Battery at AKL; flag burning at Archania; couch set ablaze at Omega Phi

THE PACIFICAN STAFF

The Greek Community here at Pacific has endured some troubled times these past two weeks, particularly last weekend. Four of the five campus fraternities were involved in various activities ranging from Pi Kappa Alpha burning a Confederate flag in front of Archania to Omega Phi Alpha putting out a couch that was set ablaze.

But perhaps the most disturbing incident that occurred was when a female Pacific student was poked with a needle at Alpha Kappa Lambda's "Surreal" party.

On April 24, Alpha Kappa Lambda (AKL) held their theme party. With attendance near 250, the party was "a real positive," said AKL President Paul Martinez. Martinez added that "people were enjoying themselves."

During the event an incident occurred in which a Pacific female student was punctured with a needle. Public Safety was notified when the hospital called informing them that the student, however, is back from the hospital and attending classes. The female student when contacted, declined any comment. However, she did confirm all of the events that occurred. Officials within AKL maintain that nothing happened and refused further comment.

That same day, April 24, many of the Pi Kappa Alpha members, including initiates, were running through Grace Covell. Upon exiting, they ran down Presidents Drive with a burning Confederate flag in hand. According to Pike president Nick Baker, a fraternity member who had lived in the south had the idea, and "felt he was exercising his first amendment right."

It was when Pike ran by Archania, during Archania's Alumni Weekend none the less, that problems began.

Mat Kraetsch, the Vice-President of Archania, said "I didn't notice exactly what was going on at first. I saw three football forums since April 20. They have been held in various spots on campus such as Z-Building West, McCaffrey Center Theater, and most recently this past Monday in the School of Pharmacy and Health Sciences Rotunda.

A staff member from the Pacifican attended the last two forums only to come back saying that the meetings turned out "hostile and very apathetic university," stated Greg Pixler, University College senator.

"We at ASUOP advertise these elections by hanging banners, printing ads in the school newspaper, everything short of screaming at everyone to get out the vote."

Pixler, however, plans to work over the summer and draft a new version of the Constitution that includes some items he feels have been left out of the current version just passed.

"Some of the Senators felt it was necessary to remove the Attorney General and Judiciary Board," Pixler explained. "In the version I am going to write, I will add back in the Attorney General and Judiciary Board. There needs to be a single version of the ASUOP Constitution are in."

A total of 68 students voted. Thirty-six voted 'yes' and 32 voted 'no.' Students were able to vote on two separate days last week; at the McCaffrey Center and at the School of Pharmacy. However, even with two days of availability for vote, advertising in The Pacifican, and banners in the McCaffrey Center, voter turnout was low.

"Unfortunately, we seem to be attending an apathetic university," stated Greg Pixler, University College senator.

Football: Just an idea?

ALEX ZAMANSKY
News Editor

Results of The Pacifican Poll

A poll was taken of seventy-five random Pacific students on whether or not it was in the best interest to bring back a football program to the University of the Pacific. Of the 75 students, 55 answered yes, 19 answered no, and one responded "I'm not sure because I don't have enough information."

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College Headlines

Bugs eat like humans, U. Arizona entomologists say
Arizona Daily Wildcat (U. Arizona)

Two University of Arizona researchers have found that the dinner hour can be a trying time for bugs and humans. Elizabeth Bernays, a University of Arizona Regents professor emeritus in entomology, and Daniel Funk, post-doctoral associate for Arizona's Center of Insect Science, discovered why insects specialize - eating one kind of plant so they don't have to make several different choices. Bernays compares "specialists" to humans who would rather eat one type of food than become distracted by too many options. The two scientists believe the brain has a harder time making decisions when there are several choices.

"We think it is easier to pay attention to one thing than to make many choices," Bernays said. Generalists, however, munch on a variety of plants and are not picky eaters. "Specialists should be more efficient at finding its food then generalists," Bernays said. The scientists took aphids - "sucking bugs" that have small, beak-like mouths to pierce plants - and "wired them up and noticed what they did inside the plant electronically," Bernays said. The research examined how quickly the insects find plants and lower their beaks to suck them dry.

Funk and Bernays tested aphids that feed on ragweed plants from the east and southwest United States, she said. Afterwards, they evaluated how efficiently the eastern aphids use the ragweed compared to the western plants Bernays said "Lots of insects feed on plants...almost all insects eat a small amount of plants," Funk said. The aphid study results were printed in the Proceedings of the Royal Society of London.

"The most exciting was how consistent (the results) were," Funk said. "We got the same results - that was significant."

Protecting the flag will burn free speech
Minnesota Daily (U. Minnesota)

The U.S. government seems to be ignoring the irony of the current flag-burning amendment. The flag is a symbol of the freedom in our country. Restricting U.S. citizens from using the flag for political protest desecrates the very freedom the flag symbolically represents. Senators should not vote in favor of the proposed constitutional amendment to ban flag desecration. It not only violates the First Amendment, but would also increase the effectiveness as political speech for those who still choose to desecrate the flag.

The reasons given for passage of the amendment do not appear to support it at all. Sen. Orrin Hatch, R-Utah, justifies his vote for the amendment by saying, "Without a strong value system, our children cannot distinguish good from bad or right from wrong." How exactly banning flag burning will provide our children with the knowledge that murder is wrong, or stealing is bad remains unclear. Sen. Dianne Feinstein, D-Calif. Said she supports the amendment because the flag "is a monument in fabric that hangs as a symbol of our nation."

Flag burning is not something that occurs frequently In the last six years, the Citizens Flag Alliance, a coalition that supports the amendment, has documented only 22 instances of flag burning that were not remotely political in nature. If the amendment is ratified, the situation might change dramatically. Those who sponsor the amendment do not seem to realize the additional power a constitutional amendment would give to those who still choose to burn the flag.

Public Safety Report
April 22, 1999 - April 18, 1999
PREPARED BY JERRY L. HOUSTON

Thieves

Where          When          Loss                          
Spinos Center  Apr 23        Wallet and Contents          
Southwest Hall Apr 27        Credit Card                  
Library        Apr 28        Backpack/contents            

Vandalism

Where          When          Loss                          
Presiding Ave. Apr 22        Subject cited for graffiti    
Phi Delta Theta Apr 24        Broken window                
Physical Plant  Apr 24        Door damaged by prying      
Library        Apr 25        Damaged window frame        

Miscellaneous

Where          When          Loss                          
Simoni Field   Apr 25        Lost wallet/contents        
Casa Jackson   Apr 27        Trespassing                 

Did you know?

During this period of time, Public Safety officers provided 135 hours of foot patrol, found 84 open windows doors, provided 2 escorts, assisted 10 stranded motorists, contacted 9 suspicious persons and contacted three individuals with open containers of alcohol.

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Students want to “Express” themselves, but can’t

ALEX ZAMANSKY
News Editor

Since last Friday night, UOP students have not been able to use their Express accounts at Tiger’s Grocery. Brian Tibbens, Tiger Grocery store manager stated, “Our connection from the computer for some reason is having a problem to Residential Life and Housing.”

Tiger’s Grocery has only experienced this type of problem a couple of times this year, said Tibbens. The loss of ability to accept Express from students is not only aggravating to the Summit,” said Tibbens. The loss of ability to accept Express from students is not only aggravating to the students but costly as well for Tiger’s Grocery.

“We do lose some of our business to the Summit,” said Josh Gebelein. “We really have our hands tied to our back because there is nothing we can do about it. It’s more annoying than anything because most students don’t carry cash on them as much as they do Express.”

The system went down during the time of rewiring. Lynn Kubek, chief information officer for UOP, acknowledged that there is a new telephone switch on campus, which explains why everyone now has to dial six before any telephone extension. However, she claims that she “has heard of no problems as a result of this new telephone system.”

According to Tibbens, “I have seen some students come in, walk out, get some cash at the ATM machine, and then come back in for their purchase,” stated store clerk John Speck.

If there is a wiring problem somewhere between Tiger’s Grocery and Residential Life and Housing, the situation needs to be corrected, and soon.

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Continuing of elections is a no-go

KRISTEN HUTMACHER
Staff Writer

ASUOP voted last Tuesday to not void the votes that elected Dan Borlick and Megan Welty as president and vice-president, as suggested by a petition submitted by Jason De'ak.

In a letter to the ASUOP Senate dated April 17, Erin Westfall, Chair of the Elections Committee, gave the committee's reasons for not voiding the general election. First off, according to the bylaws in the Elections Code, specifically Part IV, section A, and Part V, sections B and D, holding the election again “cannot be completed while still being conducive to a fair election.” She also writes, “The committee also has grave concerns about time constraints. There are six days of school left...the Constitution gives two weeks to hold an election. We have six days.”

She finishes the letter with, “The Election Committee recommends at Senate invalidate the petition submitted last week by Jason De'ak because of time constraints, a disruption that will significantly affect the operation or result of the election” (Election Code Article XVIII, Section C). It is not a natural disaster; it is an uncontrollable circumstance. It’s not an act of God (although some may see it as such), this disruption is called FINALS.”

In response to the letter from the committee, a quorum began. After a discussion from both sides, University College senator Greg Pisler made the motion for the Senate to accept the Election Committee’s recommendation and Yelena Savranskaya, Senator-at-Large for the United Cultural Caucus, seconded. During the discussion of the motion, Attorney General Brian Salazar agreed the disruption of the Initiative Committee recommends the Senate invalidate the petition and adjourned, since several members had to leave. De'ak and Jorge Barriere protested that the Senate couldn’t throw the petition out just because there wasn’t enough time. A clarification showed the Senate accepting the part of a recommendation saying there wasn’t enough time to have a new election. There was a vote to postpone more discussion until a later date.

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Chair of Elections Committee

Incidents

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them, but didn’t pay attention.”

According to Kraetsch, what got his attention was hearing the phrase “Hey look at this, you Archite faggots” coming from members of Pike. It was at this point that several members of Archonia, including some of the alumni, rushed out of the Archonia house and confronted the members of Pi Kappa Alpha. There was shouting, and some pushing, but no fights broke out and the crowd had dispersed by the time Public Safety arrived.

Kraetsch said that they were angry about the whole situation that it was “an act of complete and total disrespect to our house.”

John O’Connor, president of Archonia, added that it was “along the lines of burning an American flag as far as this house is involved.” Pi Kappa Alpha’s president admitted that it was probably “not a good idea to do it.”

Both houses seem worried about consequences this conflict might invoke to their images on campus.

Of Archonia expressed concern that this incident will be used to fuel other agendas.

A week later on Sunday, April 2, three Stockton fire trucks, members of Public Safety, Dr. DeRosa and his wife, along with several Pacific students were witnessed to a smoldering couch being thrown off the third-floor porch by two Stockton firemen.

According to the current Corresponding Secretary of Omega Phi Alpha Pavan Gill, “There were no injuries and no harm was done to the building.” Gill acknowledged that “there is no smoking on the first floor to maintain a clean environment and while the porch is an enjoyable place, there will be no couches on the porch in the future because it needs to be a safe place.”

Pacifican staff members, Alex Zamansky, Emily Davidson and Scott Switzer contributed to this article.

Football

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sentimental.” There were ex-LOP football players also and they were very strong advocates of bringing back the football program.

Students were allowed to attend the forums, but there were very few students who made the event.

“The lack of student interest and comment makes a definite statement,” said John Stein, executive assistant to the president. “Either students were not able to attend because of their schedules and of their studies...or there is just not a strong enough interest for there to be a return of football.”

The Regents who attended the forum were Gary Podesto and Don Smith. The Regents will meet for their annual meeting on June 3 and 4 to discuss the possibility of the football program returning to Pacific.

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EDITORIAL

Revive football or it could be a goner

Fast forward to fall 2001. It's a Saturday afternoon and on your way out the door you grab your friends, your blanket and your seat cushion and you head for Amos Alonzo Stagg Memorial Stadium. Your Pacific Tigers are about to square off (on a freshly cut bright green turf with orange and black endzones) against the mighty Fresno State Bulldogs. Alumni are back, coaches are back and best of all football is back. Sure, the latest point spread has the Tigers as 74-point underdogs, but who cares? It's college football. The great tradition has returned and pride is not just a buzzword with the Pacific faithful.

This could be a reality. The Football Review Committee has the power to recommend the return of football to university president Don DeRosa who in turn has the power to recommend it to the Board of Regents. The Regents will reach a decision during their meetings on June 3 and 4.

The three options for football to return at the Division I-AA level are clear. To sum them up, Option 'A' is the non-scholarship level, Option 'B' allows for 40 football athletic scholarships and Option 'C' would allow for a maximum of 63 football athletic scholarships. Right off the bat, Option 'A' is the AA level are clear. To sum up, Option 'A' is the non-scholarship level, Option 'B' allows for 40 football athletic scholarships and Option 'C' would allow for a maximum of 63 football athletic scholarships. Right off the bat, Option 'A' is the non-scholarship level, Option 'B' allows for 40 football athletic scholarships and Option 'C' mandates.

The costs. But Option 'B' can allow UOP to be competitive.

But are the costs of football going to take away from education? No one knows that answer for sure. Option 'B' claims that "if the potential number of students is realized, net revenues from tuition, room and board will approximately equal and offset the net increase in athletic department costs." This means football would not operate at a loss as it did for so many years.

No one can guarantee that this will happen for sure but it beats the proposed losses that Option 'C' mandates.

Option 'B' provides 50 new scholarship opportunities for men, 40 of which would be football scholarships. Reinstatement of the program should not rest only on the bottom line. Intangibles must be considered. Football could help revive school spirit. Some scoff at the idea, but unless you've been to a Pacific football game, you have no idea.

Adding the pigskin to Pacific could add annual giving to the University's endowment. Initially, it took a $600,000 hit the year after football was axed, according to one development official. It has since gone back up to its previous numbers but could you imagine how generous alumni might be if they could once again come back for Homecoming and the big game.

Exposure would increase. The University cannot buy the kind of media exposure they will receive if they reinstate the football program. Can you fathom the demand for tickets for UOP's first home game?

With that positive exposure, the University gets free market exposure to new students who may find the addition of football attractive. New students means more revenue.

If the Regents decline to reinstate football, you can bury it for at least another five years and it might flatline for good. But if they bring it back, Option 'B' is the best of all possible solutions and it can work if the commitment is from the top down. Watch your calendars and keep the fall of 2001 open. You might just find yourself marching into Stagg Stadium arm in arm with other alumni.

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Quote of the Week

"In America, it is sport that is the opiate of the masses." - Russell Baker
Opinion

Campus tours benefit UOP

Dear Editor,

I am responding to Joseph De Vera's story about college tours on campus of April 8. Tours alone do not affect the decisions made by high school freshmen or middle school students, but as a component of campus outreach they can be significant in several ways. Some students at this age have never stepped foot on a college campus, much less a private one. So, the experience can be and often is a very memorable event. Sometimes the goal, especially with programs like MESA, is to get the student to stay in school and even pursue a college education, not specifically to attend UOP. Seeing students here that are from their own hometowns or same ethnic groups has proven to be very inspirational. Usually this age group does not leave our campus after a tour or event with a better understanding or appreciation of the University's reputation or history, but they do leave with a positive college experience, even if it was only a brief one. I agree that there should be an emphasis put on outreach activities for junior and senior level high school students, but there are benefits of conducting outreach, including tours, at younger age levels. Several high school students have the opportunity and take advantage of more "personalized, professional and effective" tours within individual schools. Instead of viewing these student visits as an inconvenience in the dining halls, why not view it as a positive way of being a role model for someone who may just follow in your footsteps someday and choose UOP as their college home? In my opinion, if it convinces one middle school student to come to our campus, then it was worthwhile.

Sincerely,

Lori Ward
Assistant Director of Outreach & EIF
School of Engineering

Hemp and marijuana: Myth and misconceptions

Dear Editor,

For the past four years I've totally lagged. Every thirsty Thursday, I see students walking across campus with their heads down, perusing over The Pacifican to get the low-down on what's been happening on campus and in the "outer world." This sight is a constant reminder that I should finally motivate and write that piece I've been thinking about writing, and so, it is in the final Pacifican of my senior year that I am offering a few words to my fellow UOP-ites.

I'm sure many of you have had some exposure to the concept of industrial hemp: many of us sport hemp jewelry, concerts always seem to have some group handing out informative flyers on the subject, and head shops sell expensive hemp clothing and accessories such as wallets and purses. Many of us might even be wearing hemp unknowingly, because designers such as Ralph Lauren and Calvin Klein have been using hemp in their fashions for years. Maybe you've even heard about some of the incredible uses for industrial hemp; there are over 25,000 practical products which can be made from this crop, ranging from jeans to paper, carpets to shampoo, and margarine to paint. Anything that can be made from a petroleum or tree product can be made from industrial hemp, and in a more ecologically sound manner. Hemp is truly an amazing renewable resource, unfortunately, it's illegal to grow in the United States.

Unlike many of the other Western (and Eastern) nations, whose governments have recognized the potential for industrial hemp and have allowed it to be grown commercially (Great Britain, France, China, Hungary, and Canada, to name a few), the U.S. has repeatedly refused to allow farmers to grow this incredible crop. Not a single permit has been issued in the past 40 years, and mid-western farmers have not been legally allowed to plant hemp since W.W.II, when the Department of Agriculture urged that we grow "Hemp For Victory." Twelve states have introduced legislation, but none have been successful in passing bills. The DEA maintains that industrial hemp and its cousin marijuana are one and the same; this is a horrendous misconception.

Although industrial hemp and its cousin marijuana are vastly different. Industrial hemp is grown for the fibrous stalk and contains very few leaves. It can grow to over 12 feet and the plants are sewn in closely-spaced rows in order to block out weeds and to facilitate maximum yield. Marijuana, on the other hand, is grown for the buds and the leaves, and the plants must be spaced in order to give the individual members of the crop enough room to grow. In addition to the physical differences of the two plants, a chemical disparity can be drawn as well, the level of THC (Tetrahydrocannabinol, the chemical that produces euphoric effects) contained in the two plants is significantly different. Industrial hemp contains less than 1% THC, European Community countries require their industrial hemp crops to have THC levels below 0.3%, if this level is exceeded, the crops are not legal.

For our view on this topic, see the Editorial on page 5.

Question of the week

*Compiled by Joe De Vera*

What would be some of the benefits of bringing back football?

- "It might bring back school spirit and some money for the school."
  - Jennifer Leighton
  Junior

- "It'll bring back school spirit and cute guys."
  - Manpreet Grewal
  Sophomore

- "There would be no benefits. I'm here to study, not watch football."
  - Wistaria Clark
  Sophomore

- "It would attract more students to the school."
  - Kenneth Doolittle
  Senior

- "People would actually get excited about school and have more pride."
  - Brian Takita
  Sophomore

See Marijuana, page 8
What has been called “The year of the rant”

SCOTT SWITZER
Staff Writer

Finally, the end of the year is upon us. This has been quite an eventful year for me, as I have learned several things about journalism and people in general.

I would just like to point out that from a journalism standpoint, I am amazed at how fast important stories can be covered up by certain University organizations. From the citizens of the countries who are involved, this is the first time I am realizing, this is not my traditional style rant. For one thing, this is the first time I have ever mentioned any on-campus issues. This will be a review of certain issues of the rant, and I will address certain people who have written letters or comments to me.

First, a brief history. As returning Opinion Editor in the fall of 1998, I desired to have my name on an article aside from the staff editorial. It was with this in mind that I came up with the idea of The Weekly Rant, and in the first issue of the fall, “the rant” was born. The rant was my open forum to discuss (or demolish) current political and social issues.

I have had several people tell me that they enjoyed my column because I was not afraid to call it like I see it, but I have had several other people accuse me of arrogance, of being narrow minded, and of bad taste for the same reason. This is why I enjoy the quote by Voltaire, “I wholly disagree with what you say, but I shall defend to the death your right to say it.”

The rant began with a comment on Ken Starr and the Republican fueled persecution and attempted shunning of our president. It began with the phrase “Sex, scandal, subpoena, and Starr.” It then evolved (in my opinion) into one of the most opinionated, snarling, political-bashing, and plain meanest diatribes this paper has ever printed on a solid basis.

Along the way, I have featured several comments on the White House and the Nation’s capital. I have done issues on frivolous lawsuits, or what they call justice against gun manufacturers. One of the articles I am most proud of is the “Yes, abortion is still legal” article released on October 15 of this school year. This was one of my most popular (or unpopular) issues, with several people calling me names that are not fit to print. Nonetheless, I pressed on. I ended with the tragedy in Littleton, which is one of the worst situations I have ever seen or heard of.

This article is my tribute to anyone who reads my column on a weekly basis. I enjoy writing, and enjoy receiving letters. Even if someone does not like what I say, the fact that they take the time to read my article is a compliment. I thank all of you that have sent me letters or taken the time to tell me personally that you have appreciated my writing. To all of you, thank you, and look forward the return of the rant next year.

Kosovo air strikes need to continue

MATT DAVIES
Staff Writer

“Those who do not remember the past are condemned to relive it.”--Santayana

Unless you’ve been hiding under a rock in Botswana for the past few weeks, many of you are clearly aware that NATO has been bombing parts of Yugoslavia. This is a direct attack against Serb leader Milosevic. This man has been ruthlessly carrying out a campaign to exterminate the Albanians that reside in and round his state of authority.

This movement has gained tremendous support from the citizens of the United States and other countries who are involved in the fight. There are some in our own home country, however, who have been protesting against the attacks, declaring that war is murder and that peace should reign. In response to this recent surge in protest, my question is, Why? This is not the 60s. This is a completely different war than the Vietnam conflict, for this involves the brutal and inhumane destruction of human life at the hands of one man.

We cannot idly stand by and watch this happen. For as we have learned in the past, genocide can occur, and cannot be stopped without intervention from a superpower like the United States. The extermination of the Jews at the hands of Hitler during World War II is something none of us will ever forget, even if we weren’t alive in its time. If America had not stepped in, Hitler would have continued with his insane mission until its end. Another genocide that has occurred during this century, though often overshadowed by the holocaust, is the slaughter of some two million Cambodians at the hands of dictator Pol Pot. These are just two examples of maniacal missions that have been carried out at the hands of men who obviously aren’t all there in the head.

And now, we see another genocide, this one in our own times. Peace talks with Milosevic won’t make him stop what he is doing to the Albanians. The man has vowed to carry out his mission, and it is clear that he won’t let anything or anyone stand in his way. The world cannot sit and watch this violation of human rights and life occur. It is our moral duty, and the moral duties of other countries, to take immediate action. This is why I feel the bombings in Serbia must continue, for better or worse. An assassination of the crazed Milosevic would probably be much better, but for the time being the bombings have more or less proved to be successful. Like it or not, America is a superpower, and that is why we have a responsibility in maintaining human life that must be ultimately met.

UEPS and Downs THE PACIFICAN

It would not be the end of the year without a thumbs up and thumbs down, albeit a small one, in The Pacifican. So here it goes, short, sweet, and to the point.

To an ASUOP constitution passing by four votes in a 64 voter turnout election.

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Campus safety issues - students should beware

JOSEPH DE VERA
Staff Writer

On the night of April 29, a notice was posted throughout the residence halls alerting residents to be aware of suspicious persons in the buildings. The notice described a Hispanic male, wearing blue jeans and a white shirt, who exposed himself in women's bathrooms in residence halls. This year several crime alert notices have been posted up warning residents of suspicious persons on or nearby campus. Stockton is not a dangerous community as people say it is, because all cities and towns have their problems. UOP is a safe environment in general, but students still need to be more aware of what's going on around them. Freshman Hang Le said, "With so many people on campus, it's hard to tell who goes to UOP or not. That's why I don't question anybody." But should students really start questioning people that they don't know? Some students, like Sophomore Chau Ngo stated, "If someone I've never seen before was causing trouble in my hall, I would ask them if they needed any help or if I would get my RA." Residence halls are very easy to get into if a door is propped or if a lounge door is open. Residents will often prop the doors so that their friends can get in the building without having the resident wait for them at the door. Doing this only encourages people who don't live in the residence facility to enter and explore. Also, residents don't bother asking for ID since they assume that people pounding on the doors are guests of another resident.

Marijuana
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destroyed, whereas marijuana varieties are at least 3% (chronically probably contains more - ). Smoking industrial hemp will leave you with little more than a headache.

Despite these fundamental differences, the DEA refuses to allow farmers to grow hemp under the premise that it will undermine the "War on Drugs." They argue that marijuana plants could be secretly grown amongst the industrial hemp, yet another misconception. Planting these two varieties in the same field would merely reduce the THC content of the marijuana plants. The DEA's entire argument is faulty and is based on a lack of understanding and misplaced suspicion. One must merely look at the successes of numerous other countries that are growing industrial hemp while maintaining their anti-drug campaigns, to realize that there must be other reasons why hemp is illegal to grow in the U.S.

Although it is difficult to prove because no guilty party would confess to such an atrocity, many pro-hemp groups have pointed out the power of the petroleum and timber industries and their historical involvement in hemp's demise. Dating back to 1937 when the Marijuana Tax Act was passed, entrepreneurs such as DuPont and William Randolph Hearst have been using their political weight to influence government. These two men had strong economic interests in influencing the demise of industrial hemp, which posed a threat to the petroleum and pulp-paper industries in which they had a vested interest. They stood to lose billions of dollars if the commercial potential of hemp was fully realized. Could these two men have used their influence to persuade Andrew Mellon, Secretary of the Treasury (and the principal banker to the largest petrochemical firms, including DuPont and other firms controlling vast timber acreage) to help pass the act that would lead to hemp's demise? Maybe. This theory may be little more than the result of suspicious minds at work, but one must not rule it out completely when considering all the facts surrounding the industrial hemp issue.

If you were to gain one insight from reading this piece, I would hope that it would be the realization that industrial hemp and marijuana are not the same plant. If farmers are going to gain the right to grow this crop and Americans are to be able to reap the economic and environmental benefits which hemp can offer, the public needs to be educated. Misconceptions must be corrected and clarified. Groups such as the Hemp Industries Association (http://www.thehia.or-l) are working to educate the public. Voters have the power to change the world, but only an educated voter can make a just decision. If a proposition for the legalization of industrial hemp were to appear on the ballot in the future, I hope that you will remember reading this article and make the effort to sift through the propaganda and distinguish fact from fiction.

Sincerely,
 JJ Taylor

“Hemptimes” (http://www.hemptimes.com/) are working to educate the public. Voters have the power to change the world, but only an educated voter can make a just decision. If a proposition for the legalization of industrial hemp were to appear on the ballot in the future, I hope that you will remember reading this article and make the effort to sift through the propaganda and distinguish fact from fiction.

Sincerely,
 JJ Taylor
UOP interns make their case

JULIE DAVIS
Guest Writer

Three UOP interns can tell you exactly what it is like to work in homicide. Jaime Pacheco and Brenda Jerwa-O’Hair both political science students, and Katie Fouch, a student majoring in sociology, interned at the DA’s office in downtown Stockton.

The three women work mostly with “lifer” files doing casework for parole hearings of people sentenced to life in prison. Jerwa-O’Hair, Fouch and Pacheco put together police reports. Occasionally, they even sit in on a trial or parole hearing.

This academic internship has helped to further define goals for the three women. All have decided to pursue a career in law. Throughout the semester, the interns have learned about the behind the scenes work it takes for a case to go to trial. While all these new experiences seem exciting, at times it can be trying for the women.

When working on a case that has not yet gone to trial, no information can be dispersed, not even to family. That complete confidentiality is essential to the case. Dealing day in and day out with people that have committed heinous crimes can make one think about life. Jerwa-O’Hair who balances an internship, classes, her children and husband states, “I know the first thing I do when I get home is hug my kids.”

While all three of the women agree that coursework is valuable to an internship, there is no experience quite like hands-on experience at the DA’s Office. Pacheco states, “Being here, we see the real world versus the classroom.”

The DA’s office is nothing like TV; Ally McBeal is a far cry from the way a real courtroom is conducted.

Forensics finishes first in finals

MARISSA JOHNSON
Guest Writer

The University of the Pacific’s speech team placed first at the National Forensics Associations National tournament, in Division 2 sweepstakes.

Competing against over 80 schools for this honor, the UOP team placed above teams like, the University of Texas at Arlington, NYU, Emerson, Penn State, Oregon State, Purdue, and many more prestigious and much larger universities.

Leading the team to this victory was Nathan Carter who placed second in the nation in dramatic interpretation. Carter and Chris Jeffrey also placed fourth in the nation in dramatic duo interpretation. Jeffrey and Timothy Burridge were also among the top 12 dramatic duos in the nation. Also contributing to the team’s success were Edwin Trongsoo, Radena Stager, Marie Grieve and Jen Baker. All members of the team were influential in the teams first place rank.

The NFA national tournament was held at Eastern Michigan University.

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Burke is nationally ranked RA

CAROL WHITE
Staff Writer

Amy Burke, a junior education major and resident assistant in the Grace Covell residence hall, received the RA of the Year Award sponsored by PaperClip Communications, a national RA Newsletter.

Out of 26 nominated resident assistants from all across the United States, Burke came out on top, and earned the title of RA of the year.

The contest entailed resident directors and the RA nominees writing an essay on why they fit the bill of RA of the Year.

Ric Baker, the resident director of Grace Covell, nominated Burke because of her leadership abilities, community building, and overall outstanding effort above and beyond the call of duty.

Baker believes Burke deserved the national award. “I was ecstatic when I found out that she won.” Amy is the caliber RA that deserves this type of award.” Burke was quoted in the PaperClip describing her role as, “something I love to do...something I feel passionate about...something that drives me and makes me a better person.”

Amy Burke

When asked how she felt about being honored as the resident assistant of the year, Burke exclaimed, “I am incredibly blown away by the fact that I received such an esteemed award for See RA, page 10

Tutors know more to get more

THE PACIFICAN

The Educational Resource Center is pleased to announce the list of tutors from the Tutorial Program and Mathematics Resource Center who have achieved College Reading and Learning Association (CRLA) tutor certification this year.

To achieve CRLA certification, tutors must participate in a minimum of 10 hours of training and tutor at least 25 hours for level 1 (Regular) certification. Level 2 (Advanced) Certification requires an additional 10 hours of training and an additional 25 hours of tutoring.

Certified tutors were honored at a luncheon this week, received a $1.00 raise in their hourly wages for each level of certification, and had a statement about the achievement placed on their transcripts.

The tutor training program ultimately provides better tutors for UOP students and it provides our tutors with skills that are transferrable to other jobs.

CRLA is a nationally recognized certification program used at many universities across the country.
**Greek Life**

*Delta Delta Delta*

The 1998-1999 school year has been fun, memorable, challenging, and exciting for the ladies of Tri Delta. We wish all of the departing seniors a fun graduation; may your future endeavors be as successful and bright as your time here at Pacific. Thanks to all of our friends and loved ones for a fun time on Sunday.

DDD loves their awesome hashers and has completely enjoyed their help around the house.

Many thanks to our residence director Liz, for a safe and fun year. Best of luck in your future adventures!

We certainly enjoyed meeting all of the new faces on campus this year, and look forward to making many more friends next year.

Our Greek community has grown stronger this year and Delta Delta Delta is proud to be an effective part of this unity. Thanks to all of the campus for contributing to such a positive and diverse student life experience.

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**Greek Council**

The semester is nearly over and we want to wish everyone good luck with finals and have a relaxing summer. As a reminder, the position of women’s Greek Council Vice-President of Public Relations will be open during next semester’s fall classes. If you are interested, please stop by the Greek Council office and fill out an application. Again, the Greek Council wishes everyone at Pacific a safe and happy summer.

*Phi Delta Theta*

Congratulations to the boys of “B” League! They are the undisputed and undefeated softball champions. Way to play with pride boys. We also want to congratulate our newly initiated members. We are confident they will add leadership and heart thus making our fraternity that much stronger. To the seniors that are leaving, we wish you luck in whatever path you follow and always know that the brothers here at California Lambda will be supporting you.

*RA*

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doing my job, and above all, doing something that I enjoy.”

Fellow RA, Brian Hong contemplated the larger scheme of residence hall life when he commented, “Amy’s award is a great honor for Grace Covell and UOP, as well as for her personally.”

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**Inter-varsity moves to Chicago**

**THE PACIFICAN**

This summer 8 UOP students have the opportunity to go live in the slums of Chicago.

Why would anyone plan to do something like this with his or her summer? Students are participating in a project through Inter-varsity (Pacific Christian Fellowship), called the Chicago Urban Project. The purpose of this project is to build teamwork, promote racial reconciliation, and servant leadership in an urban area of Chicago.

The area the students will be living in is the Westside of Chicago which has a primarily African American population. Jennifer Leighton commented for the group, “We are all very excited for how we will grow and what we will learn through this opportunity. This will be a very different experience for us and we are excited to learn from the people in the community. We will be working specifically with children through a day camp and tutoring. We will also be involved with a local church doing different projects with them. We have to raise all our funding for the trip, close to $20,000!”

Anyone who would like to support their trip with a tax deductible donation may speak with Leighton or anyone else on the team.

Monetary gifts can be sent to IVCF CUP 4825 N. Scott Suite 77-10 Schiller Park, IL 60176 and remember to place “UOP team” in the memo line.

Roomates, Justin Wilcox and Spencer Beasley, both freshmen majors living in Burke’s section agreed, “Amy’s cool. She’s really helpful and involved with all of us residents.”

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A note to our readers from the editors

RANDI KAY STEPHENS
Metro Editor

The Pacifican is home to outstanding writers, wonderful production experts, busy advertising representatives, a dedicated staff, and a fabulous management team and many others.

Our 1998-1999 year of publication offered The Pacifican many opportunities to reach out into the community, meet new faces on campus, and explore diversity in opinion and reactions among the readers.

As editors, we are fortunate to inform the readers about the important events occurring around our school and community. We have the special responsibility of enlightening the minds of others through a wonderful and fun job.

Our stories ranged from ASUOP scandals, to club highlights. Opinions were not kept hidden, and the many letters of frustration of new views always kept our attention.

As editors we appreciate the feedback of our readership. We enjoy our all too often thankless job most of all when seeing a fellow student or professor from our Thursday afternoon class reading the articles.

C's Corner, The Junior Mint and The Weekly Rant are among our reader's favorites.

Thanks to a dedicated production manager, Shaun Wakumoto, The Pacifican has enjoyed a new audience on the Internet. The countless effort of the photographers contributed to the quality of The Pacifican. Without them, our stories would have been nothing more than words.

The editors are grateful for the wonderful opportunities this year has brought to us. Next year, we will have a new home in the former Philosophy Lodge. The move may be a change of location, but will not affect the fun and friendly environment always found in the bustling office.

The Junior/Senior Expression Session can be seen in the Quonest Huts until May 15, 1999. The exhibit includes graphics, photography, pastels, and many other designs.

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Trapped in the movie theater

MELISSA DURKIN
Staff Writer

"Entrapment" - Action
Starring: Sean Connery, Catherine Zeta-Jones.
Directed by: John Amiel.
Duration: 112 minutes.
Rating: •••

"Entrapment" is a fitting name for this film. For one, the characters constantly deceive each other. Two, the plot snares you in a web of complexity and inconsistency. And three, you may be lured by the appeal of Connery and Zeta-Jones into thinking that the film will be a sexy caper, when their chemistry is flatly disappointing.

Connery plays Robert "Mac" MacDougal, a rich full-time thief, who enjoys stealing just for the challenge of it. He is 60 years-old in the film, but still manages to swim one mile every day in the ocean, disappear in a blink, and hang from wires hundreds of feet in the air.

His partner in crime is Virginia "Gin" Baker (Zeta-Jones), an insurance investigator trying to catch Mac by posing as a thief herself and convincing him into a partnership to steal a $40 million Chinese mask. Gin, however, seems to be rather talented at thieving.

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One might wonder if she is be rather talented at thieving. They exchange stories with one another.

However, when the partners begin to share romantic and sexual feelings, their relationship goes south for me. I do not have anything against couples with significant age differences. It's just that Connery and Zeta-Jones are not natural with each other on screen.

There is one scene in which Connery and Zeta-Jones kiss passionately on the floor. I thought that the sequence would never end, and I couldn't help but feel that Connery was in pain.

In addition, the plot is confusing and illogical. From the very beginning, it is difficult to decipher who is who and what is the agenda. The secondary characters of Rhames and Patton are somewhat superficial and enigmatic. I question their motives and their relationships with the protagonists. The somewhat implausible storyline also occurs too easily and tidily.

The redeeming qualities of "Entrapment" are the intricate theft plans and the stylistic beauty. Yes, the robberies are unbelievable, but I really enjoyed the complex details of them, their high-tech and acrobatic formulas. My heart did race during the precisely executed and timed missions.

Some humor is also left behind.

I further appreciated the lavish costumes and scenery. The costumes are rich in color and often complement the background. The landscapes are fertile and deep. I loved the looming castle, the swirling dusk, and the lively streets of Malaysia.

Overall, "Entrapment" will leave you feeling a bit confused and turned off by the complex plot and unnatural relationships. I did take some pleasure in the movie, though, from the elaborate thefts and seductive style. I couldn't help but want to become a professional thief after watching the film. Just don't be lured into thinking that "Entrapment" is a winning caper. You will only be deceived.

1999 Petit Play Festival

LINDSAY GRIMES
Staff Writer

The talent of UOP students was evident this past Wednesday night at the 1999 Petit Play Festival. There were five to 15 minute plays performed in the DeMarcus Brown Studio Theatre, and each of them were student-written and directed, and all the actors and technicians were students as well.

Four of the five original plays were comedies, Neil Williams' "Queen's Gambit" being the odd man out. This didn't detract from the quality of this production, which was set both in World War II and the living room of Professor Mason, played beautifully by Todd Strange. The performance that left the room still, however, was the touching and detailed performance of Chris Rossen as Franz.

The festival opened with Kevin Kaddi's "Commencement," which struck a chord for many audience members, as it revealed college experiences that are classic UOP. This two-man show was played well by Michael Rosa and Talia Krispel as two soon-to-be college graduates. The opening monologue by Michael Rosa was the object highlight of the show, his facial expressions alone had the audience laughing.

"Commencement" was followed by "Doing Laundry," by Debbie Rivera. This one-act was a delightful look into the classic idea that men are from Mars and women are from Venus. The highlight of the show was Abigail Thompson's Michelle - an undersexed, overly dramatic twenty-something who left the audience begging for more. Don't we all have a friend like this? She was well supported by her fellow cast members, Helen Ryu in the lead, with Tom Carlson and Karl Thaning.

Together the four of them presented a four sided box of relationship blunders. Joseph Gallina and Josh Burson made everyone laugh in Karl Thaning's "Stand," a play in which the robbed become the robbers and the police are the most corrupt of all. The comedy was refreshing in its balance between blatant in-your-face Chris Rock humor and subtle intelligent humor. The audience really loved this one.

The shining star of the festi-
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HOLLY CACCIAPAGLIA
Staff Writer

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Being that we are nearing summer, I figured a good hot dog joint was in order. My friend recommended D.A.D.'s Dogs. They are located in Lincoln Center. The smiley, congenial server informed me that D.A.D.'s Dog's has been around for as long as Lincoln Center has been around - about twenty-five years.

It seems nobody likes hot-dogs anymore. I think this phenomenon began when we finally started asking ourselves, "What the hell is in 'em?" Well at D.A.D.'s dog you have a choice. You can have a regular beef dog, a turkey dog, a fat free dog, a corn dog, a polish sausage or even try their Cajun hot link.

The atmosphere is reminiscent of a 50's cafe, with a few tables, but mostly bar stools up at the counter. Their motto, which hangs on the wall, reads, "When you only have one thing to sell, it better be good." And it is good. I tried the turkey dog ($3.25) and my friend ordered two D.A.D.'s dogs.

The restaurant's namesake is an 8 1/2 inch hot dog with mustard, relish, tomatoes, and onion. It's priced at $2.75. To go with my hot dog, I got a small black raspberry milkshake for $1.75. Some other flavors are strawberry, banana, cola, and rootbeer. The hot dogs were pretty good. After trying my friend's, I'd have to say they seem to get better with the play, but it was the performances of Molly Riddle and Rachel Vasquez that made it spectacular. A huge Bravo to these two talented actresses for their spunky portrayals, to the director Debbie Rivera for producing a performance that was sublime, and to the phenomenally witty and intelligent "Thanks (But No Thanks) For The Memory" writer Anthony Richardson.

The festival was a success, the audience left entertained. Don't miss next year's festival! Submit a play or two of your own to Petit Play Festival: 2000, or audition for a role. Perhaps we can bring more of UOP's talent out of the woodwork!

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Get this book on

THE GUIDE TO GETTING IT ON!
America's Coolest and Most Informative Book about Sex
Author: Paul Joannides
Publisher: The Goofy Foot Press
Rating: ★★★★

I received this book free of charge from Goofy Foot Press, its publishing company, for reviewing purposes. Since then, I have bought four copies. “The Guide to Getting It On!” is a fun way to learn practically everything you wanted to know about sex—everything you never knew you wanted to know. The book is 12 inches—1 mean 700 pages—in length, separated into 49 chapters, including both a glossary and an index.

The Guide is the winner of the Firecracker Alternative Book award as well as an award from the World Association of Sexologists. It is thoroughly informative while remaining playful and erotic.

Examples of chapter titles include “Chapter 20: Horizontal Jogging (Intercourse),” “Chapter 44: Dyslexia of the Penis,” “Chapter 45: Dyslexia of the Penis—Improving Your Sexual Hangtime,” “Chapter 47: Dr. Dog and the Stolen Toast,” which is a short chapter about suspensorial arousals and maintaining sexual excitement in an older relationship. You’ll find subtle implications that the best relationships are those centered around respect and selflessness.

Better sex is the primary topic but the book also advocates communication between partners as well as improving sexual technique and being open and adventurous, as these are the ingredients to a wonderful sexual life, be it alone or with a partner.

“The Guide to Getting It On!” is filled with idea-generating drawings that I highly recommend you share with your partner, if you have one. Be like the couple on the back cover reading the book together in their undies in front of the fire.

Regardless of how much you know about sex, you can learn from this book, if not about sexual technique, then about how to be more emotionally connected to your partner.

For those of you who are too embarrassed to buy it at your local bookstore you can order toll free at (800) 310-3010.

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more condiments you pile on them. I don’t know what I was thinking ordering mine completely plain! D.A.D.'s also serves sandwiches, nachos, soup and combo meals.

I was also impressed by their candy selection at the counter. This reminded me of my softball years as a kid where I spent half my day ogling the snack bar.

Although the decor was obviously not their number one concern—D.A.D.'s Dogs is a semi-charming place for an old-time original. So if you feel like a taste of summertime, give D.A.D.'s a try for a cheap, quick bite to eat, and feel like a kid again.

Sound of the future is “OK”

IKRAM KHASIM
Staff Writer

OK
Artist: Talvin Singh
Label: Island
Rating: ★★★★

Dubbed “the man at the epicenter of the Asian Underground movement,” Talvin Singh is a genius when it comes to the musical genre known as “drum and bass.”

“I’ve been making this music for 12 years; it hasn’t changed,” says the 27-year-old Englishman raised in India. “The particular style is very not clichéd...it’s East and West; it’s a different style.”

That sentence may very well be an understatement.

Singh’s music blends Bhangra, electronic beats, ambient trance, and Indian and Japanese percussion into a concoction of ethereal and West; it’s a different

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Madonna, and played tabla for Massive Attack.

Consisting of 11 tracks, “OK” has music that run from over 11 minutes to under two minutes. The driving force of the album is probably Singh’s capacity to play and integrate the unique sound of the tabla (a drum-like instrument) extremely well. “With tabla,” he explains, “you don’t hit hard, you hit with speed.” Not surprisingly, at age four he “used to play drums on [his] grandmother’s knees during temple.” The album is thus dedicated to his grandmother.

The album is a bonding of two cultures: the synthesized beats of the West, and the aesthetic musical heritage of the East. Classical Indian instruments like the sarangi and sitar mixed with mystical chanting provide the contrast between modern and classical music, which at the same time integrate the sounds further into an intelligible language of universality.

Visit www.talvin.com for more information on Talvin Singh.
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Olowokandi awaits the board.

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Olowokandi’s final line. Four points, five fouls, seven rebounds, two blocked shots and three turnovers in 27 minutes. Those are slightly below his season averages of 9.0 points per game and 7.9 rebounds per game.

“I try to kind of stay out of foul trouble,” said Olowokandi. “For me the biggest part of playing in the NBA, even in college, was to get some type of a rhythm going.” That rhythm never showed up against the Kings.

The travel has taken its toll on Olowokandi who said he has had a much tougher time keeping in touch with his friends from UOP. He said he felt a sense of pride when the Phi Mu Alpha choir from UOP sang the national anthem. Maybe next season they can feel a sense of pride when Michael Olowokandi torches the Kings for 22 points and 11 rebounds.

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Also receiving Big West recognition was Mendez, who has been named Big West Conference Coach of the Year. Mendez has directed the women’s program for four years.

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ain’t, but I saw enough pride from former players at last week’s football forum to fill Stagg Stadium. Do whatcha gotta do to get the gridiron back at UOP.

Locker room talk

After last week’s Kings-Clippers matchup, I headed down a corridor to my first pro locker room interview. Michael Olowokandi greeted me warmly and has really learned to handle the daily crush of the media. Big Mike always handled the media well at UOP but now there’s a certain air of maturity/professionalism around him.

Woeful Clips

In a matchup at Spanos Center between this year’s UOP men’s hoop team and this year’s L.A. Clippers, I’d favor the Tigers by 2 1/2 points.

Macon heroes

There is a giant photo of Amos Alonzo Stagg on display in Main Gym. It’s fantastic that we celebrate the “grand old man” of football but we should honor another Pacific hero. What about Eddie Macor, the first black athlete at UOP? Not only was he an amazing athlete as a running back at UOP from 1948-50, but he paved the way for the rest of the black athletes that have since followed. Hang up Macon’s picture in Spanos!

Kandi ups

For the naysayers, one season does not a great NBA player make. Olowokandi is not going to put up 22 points and 11 rebounds per game (his senior year averages at UOP) in “the league” right off the bat. He’s got to learn the game and pay his dues before the refs respect him enough to have the calls bounce his way. In a couple of years, if he continues to develop, he could be All-World.

Brute third baseman

UCSB’s Dave Molidor goes about 6-5 240 pounds. Much like the Orange and Black, the Gauchos football program has been dormant for years so Molidor plays third base less base you very much. Imagine Dan Fisher playing shortstop. Fugeddaboutit!

Got my back

Despite the Beat Down lists they’ve endured, sports coverage would’ve been a million times tougher were it not for Pacific athletic media relations. This gang does it all and had my back all five semesters of my editorship. Thanks a ton.

Swaggering into the sunset

As I hang up my sports editor duties at The Pacifican and head into the wide wide world of sports journalism, I can say it’s been a blast. From the NCAA Basketball Tournament in Salt Lake City in 1997 to UOP’s final home football game in 1995 vs. Nevada, I’ve been able to witness some pretty amazing athletic feats.

I’ll always remember Martha Yarbrough’s clutch bucket to win Macon’s picture in Spanos!

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Baseball

Gauchos get tossed by Tigers

JOSH MONTERO
Staff Writer

As the semester begins to wind down, Big West baseball is just getting hot. In town to try and take over fourth place from the Tigers were the UC Santa Barbara Gauchos. Despite getting outsored 11-9 for the series, Pacific escaped with two wins to hold onto their fourth place spot.

Junior Darin Moore started Friday's game and was nearly unhittable in eight innings of work. Moore gave 12 Gauchos return tickets to the dugout, and allowed just a single run on one hit. Not to be outdone, Gaucho Gabe Neboyia throw six shutout innings before allowing soph Nick Guichard to score on a wild pitch. The 1-1 deadlock continued into the 11th when Guichard came through again, tripling home Willie Ciaramitaro Jr. for a 2-1 win.

Saturday's contest was senior Travis Fleming's last home game for Pacific, and what better way to close out a career than with a complete game victory. Fleming allowed only just two earned runs, scattering seven hits of nine innings. Providing the run support were Guichard, Robbie Wood, and David Ferres who got two hits apiece, lifting the Tigers to a 6-3 win.

Sunday, it was Santa Barbara's turn for a sterling pitching performance as Troy Kinto hurled a complete game two-hitter as the Gauchos took the contest 7-1. The Gaucho offense came from the middle infield as shortstop Jeff Bannon, and second baseman Chad Peshke each hit home-runs. For the Tigers, Nick Guichard and Kenny Garcia got Pacific's two hits.

With the two wins over the Gauchos this weekend, the Tigers 29-20 (14-10 Big West) have clinched their best win total and winning percentage in Big West Conference games during head coach Quincy Noble's 10 seasons at Pacific. The Tigers also secured their sixth winning season in the past seven years.

Wood leads the team in runs with 39 for the season, followed by Femes with 36. Moore has recorded 107 strikeouts for the year as well.

Next the Tigers will face Cal Poly in a three-game series in San Luis Obispo. The following weekend the Pacific program will travel to the University of Nevada to conclude their regular season.

Four teams entered the tournament that was held on Saturday May 1. Local Macs were matched up with Profusion Z in the first round of the upper bracket. In a hard fought three game match Profusion Z moved on to the championship game 15-5, 10-13, 15-11. In the lower end of the bracket, Monto Bento played Phi Dex. Phi Dex met the challenge with a convincing 15-3, 15-6 victory. In the Championship final Phi Dex continue to roll through the tournament, taking the title 15-12, 15-12.

Softball Wrap-up

The post season is coming to a close and the championships have been decided in the following divisions: Co-Rec A and Co-Rec B, final games took place Monday, May 2. In the Co-Rec A final, Phi In Sai put on a hitting display as they dismantled John B. The offense of Phi In Sai jumped out to an early five run lead, that John B could not recover from.

In the Co-Rec B final an upset was brewing as the defending champ Cubs steppped up to the plate against Mad Cheddar. An early three run lead by Mad Cheddar in the first inning was quickly compromised by the Cubs in the third inning. In the end Mad Cheddar proved to be the championship team with a 10-4 victory.

Tournament Medalists

1st Flight: Matt Bronaugh (86)
2nd Flight: Takahito Kamimara (90)
3rd Flight: James Lee (99)
4th Flight: Holly Radin (105)

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**Sports 1998 The Year**

**Women's Volleyball**

Their was a season of numbers. Coach John Dunning broke the 200 win mark with a triumph over Utah State. Junior Elsa Stegemann became the first athlete to receive Big West Player of the Week honors three times in a row in the conference. Jennica Smith and Stegemann broke through the 1,000 kill barrier. Pacific recorded a school record 105 kills in a stunning win over No. 7 UC Santa Barbara early in October.

With the direction of head coach John Dunning the lady Tigers never lost two games in a row during the season, with an eight-match winning streak to boot. Away from the record book, their year was solid. The Tigers roared to a 26-6 overall season (13-3 Big West) that ended with a loss to BYU in the NCAA Regionals at Penn State.

**Big West Tournament**

Pacific did not advance to a postseason tournament or the first time in three seasons.

**Big Win Takes Big West NCAA Playoff Win over Cal Surprises**

It was a golden season. The kind of year that people will dream about for years to come. How Pacific went from nothing to everything in five years. How the six senior dream team led the Tigers to be the first program in the Big West to earn an undefeated conference season and to qualify for the NCAA Tournament. How head coach Keith Coleman allowed the team to share his head after they became Big West Champions. How Coleman was named Big West Coach of the Year and Dor Big West Player of the Year for 1998. How the season (14-2-3 overall) broke too many records and scored too many honors to even mention.

The postseason came as a glorious epiphany. Pacific met Cal Berkeley on their undefeated home field, in the driving rain, sinking mud, past injuries and fatigue to a astonishing 2-1 victory to advance into the second round of the NCAA Tournament. A 5-0 loss ended it all in a game against the No. 2 team in the nation, Santa Clara. Fans will remember this season as only the beginning for Pacific soccer.

**Men's Water Polo**

Beating the national champion USC Trojans 7-5 during the regular season was Pacific's greatest accomplishment. The team struggled going 8-16 overall and 2-6 in MPSF on the season. Daniel Satchkov carried the Tigers with 53 goals on the season and Roman Yegiyants' 34 goals (six two-pointers) was second best. Newcomers Cody Cannon and Chris Spencer combined for 28 goals and vets Gabe Esposto (19 goals) and Brian Basye (17 goals) were solid. New coach Courtney Porter led the Tigers dropped three games at the MPSF Tourney including a tough 9-8 loss to Long Beach State.

**Swimming**

Head coach Ray Looze garnered the Big West Coach of the Year award as he guided the UOP men's swim team to a 10-5 dual meet record and a second place finish at the Big West Championship. The team took fifth the previous year. Sophomore Piotr Florczyk took the Big West 200 backstroke title, freshman Matt Smart won the Big West 200 freestyle and frosh Ramzy Lasdag took the title in the 200 breast. Smart also competed at the NCAA Championships and took 21st out of 48 swimmers. The relay teams of Smart, Florczyk, Marcelo Tonelli and Andy Thurman and Florczyk, Smart, Cody Cannon and Karl Thaining in the 800 and 400 freestyle relays. Pacific earned third place at the Big West Championships. Although, no Tigers brought home individual titles, several finished very well. Junior Natalie Phillips placed second in the 200 butterfly. Freshman Jenna Tompkins placed third in the 200 breaststroke. The 400 freestyle relay team of Phillips, Ericka Richards, Cari Bertrand and Cherisse Hughes earned second.

**Golf**

Pacific had three fifth place finishes this season. Their best overall showing came at the Fresno Lexus Classic when the team shot a three round total of 881. Jason Freeho had been the most consistent Tiger averaging a 74.21 per round and two top 10 finishes to his credit. He also won the Pacific Invitational (205, 11 under par). UOP tied for fifth at last week's Big West Tournament. Florian Bruhns took second overall with a 219 and three over par.

**Women's Basketball**

New head coach Sherri Murrell brought a winning attitude which helped Pacific to its first winning season in three years. UOP (14-13 overall; 10-5 in Big West) started a rookie back-court but it paid dividends. Point guard Selena Ho led the team with 15.8 points per game and 93 assists.

**Men's Basketball**

Life after Michael Olowokandi began for parts of the season Pacifidid manage an easy 82-64 whooping of Nevada in front of a national television audience on ESPN2. New Mexico State beat UOP 89-78 in the first round of the Big West Tournament as Pacific did not advance to the postseason tournament for the first time in three seasons.
Men's Tennis
Call it a learning experience. Pacific's meager 11-11 overall season provided a good opportunity for the No. 4 team in the Big West to fine tune their play. Alexander Fiedler played at No. 1 singles for the season, securing a 12-4 singles record. Fellow German citizen Dietrich Haug played at No. 2 to an 8-3 singles result.

Baseball
The UOP baseball squad heads into the last stretch of the season at 29-20 overall and 14-10 in Big West play. Currently, they sit in fourth place. Pitching has been the team's strength as Darin Moore has been phenomenal striking out 107 batters in 102.1 innings of work for a 7-3 record on the season. Mark Short has been a blessing from the bullpen as he is 8-2 with five saves and a team best 2.20 ERA.

Softball
Brande McArthur set school pitching records as the squad heads into its second straight post-season appearance and a possible Big West title. Pacific sits in first place with a Big West record of 12-6 and an overall mark of 33-18. Last weekend UOP took two of three from Cal Poly. McArthur is 19-10 with a 0.83 ERA and a scorching 221 strikeouts including a no-hitter against Loyola Marymount. Shortstop Adrienne Rataczak is hitting .329 with six homers and 28 RBI, while McArthur bats .277 (six HRs and 21 RBI). Freshman center fielder Tiffany Heilbut is hitting .310 and has eight stolen bases and fresched pitcher Cindy Ball has amassed a 8-4 record in 81.1 innings including a 2-1 over defending national champs Fresno State. This could be the first Pacific softball team to qualify for the College World Series since 1985.

Cross Country
Coach Randy Hale took his non-scholarship team to the November 14 Regional meet in Fresno and they competed quite well. Despite finishing 27th, UOP's top runner Cynthia Krieger, placing 129th out of a large field. Krieger's mile pace at the Regional meet was 6:23. Finishing the 5000 meter race (approximately 3.1 miles) in a time of 19:29, it was a personal best for the sophomore Krieger. She improved for much of the season and even took 60th at the conference meet with a time of 20:07.

Fiedler and Haug received Big West Conference honors. Fiedler was named to the first team All-Big West Conference, he was ranked as high as No. 91 in the nation during his showing. Haug earned the only freshman conference selection, when he was selected to the second team.

UOP lost to top-seeded Boise State in the conference tournament 4-2. Senior Kengo Usui had the lone win.

Field Hockey
Pacific started the season hot winning three of their first five. A road trip to the East Coast proved brutal. Pacific lost at Pennsylvania 5-1, at La Salle 2-1 and at Rutgers 7-0, an early 1-0 win over California at home was a clutch victory. Sophomore Beth Vechinski led the team with four goals and senior Sarah Wright was the best all-around player with three goals and a team-high six assists. Aimee Tomasso also scored three goals on the season. Freshmen Lisa Beach and Karis McGraw learned the ropes in goal. Pacific finished 5-9 overall and 2-3 in the NorPac Conference.

Men's Volleyball
Improvement does not even begin to describe the change in skill, spirit and statistics that Pacific has produced this year. Pacific is 14-11 in the 1999 season. In 1998 to become No. 11 A
d the undefeated No. 3 Long Beach to jump in the standings.

Women's Water Polo
Pacific utilized their fourth season at Chris Kjeldson Pool to gain experience for the young program improving to 8-23 overall and 0-9 Mountain Pacific Sports Federation record. As the two seniors Kenna Sass and Erica Fox concluded their pool careers, the Tigers relied heavily on freshman forces Amy Valesco and Jenna Tompkins. Junior Molly Smith continued to lead the attack with 67 total goals. Under the direction of head coach Vicki Gorman the team completed their 1999 season with a win over Cal State Bakersfield for fifth place in the Regional Tournament.

Expectations exceeded

Women's Tennis
It was everything they had dreamed about. Pacific's tennis team had long felt that a Big West title could be theirs and 1999 finally allowed them to achieve their goal with a win over UC Santa Barbara. After the Championship was awarded to the Tigers, the Big West conference dolled out a series of bonus accolades to the program. Head coach Maria Mendez was named 1999 Coach of the Year and Susanne Bertel was recognized as Player of the Year and selected for the All-Conference first team. Bertel, who currently is ranked as No. 73 in the nation, posted a 20-4 season, a Pacific record, and maintained a 16-match winning streak during the year. Dina Dajani and Christianne Barthel were named to the All-West Conference first team as well as the doubles combinations of Bertel and Dajani and the team of Barthel and D'audney. Fantastic freshman Bertel and Barthel traveled from their native Germany at the semester to deliver the needed boost that brought the championship to the program.

Pacific concluded their year with a 16-8 overall team season.

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Special: Michael Olowokandi

Less than sweet return for "Kandi Man"

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SACRAMENTO- A phenomenal return with lots of rim-rocking dunks and stellar post play it wasn’t. But the NBA learning curve is steep and Michael Olowokandi continued to pay his dues last Thursday when the Los Angeles Clippers ventured north for a jaunt with the Sacramento Kings. But each team is head­­ning in opposite directions and the playoff-bound Kings romped to a 103-81 victory over the hapless Clippers.

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Some 400 fans that made the trek from Stockton roared when Olowokandi was introduced during the starting lineups and he mouthed the words “back home” after the warm reception.

“It was a very good feeling,” said Olowokandi after the game. “I must admit, I was a bit nervous.”

Nerves couldn’t be attributed to his lack of a strong performance. Despite good perimeter defense, Olowokandi’s poor help defense and lack of aggression on offense left him looking somewhat comparable to his first year at UOP: Raw and unpolished. The Kings’ 6-foot-6 Tariq Abdul-Wahad went up and underneath the basket and scored over the outstretched arms of the 7-1 Olowokandi.

Postseason dreams realized

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It’s all fun and games from now on. Pacific’s jubilant tennis team, still celebrating their Big West Championship victory over UC Santa Barbara, is prepared to face the postseason with a smile after concluding an 11-10 overall season.

“The championship was intense, emotionally draining, each point, each match was intense. So now there is no pressure, we can just play. This is all new, there are no expectations,” said second seat Dina Dajani about the upcoming NCAA Regional Tournament.

The Big West conquest was a long anticipated epiphany for the three seniors, Kendra Lamb, Marcela Sanchez and Dajani, who have developed the program under the direction of head coach Maria Mendez.

“It was a very special season, good matches, good wins, good fans and good seniors,” said Mendez. “This championship is just the icing on the cake. This year was special in so many ways.”

Adding to the strength of the senior forces for the season were freshmen sensations Susanne Bertel and Christiane Barthel, who traveled from Germany at the semester to behead a fierce foul line drive last Saturday were it not for some quick reaction on his part. Coaching third base Noble saw the ball homing in on his dome and executed a death-defying backwards somersault roll and spring back up on his feet. Word has it that his baseball players offseason workouts will consist of batting practice, fielding fundamentals and ballet.

Whatever it takes

Get football back at UOP and I can almost guarantee the first home game will be a near sellout. I’d do my damnedest to make a pilgrimage back for this important event. There’s too much football tradition at this school to have no pigskin on Saturdays. Notre Dame we