Homecoming responsible for lift of spirit
Greek Week major component of annual festivities

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The sun was shining, the leaves were falling, and chanting could be heard from every corner of campus, which meant that Greek Week was about to get underway here at UOP. Greek Week, starting last Monday, essentially kicked off the Homecoming festivities at UOP with all of the sororities and fraternities participating in many spirited events.

Monday was the unveiling of the murals that were painted in the McCaffery Center. Each mural had to be unique and represent not just one house but also every house on campus. Delta Gamma won first place with Kappa Alpha Theta and Alpha Phi close behind for the sororities. Pike and Archonia tied for first for the fraternities with the other houses close behind.

On Tuesday, each house took part in a tug-of-war competition and an obstacle course. In the tug-of-war competition, there were some matches easily won while others were a bit rough. After several different matches and a couple of blistered hands, Phi Delta Theta and Delta Gamma emerged victorious.

Later that day came the obstacle course. The obstacle course involved 'mystery' food, a wheel barrel race, and a kiddie pool filled with what seemed to be whipped cream. The 'mystery' food ended up being a banana, pumpkin flavored baby food, and pop rocks. Though usually appetizing, some contestants had a hard time swallowing that combination at once. The sorority race was especially close, however, Delta Gamma did claim first place while in the fraternity race, the men of Phi Delta Theta won by a landslide.

Wednesday was more of a giving day where not just Greeks, but the entire student body was encouraged to go give blood. There was an especially large turnout for the event and a lot of blood was given to help those in need of a transfusion.

The event for Thursday was "Sex Under the Influence." It was a presentation given in the Faye Spanos Concert Hall dealing with alcohol and sex on college campuses with the harsh facts about the consequences. See Homecoming, page 3

Producer of debate shares expertise at Pacific

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Graduates of University of the Pacific go their separate ways to accomplish things both great and small. Some alumni return to Pacific to share their knowledge and visit old friends. One alumnus in particular, David W. Frederickson, has done all of this.

Frederickson, who graduated from UOP in the 1960's, is currently a consultant based in Washington, DC where he specializes in strategic communications, public affairs and media relations.

Frederickson is a seasoned professional who has been in the trenches, on the firing line of the public issues debate in this country for more than 25 years. During that time, he has done it all; political affairs, government service, corporate management, private enterprise and media communications, according to his professional biography.

It also said that he has been through seven presidential campaigns; worked for four Presidents; five press secretaries; traveled well over one million miles at home and overseas and dealt with more than 25,000 members of the working news media domestic and foreign - including the White House Press Corps.

Before moving to Washington, he managed his own successful business for more than 10 years in marketing, media and public affairs in Houston. Most recently Frederickson was the senior producer for the vice presidential debate on Oct. 5 at Centre College in Danville, Kentucky.

Even though this man is obviously very busy, Frederickson still takes time out of his schedule to come back to Pacific to share his expertise with students and visit the University during Homecoming.

Frederickson was on campus last week from Monday, Oct. 16 until after Homecoming on Saturday, Oct. 21.

Frederickson said, "I've been coming back every year for about eight years. I try to come twice a year and I usually lecture in communication classes and sometimes I do more classes."

He also said that he usually tries to come around the time of Homecoming so he is able to participate in those festivities as well.

During this visit, Frederickson had quite a busy schedule as he was participating in activities from Tuesday until Friday.

He lectured in nine classes; two days at Carol Ann Hackley's Principles of Public Relations class, then one day each in Qingwen Dong's Theory of Mass Communication class, Shawn Batt's Debate class, Hackley's Graduate Seminar in Public Relations, Keith See Debate, page 6
Art and Geosciences grand opening celebrated

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The official ribbon cutting and grand opening celebration of the Pacific Geoscience Center and the Jeannette Powell Art Center took place Saturday, Oct. 21 at 1:30 p.m.

The two new buildings, which opened for student use this semester, are located on Pacific's south campus and represent a big step forward for UOP.

During the ribbon cutting ceremony, UOP's President DeRosa addressed the crowd and showed his excitement regarding the new facilities. DeRosa called the old quonset huts "eyesores" and explained that the new buildings will smooth the "rough edge" of south campus to make it more inviting to students, faculty and the surrounding community.

DeRosa also noted that the unique outdoor geoscience lab setting offered by the new building will give students a chance to do field work right on campus.

Additionally, the new outdoor lab can be utilized by local schools and will hopefully become a vital community resource.

DeRosa hopes that these changes will propel UOP forward and spark the inspiration needed to start other projects to improve the campus. In his words, "We can dream big things for Pacific and put them into reality".

Both of the buildings offer ample space and will be graced with new equipment to appropriately suit student's needs.

Other participants, including donors and project planners, spoke at the ceremony and significant donor Jeannette Powell assisted in the actual ribbon cutting.

Powell, whom the Art Center is named after, and her husband donated $1 million to the new building and pledged an additional $500,000. In recognition of the generosity of other project donors, a plaque will be installed on the building walls to name those who gave $2,500 or more.

After the ribbon cutting, the buildings were open for tours and refreshments. Students and faculty who study and work in the buildings were available to answer questions and current student's art pieces adorned the walls of the Art Center to provide donors and community members a peek at UOP's talent.

Though the project is still in need of funds to complete all the changes that are planned, the opening of the buildings represents a positive change for UOP.

Peterson investigation complete

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After careful deliberation, the ASUOP investigative committee has come to the recommendation that current president Ricky Peterson should indeed stay in office, as he should not be held responsible for the discrepancies found. Instead, they found last spring's Elections Coordinator Richard Gohlke possibly responsible for the mix-up.

The investigative committee was formed after a letter was submitted by OASIS President Ryan suggesting that Peterson's authority was not responsible for the mix-up.

The investigation was initiated after Peterson investigation committee members came to the conclusion that Peterson had the authority and knowledge to make the decision on who Ricky could run for president. His authority was valid.

Both Peterson and ASUOP President Peterson investigation committee felt that this was a minor decision.

Ryan also disproved the accusation that ASUOP would not have made minor decisions and committee felt that this was a minor decision.

ASUOP will be held responsible for the mistakes and the decision will be made this semester.

Barnett's question did, in fact, hold validity. The committee also came to the consensus that Peterson investigation committee was not to be held responsible for the discrepancies, clerical error or misunderstandings of the election.

Senator Ryan, in reference to the decision, said, "I do believe Gohlke had the authority to make the decision on who Ricky could have run for president. His authority was valid and I believe Peterson investigation committee felt that this was a minor decision."

Peterson investigation committee does not recommend that Peterson remain in his position, but also that ASUOP examine and revise the rules and bylaws surrounding elections in the constitution.

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Did you know?
During this period of time, Public Safety officers provided 87 hours of foot patrol, found 91 open windows/doors, provided 4 escorts, assisted 5 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 Ext 2537 from campus phones. You may also call anonymously to report any suspicious circumstances or persons.

Linked courses to be offered

The Pacific

In keeping with the Mission Statement of the University of the Pacific Humanities Center, two pairs of linked courses are being offered in Spring 2001.

Within humanities departments, linked courses are two complementary courses from different departments that are offered during the same semester at different times, so that students can avail themselves of both links of the pair, and satisfy some G.E. requirements as well.

The students who enroll in a pair of courses may participate in programming that develops the intellectual links between the two courses.

Some of this programming will be extracurricular; and it is anticipated that faculty and students will take advantage of the linkages to develop joint curricular assignments and projects.

For Spring 2001, the following pairs are being offered:

Art 3: Visual Arts Exploration (Maxwell)
Class 115: Classical Mythology (Kraynak)
Engl. 25, Sec. 1: Surviving World Holocaust (Knighton)
Hist. 186: History of Gerhard
Holocaust (Gerhard)

Departments within the College of Liberal Arts and the Humanities departments are Art and Art History, Classics, English, Film Studies, History, Modern Languages and Literature, Music, History, Philosophy, Religious Studies, and Theater Arts.

John Evy, Special Assistant to the President speaks at the ceremony.
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ences of mixing drinking with unprotected sex. Whichever house had more of their brothers or sisters in attendance would win for that day. Alpha Phi won first place for the sororities and Pike won first place for the fraternities.

On Friday, Greek Week continued with some friendly yet fierce games of backwards softball. The batters had to bat opposite their natural swing while first base was located where third place is usually located. Though only three innings long, the games were fierce and intense. Delta Gamma hit their way into first with Theta, Delta Delta Delta and Alpha Phi close behind. For the fraternities, Archania took first, Pike took second and Phi Delta Theta placed third overall.

Saturday rolled around and it was time for everyone’s favorite and most controversial event: the lip sync. Going along with the Homecoming theme of “Wild California, Wild Pacific,” each house that participated that theme.

First up were the sororities: Tri Delta, Alpha Phi, Theta, and Delta Gamma. Each sorority displayed unique ideas and talent in the form of outrageous costumes and “wild” music. Despite particular strong routines from the others, the judges ruled Delta Gamma as the victor. The fraternities—Omega Phi Alpha, Alpha Kappa Lambda, Phi Delta Theta, Pi Kappa Alpha and Archania—also displayed strength, character, rhythm and especially comedic relief in their lip syncs. The final results for them was Pike in first, Alpha Kappa Lambda in second, Archania taking third, with Omega Phi Alpha and Phi Delta Theta rounding up fourth and fifth. Overall, this was a fun event for everyone.

Lisa Kissler, Pacific sophomore and member of Delta Gamma, described her experience in Greek Week and Homecoming as positive. “It was very challenging, but the work pays off. It’s been fun but just a lot of stress,” said Kissler. Saturday’s events concluded Greek Week, leaving Delta Gamma and Pike winning on the whole.

The week proved to be as competitive as ever, not only between fraternities and sororities but other campus organizations as well.

Also occurring on Saturday was the overall Homecoming Festival. This day-long event featured a variety of exhibitions and performances as well as the results from the numerous competitions held during the week. Masters of ceremony, 1999 UOP graduate C. Colton and current ASUOP President Ricky Peterson, helped raise crowd interest and participation throughout the day. Alumni, parents and students alike turned out to watch the performances, including the Pacific dance team, the Latin Dance Club, and recording artist Jill Sobule, who ended her set with her one-hit wonder “Kissed a Girl.”

Among the results announced were those of the Homecoming court, the golf cart parade, and the banner contest. King Chris Gilman and Queen Danielle Shinn were recognized as the heads of Pacific’s Homecoming court. The golf cart parade, in which various campus organizations decorated and drove golf carts around the perimeter of the events, was won by Grace Covell Hall. The African American Student Union took first in the banner contest for the second year.

Missy Govier, sophomore, was in attendance on Saturday for the celebration. “I thought that [Homecoming] was a great way of getting the campus together for something other than parties and athletics,” she said. One can only look forward to next year and expect more rivalry and clean fun. Homecoming 2000 proved to be a memorable time for all involved.

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Missy Govier
UOP Sophomore

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RHA spirit week

John B, resident, Andrew Hudson, in the Food Olympics.

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Guest Writer

The Residence Hall Association is proud to announce the winners of our Homecoming Spirit Week activities. The grand prize was $500 cash, and was awarded to Wensm for their outstanding participation throughout Spirit Week. Second place went to Ritter House in the amount of $150. John Ballantyne was awarded $75 for their efforts in coming in third.

The week was an amazing array of fun activities that included a scavenger hunt, the Food Olympics with whipped cream, twister and a pie eating contest, an obstacle course and the relay and a competitive and spirited late night game of Capture the Flag on South Campus Lawn. There was great participation with about 40-50 people participating each night. All the halls that participated are to be commended for showing their UOP spirit.

The week was culminated with a Spirit Week Finale on the UOP Homecoming Main Stage. Competition was fierce but fun, and RHA would like to thank all the participants for coming out and showing their UOP spirit.
Resident director aids in development of students

Resident director Solyn D. Laney has been a part of UOP’s residential life and housing staff - for apartment and Greek housing since 1998. A former housing staff of University of San Francisco, Laney brings higher education experience and advanced technology ideas to the area of student life.

Laney claims that his journey to UOP was due to spiritual forces. “Choosing to work at UOP was all a part of a plan. I saw opportunity here,” he said. Pacific offered a slow-paced atmosphere where he was able to work on becoming an effective supervisor and leader. In addition, UOP presented change - such as resident hall renovations, the establishment of Cowell Resident Hall, and the Campus Pipeline that Laney is able to be a part of.

Laney received his BA in African American Studies at Sonoma State University. He then went to Washington, D.C. to do an internship with the Student Conservation Association. This lasted six months before he attended graduate school at Eastern Michigan University (EMU) where he received his Master degree. Laney specialized in guidance and counseling with an emphasis in college student personnel.

Laney is not a stranger to student life. He began his career as head resident at EMU. This allowed him to fulfill his passion for counseling students. Afterward, Laney became an upper bound counselor at King’s River Community College where he helped students transition into a four-year college or university.

He enjoys being a part of student life and cannot see himself in any other area. “I have the opportunity to have some type of influence and effect on someone’s life,” said Laney. Moreover, each day offers new surprises. As a counselor, judicial agent, supervisor and liaison for different committees, there are new situations and responsibilities that must be taken upon.

As many professionals do, Laney feels that it is now time to advance into a higher position. He is currently looking into applying for the position of Director of Multicultural Affairs. “It would be nice to continue to work at UOP and work with the students who are on campus,” said Laney.

He would also like to pursue his other passion, aside from housing, which is working with uniting and assisting people of color. “I would do that through working with different community groups,” he said. Laney would like to get more students of color to attend UOP.

Alumni Awards given at Founder’s Day

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Staff Writer

Representatives of Pacific, students and friends of the University all joined this past Friday in celebration of heritage and the founding of the university. The banquet, held in Raymond Great Hall, included a distinguished presentation of awards and recognition to many individuals of notoriety to the university.

During previous years both the alumni awards and the Founders Day festivities were held as separate events. Typically during a luncheon, smaller ceremonies were held to celebrate each event. This year, coordinators came together and jointly celebrated each event.

According to Duane Isetti, gift planning director, “We invite those who have been generous to us and to honor the history and heritage of the University.”

Among the attendees were members of the Heritage Society.

Individuals belonging to this group are those who have contributed generously to Pacific within their wills. Friday night activities focused greatly on expressing the University’s thanks to all members of this group.

Emphasized among the Heritage Society was that of the Heritage Memorial Society, containing those members who are honored within the Gallery of Benefactors. These individuals are especially important to Pacific, as they have given gifts exceeding that of $1 million to the University.

Aside from vocal notoriety, every member of this elite assembly receives their image cast onto portrait and displayed within the University. This year’s recipients include the Keck foundation and the estate of Arnold G. Scott, class of 1939.

Special recognition was given this year to the ladies of Zeta Phi, a sorority dating from 1935 on the Pacific campus.

Through generous donations totaling upwards of 230 gifts, these ladies created a $25,000 endowed scholarship to be distributed to Pacific students beginning next year. A brick commemorating their generosity was unveiled during a special ceremony Friday night within the walls of donors near Southwest Hall.

Among the two awards not given was the outstanding family award, honoring families who have brought honor to the University and the medallion of excellence, honoring alumni who exhibited outstanding and exceptional service above and beyond those mentioned above.

Acceding to Kelli Page, Assistant Alumni Director, the “Pacific Alumni Association has an awards commission that accepts submissions to nominate alumni for the above awards.”

Based on submissions the committee selects those they feel have done the most in each area of excellence. Sometimes not all awards are given, as individuals are not always available that meet the requirements.

Page expressed before the night began “that it’s going to be a great evening and I’m looking forward to honoring the alums.”

She described an excitement of the great mix of interests that was to be represented at the banquet, including ASUOP President Ricky Peterson, Dr. De Rosa and wife, numerous alumni, and those to be honored. “It’s nice to have that mix of students and alumni,” said Page.

Closing the evening were Conservatory of Music students Candice Klassen and Brian Walters. Klassen graced the crowd with a piano and vocal solo. Keeping in tune, the couple also presented a duet chosen especially for the event. In finale, the two students led the attendees with the Pacific alma mater. Judging from the crowded attendance of 246, the banquet could have been nothing less than a success.

Correction

We at The Pacific would like to apologize for some factual errors made in an issue 7 article entitled “UOP among schools protest situation in Israel.” It has been brought to our attention that a number of the mentioned facts were, indeed, false in formation. The Prime Minister of Israel Ehud Barak, not Ariel Sharon as mentioned, did not invade Al-Aqsa Mosque, a written, and in fact has security clearance from the Palestinian Authority and Israeli Security. The violence has occurred throughout Israel and the Palestinian Territories, not specifically in Jerusalem. The Pacific would also like to make it clear that it was Amer Khairallah who was encouraging students to attend the peace rallies and protests and it was in no way an opinion of our own. We apologize for any inconveniences these misconceptions may have caused.
Safe sex activist speaks to inform UOP students

Josh Parrish
Staff Writer

As part of the mid-week activities during Homecoming Week, Joel Goldman of the Pediatric AIDS Foundation was present on Thursday night to give a lecture on "Sex Under the Influence." While some of the initial subjects may have sounded a little bit like a recap of seventh-grade sex-ed, the message he shared was something that everyone can identify with.

Goldman's motive in speaking was to get across to whomever would listen to him to not make the same mistake as he did. Goldman was a college student back in the 80's in Indiana. Though he was responsible, outgoing and educated during the school day, under the cover of night he found that he could get away with using and abusing alcohol. With this came consequential decisions that would affect him for the rest of his life, such as whether or not to use protection. But he was careless and there was little information available at that time about AIDS and other STDs. A decade down the road, after numerous warning signs and seemingly chronic sickness, he was diagnosed as HIV+. His message was a challenge to the audience to look at their own behaviors, because even those students who understand safe sex can make deadly mistakes when they mix sex and alcohol. He also imparted some shocking statistics. One out of four students are likely to have an STD. A student who has an STD is three to five more times likely to contract HIV.

There is an organization fighting to give children a chance to live beyond their 10th birthday. They are called the Elizabeth Glaser Pediatric AIDS Foundation. Now is the time that you can help this organization which needs everybody's help. Coming soon to UOP is the Dance for a Chance Marathon, an 18-hour fundraising marathon in which all the proceeds will go directly to the Pediatric AIDS Foundation. The signups will be available in the McCaffrey Center from 12 noon to 2 p.m. until Nov. 8, the last day to signup.

Construction to begin on new apartment complex

Josh Parrish
Staff Writer

The ground has been broken, and the construction at UOP continues. Donald DeRosa, university president, accompanied by the regents, teachers and student representatives, celebrated the first step towards UOP's first new housing complex in 21 years.

The long awaited apartments are going up on Brookside Road, just east of Cowell Health Center. DeRosa said with the addition of this new housing, they were hoping to ease the increasing demand for on-campus housing. He also said that they were hoping to demonstrate to the public, UOP's commitment to improving the social and academic environments for students. The new apartments will be the first housing UOP has built since the McCaffrey Center in 1979.

These $10 million apartments are slated to house more than 200 students. The plans for these new student apartments include four bedrooms and two bathrooms with a kitchen and a living room. These apartments are also to be fully furnished. And for those Internet-savvy students an ethernet hook-up will be included.

The new student apartments are intended for completion by the fall of 2001. So a word to the wise, get those housing applications in early.
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Hilton’s Introduction to Mass Communication class, Hackley’s Introduction to Public Relations & Marketing class and two of Julieann Dent’s Public Speaking classes. He also spoke at the Stockton Host Lions Club meeting, attended the College of the Pacific Faculty and Staff retreat and, the highlight of the week, hosted the Debate Watch 2000 in the Callison Dining Room on Tuesday night.

At the Debate Watch, students from communication classes, political science classes and other students who received the notice over the Campus Pipeline, came to eat pizza, watch the third and final presidential debate and then hear commentary and analysis from Frederickson.

Frederickson, as well as the students and professors who were involved in the Debate Watch enjoyed the experience and felt it was beneficial. He said, “I think it’s a great opportunity to share with Pacific students some of the inside interests of the debates and to show what has to be done to put on a debate.”

Frederickson also commented to the students about his ideas for Pacific hosting a presidential debate in four years.

“In Danville, at Centre College, there was a group of students who were very instrumental in getting the debate to their school. It is a school of about 1,000 to 1,200 students and the debate involved about half of the campus,” Frederickson said. “It occurred to me that there could be an interest at Pacific to host a debate. I see no reason why UOP couldn’t have the debates here in 2004.”

David Frederickson
Senior Producer of the Vice Presidential Debate

Frederickson also commented on the outcome of the third debate. Although he is a republican, he said, trying to be as unbiased as possible, “I think that George Bush won this debate because the expectations for him were low. He was very consistent and very focused on his major points. He was very personable - the way he reached out. He closed by looking right into the camera as he restated his five main points. It’s going to be very interesting to see how things play out.”

Students also enjoyed the Debate Watch as well as the time Frederickson spent in the classroom last week. Kimberly Mullen, junior, who attended the Debate Watch and is also in Hackley’s Principles of PR class, said, “I thought the Debate Watch was a wonderful experience. As an undecided voter, it helped make my choice clear. Listening to him analyze it helped a lot.” She also said, “I learned a lot on Tuesday [in class] when he talked about the history of the debates. It was then easier to understand and follow.”

Hackley, the professor of the Principles of PR class Frederickson visited twice last week and also the person who coordinated Frederickson’s schedule, enjoyed having him at Pacific immensely.

Commenting on the many activities that she scheduled for him, Hackley said, “His schedule was fast-paced, I spoke to many students in different classes and shared expertise. The Debate Watch was a highlight of the week that resulted in excellent exposure for the University.”

She said, “He was very generous with his time. He spoke to classes every year, but this year was so ideal this year since he was the producer of the vice presidential debate. He provided a front row seat to the aisle of history and gave us an outstanding backstage view of the campaign and debate process.”

School of Dentistry
School given grant

JAGDIP DHILLON
Guest Writer

The school of dentistry has received another large grant to expand and strengthen a successful community-based oral health treatment and prevention program for people with developmental disabilities. This grant comes from California Endowment which is the state’s largest health foundation.

“This award represents an exciting opportunity for people with developmental disabilities in California,” said Dr. Paul Glassman, project co-chair and director of UOP’s Advanced Education in General Dentistry Program. “We know that dental problems are among the greatest unmet needs and this grant represents an opportunity to form community-based coalitions to address this significant problem.”

This is for persons with disabilities who do not have access to dental care.

The school will now work with the state to set up programs to correct this problem. Some of the programs will include instituting dental health care coalitions in eight communities throughout California, implementing community-designed and community-based networks for oral health care and prevention, organizing prevention training and services for agencies, consumers, and caregivers, training and supporting local dental professionals in treating patients with developmental disabilities; and establishing a statewide task force for persons with special needs.

The confidence shown by the California Endowment in UOP further establishes the school as one of the top dental schools in the nation.
Public Safety saves the day once again

It’s a quarter past midnight. You have a major paper due for one of your hardest classes by next morning. As you reach for your disk to continue working on it, you realize...you left it at the main library in one of the computers! You sprint to the library, as though you were in a marathon only to be greeted by a dark, eerie, closed building that has your disk captive. Your heart is sitting in your gut as you are left dumbfounded as to what to do next. As sweat begins to pour down your brow, and you start to tremble and scream in anxiety, a friend relief...anything is worth a shot.

Within a matter of seconds (which seemed like a year) he answered, “Ok go wait out in front of the library, we’ll send someone out in a few minutes.”

I was shocked—left in awe. Could this possibly be the same Public Safety that everyone bashes all the time? Are these the same people who arrest students for no reason and harass students all the time? Is this the Public Safety who are out there to make our lives miserable? Are these the same monster wanna-be cops who have nothing better to do than to snoop around greek houses to make sure no one is consuming alcohol—whether of age or not. Apparently so.

After discussing this situation with peers, we were soon to find out that we weren’t the only ones on campus who actually appreciate them. Public Safety does so much for students that goes unrecognized and goes unthanked. Unfortunately, it is those stories which also aren’t shared with others and therefore no one really hears about. On behalf of those students and many others who have actually appreciated them. Public Safety!”

Although this story was fortuneteen not as tragic as others, we were still greatful to them for being as effective and responsive as they were.

We are one of the few campuses whose security is run by actual law enforcement who have authority to help you in any way possible. The UOP police officers are trained at actual police academies and receive specialized training. Jerry Houston, Associate Director of Public Safety noted, “We try to help students out in the most safe, effective and efficient way [as possible]. According to Houston, there have been numerous times where students have gotten into serious trouble and Public Safety has been there for them. “We’re always ready to go to court with the students if they need us when they’re in trouble.”

A couple of our students were being stalked once and we helped them get restraining orders.” And who says Public Safety doesn’t do their job?

Statistically, the number of crime acts committed at UOP has not changed significantly over the past few years—is the really Public Safety not doing their job or more students not learning how to behave themselves as adults? That is a question left to each student to decide for themselves but one thing is for sure, it’s about time students start appreciating Public Safety for all their hard work that goes unnoticed.

Elizabeth Buckley
Managing Editor
DUI sentences are nothing but a slap on the wrist

Scott Switzer
Managing Editor

Last week, fans of Savatage (a heavy metal band) expressed their mourning across the world. Tuesday, Oct. 12 marked the 7th year commemoration of the death of guitarist Criss Oliva.

In 1993, while on his way to a show in his home state of Florida with his wife Dawn, Criss Oliva was hit and killed by a drunk driver who had crossed the dividing line and struck them head on. Criss Oliva died on the scene; Dawn Oliva survived but spent months in the hospital in critical condition.

The man who hit the couple had been convicted of driving under the influence six times prior by the state of Florida, was on probation, and had a Blood Alcohol Content (BAC) of .295. Not only that, he was an unlicensed driver. Still, he received only a 5-year sentence for vehicular manslaughter, of which he only served 18 months, 200 hours of community service and was ordered by the court to pay restitution to Dawn Oliva in the amount of $48 a month. He will remain on probation until the year 2003.

A few weeks ago, I deduced through the criminal system of New York that the cost of human life was 60 dollars and nine years in prison. However, there must have been a special deal for taking one life and ruining another in Florida, because this guy gets 18 months and has to pay $48 a month. Something about this just isn’t right. The fact that this was in Florida, a state with a very strict court system, should make readers cringe.

The problem is, no matter how the court system wants to crack down on DUI’s; they don’t do a good enough job. Suspending a person’s license does not mean anything. If a person doesn’t care about driving drunk, it stands to reason they are not going to worry about driving on a suspended or nonexistent license. The term “vehicular manslaughter” is garbage. Murder is murder, and anyone who gets behind the wheel of an automobile while drunk takes that risk, and should not be excused because of their impaired abilities. Killing someone, no matter how, should not be so easily punished. The lead singer of Motley Crue, Vince Neil has been convicted of vehicular manslaughter, yet he still tours with his band. Where is the justice in that? The only consolation is that his band now sucks.

If you shoot and kill someone while drunk, then you are a murderer, and no excuses are made. Why should it be any different if instead of using a gun you use a Chevrolet, Ford, Toyota or Honda? Whether it’s a 45 caliber or an SUV, it makes little difference. Life in prison should be the least you get, unless the court decides to push you and your car off a cliff, which wouldn’t be so bad. That last sentence is sarcastic, but I do feel that the death penalty would be appropriate in such cases. If you kill someone, you have forfeited your right to life.

The argument has been that the man involved, case with Criss Oliva “paid his dues” for what he did, that I should be more sympathetic because he is sad. I do feel the tears well up in my eyes. Unfortunately, my tears are for Dawn Oliva, not for a regrettable drunk driver who got hammered and then drove. If he felt the pain about it, he wouldn’t have behind the wheel drunk at least the seven times that he caught. Furthermore, how many times did he get away with it?

Maybe I’m just a bitter man at the age of 22, but I also am. I’m right. Whether you agree with me or not, I can’t agree with drunk drivers. If you do, you’re one of the people I’m directing these comments at. Take a stance against it, get involved, join one of the numerous organizations formed to stop drunk driving.

There are too many stories of commercials out there that say “was killed by a drunk driver” for any of us to avoid this
case with Criss Oliva. Perhaps, the only consolation is that his band now sucks.

Scott Switzer
Managing Editor

A few tips to get out of the procrastination routine

Michelle-Elizabeth Valle
Staff Writer

You stare blankly at the computer screen. You can’t think of any words to write and the paper is due in a few days. What do you do? Instead of typing anything that comes to mind, you get up and turn on the TV or go to the Summit for a snack run.

Procrastination, it’s the root of all evils in college life. You are assigned a major term paper, project or, like me, an artichoke. You just want to fill space and just want to fill space and add up the words. The paper is due in a couple of days. What do you do? Think of any words to write and you put all the research and writing off until the next day.

Trust me, I’ve seen the consequences of what procrastination can do to a person. Literally put off preparing a speech until the night before I had to give it. I started to research my topic and formulate my outline nearly close to midnight. Believe me, it wasn’t a pretty thing to go through. I ended up giving up on the project and received a zero on my speech. It is no longer the beginning of the school year and midterms are looming ahead or have passed. Students are finding more interesting things to do with their Friday nights, instead of studying, writing, or working diligently on projects.

Here are a few tips to get out of that procrastination rut.

First, attempt doing at least some of the work the day the assignment is given. I found that although I put off an assignment, if I have at least half of it done beforehand, it wouldn’t be such an overwhelming task when it’s time to finish it.

Second, when you absolutely feel like you have to put things off to the last minute then dedicate that whole day or at least a few hours to doing that one task. Don’t go wandering off to munch on snacks or to watch television. Don’t leave in the middle of the task either. It can be distracting.

Lastly, create and update a list of immediate things to do. It is hard to stick with a list—most people don’t like being confined to them—but it helps a lot when you’re trying to prioritize things of importance.

Everyone procrastinates at least once or twice in his or her life. It isn’t a bad thing if you don’t do it often, but it can really cause stress on a person if it becomes a habit. So just take a deep breath and do your work when it is assigned. That will allow you to party on the weekends and not have to worry about the looming due date.
Where have all the artists gone?

ERIN RUPPEL
Staff Writer

I walk through the streets of San Francisco. The air is crisp and cool, and the atmosphere is full of an electricity that is almost tangible. It is the buzz of a city.

All around me are different kinds of people, from punk rockers with purple hair to businessmen with ties and briefcases.

However, if things keep going the way they are, San Francisco’s bustling urban scene will no longer include the punk kid, or any of his friends.

Some say this is a good thing, that people like this only cause trouble. But the fact is that San Francisco needs these people.

They are the essence of the Bay Area. As housing prices in the Bay Area skyrocket, it is becoming increasingly harder for arts organizations to find a place they can afford.

As technology comes in, everybody else - from dancers to musicians to painters - are getting pushed out. And while I understand that profit is a strong motivat- ing factor in anything, for San Francisco to lose its “creative” class would be a tragic thing indeed.

Before since most of us were born, San Francisco has been an incubator for talent, creativity, and open-mindedness.

As a person who has lived in the Bay Area, I can attest to the wonderful, accepting, diverse atmosphere that San Francisco has, and I feel that it is crucial for me to emphasize how important a mind set like this is to becoming a truly happy person. Evictions and rent hikes are forcing artists to go somewhere else, or nowhere at all.

If San Francisco loses all of its artists, it will lose the revolutionary lifeblood that makes it such a wonderful place to be. There is some legis- lation in the works, but taxation is always a controversial subject.

Instead, I am going to put the responsibility where it should be: in the hands of you, the public.

By supporting local artists, you can help them raise the money that they need to con- tinue existence.

As a society, it is our job to ensure the continuance of something so vital to our lives. Creativity and open-mindedness are essential to our progress as a society.

Palm Pilots may tell us when our next meeting is, and stock brokers may stimulate the economy, but there is a quality derived from watching a ballet, hearing a song, or experiencing a play that you cannot derive from the things which are now taking over San Francis- co.

Where will the ballerinas, musicians, and actors go? They are being run out by big businesses. When we lose San Francisco, we lose creativity at its best.

When you walk down the street, you will still feel that electrical buzzing. But this time it will be because every- body around you is talking to their broker on their cell phones.

Sincerely and respectfully,
Chris Carr

Dear Editor,

My name is Chris Carr. I am in my senior year as a biol- ogy major and am writing in response to the article written in the Oct. 5 issue of The Pacific- an by Erin Ruppel. This particular article sparked my anger. I could not believe there was another shooting at 13 or 15 years old even touching a loaded gun. Don’t get me wrong, I loved blood, murder, and gruesome death scenes as much as any other little boy at that age. I would never act on these emotions. I personally believe that these boys and the ones at Columbine had a chemical deficiency of some sort in their brains to drive them to this. Furthermore, I agree that society had some impact, but that’s not the whole story.

Sincerely and respectfully,
Chris Carr

Women’s roles on TV are more diverse than we think

Dear Editor,

I am writing in response to the article written in the Octo- ber 5, 2000 issue of The Pacifican. The article was titled “Women as portrayed on TV,” written by Michelle-Elizabeth Valle. The only thing in the article I agree with is the first sentence that states, “Women in television and in movies captivate audiences everywhere every time they appear.”

As I continued to read, I began to see that the articles in- cluding the damsel in distress and savior. I strongly disagree with Valle when she says “youth is key for success.” While there are many young actors prospering in their ca- reers, why do we discount older women?

I assume Valle had previ- ously read a similar article, and thought “Hey, that’s a clever idea” and was then persuaded to write an article of the same topic. Again, this is only an assump- tion.

Valle stated that the role of women has changed from ditzy to hero, when in fact it has not changed. It is not that “cut and dry.”

Women always have and always will act many roles, in- cluding the damsel in distress and savior. I strongly disagree with Valle when she says “youth is key for success.” While there are many young actors prospering in their ca- reers, why do we discount older women?

I disagree with Valle question if it is possible for a woman actor to play a strong character if she is 44 rather than 24? What about Julia Roberts, Michelle Pfeiffer, or Meryl Streep? These women are hardly 24 years old.

Valle claims that “older” characters such as Ally McBeal, and Carrie from “Sex in the City” do not appeal to a younger audience. Well, speak for yourself, my friends and I love these shows as well as the actors in them.

Age does not make a differ- ence to us. I feel that Valle sees that while her opinion may be true in some cases; it is not true for all.

If perhaps the popular opinion were that older women are being portrayed in roles that are too sexy, then that is what the article I just read would be agreeing with. I believe that people who are writing articles for an opinion section should write about the other side of what society has been brainwashed to believe.

Respectfully,
Summer Day

The real issues

[U-WIRE] MADISON, Wis. - Two topics have domi- nated recent headlines — the Middle East and the upcom- ing presidential elections. The situation in the Middle East is tragic, but it does have one benefit for us, the voting citi- zens of the United States of America — it drove foreign policy to the forefront of the presidential campaign.

Until a few weeks ago, dom- estic issues such as educa- tion, Social Security, tax plans, health care and prescription drugs had dominated the presidential campaign. These are worthy issues, but issues in which the president’s influence is less than it appears.

The defining moments of a presidency are rarely the en- action of the plans proposed in presidential campaigns. The president must deal with Congress in order to get his plan enacted, and in the process many major compo- nents of that plan are either diluted or discarded.

It is in the area of foreign af- fairs that the president plays the most important role. Here he serves as the representa- tive of the United States. As commander in chief of the military, he is able to send forces throughout the world at a moment’s notice. During these times of peace he is of- ten a mediator, like President Clinton has been in the Mid- dle East. But most of the for- eign affairs issues the next president will face are not yet known.

Supporters of Al Gore say that George W. Bush is not qualified to handle foreign af- fairs since he has only been a governor. But recent presi- dential history contradicts that argument. No one heard Democrats say a governor was unqualified to be presi- dent eight years ago, when then-Governor Clinton was running against President Bush. Three of the last four presidents were governors with some prior experience in Washington, and each had both successes and failures, just like every other presi- dent.

Vice presidents played an important role in alleviating the inexperience of these gov- ernor-turned-presidents. President Carter ran with a senator, Walter Mondale, as did President Clinton. Presi- dent Reagan ran with United Nations Ambassador Bush. These vice presidents were all Washington insiders with ex- ceptional foreign experience. In the same vein, Bush se- lected former Secretary of De- fense and White House Chief of Staff Dick Cheney as his running mate. Former Chair- man of the Joint Chiefs of Staff Colin Powell would like- ly be Bush’s secretary of state and Condoleezza Rice, for- mer National Security Coun- cil expert on Russia, would likely be Bush’s national secu- rity advisor.

In his role as representative of the United States, the pres- ident must ultimately deal with people. In the case of a domestic crisis, he must rea- sure the American people that everything is OK and that Washington cares. In foreign crises, the foreign affair must confront and cajole both allies and enemies. If the president hopes to serve as a peacemaker, both sides must trust him.

In this arena of personal See Perspective, page 10
credibility, Vice President Gore is clearly lacking. His reputation for embellishing and stretching the truth is longstanding. While most of Gore’s exaggerations have been incon­sequential, they reveal a pattern that could be destructive for a president.

Take the current situation in the Middle East. If the United States is to serve as an “honest broker” in the peace process, both sides must know that the president is being straightforward and honest as a mediator. Even the slightest embellishment could destroy any fragile relationship that may redevelop.

Gore has already damaged his credibility in foreign affairs, especially with China and Russia. In 1992, Clinton and Gore promised to condition favorable trade terms with repressive regimes such as China on respect for human rights, political liberalization and responsible international conduct. Yet the administration has pursued permanent trade relations with China with no discernable improvements in China’s human rights record.

In 1995 Vice President Gore signed a secret agreement with Russian Prime Minister Viktor Chernomyrdin that allowed Russia to receive U.S. support despite the nation’s continued sale of arms to Iran. The Clinton-Gore administration also turned a blind eye when Russia violated that agreement last year. Why should either of these countries take Gore seriously?

The most important function of the presidency is leadership in foreign affairs. Gore is certainly knowledgeable and experienced, but recent history shows those qualities are not vital. Both candidates will wrap themselves in advisors with vast amounts of knowledge and experience. One can learn knowledge and gain experience, but one cannot learn character and credibility.

Keep foreign policy in mind when you vote Nov. 7. Domestic plans and campaign promises usually lie in tatters when Congress is done with them. Fine with me—significant parts of Bush’s domestic plan trouble me. But what troubles me more is the specter of a man who has questionable credibility and honesty. That man is our vice president.
Movie Review

Girlfight showcases new, mesmerizing teenage tale

CARLENE MACMILLAN
Harvard Crimson

(U-WIRE) CAMBRIDGE, Mass. - Don't expect anyone from Dawson's Creek to be moonlighting in "Girlfight," the latest coming-of-age teenage tale, starring newcomer Michelle Rodriguez.

Wearing army fatigue and sweats instead of the requisite cleavage bearing tank top, Rodriguez delivers a mesmerizing and fiery performance, not to mention a mean left-hook.

As Diana, a troubled teen from Red Hook, a rough Brooklyn neighborhood, Rodriguez finds her salvation in the predominantly male world of amateur boxing.

Capitalizing on this world of precise grace and raw aggression, Director Karyn Kusama throws sexual stereotypes and cinematic genres into the ring, creating a match I can't help but cheer loudly for.

Audiences at this year's Sundance Film Festival into the ring, creating a match for. Their love story underscores the Rocky-esque atmosphere of the film, imparting it with that coveted action-film and chick flick dynamic.

But unlike "Gladiator" or "Braveheart," the protagonist, refreshingly, does not have a Y chromosome. She owns her unmistakable femininity and her bulging biceps equally, discovering what it means to be a modern woman, and, more importantly, what it means to be herself.

Like Diana, the movie fuses to be confined by traditional definitions. With its charged brawls and minimalistic cinematography, "Girlfight" is as much Jerry Springer as it is artsy indie flick.

Restaurant Review

Flowering restaurant amidst downtown bustle

MICHICHEL-ELIZABETH VALLE
Staff Writer

Location: 126 E. Market St.
Hours: M-F: 11:30 a.m.-8 p.m., private parties on weekends (209) 463-6477
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Settled amidst the heart of downtown is a quaint Filipino restaurant. Aside from it's lavender sign, Orchid's blends in with the drab surroundings of Downtown Stockton.

What's inside is a different matter. Inside the plain brick building is a treasure of Filipino cuisine.

For the nostalgic Filipino college student, this place is for you. It is the home away from home in terms of cooking. For all others unfamiliar with this type of food, it is a place to try new and tasty dishes.

Orchid's named after a flower grown all over the Philippine Islands is a restaurant located on East Market Street right off of El Dorado Street.

Just blocks away from many businesses - including The Record, Washington Mutual Bank, and the courthouse - Orchid's is an ideal lunch spot for many businesses, workers, and anyone who happens to be downtown in need of a good meal.

Current owner and operator, Tina dela Rosa, opened the restaurant three years ago after selling her locally famed restaurant "Best Lumpia" on Thornton Road to her brother.

A co-partner, Renie Berbano, was supposed to be part of the opening and operation of Orchid's, but backed out before the restaurant ever opened.

Now, if you are a college student in dire need of a good meal on a low budget, Orchid's is the restaurant to go to. It has high elegance and class at reasonable prices.

Lunch buffet costs only $4.99 and ends at 2 p.m.
Here are a few dishes included in the lunch buffet: There is chicken or pork adobo (depending on the day) cooked in white vinegar and soy sauce.

Spices are added and the end result is delicious tender meat in a thick gravy-type sauce.

If that doesn't tempt you, then the kaldareeta will. It is a dish that consists of beef cubes, potatoes and spices cooked in a tomato sauce.

Michelle Rodriguez and Santiago Douglas steam up the screen in the new teenage tale, "Girlfight."
Mark Curry pauses for a moment during his entertaining show.

Orchid
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Pakbet, another item in the lunch buffet, can be considered a type of vegetarian dish. This dish consists of eggplant, bittermelon, okra, squash and long beans cooked in a type of shrimp paste. There is no beef, chicken, pork or pieces of shrimp in the dish.

Alone, the above dishes would cost around $4 to $4.25. It’s well worth getting the buffet, because there is such a variety of dishes to choose from. For those who are vegetarian, the vegetarian lunch would do well. It costs only $2.99 and consists of vegetable lumpia, pancit and rice.

If you’re here after lunch dela Rosa recommends ordering a dinner combination plate, which costs $5.95. The combination plate comes with four lumpia rolls, pancit (which is like a chow mein dish, but less thick), steamed rice and a choice of adobo, barbecue, pork menudo, kaldareta or dinuguan. Dinuguan is similar to kaldareta, but contains pork rather than beef and is slightly richer. Although many of the dishes offered were quite good, nothing can compare to the barbecue that Orchid’s has to offer. The barbecue consists of strips of pork marinated in a house sauce (which includes some ingredients such as brown sugar, garlic, and pepper) grilled and topped with a barbecue sauce which includes the marinade. The pork barbecue dish costs $4.25 and comes with steamed rice.

When asked why the prices were so low, dela Rosa replied, “We’ve kept the same prices when we owned Best Lumpia. We just never got to changing them.”

Eating at the restaurant is a pleasure. Traditional Filipino decked the walls and the dining area is spacious enough to cater to large crowds without getting too crowded itself. The atmosphere, combined with the tasty food is creates a wonderful ambiance.

I gave Orchid’s a rating of three and a half chefs out of a total of five for their service and the amount of traditional dishes on the menu.
Top Ten treats you hope you DON'T get this Halloween

10. Not So Good & Plenty
9. Candy Creamed Corn
8. Eminem's wads of junk
7. Reese's Can't Turn Theor's
6. Crack Baby Peanut Butter Cups
5. Hershey Kisses of Death
4. Gummi Boy Bands
3. Mike -n- Ike
2. Those generic orange and black wrappered wads of junk
1. Pop A Cap in Yo' Ass Rocks

Compiled by Brad Franca

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Fall Film Series 2000

October 27-29
"Evil Dead Trilogy"

October 31
Costume Party Surprise Halloween

November 3-5
"Lady from Shanghai"

November 10-12
"Sanjuro"

November 17-19
"Reservoir Dogs"

December 1-3
"The Trial"

"Girlfight"
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veer into teenybopper territory. Ultimately, however, Diana trades her sassy catfights for the more sophisticated gender-blind featherweight boxing circuit. Her subsequent struggle to be accepted by both the all-male boxing club and by her own father allows the film an emotional depth that strikes a chord with viewers who graduated long before high school involved metal detectors.

Some elements do feel forced and clichéd, such as Tiny, Diana's brother, played by Ray Santiago, who is stuck taking boxing lessons when he'd rather be designing fashions.

Yet, for the most part Kusama avoids many of the tired conventions of the genre this film invokes. Unlike, say, "She's All That," Diana's transformation from an offensive and frightening bitch into a beautiful and self-assured woman does not involve suddenly putting on lipstick and high heels.

Instead, the way she manipulates her dark, piercing eyes, which are emphasized throughout the film, does the trick.

And although I refuse to buy that Diana and her imposing boyfriend would be boxing in the same weight class, Diana's fight scenes with him and others thankfully skip the gratuitous shots of toned men with their shirts off. Perhaps this acts as a subtle reminder that the director is female. Furthermore, one could rightly argue that many women, including ardent feminists, would easily relate to Diana's plight.

But men, don't get the wrong idea here; this is not a film that is trying to win the Gloria Steinem seal of approval.

Women are not objectified, the prettiest girl loses, and there aren't raunchy sex scenes, but there is so much passion and personality that it doesn't matter (oh, and there is this one girl-on-girl boxing match that you'll either find quite disturbing or a big turn-on).

When I told a friend that I was going to see this movie, he remarked, "Girlfight - that sounds HOT!" Indeed, it is. So, don't waste time, go see it.

Photo of the Week

Omega Phi Alpha's, Spencer Beasley, gives the crowd a nice little wave during their performance in Greek Week's Annual Lip Sync. Omega finished as 3rd runner-up.
Pacific breaks 19-year tradition with win over Alumni

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Saturday Oct. 21 will forever live in the memories of those affiliated with Pacific Lacrosse. Two long-standing traditions came to a close on that day. For years the insurmountable obstacle for the Tigers has been those Alumni Wombats. The streak of losses to the alumni team has stretched for 19 years, dating back before the birth of many of the Tigers current players.

But this like any other streak is made to be broken, and it happened in the first Alumni Game of the 21st Century. Pacific chalked up its first goal on the ensuing man-up situation seven minutes into the game. Freshman attackman Eric Komppa converted off a rebound from Alumni Goalie Kevin Smith, to find the net.

Five minutes later, Tiger midfielder Nick Robertson scored with a feed from 2000 Conference All-Star Jeff Lum. Pacific dosed out the quarter with a 2-0 lead.

Pacific would strike again with attackman Eric Chen's first tally of the game on an unassisted drive. With 4:20 left in the half, the Alumni converted on a fast break opportunity. The Tiger's Chen would convert twice more in the quarter and Pacific would eventually take a 5-2 lead into halftime.

UOP opened up the third quarter with Chen and midfielder Joe Kellar stretching the Tiger lead to 7-2. Pacific's Komppa would answer back with two goals to bring the lead back to 9-4 entering the final quarter of play.

Alumnus Uriah Delozier '99 scored and drew the game to within two goals with seven minutes to play. Komppa's final bullet, a low underhand shot on a man-up opportunity with two minutes remaining in the game, dashed any hopes of an Alumni comeback, ending the Wombat run of dominance at 19 years.

Pacific will face a rigorous set of challenges as their Fall presea­son schedule continues on Saturday, October 28th at the UC Davis NorCal Invitational tournament. The Tigers will open round-robin play with divisional rival St. Mary's College, and then move on to face No. 2 nationally ranked Sonoma State University, followed by No. 20 Santa Clara University.

Members of the Pacific Tigers and Alumni Wombats face-off on Zuckerman field last Saturday. The Tigers beat the alumni team for the first time in 19 years.

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Volleyball
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the bewildered Gauchos for
two of the first three Pacific
points of the third game. In
what would prove to be the fi­
nal game of the match, the
Tigers supplanted defense
with a punishing offense that
would hammer down 28 kills
in the game that Pacific would
going on to win 15-11.
In the sweep, Pacific was
led by Shinn who did indeed
get her victory over UCSB, not
to mention match-highs of 20
kills and 27 digs. If senior
Shinn represented the old
Tigers, the new were repre­
sented just as well by fresh­
man Jennifer Joines, currently
third in the entire nation in
blocks, who added four more
to compliment her career-high
19 kills. Not to be outdone, se­
nior Kara Gormsen set a mag­
nificent match, tallying 66 as­
sists, not to mention 15 digs
and a pair of timely blocks.
So now that Pacific had
avenged their loss to UCSB,
and become outright leaders
of the Big West Conference,
the only question remaining
was how long the Tigers
would go before they lost even
so much as a game. Saturday
night a reeling Cal Poly team
came into town to see if they
perhaps held the answer.
They did not.
When junior Courtney
Miller opened the match with
an ace, the tone was set right
away. For whatever the Tigers
would dish out, Cal Poly had
nothing to return. In fact the
Mustangs barely escaped
dropping the first game 15-
love, mustering a single point
sandwiched between Pacific
runs of eight and seven points
(nine if you count the first two
points of game two).
What would follow would
be a dismantling of epic pro­
portions, perhaps as lopsided
a victory as the Tigers have
earned to date this season. In
sweeping the Mustangs, Pacif­
ic allowed just 11 points (15-1,
15-4, 15-6), holding Cal Poly to
a -.010 hitting percentage. In
the blowout, the Tigers out­
killed the Mustangs 51-19,
out-dug them 51-38, and fired
off seven aces to Cal Poly's
one.
Once again it was Shinn
who led the Tigers' attack with
11 kills and nine digs, and in
the process earning her first
ever Big West Conference
Player of the Week honors for
her efforts.

Money Shot
"Go Tigers!" Pep band
members get wild at the
Pacific volleyball game
last Saturday during
Homecoming.

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her state of mind was focused far from the throbbing pain of her knee. The game concluded with five chosen players from each team hoping to score from the stroke line against each goalkeeper. Scoring for Pacific were Leanne Tarr, Cathryn Perkins and Monica Douglas.

While the celebration continued for hours and hours post game, the following day, Saturday Oct. 21 was a time where the fun and games had to end. The Pacific Tigers hosted Stanford University on Brookside Field at 1:00. Pacific fell behind and lacked the power to win as they did the day before. The end score was 4-0, Stanford won and the excitement for hopeful future games was quickly shot down. Within 24 hours, the ladies switched gears from a fired-up and intense win to a less fortunate and fatigue loss.

“If we played Stanford on Friday with fresh feet as our first match, we would have won. It wasn’t the fact that they played a great game of hockey, we made errors and were not at the level we were the day before,” said Giovanna Tripianno.

The sweetness of Friday’s match will parallel to what the future games will entail. The remainder of the season can only mean one thing; victory. The Pacific field hockey team will take nothing less than winning games from now until the end. This Saturday, Pacific will travel to Stanford’s turf field and show them who’s boss (sorry Bruce Springstein).

Men’s Water Polo

It was Homecoming weekend and the Pacific Men’s Water Polo team was busy making waves in the pool by posting a ninth place finish in the Norcal Tournament held on the UOP campus.

Pacific started the tournament off on the wrong foot by losing to Pepperdine 5-3 on Saturday. Sergey Busheev, Danny Johnson, and Eddie Wisniewski all scored for the Tigers who never led in the game. Pacific though was able to redeem itself by defeating UC Santa Cruz later in the afternoon, serving up Boardwalk crew by a score of 10-4. Chris Spencer and Chris Nowak each pulled a hat trick. As the Tiger’s goalies, Ryan Brown and Eric Bahne-man needed to stop only two shots as Pacific defense really stepped up.

On Sunday the Tigers came out ready to play as they defeated Cal Baptist in a shoot out 10-9. Busheev led the scoring attack for the Tigers with three, Wisniewski fired in two, and Sasha Maese scored two himself as Pacific had 26 shots on goal. Brown saved ten shots in a wild victory for the Tigers.

The final match-up for the Tigers put them against UC Santa Barbara, which was the 9th place game. In a wild, shot frenzy affair saw the Tigers pull out a 7-6 win in overtime. Chris Lund paced Pacific with two goals, but it was Nowak’s game winning goal in the first overtime that sealed the deal for the Tigers. Andrew Fedders stared for Santa Barbara by stopping 20 Tiger shots.

Sergey Bushev winds up for an attack in the zone against a tournament foe last weekend.

Water Polo’s NorCal tourney brings big players to the pool

RYAN TEDARDS
Staff Writer

The winners of the Norcal Tournament were the UCLA Bruins who defeated the USC Trojans 11-9. Sean Kern led a balanced Bruin attack with three goals, as UCLA comfortably took this one as they held an 8-3 lead at the half.

Group A
UCLA • 4-0
Pepperdine • 2-1
Pacific • 3-1
UC Santa Cruz • 1-3

Group B
USC • 3-1
Long Beach State • 2-2
UC Santa Barbara • 2-2
Santa Clara • 0-4

Group C
Stanford • 3-1
UC Irvine • 3-1
Loyola Marymount • 2-2
UC Davis • 1-3

Group D
California • 2-2
UC San Diego • 1-3
Cal Baptist • 1-3
Air Force • 2-2

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Brooke Kentera receives a pass from Becky Moffit in Stagg Stadium.

Pacific soccer is now 8-6-2 overall and 3-3-1 as the season draws to a close.

Mariah Metras helped the Tigers to a 2-1 victory in their last home game of 2000.

Women's Soccer

Pacific ends home season with a win

COLIN TEDARDS
Staff Writer

Pacific's women soccer team came home this week and had to fend off a heard of Broncos and a team of Vandals to improve to 8-6-2 overall and 3-3-1 in the Big West Conference.

The Idaho Vandals proved a worthy opponent as they battled the Tigers through two overtimes when the game finally ended in a 1-1 tie.

It was a good battle, head coach Keith Coleman said after the game.

Senior KJ Nishikawa (Haw.) scored the games first and only goal for the Tigers midway through the first half.

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Sports

Pacific Campus Recreation

This season's flag football championships will be taking place on October 29 under the lights at Stagg Stadium. The play-off schedule is as follows:

For Men's A, Phi Delt vs. Kappa Psi and Archana vs. Pike. For Men's B, Phi Delt vs. Pike B and 1868 vs. Phi Delt. For Co-Rec, Big Staff vs. Pike/Theta and Woman's NKO vs. DG.

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Field Hockey tastes success

Julie Weinberg
Staff Writer

The smell of something kind was in the air on Friday, Oct. 20 at Brookside field. Was it excitement among the active participants in the Greek week softball tournament? Maybe it was the energy of the sunlight that hit the faces of everybody who was lucky enough to be outside. I have a feeling. It was neither of these. Rather, it was the kind smell of sweat, tears and glory. The smell was sweet and definitely well deserved to 23 young faces of everybody who was field hockey players and also scored. Davidson shoots, the score tied at 4-4. Round two: The next 15 minute overtime ended with the score tied at 4-4. Round three:

Davidson saves, Beach saves, Pacific saves, goal scored. Davidson shoots, goal scored. There is a pattern here and within this pattern, I think you can figure out the outcome to sweetest game of the year.

The ability of the Tigers field hockey team to set their mind each and every week into a positive attitude is incredible. The "yo-yo" season that has been created by the team is somewhat mind-blowing. Despite the current record and continual losing streak, each week, the team focuses only on the upcoming game. The possibility of allowing the frustration from past games to get involved with the current is not an issue for these ladies. That alone is admirable and extremely difficult to achieve. With this appropriate mindset, along with their ability to play the game, inevitably this is the most important combination for a victory.

The four goals were scored with Beth Vechinski, Cameron Kato, Elizabeth Walker and Cathryn Perkins. The four goals that shot passed keeper Lisa Beach was merely a warm up for the real test during the stroke shoot out. By far, there is something to be said about Beach’s positive attitude and ability to dive, stop and clear. She never fails to come through for the team on the highest level with strength of a champion and the skills of an incredible field hockey goalie keeper.

"This game was a way for the us to come together as a team, play together and make it happen," said Sophomore, Nicolette Weigand.

Ashley Murin was pushed back and played a remarkable game as right defender. She was able to bring her strength up the field to the forward line. "It was a different game for me, playing a defender. I enjoyed it and after a few minutes, my comfort level increased along with my ability to play back," said Sophomore, Ashley Murin.

As the second half concluded with a 4-4 tied score, the only answer was to fight even harder in a 15 minute overtime session. Within this short time, Pacific demonstrated how to play a clear, crisp and intense game. Davidson also put the pressure on and made it difficult for Pacific to score. The second 15 minute overtime was soon in affect and played at a higher level than the one before.

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Midnight Missing?
What happened to Midnight Mania (or Midnight Madness, whatever it is called nowadays). As far as we know other schools in the nation had theirs. Screaming, hysterical fans dutifully filled gyms across the league to see their bailers suit up and hit the courts. School colors were worn, cheerleaders were flung into the air and spirit raffles dolled out t-shirts and basketballs.

But not at Pacific. Here, the players silently donned their costumes and began practicing their lay-ups without the mania/madness that is a NCAA tradition. I am feeling a bit like a who in whoville, the Grinch has stolen the day. But instead of being like the Whos and celebrating anyway, Pacific has shrugged their shoulders and moved on.

This does not bode well for future basketball attendance.

700 Club
The women's volleyball team is on its way to a major milestone. If everything goes according to the plan during tonight's game against UC Irvine then Pacific will have racked up 700 all-time victories in the history of the program. 700 is a heaping handful of wins. If my calculations are correct that amounts to about 875 hours of winning which is 53,000 minutes of pure victory. Somebody had better give these girls a vacation.

Jennifer Joines tips one dodging a UCSB blocker as Kara Gormsen looks on.

With the first game going 15-6 in favor of the Tigers, UC Santa Barbara mustered all the fight they could, trading punches, and matching Pacific blow for blow in game two. The Tigers jumped out to an 8-4 lead before UCSB roared back to go up 12-8. Neither team was willing to give so much as an inch as they battled beyond the requisite 15 points before Pacific managed to seal the deal 18-16.

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In a race that's too close to call, Karenna Gore and George P. Bush work to get your vote.
The Democratic and Republican parties are relying on a pair of secret weapons to make you vote next week: George P. Bush and Karenna Gore Schiff. Bush, known as "P," as he is known, has hit the campaign trail many times in the past, but this year he helps with two things uncle George W. can’t live without—both the Latino and the Gen Y vote, crucial factors in the election. George P.’s mother, Columba, is a native of Mexico, a circumstance both nephew and uncle aren’t shy about sharing. “I think that because of my age and because of my Latin heritage I can reach out to groups that—let’s be honest—the Republican Party has not always reached out to,” George P. has said. The heir to the Bush dynasty and one of People magazine’s Sexiest Bachelors has been stump­ing for his uncle since the New Hampshire primaries last winter, making speeches and starring in television ads sprinkled with Spanish.

P isn’t big on political specifics, his focus is exhort­ing young voters, particularly college students, to cast a ballot in November. “As a member of our generation, if there’s one major objective of mine, it is to reverse the trend of younger people not hitting the polls,” says George P. who was selected as the youth chairman of the Republican National Convention in Philadelphia this year.

School: Private high school in Coral Gables, Fla., graduated from Rice University, where he was a history major.
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Karenna Gore Schiff
She’s her daddy’s girl, all right, but not in any way you’d expect. Karenna Gore, 27, has stepped into the limelight helping her father’s campaign for President and proven herself to be talented, politically savvy and extremely motivated. She witnessed her nomination at this summer’s Democratic National Convention and became the first child of a candidate to serve on the convention. And she’s going after young voters.

“I think our generation is really independent-minded and wants objective information, doesn’t want to just toe the party line,” she said. “Also sometimes in our political culture there’s a lot of rhetoric and you can’t see the contrast clearly.”

Karenna heads up GoreNet (algore.com/gorenet), the Gore program to register first-time voters and educate them on the issues. With Rebecca Lieberman, Joe Lieberman’s daughter, she’s participated in round table discussions at some of the nation’s top schools: University of Wisconsin-Madison, University of Michigan, University of Missouri and Southern Illinois University.

Ever since childhood Karenna has immersed herself in her father’s political world. While she was attending Harvard she was editing her father’s speeches, and continued doing so this day. She offers both praise and shrewd analysis after each political event, TV or radio broadcast that Al Gore has participated in.

School: B.A. from Harvard, majored in literature and American history; graduated from Columbia Law School this past year.
Family: Married to Dr. Andrew Schiff, a NY physician. Son was born on July 4, 1999.
Fundraising history: To raise money for her high school state government, she wrestled a pig into the backseat of a car and set up a raffle for which teacher would have to kiss it.

Debate lines: At 22, she came up with the catch phrase of the Kemp-Gore VP debate in 1996. Said Gore to Kemp: “If you won’t use any football stories, I won’t tell any warm and fuzzy stories about chlorofluorocarbon abatement.” •

George P. Bush
George P. Bush is the son of Florida Governor Jeb Bush, the nephew of Texas Governor and future president George W. Bush, and the grandson of former President George Bush. In short, he’s no stranger to politics. “P,” as he is known, has hit the campaign trail many times in the past, but this year he helps with two things uncle George W. can’t live without—both the Latino and the Gen Y vote.

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Hometown: Wyckoff, NJ.
Favorite poets: W.B. Yeats, William Blake
Inspirational imagery: Leaves of Grass
First car: ’65 Alfa Romeo Spider, as soon as he can get his hands on one Favorite web site: Fleet homelink: homelink.fleet.com Training goal: Running the New York City Marathon on November 5.

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Choose Wisely
Steamtunnels charts the hot campaign issues and where each candidate stands.

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Survey Results Show What Really Matters to College Students.

By Mary Elizabeth Carey

With Election 2000 around the corner, students—and all voters—are faced with making a choice for who is best suited to run the country. One thing is certain: students know what issues matter to them, even though many will be voting for the first time. It's the issues that will make or break this election. According to an August poll of people aged 18-24, conducted by MTV and the Kaiser Family Foundation, the economy and jobs ranked at the top of the list of factors that will influence students' vote for president. Here's a summary of the rest of the findings:

Crime and Violence
School shootings like at Columbine High School or the more recent murder-suicide at the University of Arkansas have made violence at schools an issue. 74 percent of the respondents want to know how candidates are going to make schools safer.

Education
86 percent of the respondents saw education as being "very important" in determining their vote for president, and 20 percent ranked it as their single biggest concern. Half the students polled also said that affirmative action programs are still needed to counteract the discrimination against minorities.

Health Care
This issue has been at the forefront of every recent election. Rising health care costs and availability, plus the increase in prescription drug costs, effect everyone. 68 percent of the respondents believe health care is a very important issue.

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Other Issues
The environment, taxes, civil rights, privacy, abortion and national defense are also issues on students' minds. Figuring out where you stand, and finding the candidate who closely matches your views, will help you make your decision.

Of everyone polled, 25 percent consider themselves Republicans, 28 percent consider themselves Democrats, and 41 percent are Independent. Check out our chart on page 4 to see how the main candidates stack up on these and other issues. •

For more information about these issues and how to get involved, go to steamtunnels.net and search using keyword "Issues."

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In the Fringe

Tired of the Democrats and Republicans? Educate yourself about other political options.

Kathleen Beman

If you hear a lot of rhetoric, particularly from the Independent Party, about how America needs a third party for variety and to re-focus on our nation’s core values, I’m a big supporter of that “more variety, less predictability” thing. But who is really able to articulate what our nation’s “core values” should or shouldn’t be in the year 2000?

“Fringe” candidates challenge the status quo, think outside the box, and run to see if maybe, just maybe, the majority of Americans are ready for their ideology. This year’s alternative candidates push the

You have more options than ever before. You could be looking at... but who is really able to articulate what our nation’s “core values” should or shouldn’t be in the year 2000? The party is running Pat Buchanan (gopatgo.com) in 2000. If the Republicans aren’t conservative enough for you, this is your party.

For cause-focused activists, watchdog group Common Cause (commoncause.org) includes financial information on their site. Human Rights Watch (hrw.org) looks out for candidates with good voting records on human rights. The National Organization for Women (now.org) touts itself as a nonpartisan organization devoted to analysis of voting related to women. If you’re interested in articles and analysis about the election in general, voter.com

Peace and Freedom Party

If you’re a crunchy Californian, you might choose to vote for a candidate from the Peace and Freedom (peaceandfreedom.org) Party. California’s answer to socialism.

Reform Party

The Reform Party (reformparty.org) spun off from the Republican Party in 1992 under the direction of Ross Perot. The party is running Ralph Nader (fight corporate power); Buchanan (can’t get far right); Howard Phillips (significant reduction in Federal Intervention in the economy); and Harry Browne (end the nightmare of drug prohibition) and Election Search 2000 (election-search2000.org) are easy to search. Portal news tracker services like Yahoo! and Excite offer more mainstream campaign news. To learn more about third-party candidates, go to steamtunnels.net and search using keyword “Third.”

Beyond the fringe...

Alan Caruba (New Jersey)

Caruba (pictured at right), head of the “Boring Institute,” is running a humorous campaign for President. He promises that his campaign will be “far less boring than” the other campaigns. Caruba said he is prepared to “campaign vigorously so long as it doesn’t involve leaving home too much.” He wants to be President for the perks and the “chance to drive the members of Congress nuts.”

Bruce Buckinan (Washington)

Buckinan’s campaign is entirely facetious and—he concedes—his chances of winning are “somewhere between astronomical and totally outrageous!” He’s really running for the fun of it and, he claims, to raise money for a family trip to Ireland on the Concorde. With his cousin Mike as a running mate, he has several clever campaign slogans including: “At least they’re not the Clintons.” “You’ve Done Worse” and “Vote for Muck — The Others Suck!”

Jack Grimes (Delaware)

Grimes bills himself as the "Leader and Director of the United Fascist Union." His definition of "Fascist"? To restore a New World Order based upon the governmental style of Imperial Rome. And it gets weirder: his platform addresses "the dilemmas now facing America: Democracy, Christianity, UFOs, government cover-ups and others." Crimes predicts that "the United States will be reduced to a small triangular-shaped land mass through the loss of its coastal states."

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Eric Crouch is a total yardage machine. Nebraska's 6'1" junior quarterback manages to run, throw and catch his way past opponents. In fact in one quarter last year against Cal, Crouch ran for a touchdown, threw a touchdown pass and caught a touchdown pass as well.

Crouch is a natural option quarterback. First off, the speed: he's a sprinter on the track team and former state high school champ at 100 meters. Second, the vertical leap: 35 inches. In other words, he either runs around or jumps over you.

He's developing as a passer, and almost never turns it over (only 4 interceptions in 1999). A mid-season loss to Texas took Nebraska out of the title hunt last year, but the Cornhuskers finished with a flourish, capping a 12-1 season with a Fiesta Bowl win over Tennessee. Crouch was the MVP of the game, rushing for 64 yards and passing for 148.

The Heisman voting may pivot on which teams are ahead in the polls. In October Nebraska was first in the Coaches Poll and second in the AP Poll.

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Michael Vick, Virginia Tech (profiled last week)
Eric Crouch, Nebraska
Drew Brees, Purdue (profile next week)
LaDainian Tomlinson, Texas Christian (profiled earlier in the season)

The Heisman Watch
Steamtunnels Profiles the Heisman Trophy Contenders.
The changes in the television industry are the most confusing of all consumer electronics. The advent of Digital Television—DTV—brings about a bewildering array of choices and possibilities. DTV is actually 18 different formats, all of which have been approved by the Advanced Television Systems Committee. All the formats are a huge improvement over analog. The DTV standards will be completely phased by 2006. The most well-known DTV set-top box and the only one available at all is HDTV, the high-resolution format that allows larger, clearer pictures. DTV sends a digital signal, making dozens of services available: Pause the screen, interact with the broadcast. Split the screen. Send and receive email (and video mail!) Or run your electronic home management system.

For millions, the most-used set-top box is the Nintendo N64 (nintendo.com) or the Sega Dreamcast (dreamcast.com). The Sony PlayStation 2 (available this fall; price TBA), threatens to redefine the category, with its built-in DVD support. Dolby Digital surround sound, ports for connecting to camcorders and modems, and other goodies. And if you're still gaming on a small PC, check out the $99 Dobbs-Stanford Grand Teleview.

Digital VCR

Then there's the wonder called TVos (tivo.com)—essentially a VCR without tapes. The digital device (around $300) and the subscription fee ($10 a month) allows you to record anything, pause and rewind—even during recording—and download movies without making an annoying Blockbuster run. Another similar service Personal TV (iwantptv.com) starts at around $500, but includes hardware and subscription fee together.

Internet Access on TV

A WebTV set-top box that lets you access the Net and send email from your television. It's a simple device and cheap—under $200—but slow. Despite its critics, sales of WebTV have soared in the last few years.

NUON on DVD Players

DVD manufacturers are incorporating a technology called NUON into DVD players. A NUON-equipped deck (nuon-tech.com) can play games, use features normally accessible only on a PC and display psychedelic images when playing music. Sanyo started shipping the first DVD player with feature NUON technology this summer, the Extra DVD-N2000 (around $400).

Play Games

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Three Boxes in One

Want Internet access, mondo cable stations and a VCR in one box? EchoStar has rolled everything into one unit called the DISH Player (dishnetwork.com). This $299 box receives satellite TV, so you can get every sporting event and movie channel under the sun and record them directly onto a built-in 17GB hard drive. If you get bored, you can always surf the Web because the DISH Player has a built-in modem and connects to the WebTV service, too. Monthly fees: $20 for 40 channels, plus $25 for WebTV service. For the complete chart and price comparison information for televisions, and more info about TVo, go to steamtunnels.net and search for keyword "TV."
Do Your Research
Sites you need to visit before you go to the polls.

By Dan Johnson

Yes, remember when George W. Bush and John McCain were close to stripping to the waist and attempting to give each other a Stone Cold Stunner? Yeah, that was at about the same time that Al Gore spent a solid week riding Bill Bradley on national television. Newsflash: that was just a few months ago. We caught you napping, didn't we? You forgot that it was an election year because the action since has been so incredibly boring. That's okay. We understand. You really should know something before you go to the polls, though. Don't even get up from where you are—everything you need to know is online.

First off, check out what the candidates themselves have to say. Head over to gore2000.com and go2000.com—all you can get there is a chance to buy a plush doll of Demi the Democratic Donkey. Pretty standard stuff from the Veep here; meet his family, meet his wife, see his policies, etc. Much like Al himself, the site is staid and unconvincing. Articulately distilling down to plain English. Find out who's donating to the big boys, and have a searing debate in their forums afterwards. When you're done with them, go to salons.com and look at the political story archive. Salon is very good at investigative reporting (they broke the news of Henry Hyde's extramarital affair when he was going after Clinton), and report both the good and the bad from an outsider's perspective.

If you're really in the mood for some dirt, click to the Skeleton Closet at realchange.org. These guys dislike everybody. The site is a monument to American political corruption, detailing shady deals, money switches and other things embarrassing to every major presidential candidate and a few other prominent political figures. They're well-rounded, with links to information on historical scandals (anyone remember Teapot Dome?), 1996 candidates, and their ideas on reform.

After that, you need a break and a laugh. Check out fun2000.com. If an actor can become President, why not a potted plant? If you cruise to ficus2000.com, you'll become President in few hours. But you can't remember an apostrophe—is it its or it's? Find a shot. Their synchronoptic chart follows the developments of major cultures of the world, making it a shot. Their synchronoptic (they'll do you) chart follows the developments of major cultures of the world, making it a shot. Their synchronoptic chart follows the developments of major cultures of the world, making it a shot. Their synchronoptic chart follows the developments of major cultures of the world, making it a shot. Their synchronoptic chart follows the developments of major cultures of the world, making it a shot. Their synchronoptic chart follows the developments of major cultures of the world, making it a shot. Their synchronoptic chart follows the developments of major cultures of the world, making it a shot. Their synchronoptic chart follows the developments of major cultures of the world, making it a shot. Their synchronoptic chart follows the developments of major cultures of the world, making it a shot. Their synchronoptic chart follows the developments of major cultures of the world, making it a shot. Their synchronoptic chart follows the developments of major cultures of the world, making it a shot. Their synchronoptic chart follows the developments of major cultures of the world, making it a
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A+ Content: A

The site of this site is “The place to hack your PC. If that doesn't scare you away, you’ll find a lot of software and hacks you can do yourself to improve your Mac's performance, add cool features or change the way they look. In other words, it is a treasure trove for Mac users.”

Usability:

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Content:

A-

Wahine

wahinemagazine.com

A+ Content: A

For any power girls interested in surfing, skating and snowboarding, check out this site for great articles and pics of innovative women in sports. Find out what you need for a surfing trip, or what's new in female sports companies. The site is super accessible with an up-to-date event listing for surfing, paddling, body boarding, and more. Wahine reviews and interviews bands like the Muffs and solo musicians like Aimee Mann and Juliana Hatfield. There's also a merchandise section, with gear that ranges from hats to sweatshirts. Y'All

Usability:

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Content:

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News & World Report College Rankings, stick around and read the other offerings in their ever-expanding college section, including longer, in-depth analysis of the college rankings process, as well as insider looks at undergraduate and graduate admissions, financial aid and the future of higher education. (The magazine offers monthly national and international news and feature stories, too.)

Usability:

A- Content: A

Mr. Cranky

mrcranky.com

A+ Content: A

If Oscar the Crouch had been a film critic, his web site would look like mrcranky.com, where movies aren’t rated for how good they are, but for how much they don’t suck—the best rating here is “almost tolerable.” Needless to say, Mr. Cranky has a little trouble seeing the glass as half full. But he faithfully keeps up with trashing all the latest releases, and he even has the humility to invite you to prove him wrong with your own review. Mega

Usability:

B Content: A
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