also call anonymously to report any suspicious circumstances or persons.

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thored 32 scientific papers, essayist and playwright, Man: The One Act Play, a judged second out of 150 competing in the Theater One Act Play Contest. The play was produced by The Oxford in January of 2000.
While at Mississippi he has regional accreditation activities for the University as a chair or participated in academic committees with noteworthy service strengthening undergraduate curriculum and research.
Prior to joining Mississippi, he was an assistant professor of the zoology department at Weber State University, Ogden, Utah. Miller earned the PhD degree in biological science from Mississippi State University, a Master of Arts degree in English from the College William and Mary, from which he also earned the Bachelor Science degree.
A native of Dayton, Va., is married to Georgia Nix, Jackson, Miss.
Jazz Ensemble rocks Pacific

Last Thursday, March 21, the Pacific Jazz Ensemble performed with the Latin-jazz quartet Solus at Faye Spanos Concert Hall.

Sarah Wells
Staff Writer

Last Thursday, March 21, Pacific students and community music lovers were treated to a special performance by Latin-jazz quartet Solus and the Pacific Jazz Ensemble. The event, which began at 7:30 p.m. in the Faye Spanos Concert Hall, was opened by the Jazz Ensemble, which played a variety of big band hits as well as some popular standards in contemporary arrangements.

Director Al Brown, also a member of Solus, led the Jazz Ensemble in a set list that included the works of Glen Miller, Doc Severinsen, and John Clayton. The big band portion of the evening was concluded with Milt Jackson's song "Bag's Groove," performed by both the Pacific Big Band and Solus.

Solus performed the last half of the concert, sharing their renditions of authentic Brazilian and Cuban music with those in attendance. Lead by Brian Kendrick (percussions), Allen Brown (marimba), Rob Lautz (vibraphone), and Kerry Kashwagi (bass), the group performed works by known Latin-jazz composers as well as original pieces by Lautz and Kashwagi.

Members of the group are each accomplished musicians in their own right. Brown is director of percussion studies and the Jazz Ensemble here at Pacific. Kendrick directs the percussion programs of San Joaquin Delta College and California State University, Stanislaus. Lautz is manager of the California Arts Council's Artists in Residence Program. Kashwagi is a jazz bass professor at American River College. Each also performs across the state at various jazz festivals and with other well-known artists.

The Pacific Jazz Ensemble tries to get one guest per year, usually in the spring. Solus is "more of a local band," Brown says, but they usually book more "internationally famous" guests. Those who missed the performance can catch the Jazz Ensemble at the Reno Jazz Festival on April 19 and 20 or at the Stockton Asparagus Festival on April 28. "Solus is concentrating on recording, but interested music lovers can look for gigs in the summer and fall," said Brown.

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Santa Barbara and Long Beach State, she will be battling with Pac Ten national powerhouses such as UCLA, USC, Stanford, and Arizona. This will certainly be a challenge, but one that she is prepared for.

"Sherri Murrell has done a tremendous job with the women's basketball program and she will be an asset to any women's basketball program in the nation," said Director of Athletics Lynn King. Will Murrell have the same success with the Pac Ten bottom-dweller Washington State that she has enjoyed here at Pacific? Granted, it may take some time, but she has climbed the ladder before.

According to Lynn King, "Murrell has recruited well, developed players and she has moved our program forward. Sherri is more than just a good coach, she is a good person."

Murrell hopes to continue this successful coaching trend. With her unexpected departure from Pacific, women's basketball fans are left without hard feelings, but with a sense of gratitude and admiration for everything she contributed to the program and the athletes.

Pacific's Director of Athletics Lynn King said, "We are very disappointed she is leaving, however, she has earned the opportunity to make this decision and we wish her the very best in her new position."

Pacific will begin a national search to fill the vacant coaching spot immediately. As of now, no possible candidates have been listed, but it is only a matter of time. The Tigers are a very talented team and will remain so even after the departure of Sherri Murrell.

Loving to Help

Dr. Snyder is an assistant professor of education and director of the Educational Resource Center.

By Alex Wagner
Staff Writer

Have you ever needed a little extra academic assistance outside of your classes? Did any of you fail the foundation skill tests during orientation and feel you need to enroll in courses that help develop basic reading, writing, and math skills? Or, have any of you been diagnosed with dyslexia, Attention Deficit Disorder, or any physical disabilities that prevent you from maximizing your academic potential? If you answered, "yes" to any of these questions, you should go to Banister Hall, and see Vivian Snyder in room 102.

Dr. Snyder is an assistant professor of education and director of the Educational Resource Center. This center provides free services to help students meet their full academic potential.

Whether it is tutoring, note taking, proctoring exams, or even helping students with physical and academic disabilities, the office will be open full-time and will provide assistance and accommodations for students with physical and academic disabilities such as: perceptual-motor disabilities, dysgraphia, hearing impairments, and even students with social and interpersonal concerns. This office is not just for students with disabilities, but also for their professors as this office will provide proctors for exams and special educational equipment.

Dr. Snyder describes herself as "blessed and lucky" for her job and supportive staff. For the plethora of services and dedication aimed toward helping us succeed.
Bishop Spong visits Pacific

BY SALLY NICHOLS
Staff Writer

Christian liberalist and radical John Shelby Spong, spoke to the Pacific community last Wednesday, March 20.

Spong was born and raised in North Carolina's Bible belt country. From a young age he relished in the spiritual world and questioned the writings and theories of most Christians. He was a Bishop at the Episcopal Church in Newark, New Jersey and just recently retired after finishing his 18 acclaimed books, which sold over 550,000 copies.

Spong's new age ideas with Christianity have brought much controversy to the religious tables. The Bishop's talk on Wednesday withheld information on our lack of faith because of distance from God, as well as radical ideas on evolution and technology.

Greg Rishe, a Sophomore said, "My thoughts were exhausted from what he had to say. I could not agree with all he talked about but he brought up some new issues I could agree with."

Editor John Loudon of Harper San Francisco said, "Many progressive Christians value Spong as a new Martin Luther leading the next reformation. Bishop Spong is compelled by deeply Christian convictions as much as Martin Luther was when he posted his theses on the door of the Wittenberg Church, declaring 'Here I stand; I can do no other.'"

During Bishop Spong's talk, he rested most issues around the fact that religious followers today are not looking at the same world that the Jews did in the Old Testament. Technology has changed the life of everyone in this world and this is one of the main reasons that the decline of the Church has begun.

Spong addressed issues that centered around facts and stories in the Bible that can be disproved by simple science today. For example, now we know that when plagues happen, they can be derived from germs that caused them and that being homosexual has nothing to do with your mind being 'sick'. We also know that evolution is a fact and that all animals were not created in seven days as it says in the first book of Genesis. After Freud created the pathological elements, Spong says that it was much harder to ask honest questions in the church for fear of punishment. With all of these 'miracles' gone in the religious world, it makes most feel that God has no place in their life, according to Spong.

"Now that we know we live in a galaxy that is one of a billion galaxies, heaven is not as close to us as it used to be in the physical sense two hundred years ago," said Spong. These problems that many face are the main reasons that Spong now talks about new issues that current Christians can relate to.

Sophomore Leanne Franks said, "Spong is wonderful in how he relates to our current environment of intolerance issues. He says no one religion is better than the other and he's giving very important idea to get out is that we should at least try to reach for God and be equally deserving with one another." Franks was one of the many that seemed to accept Spong's talk with grace and appreciation.

Spong has also won such awards as the William Belden Noble Lecturer from Harvard University and named Quarter-centenary Scholar by Cambridge University.

The Pacifican in now accepting applications for Editor in Chief and Business Manager for the 2002-2003 school year. If you are interested contact Dr. Hilton in the Communication Dept. — khilton@uop.edu

Career and Internship Center hosts fair

BY CRESSY WOODARD
Guest Writer

On April 3, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., the Career and Internship Center is holding their annual Spring Job & Internship Fair. This event provides both Pacific students and attending employers the opportunity to find each other. The Career and Internship Center urges students of all majors to attend this event that will be held in the Spanos Center, entrance is free, but the experience and possible opportunities are priceless. This year, some of the many employers attending the fair include: Abercrombie & Fitch, Drug Enforcement Administration, Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory, Winkler & Kelly Consulting Engineers. In a recent issue of The Black Collegian, an article discussing the top 100 employers for the graduates of 2002, number one listed was Enterprise Rent-A-Car that will also be present on April 3.

This fair is not just for students about to graduate, even freshmen will profit from the experiences gained at this fair. Through mingling and possible inter-
Sports Management Conference to be held at Pacific

**By Linda Lyman**

A group of students in the sport management track in the sport science majors have secured an impressive lineup of speakers from the sport industry for the 1st Western States Student Sport Management Conference, which will be held April 5 and 6 on campus.

Students can learn about careers in professional sport, athletics, alternative sport, athlete representation, celebrity endorsement and the Olympics from speakers, such as Craig Long from the Oakland Raiders, Ted Leland the Stanford Athletic Director, Ann Cribbs from the Bay Area Olympic Bid Committee, Darrell Jenkins from Arco Arena, Monte Chavez from the Compaq Center, Bianca Smith, and many more. The speakers will discuss what their job entails, their career paths and future challenges and opportunities in the sport industry.

This conference is for any undergraduate or graduate student interested in working in the sport and leisure industry. The cost of the conference is $45 for UOP students, faculty and staff. The cost includes a buffet dinner and lunch.

This is a great opportunity to network with professionals in the industry and find out what it takes to get your foot in the door and succeed in the highly competitive sport business world.

For more information, contact Linda Lyman at llyman@uop.edu or call 209-946-2704.

Honor code left behind

**By Laurel Hoover**

For years, students have had access to student-written papers (with grades) online, which are often submitted at the student's discretion. It is not as uncommon as some may think. "Papers for Less" is one of the many sites that offer college students these essays that most sites do not. "Papers for Less" makes it possible for students to post their own work for sale (any file format), and then the students receive 60% of every sale deposited into their "Papers for Less" online account. From then on, students can withdraw their funds at their own convenience. In the beginning, it is free to use a system such as this; there is no setup nor monthly fees and the web-sites do not take what some professors do not realize is that while their students are getting most of the recognition for papers that they did not write, many are also getting caught for plagiarism. It is hard for many people to realize that these so-called "paper pushers" are a forgotten part of the whole equation.

Sophomore Andrew Anstrup said, "I don’t think that I would ever buy a paper from a web-site because there is no need to. I never have in the past so why should I start now?"

The alphabetical listing or keywords makes this process incredibly easy. All one has to do is enter their topic into the keyword box and the results appear on the screen within seconds. The option is open to any student that wishes, to find out more info on the paper, like the grade it received, the college it came from, its buying price and even a brief summary of the paper itself.

Sophomore Melissa Chanselor said, "I would never even consider copying an essay I found on the internet but if I was having trouble getting started and if I didn’t understand a particular portion of the assignment, I might look at an available essay online for ideas or for guidance."

It is often a claim of these types of web-sites that not every paper is used for cheating. Many sites actually take the time to have disclaimers state that the papers bought from their sites are used for research purposes only, not as a substitute for actual assignments.

Web-sites such as the one mentioned above claim that their purpose for such a site is to help college students from all over the world exchange knowledge and ideas.

When asked what she thought about students who use these types of web-sites, Freshman Lacy Nelson said, "I’ve never understood why students, especially college students, feel the need to turn to these web-sites for help. If they cannot do the work themselves or are having trouble understanding how to do a particular assignment, they should just get a tutor."

Recognition also went to Graves in the Humanities Department, Roseanna Baker in the Natural Sciences Department and Kristin Mattison in the Social Sciences Department. All received Who’s Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges Award.
No more saying the dirty “N”-word

What you say or allow to be said about you is what you become. — Davey D.

By Arthur Jenkins III
Co-editor

I faithfully used to believe in and defend the dirty N-word, “n—ga,” by trying to articulate the case to opposing African American and other ethnic groups that there was a clear distinction between “n—ga,” the racial slur and “n—ga,” the friendly expression.

To some young African Americans, the N-word appeared to be empowering because it took on a negative word, changed the spelling, and gave it a positive definition. In addition, it was catchy; originally only African Americans had the licensed and the power to say it, because if anyone from another ethnicity uttered anything close to that word, it was grounds for that individual or group to get “handled” in the most serious manner.

Though this rationale may have had some valid points, they were misguided. By accepting the N-word, it does not empower African Americans, but causes a greater divide. It causes the older generation to be at odds with the younger generation instead of unifying. The Civil Rights Movement exposed America’s hypocrisy, as well as allowed the shedding of racist names and discriminating beliefs, in order for African Americans to be respected as American citizens.

In our present generation, many African American youths are privileged because we did not have to go through the horrors of slavery or feel the pressured water hoses against our flesh as the police attempted to break-up a non-violent crowd while they protested.

The N-word, unfortunately, has gained more popularity and is currently being used among various ethnic groups. In the movie industry, (“Pulp Fiction”), R & B entertainers such as Jennifer Lopez (J-Lo) said the N-word at the end of her song, “I’m Real” featuring Ja-Rule. I also recently saw an Asian comedy show, in which an Asian family abused the N-word in every sentence and mocked how African Americans said the word.

Even now California’s justice system has manipulated the context of the N-word. I was online reading an article, found in BET News (“Black Entertainment Television”), about a San Jose judge who ruled that a white teenager was not guilty of a hate crime. The teenager was upset that the African American teacher suspended his friend so the student spray painted, “Thanks N—ga” next to the teachers’ name, vandalizing school property. The teenager was not guilty because his attorney brought in a witness to testify the difference between the two words.

It is safe to say that in a matter like this it was not how the word was spelled but the teenager’s intent by using it. He was obviously using the N-word as a racial slur and not the friendly expression. This current example and many others further the claim that the dirty N-word is destructive and no longer needs to exist.

Catholic priests accused of sexual abuse

By Natalie Goriel
Editor-in-Chief

Scandals and accusations of sexual abuse against children by Catholic priests have been exposed to the public.

Rev. Henry Mills, a New York priest at a Manhattan church is accused in a civil lawsuit of giving then 17-year-old Luis Guzman alcohol and engaging in sex acts during counseling sessions. The FBI announced that two priests were among the 40 people arrested as part of a major investigation into child pornography on the Internet. And in Massachusetts, “86 plaintiffs are suing the Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Boston over sex abuse allegations against John Geoghan, a defrocked priest convicted last month on charges of fondling a 10-year-old boy a decade ago.”

It is disturbing and frustrating to find out that people who preach the importance of living sin free lives exist.

The Pope is asking society and the followers of the Catholic religion to be forgiving, however where do we draw the line of forgiveness?

“love” a priest can express to their public.

It makes me wonder how long this really has been going on and why no one has stepped in to solve the problem especially when some leaders of the church knew about the issue.

The secrets of the Catholic Church can no longer be hidden. It is damaging to the ideologies that are expressed within the church when their leaders are engaging in “sinful” acts that are obviously recognized as being wrong through their teachings.

Most people feel that a church is a place where one
President Bush initiates the Cold War, part deux

BY ADITYA S. PUAR
Staff Writer

Last week was a test of the Bush administration's policy towards Afghanistan. We now turn to a closely intertwined field, our defense policy. Those of us old enough to remember the cold war years will surely recall "the Soviet threat", and the accompanying burdens placed on the nation by it, not least of which was the worry that we may all be obliterated in a nuclear explosion one. That cold war is over, but a new one seems to be looming ominously on the horizon. A deep freeze, bigger and with more far-reaching consequences than the last one, where we face not just one, but several adversaries in a competition for supremacy.

Let us begin with the peoples Republic of China. In the year 1979, the United States formally recognized the PRC, and simultaneously did not recognize Taiwan, Republic of China, as having international standing, thereby establishing diplomatic relations with the former, and severing them with the latter. Essentially, this meant we no longer saw Taiwan as a separate, real country. The facts are, that communist state of China has always regarded Taiwan as a break-away province of the mainland and considers any external pressures regarding the island states status as an impairment on its own domestic policy, which it has a full right to conduct.

Taiwan is one of China's largest nemeses. In this light, it seems odd, that the administration saw fit to invite Taiwan's Defense Minister, Tung Yiau-ming to a defense forum held in Florida recently. The Chinese government responded with considerable irritation, summoning the US ambassador to the Peoples Republic Clark Randt, which was in their eyes unwanted influence in regional affairs.

It is pertinent to note that this was the first ever visit to the United States by a Taiwanese Defense Minister since China was not recognized in 1979. To make matters worse, the Prime Minister of Taiwan is planning a visit to the U.S. as well. This increased flirtation with Taiwan, above and beyond the unspeakable threshold of tolerance of the PRC, is only the latest in a series of actions seemingly almost designed to annoy and humiliate the Chinese.

This entire business comes close on the heels of the famous "Missile Defense" fiasco. By proclaiming that we were setting up a missile defense shield, the administration has managed to engage not only the Chinese, Russians and the Chinese evidently think that it is. The crucial issue at hand is the absolutely high-handed manner in which the Bush administration has brushed aside any protests from both these quarters, refusing even to reason it out and soothe their concerns. With both nations going into a sort of deep sleep, we now own ourselves two nuclear armed, highly disgruntled neighbors in the global village.

And this is not the end of it. Under the "Theatre Missile Defense" plan, it was proposed that Anti Ballistic Missiles (ABM) would be placed in locations around the world, on the soil of friendly countries, surrounding states from which a threat was expected. This would provide two advantages: Protect us, and protect our allies as well. Unfortunately, most friendly countries are not quite sold on the idea. Under a proposed scenario, missile defense would be based on Japanese soil, to protect against missiles launched by North Korea. The trouble is the Chinese do not like the idea of ABM's being placed so close to them. The North Korean threat, and the accompanying burdens placed on the nation by it, not least of which was the worry that we may all be obliterated in a nuclear explosion one. That cold war is over, but a new one seems to be looming ominously on the horizon. A deep freeze, bigger and with more far-reaching consequences than the last one, where we face not just one, but several adversaries in a competition for supremacy.

To top things off, under a recently announced "Strategic Review", the Pentagon has released contingency plans for a nuclear attack on China, in the event of hostilities. Considering the Russians are at least as well as our allies, in the New World order, this has annoyed them to no small extent. Not only this, but the eastward expansion of NATO, the US led military alliance into Russia traditional sphere of influence: Poland, the Czech Republic, Hungary and so forth, causing a certain amount of upheaval within the Kremlin walls.

The Chinese and the Russians are in no shape to challenge the United States. But, it is possible that by using an imperative tone with them, we have made the powerful enemies, where it was unnecessary to do so.

Next, of course comes the famous "Axis of Evil". Under the war of terror, we have been informed that a new enemy has been discovered, and this consists of Iran, Iraq, and North Korea. How odd, that as soon as this war on terror begins, we suddenly discover our traditional enemies painted mysteriously in the guise of terrorists now.

Those that were dictatorial, totalitarian monsters and remorseless oppressors of freedom loving people yesterday, at the first opportunity, also become Jihadi zealots. This sort of bizarre propaganda stunt does nothing to instill confidence in the world community that the United States is acting in the best interests of everyone concerned.

Finally, we will speak briefly about our European allies. Recent US decisions on trade have affected many European Union nations adversely. There are quantitative restrictions, and punitive duty being levied on steel and other imports from several nations. Under the GATT (General Agreement on Trade and Tariffs) these were supposed to be done away with. In fact, in its initial years, it was the United States that was championing this agreement, imposing sanctions on those that went against GATT guidelines.

Now the E.U. finds this strange about turn in US policy regarding imports. Public opinion amongst the working classes in these nations is taking an ugly swing against America because their jobs...
The bitter and sweet things about graduation

Adrenna Benjamin
Staff writer

As a graduating senior, I believe that there is no sweeter gift than the satisfaction that comes from knowing I have diligently and dutifully completed my education at such a prestigious university. The sweetest part of this gift is knowing that my friends and family members will also soon realize that I have a bachelor's degree and will shower me with expensive gifts and envelopes full of sweet, sweet cash. Actually, I don’t mind whether or not I get presents; never having homework or finals again is rewarding enough for me. I have friends, however, who will be holding up one palm to receive a diploma and the other palm in expectation of some familial monetary benevolence. Now that I’ve talked about the sweetest things about graduation, let me inform you with some bitterness that I know most graduates toil with. The other day I was picking up my cap and gown with a friend of mine, and it hit me as to how much money we are spending just to graduate.

A cap and gown cost $43.08, however, College of Pacific students were not able to take home their hoods. When I asked why we weren’t allowed, of course, I got a shrug and a “I don’t know, I only work here” answer. The Dean’s Office did not know the details either.

Moreover, the invitations cost $9.95 per packet at the bookstore and $36 from Jostens. The invitations do not include thank you notes, stickers on the envelopes, and the printing of your name inside the invitation. I actually ended up doing it myself.

My only complaint is after spending thousands of dollars at an expensive university, students should not have to pay more to “walk” for their diploma, especially when their only sitting in rows of folding chairs on a lawn. Not only is it ridiculous and absurd, but since this college makes so much money, it should not be a problem for the university to pay for the various graduation accessories.

I understand that there are administrators reading this article and thinking how would we pay for hundreds of students graduating? My answer is only pay for the cap and gown. The rest is up to the student. Wearing a cap and gown is a tradition with a rich history, and we shouldn’t break it because we can’t afford it.

Not only does wearing a unified color look nice, it sets graduates apart from everyone else for their special day. Keeping the tradition is something we should do as students, but I believe the college should do something for us. Every year we spend thousands of dollars for university fees, books and parking.

We should not pay for caps and gowns. Pacific should give us a gift by paying for our graduation costume. With all the money the university collects from the students each year, I’m sure there is some left over for the graduate seniors as a reasonable gift. Call me cheap, but seniors do not want to pay more money just to graduate.

Reaganomics, a great economic plan for America

[U-WIRE] - Several times this semester, I have witnessed a professor tell the class that because of Ronald Reagan’s economic policies, the 1980s saw the worst U.S. economy since the Great Depression. In fact, this is something I have heard professors’ claim all throughout college. I know that some say these things as part of a wider effort to discredit not only Reagan, but also the very concept of limited government and neoliberal free market capitalism. I imagine others are just repeating what they have picked up from sources they had no reason not to distrust.

The facts are quite plain. The economy during the Reagan administration was stronger than at almost any other time in the 20th century. What do I mean by stronger? A number of indicators were quite positive during the Reagan years. Real GDP grew at an average annual rate of 3.2 percent, faster than at any time in the post-war period except the booming 1960s, when America completely dominated world markets. Even more impressive, the rate includes the 1981-82 recession, which was a necessary by-product of ending Jimmy Carter’s disastrous high-inflation policies. When examined per working-age adult, growth under Reagan compares even more favorably with other administrations. Not only that, but Reagan’s policies appear to have reversed the increasing unemployment of the 1970s and reduced it from a high of 9.7 percent during the recession to a mere 5.5 percent, a level not seen since the economic boom of the 60s pattered out. Since then, unemployment has fluctuated, and the 2001 average was 4.8 percent.

Moreover, under Reagan, U.S productivity grew at an average annual rate of 1.5 percent, up from the pathetic 0.6 percent of the Carter era and similar numbers under Clinton. One of the most notable successes of the Reagan administration was the slashing of inflation from 13.5 percent to 4.9 percent through tight monetary policy.

Were there any negative aspects to the economy under Reagan? Sure, nobody’s perfect. The example a lot of Reagan detractors like to bring up is the huge increase in the national debt. Of course, the primary cause of that was the military build-up that basically bankrupted the Soviet Union and helped us win the Cold War. I am sure most people would agree that the continued existence of our country and the avoidance of nuclear holocaust are well worth going further into debt for a while.

What about the typical left-wing rant about the rich getting richer and the poor getting poorer? They must be thinking of the high tax rate, big government years of Ford, Carter, Bush and Clinton; that’s when their charge was accurate. The Ford and Carter years saw incomes for the two poorest income quintiles drop and incomes for the top two rise, with no change for the middle quintile. The Bush and Clinton years saw increases in income for the richest 20 percent only for the richest 20 percent of Americans and decreases for the rest of us. Under Reagan and his across the board tax cuts and elimination of some tax brackets, income rose for all Americans rose quite substantially.

The most bizarre charge of all is that Reagan’s tax cuts resulted in increased taxes for the rich and more for the poor. I can only assume these people were accidentally transported here from an alternate universe since the 1980s saw the percentage of federal taxes paid by the rich increase while the percentage paid by the bottom 50 percent decreased.

The top one percent of Americans went from bearing 18 percent of the federal tax burden in 1981 to 25 percent in 1990. The top five percent saw their share of the income tax rise from 35 percent to 44 percent. And the bottom 50 percent of American taxpayers? Their share of taxes actually decreased from 7 to 6 percent — not a huge decrease, but it clearly disproves the argument that the rich got favorable treatment from Reagan while the poor got the shaft.

According to the Cato Institute’s Steve Moore, “In the 1980s, incomes, employment, investment, wealth, consumer confidence, the stock market and tax-payments rose. Interest rates, inflation and bankruptcies plummeted.” Does this sound like a disastrous policy to you?
Four-year college life pressure not for everyone

[U-WIRE] - Well, I would say that I'm just drifting. Although these words were uttered while floating in a suburban pool, this declaration by Ben to his father in the movie "The Graduate" applies to many young adults. It is estimated that the amount of people I know who have dropped out of college, switched schools, changed majors or are just drifting may be labeled irresponsible. Considering this, "irresponsible" is a more appropriate term. The same rests in huge pressures and a lack of understanding among many, Education is rightfully valued in this country. But employers still have fears of racial slurs and expletives. I guess a decal on a license plate reading "NO GOD." is a simple statement. It makes him an atheist. It's not a "further faster" education. It may advance a career or award an associate's degree. Many similar schools are meeting the demand for people who want a concise program, without the "well-rounded" classes forced at universities. Sadly, alternative training or present-day apprenticeships, where exact skills are taught while bringing home a paycheck receive little support from high school advisors. Instead of thoroughly explaining all the possibilities of the workplace to young adults, these counselors spend time fixing teenage romances and family problems.

Luckily, despite many horrible institutions, the government has a wonderful service to help people. The United States to embrace new career paths. The manufacturing industry provides stable jobs to many small communities, where hard workers hope to make enough money to raise a family. In recent years, these opportunities are fleeing south of the border. This month, Bush was overwhelmingly supported in his expansion of unemployment payments. The law will qualify 70,000 Hoosiers for a 13-week extension in assistance, according to INEWS. The manufacturing industry provides stable jobs to many small communities, where hard workers hope to make enough money to raise a family. In recent years, these opportunities are fleeing south of the border. This month, Bush was overwhelmingly supported in his expansion of unemployment payments. The law will qualify 70,000 Hoosiers for a 13-week extension in assistance.

License plate censorship

[U-WIRE] - Is atheism obscene or objectionable? Apparently the state of Florida thinks so. Steven Miles from Gainesville was told that his license plate reading "THEIST" must be canceled. Miles has had this plate on his car for 16 years, making him wonder why it is all of a sudden offensive. I guess a lack of belief in God was more understandable during the Reagan administration. The Department of Motor Vehicles decided to take a look at Miles' plate after receiving a complaint signed by ten people. Ten people, I am willing to bet, who all go to the same church. He can have the plate, and somebody complains about it. The DMV can assure the reader affected by these trade actions.

Examining the above issues, one sees how others view the United States and its policies. Whether our policies are right or wrong, we get embroiled in a contracted and expensive old war with any of the nations listed above remains to be seen. The ironical truth is that most people in most countries have a great opinion of the United States. All it would take to maintain this would be to avoid taking brash, and abrasive actions, or at least to "Sugar coat" our foreign policy actions. The United States today is probably the World's most powerful nation. For Americans, having grown up in this environment of freedom, and never having seen the poverty of some nations, it is easy for us to fail to realize the amount of respect the US commands in the world.
Question of the Week

“When you graduate, what gift would you want from Pacific?”

Compiled by Natale Goriel

“All the money I had to spend at Pacific.”
— Ethan OwYang, Sophomore

“I would want the school to buy my books for my senior year.”
— Menovue Lo, Freshman

“I want them to get me a job after I graduate.”
— Robert Foote-Jones, Freshman

“I would want a guaranteed job in the legal field and good job connections.”
— Juliana Whithurst, Sophomore

“A refund check for $120,000.”
— Jared Pendergrass, Senior

“I want a job that equals the amount of money I have invested towards my college education.”
— Freshman Terah Studges-Owens

The Pacifican Fast Facts

13 people a year are killed by vending machines falling on them.

Source: Useless facts.net
K-PAC DJ Profile: Mikado Benny

Listen up to Benny’s beats

BY JESSICA WAKEFIELD
Staff Writer

Picture this: it is Friday night. You want to forget about school, work and stress in general and instead have some fun. Unfortunately, there is absolutely nothing to do in Stockton.

Not too hard to picture is it? Well from 8 p.m. to 9 p.m. your night is booked because you should be listening to Mikado Benny on K-PAC, 88.5 and Channel 2.

Every Friday from eight to nine, you can hang out with Benny on “Bass, Beats, Funk with MikB” and hear some of your favorite music, and perhaps, find some new favorites.

Benny was born on October 11, 1981 and is originally from Stockton, CA. A sophomore, his original major was graphic design, but he has since changed it to biology. As a biology major, he spends many days and nights studying; so it is unusual that a biology major has time for radio.

“Doing the radio show does not really play into my career interests, it is more like a hobby. It is something productive that I can do with my time and plus, I get to play music people don’t usually hear,” said Benny.

That music includes “underground party music, jungle, trance, house, etc.” He also enjoys the freedom of the radio station that allows him to play The Beatles on one day and jungle and house bands the next.

A typical show features minimal talk and mostly music, but Benny does want to use his show as an opportunity to spread his musical knowledge and publicize bands who are not very well known around Pacific.

“My favorite thing about the show and the radio station is that it allows me to play music I like and promote bands that do not get the attention they deserve,” he said.

To improve the radio station

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Fresh Flavors at Manny’s Cafe

BY ALINA SARKISSIAN
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Looking for a cheap meal that tastes great? Then, Manny’s California Fresh Cafe is the place for you. Located at 1612 Pacific Ave, Manny’s provides its customers with a menu that caters to all palettes and wallets.

The diverse menu includes salads, a variety of hot sandwiches, deli-style sandwiches, a huge selection of burgers, fish and chips, rotisserie roasted chicken, and even freshly steamed artichokes.

Prices at Manny’s range from $3.75 to $4.95 for a half-pound burger. Their seafood menu is always fresh, therefore the price of the fish and the oysters depend on the market price of the day. The artichoke, which in my opinion is a random addition to the menu, is $2.50. It is steamed and served either hot or cold and with butter or mayonnaise.

The rotisserie roasted chicken is served either whole, half, or in pieces. Depending on the number of pieces of chicken you order, prices range from $2.25 (for two pieces) to $20.95 (for 20 pieces). With the rotisserie chicken, you also have the option to purchase a meal which includes the following side dishes: garlic bread, potatoes and your choice of ole slaw, Portuguese beans, or corn on the cob. The prices for the dinner meal also range from $4.25 (for 2 pieces of chicken) and $31.95 (for 20 pieces of chicken).

To wash all this food down, Manny’s also has an expansive beverage menu that includes soda, freshly squeezed lemonade, mineral water, apple juice, milk shakes (your choice of strawberry, chocolate, vanilla, espresso, banana and pineapple), wine and much more.

During my trip to Manny’s, I ordered the “Breast of Chicken Sandwich” which is acclaimed as “Stockton’s best.” The sandwich consisted of marinated chicken breast “carved from the bone” that was served on a toasted sourdough bun with lettuce, tomato, and mayonnaise and it cost $4.25. This sandwich was truly the best chicken sandwich that I have ever had. It seems like it would be very bland and boring tasting, but in fact, the chicken was so delicious that it really did not matter what the rest of the sandwich tasted like. To accompany my meal, I
A Tale for the ages: Lord of the Rings, The Trilogy

J.R.R. Tolkien's fantasy extravaganza, has held thousands of readers, young and old, in thrall since the time of their writing, in the mid-1950's. The story is set in "Middle Earth", a land occupied by men, halflings, hobbits, elves, dwarves, orcs and a plethora of magical and mystical creatures, good and evil. Before the beginning of all time, twenty "rings of power" were crafted by the elven smiths, to be distributed amongst the kings of the peoples of Middle Earth and thus begins our story. The dark lord Sauron puts all his power into the "One ring", that rules all others. The kings of Middle Earth, tempted by lust for power, accept the rings offered by Sauron, but they are deceived. Sauron takes control of the kings of men, perverting and bending their souls to his will. Driven by a hunger for power, his foul hosts swarm unchecked over the lands of middle Earth, bringing with them a foul and putrid new order. However, all hope has not died for the races of men, elves, and others.

The last alliance of Elves and Men is formed and in a terrible battle, after much strife, Isildur, lord of men is able to wrest the ring from Sauron and he is defeated. But his spirit, burning in malice, lives on in the ring. Isildur takes the ring, but he is unable to bring himself to destroy it. The ring eventually leads him to his death and, itself, lost for several hundred years. It is eventually found by a creature called Gollum, and in turn, found by an unsuspecting hobbit, named Bilbo Baggins. All this time, the ring is secretly trying to return to its master, Sauron. Eventually, the ring is passed on to Frodo Baggins, a relative of Bilbo's. Gandalf, a friend of the family and a powerful wizard, eventually realizes the true nature of the ring, and begins to attempt to take steps to prevent the return of Sauron. Frodo Baggins, Sam Gamgee, and their friends Merry and Pippin aid him. A mysterious ranger, named Strider also joins them.

It is decided that the ring must be cast into Mount Doom, where it was forged because it is the only way it may be destroyed. To this end, a fellowship, aptly titled the fellowship of the rings, is formed to make an attempt at come of the epic struggle against evil in the shape of Sauron. Along the way, the members of the original fellowship make several friends, and perhaps even more enemies, and we have all the elements of an absolutely stunning, action packed adventure. From beginning to end, the three volumes tell one uninterrupted story, and thus it is necessary to read all of them.

These volumes tell the classic tale of good pitted against evil, in a fantastic, and superlative manner. They open up the imagination to a world of magic, nobility, and glory, where a few good beings attempt to set aright what has gone terribly wrong with their world. A little caution is advised, incidentally. The books use old English extensively, although most words are explained in the indices, and it adds to the experience.

The author creates an alternate universe that removes us from the reality of our existence, and yet, places us in a world in which we would gladly reside in. Tolkien also goes into painstaking detail in almost every aspect of the book. From his descriptions of the landscape and scenery, which are rich, full, and give the reader a vivid and clear image of "Middle Earth", his fantasy world, is the development of character, capturing subtle nuances of emotion, trait, and so forth in each of his creations. His description of the parallel universe is so vivid, indeed, one would almost be convinced that one was looking at it in the role of a record keeper, or historian of real events and happenings. An example of this would be the epilogue to the book itself, where in it we are given the family trees of the principal characters, peers and lineages of the royals of "Middle Earth," and a before and after account of the history of Tolkien's world. Tolkien has been titled the "Architect of Middle Earth", indeed, his work is no less
Hillel: Jewish students uniting

BY ALY DODELL
GuestWriter

Hillel, the Jewish student organization on the University of the Pacific campus, seeks to enlighten its members about their faith. Recently, Hillel took a trip to Los Angeles to visit the Museum of Tolerance. The trip enlightened all members about their faith and themselves.

At 4:30 P.M. on a recent Saturday afternoon, the University of the Pacific Hillel club took an educational and fun trip to Los Angeles. As the student's cars pulled out of the Pacific parking lot, they started a five-hour long drive to L.A. After months of planning and expectations, they anticipated a wonderful weekend together bonding and spending time with one another.

When they arrived at 10:30 P.M. in Los Angeles, they went straight to Universal City walk to grab something to eat at the famous Hard Rock Café. The next day, the warm L.A. weather greeted them as they began the day's activities. In the morning, the Hillel group divided for temple. Worshippers had the option of going to the Kabbalah Center in Beverly Hills or a Sephardic Temple also in Beverly Hills.

Saturday proved to be both a relaxing and exciting day. Hillel visited the Santa Monica Peer and Sunset Boulevard. However, Sunday brought the event most anticipated by Hillel. The members of Hillel traveled to the Museum of Tolerance. When the students arrived at the museum, they were able to listen to a Holocaust survivor. As they listened, the students were moved by her story and the impact that it continues to have today.

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meticulous than that of the most dedicated architect. Furthermore, the intricate use of language, embellished, and infused with a vitality of its own, gives the book an added edge, immersing one in the common tongue of the native peoples of Tolkien's world, and allowing us to empathize with them. The reader will feel all the hatred of the treachery of the Dark Lord and his minions, and a desperate wish for the success of the fellowship, much as Frodo Baggins and his companions do. In all, "The Lord of The Rings" is a fantasy adventure par excellence, and is recommended highly to discerning readers anywhere, and of any age.

HOROSCOPES

CANCER: June 21-July 21
I think it is that time again to re-evaluate the relationship with your significant other. The Dale Jared NASCAR t-shirt for Valentine's Day just did not cut it. He or she seems sensitive, so try not to completely break their heart.
Lucky Day: Mar. 29

LEO: July 22-Aug. 22
This would be a good time to watch your back at work. Others are noticing how well you are doing and they do not appreciate it! Funny how that works isn't it? Take compliments from your boss with stride, but do not forget no one likes a gloater!
Lucky Day: April 3

VIRGO: Aug. 22-Sept. 21
Trust your instincts! You were born with five senses for a reason. Your current friends might not be what you need right now. Do not give anyone the cold shoulder, but keep very detailed observations, they might save you in the long run.
Lucky Day: April 1

LIBRA: Sept. 22-Oct. 22
All right Dick and Jane, get your head out of your books! Go play in the sunshine and enjoy it! I know that you could tell me the card catalogue at the library in your sleep, but that is not relevant! Remember that there is whole entire world out there!
Lucky Day: April 3

SCORPIO: Oct. 23-Nov. 21
Congratulations! Finally your prayers have been answered! Take that extra day off of school and go celebrate your good fortune! Now that the weather is getting nice, go to the beach like you have been wanting to. Just remember to wear your sunscreen, you want to be able to play outside when you are older!
Lucky Day: Mar. 31

CAPRICORN: Dec. 21-Jan. 18
You better quit eating those Twinkies! These past few sunny days have given a glimpse of bathing suit weather! Besides, you said you were going to start eating your five fruits and vegetables a day. Take this time to get yourself onto a healthy track. It could never hurt you.
Lucky Day: Mar. 29

AQUARIUS Jan. 19-Feb. 17
Yeehaw! You have gotten out of the Feb. slump of gray clouds. Go and have fun with your friends, you are in college once. Remember that you must work hard to play hard, but you are allowed to emphasize on the latter this week!
Lucky Day: Mar. 28

PISCES Feb. 18-Mar. 19
Now, I know I said have fun, but I did not say to shake everything that your momma gave you! You should probably calm down a bit; I think the opposite sex is taking note of your mischievous behaviors. Just remember that you will be here for four years and not four days!
Lucky Day: April 1
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tolerance with one another. It demonstrates various struggles from the Women's Movement to the Holocaust. Hillel members were able to look at real images of families being taken into the concentration camps. They were even able to take an emotional trip through a tunnel, into a replica gas chamber room, where Jews would have been persecuted.

As they reflected on their weekend, Hillel members realized how much they need to be together outside of usual meetings for temple and discussion. Most importantly, they feel that they learned a lot about each other and we were able to see each individual in a different light. They view the trip as a stepping stone for more field trips in the future. Currently Hillel is planning a weekend trip to Davis and Berkley to visit...
Sports

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At Solano, Nolan was named team MVP his sophomore year and then proceeded to UOP to enhance his skills even further. Nolan redshirted his 2000-2001 season and then began playing this year and he has become a powerful force for the Tigers. As a 6'5" forward, Nolan has had many scoring and offensive opportunities.

In Nolan's senior season he had his first start on Nov. 24. Nolan had his career high when he scored 13 points against the University of New Mexico. He also recorded two double figure scoring games and created a great record for free throws by making 10 out of 15 shots. Nolan ended up starting 11 games this season and became a large attribute to the team. Nolan is a business major at UOP and he is actively involved in church and bible studies.

Tim Johnson, an Oregon native has been a large attribute to the Tigers defense. In the beginning of his freshman year Johnson started all but one game, and became extremely affective in defense close to the basket. Standing at 6'10", Johnson is known for blocking shots and shutting down opposition's offense.

Unfortunately Johnson was out his sophomore season as a red shirt after repairing a broken bone in his foot. Last season Johnson started 27 out of 29 games for the Tigers and was recorded as having the sixth highest amount of blocks in his career. Johnson played in 25 games this season and recorded on double figure scoring games. Johnson's best game offensively was when he scored 11 points in one game. He was mostly a defensive force and illustrated this by making numerous blocks throughout the season. Johnson will be graduating in the spring in business administration, and he plans to continue to pursue a career in professional basketball. This has indeed been a great season for Pacific basketball.

Women's Tennis

The Pacific Women's Tennis team lost to Saint Mary's College 4-2 on Saturday, March 23 at the West Lawn Tennis Courts. Pacific fell to 5-6 overall, while Saint Mary's improves to 9-6. The match was moved indoors due to rain at the Hal Nelson Tennis Courts. Saint Mary's College won four of the singles contests, as the doubles matches were not played. Pacific senior Suzanne Bertel defeated the Gaels' Annie Wolford 6-1, 6-0 at the no. 1 position for one of the Tigers' two singles victories. The Tigers are next in action against Gonzaga at the Hal Nelson Tennis Courts on Saturday March 30 at 3:00 p.m.

Men's Golf

Pacific finished in 12th place at the Stevinson Ranch Invitational at the Stevinson Ranch Golf Club on March 25 and 26. Tiger senior Jason Higton was the highest Tiger individually, shooting a 219 to finish 17th overall. The Tigers are next in action at the Western Intercollegiate in Santa Cruz, Calif. on April 8-9.

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out to the shortstop to end the game as he recorded his first career save by recording the last two outs for the Tigers.

In the second game, the Tigers again scored in the first inning as Fitzgerald had an RBI single and came around to score on a groundout by James Stanford. Mahoney continued where he left off in the first game, as he pitched three and two thirds scoreless innings with five strikeouts. Joel Lozano held Stony Brooke down the rest of the way, as the Seawolves did not score until the seventh inning when they recorded one run.

Jurvakainen picked up the win in the first game to move to 2-1 on the season, while Will Brumfield took the loss to fall to 0-1. Lozano moved to 3-0 with the victory in the second game, while Anthony Stutz fell to 0-1.

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Men's Baseball
Pacific swept Stony Brook in a doubleheader, winning game one 7-6 and game two 2-1 on Monday, Mar. 25 at Billy Hebert Field. The Tigers move to 15-9-1 on the season, while the Seawolves fall to 7-6.

The Tigers jumped out to a quick 2-0 lead in the first inning, as Tim Gilhooly hit a towering two-run homer over the left centerfield fence. Pacific held the 2-0 lead for the first four innings, due in large part to Ryan Jurvakainen who allowed only one hit and struck out six in four innings on the day.

Stony Brook finally got on the board in the fifth inning when Ed Kull homered off reliever Jason Godkin to make the score 2-1. The Tigers picked up five runs in the bottom of the sixth jumping to 7-2. Joel Summers started the rally in the inning with an RBI single with the bases loaded. With one out, Seawolves second baseman Rich Graham committed an error on a grounder by Michael Fitzgerald, which allowed Nicholas Sekiya and Jeff Jodlowski to score to make it 5-1. Summers stole home on the front end of a double steal to make it 6-1, and Gilhooly had an RBI single to put it to 7-1.

Pacific got the first out of the seventh inning, but had to hang on after Stony Brook scored five runs to cut it to 7-6. The Seawolves inning was highlighted by a bases-loaded triple off the bat of R.J. Etzel. With men on first and second, freshman Brandon Mahoney got Dwayne Whitaker to pop up for the final out of the inning.

For Ohio State, Pieter Olree keyed the victory for the Buckeyes with a match-high 30 kills while hitting .614. OSU's Tom Trantow contributed 11 kills with Ricardo Garcia adding 10. Men's volleyball is back in town as the Tigers return home after being on the road for a month with conference matches against Long Beach State on Thursday, March 28 at 7 p.m. and UC San Diego on Friday, March 29 at 7 p.m. The Long Beach State contest will be televised by SJJTV.

Tough Trip for Men's Volleyball
BY STEPHANIE SIEGEN
Staff Writer

The 11th-ranked Pacific Tigers men's volleyball hit the road to take on the Ohio State Buckeyes. Unfortunately, Pacific fell to 13th-ranked Ohio State in four games (23-30, 30-28, 22-30, 18-30). Pacific's defense could not contain the Ohio State high hitting percentage.

For the match, Ohio State hit and unprecedented .508 from the field, while Pacific hit only .297. This single statistic may have been the match for Pacific.

Senior Dan Hoefer said, "We couldn't seem to slow down their hitting rhythm. That proved to be very costly for the match."

Ohio State perpetually hit around or through the block and often found many open spaces on the floor. Ohio State's game plan was to keep Pacific's defense scrambling all night long. They succeeded admirably.

With the loss Pacific falls to 8-15 on the season as Ohio State improved 13-8 overall. Despite the loss, Pacific had tremendous performances from several players. Senior Aaron Wachtfogel recorded a team-high 17 kills and 12 digs for Pacific. Wachtfogel kept the Tigers in the match and provided a boost of offensive presence, but also made key defensive stops. Also making large contributions was Hoefer who added 14 kills and hit .300 from the field.

Recently, Hoefer has been carrying the team, but some things cannot be done alone. Also junior Martin Berntsen finished the match with 13 kills for the Tigers.

While the Tigers struggled offensively, the defense kept the scores close. Berntsen, along with Senior Tim Gerlach each tallied four blocks. This tremendous blocking made life a little more difficult for Ohio State hitters. Also, junior Chris Tamas had another magnificent match as he recorded 49 assists in the road loss. He said, "It was a long road trip, but we are very happy to be returning home to UOP."

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Stay Slim Snack of the Week

Fruit Salad
Yield: 1 Serving

6 Apples
3 Bananas
1 c Walnuts
1 c Sugar
1 c Whipped cream
1 ts Vanilla

Cut the apples into small pieces; slice bananas, chop walnuts fine.
Sprinkle with sugar, stir gently. Mix whipped cream with vanilla and stir into fruit.
A few white grapes make a nice addition.
Serve chilled.

You are recipe fanatic
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The Western States Student Sport Management Conference coming April 5-6

BY HEATHER KOTTMIEER
Staff Writer

"Dare to Dream...Dare to Do" is the name of this year's sport management conference and it defines the desires of what the students of sports sciences are trying to promote for the conference.

Capturing the newest innovations and creativity in the sport management field is vital in order for students to stay ahead in the business.

This conference is going to provide students with the necessary information that will be extremely creative in applying for jobs and understanding sport business and how the industry operates.

The intention of this conference is to enlighten students with the knowledge that they need to have a comprehensive understanding of the sport market. The speakers that are presenting will be insightful to any fields of majors at UOP because they will provide an array of knowledge.

There will be speakers on event coordination, alternative sport, public relations topics, athletic directors, and on work as an agent.

The conference is predicted to be a success because of the caliber of speakers that will be attending.

Some of the speakers will be Craig Long from the Oakland Raiders, Karen Taylor from the River Cats baseball team, Darrell Jenkins from the Sacramento Kings, and Bianca Mead who was recently promoted by MTV for her female alternative sport event.

The first annual Western States Student Sport Management Conference is being held April 5-6.

The conference will be held on the UOP campus and it is for all students and staff which will cost of $45 (credit cards will be accepted).

To receive more information or to register for this conference contact Linda Lyman at Llyman@uop.edu or call (209) 946-2704.

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Boni Kading recorded her first career home run, a grand slam, against the Blackbirds.
Seniors make Men's Basketball season memorable

By Heather Kottmeier

Senior at UOP and will be graduating on this spring.
Ross Mills, a 6'10" senior has been major component to the Tigers offense. Coming to UOP from Salem, Oregon, Mills spent his freshman year as a red shirt. His year of red shirting paid off as he played in all but one game his first season. Scoring 131 points his second year; Ross became a leader in the offensive game of the tigers. Mill's junior year he played in all 30 games and averaged 3.9 points per game. Hitting 59 percent of his three-point shots, Mills has been known for putting points on the scoreboard in crucial competitions. Ross played in 29 games his senior season and acquired double figure statistics in both points and rebounds. Mills contributed aggressively to the offense of the Tigers and gave 100 percent to his teammates, and to himself. Ross is majoring in communication at UOP, and will be graduating this spring.

Eli Nolan came to UOP last year from Solano junior college. Before he attended Solano, he grew up in Benicia. 

By Heather Kottmeier

The Pacific Men's Basketball team ended their season on March 8 in the Big West semi-finals against Utah State. The Tigers fell to the Aggies in a close game that ended in a score of 69-65.

Johnson.

Maurice McLemore came to the Tigers as a junior after attending Solano Junior College for his freshman and sophomore year. Majoring in business administration Maurice has worked hard both academically and athletically. McLemore has been an important attribute to the tigers in the two years that he played at Pacific. Last season he was named to the All-Big West Conference Honor-able Mention team, and he was the second best in rebounds with an average of 4.5 rebounds per game. This season McLemore started 29 games, and played a total of 942 minutes. He lead in points averaging 12.3 per game in conference games. He with four rebound with the Second Team All Big West Conference honors. McLemore has proven to be a true leader on his team.

Eli Kiedrowski standing at 6'6" has capitalized on many opportunities for the Tigers attack. Coming from Lodi High School Kiedrowski red shirted his freshman year and then became a phenomenonal basketball player for the remainder of his career. Both his freshman and sophomore years, he made 13 appearances. Coming into his junior year Kiedrowski played in all games save 1 and scored 80 points. In his senior season Kiedrowski had a career high of eight rebounds versus Santa Clara. Playing in all 30 games this season, Kiedrowski was very effective for the Tigers. Teammate Nathan Davis stated that "Eli Kiedrowski and fellow teammate Ross Mills are the most underrated big men in the Big West conference.'"

Jono Metzger-Jones, originally from Oakland, California, came to the Tigers his junior year after attending West Valley Junior College for his freshman and sophomore years. His junior year he played all 30 games, starting in seven of the 13 competitions. Metzger-Jones earned an unanimous all-league selection, and an honorable mention all-state honors award. He was also awarded team MVP his senior season, and this season continues to deemed himself worthy of his recognition. Metzger-Jones had six starts this season and was extremely successful off the bench this year. He recorded five assists at San Jose State on Dec. 8, which was his best this year. He was also named to the All Tournament team at the Hispanic College Fund Tournament.

Nathan Davis is a fifth year senior majoring in business administration at UOP. Davis came to UOP as a freshman and red shirited his freshman year enabling his contributions to the team to be spread out over five years. In Davis' first season he started 19 out of 27 games and then matured to be a player of all conference one year, but was unable to complete all of his season after injuring his knee in a game against Hawaii. Davis came back his junior year and was ranked number nine on Pacific's career list with 267 assists. He appeared in all 30 games last season, starting in three of the games. Nathan played in 16 games this year and had a seasonal high of 12 points in a game against Cal Poly on January 18.

Eli Nolan said, "I have a lot of respect for Nathan Davis, and I look up to him in many ways." This is a reiteration of Davis' been an inspirational leader amongst his teammates.

Mike Hahn standing at 6'7", was vital to the team's offense and point scoring this year. Hahn was also an inspirational leader on the team as a hard worker and skilled player. Originally from Lincoln, Nebraska, Hahn started his freshman year roughly with a stress fracture in his foot. Despite his injuries he appeared in 15 games that season. Progressing into his sophomore year Preston started in 27 of 29 of his appearances. During his junior year Preston played in all 30 games and started in two of them. As one of the tallest players for the tigers, Preston stands at 6'9" and he is a determined, model player on the team.

In Preston's senior season he started all 30 games for the Tigers and had three games that he scored in double figures. With 12.3 points per game Preston is the leading scorer for the Tigers in conference games.

Tim Johnson said, "Mike Preston is the hardest worker and most dedicated guy you'll ever meet." Preston maintained a 3.81 GPA, and was awarded with the Verizon Academic All District VIII recognition. Preston is a Business Administration ma-
Murrell will be missed by the Tigers

BY JENN TOEPFER
Guest Writer

March 19 marked the end of an exciting era at University of Pacific as women’s basketball coach Sherri Murrell announced that she was leaving Pacific to coach at Washington State. Coach Murrell put the excitement back in Tiger basketball.

Prior to her arrival at Pacific, the women’s basketball team had experienced some down times. Playing with heart and passion, Selena Ho and Dolinda Meeker, two of Sherri’s first recruits, were reflections of Sherri’s philosophy to always give 100 percent for the team.

Coach Murrell developed the “Champion Club”, giving her players the opportunity to get out into the community where they got to know their fans on a personal basis. Murrell brought success to the hardwood as well.

Murrell leaves Pacific with an overall record of 68-46. In the 2001-02 season, Sherri led the Tigers to a record of 19-11 and an appearance in the Big West Conference tournament championship game for the first time since 1996.

The Pacific Tigers have seen many accomplishments over the last four years under the coaching skills of Murrell.

Pacific received its first invitation to the Preseason NIT to kick off the 2001 season. They also set the school record for highest Big West winning percentage in 2000-01 at 10-4. The Tigers averaged over 16 wins during the course of the past three seasons. Murrell has contributed to a conference high of 13 players named to the Big West All-Academic Team for the past three seasons.

Murrell’s new position at Washington State also brings her closer to home and the family and friends who are important in her life. When announcing the resignation from Pacific, Coach Murrell made the following comments about her time at UOP. “I’m grateful for the experience and relationships I’ve had at Pacific. I’m privileged to have coached and met all of the people who have made my time here special. The opportunity at Washington State is one that I could not pass up. I’m very sad to leave Pacific, but excited for what lies ahead for me at WSU.”

Sac State snaps Tigers’ winning streak

BY AMY SIMONSON
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Pacific, nationally ranked 19th, took home one of two games against Sacramento State Sunday, March 24. The Tigers lost the first game 1-0 before taking the second game 2-1. The Tigers are now 21-10 and 4-1 in the conference. It was Pacific’s first Big West loss, as well as the Hornets’ first conference win. Sacramento is now 12-18 overall and 1-4 in the Big West.

The only run scored in the first game came in the sixth inning. Senior Cindy Ball earned the loss and fell to 12-7 on the season. However, Ball gained her second save of the season in the second game, replacing starter Jennifer Dacre after the seventh inning. She then struck out three in a row to end the game, leaving Jennifer Dacre (5-2) with the win.

Offensively for the Tigers, Brandy Thurman singled home Aloha Yamaguchi to tie the score 1-1. Ball hit a two-out, RBI-double off the left-field wall and snapped the tie in the sixth. Freshman Michelle Anunciation singled to open the inning, and was sacrificed to second base by Thurman. Nicole Deatherage (5-3) took the loss for the Hornets, allowing just two runs and five hits in seven innings.

The third and final game of this three-game series has yet to be scheduled. The Hornets and Tigers were supposed to play a doubleheader on Saturday and a single game on Sunday. Yet, heavy rain forced the postponement of Saturday’s doubleheader.

Earlier in the week, Pacific swept Long Island University 8-0 and 9-1 on Monday March 18 at home. The mercy rule came into effect in both games, calling the first after six and the seven after five. Ball struck out 10 in the first game, adding another win to her belt. Dacre (4-2) took home the second game after pitching four innings, striking out two and giving up four hits. Freshman Ashlie Platten pitched the final inning, shutting out the Blackbirds.

The Tigers were strong offensively, as nine hitters recorded hits in the first game. Boni Kading recorded her first career home run, a grand slam. She was two of three with three RBI and two runs scored in the second game. Eshee Okumura was two of two with three RBI and a run scored. Pacific returns home for a doubleheader against Washington at 12 p.m. on Tuesday, March 26, at Bill Simoni Field.

Boni Kading runs as fast as she can against Sac. State in Sunday’s double header.

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