Grrrrreat!

There was no shortage of orange and black as students, faculty, and staff filled McCaffrey Center Thursday, March 25, to celebrate the one of the best seasons ever for Pacific Men’s Basketball.

Big West Coach of the Year Bob Thomason and the Tigers were also cheered on by the pep band, dance team and cheer squad. The Tigers finished the season 25-8, and as the #12 seed in the St. Louis Region of the NCAA Tournament, knocked off the #5 seed Friars of Providence (66-58) before falling to #4 seed Kansas (63-78) In addition to the team’s spectacular season, several Tigers were honored individually. Senior guard Miah Davis was named Associated Press All-America Honorable Mention. Senior guard Myree Bowden was selected to participate in the 16th Annual Mountain Dew College Basketball Slam Dunk and Three-Point Championships April 1, during the Final Four. Bowden participated in The College Slam Dunk, which has become a tradition that tips-off college basketball’s premier weekend.
noteworthy…

SUZANNE PASZTOR, associate professor of History and International Studies, presented a paper entitled “Medicine to Serve the Revolution?: The Debate over Homeopathy in Mexico” at the 51st Annual Rocky Mountain Conference of Latin American Studies in Santa Fe, New Mexico, March 11-13. She also organized a panel, “The State and the Professionals: Medicine and Education in Revolutionary Mexico.”

The Faculty Research Committee and the Office of Sponsored Programs are delighted to announce that DR. STEFAN HIGHSMITH, professor of Biochemistry at the School of Dentistry, as the 2004 recipient of the Faculty Research Lecturer Award. This award, presented annually by the Faculty Research Committee, recognizes outstanding research and scholarly activity by a senior faculty member.

At its 2004 Annual Meeting in Kansas City, MO, the Federation of State Board’s of Physical Therapy recognized CAROLYN HULTGREN, Physical Therapy (Emeriti faculty), as recipient of the President’s Award.


QINGWEN DONG, associate professor and chair, department of Communication, presented a research paper, “The Impact of Cell Phone Use on Young Adult’s Well-Being” at the Western States Communication Association Conference in Albuquerque, NM, February 2004. The project was supported by the University Eberhardt Research Fellowship and co-authored by communication graduate student Arthur Murrillo.

DR. RICHARD TURPIN, Chair of the department of Electrical and Computer Engineering, attended the annual meeting of the Electrical and Computer Engineering Department Heads Association (ECEDHA), March 19-23, in Orlando, Florida, where he served as a panelist on the Small Schools Open Forum.

VIRGINIA LUCHETTI, current chair of a dissertation for Benerd School of Education, presented “Engagement and Treatment in a Homeless Encampment Outreach Project” at the National Training Conference HOPE. She is also to be named “Humanitarian” by the City of Concord Human Relations Commission in partnership with the Status of Women Commission and has been awarded the 2004 Women of Distinction Award by Soroptimist International of Concord on March 17, 2004. Two projects were accepted for presentation, “The Road Back Home: An Integrated Services Approach” and “Interpersonal Adaptation and Transformation.”

CINDY OSTBERG, associate professor of Political Science, is the recipient of $5,000 Faculty Research Grant from the Government of Canada. The grant will help subsidize travel to Ottawa and Montreal this summer for a research project titled “Media Analysis of the Ideology of Canadian Supreme Court Nominees.”

CHI-WOOK LEE, department of Mechanical Engineering, took four students, MARCUS GIBSON, BRIAN McCARTY, JENNY O’BRIEN, and BEN SCHNETTGEN, to participate in ASME regional design competition at USC in Los Angeles on March 26-27. The Pacific team designed and built a vehicle, “Long Legs.” Long Legs won the second place award for this event. Design group student members who could not attend the conference include RYAN ARAGON, CHRIS DOCKSTADER, CARLOS FIGUEROA, MARK HOMER, STEVEN HONDA, JEREMY KINKADE, JENNIFER LEE, MICHAEL McGEE, and GARRETT POUNDS.
California Pharmacy Student Leadership Conference

The Embassy Suites in Sacramento, California was the setting for the 2nd Annual California Pharmacy Student Leadership Conference held on March 6-7, 2004. Sixty students – ten from each of the six California pharmacy schools – participated in the two-day program designed to provide opportunities to network with other students, interact with pharmacy practitioners and learn additional leadership skills. Major funding was provided by Pfizer, Inc. and Rite Aid Corporation. Funding was also provided by CPhA and CSHP with additional funding from the Inland Empire Pharmacists Association, Orange County Pharmacists Association, Pharmacist’s Professional Society of the San Fernando Valley, Sacramento Valley Pharmacists Association, San Joaquin Pharmacists Association and the Santa Barbara Pharmacists Association. Student groups selected a pharmacy practice related topic and will develop this into a poster presentation for both the CPhA and CSHP annual meetings. Each school was represented by two or three faculty members to assist students in their research on the assigned topic. The Saturday evening dinner featured speakers addressing leadership in community pharmacy practice, pharmaceutical industry and professional organizations and included Rite Aid Corporation, Pfizer, Inc., CPhA, and CSHP. In addition, Avis Ericson, Ph.D., interim dean, Loma Linda University School of Pharmacy and Phillip Oppenheimer, Pharm.D., dean, University of the Pacific Thomas J. Long School of Pharmacy and Health Sciences briefly addressed the students on leadership.

All six California pharmacy schools collaborated to prepare the program. The following Pacific students represented the TJLSOPHS: Second year professional students, Paula Cannistraci and Ann Fulton. First year professional students, Darren Fujimoto, Jennifer Russell, Cindy Tat, Clifford Yip, Maily Trieu, Kristin Lunghi, Mark Walberg, and Jarrod Mills.

Staff member to Cycle for Life; Makes ride from S.F to L.A again

When Monique Pioli first pedaled from San Francisco to Los Angeles in 2001 to raise money to fight AIDS, she got much more than a 585 mile workout. She raised more than $3200, and by her own admission, it was a life-changing event.

“The ride was definitely a challenge,” the Admissions Records Coordinator tells family and friends. “But the joy I experienced was far greater than just the mere satisfaction of completing the ride. The sense of community and togetherness during those seven days was more remarkable than I ever thought imaginable; 2,000 people working towards a common goal.”

Perhaps that’s why this June, Monique Pioli will do it again. The event is called AIDS LifeCycle, and the trek from San Francisco to Los Angeles is intended to raise money and awareness for people living with HIV and AIDS, so they can live longer and healthier lives. According to Pioli, the reason to get involved is obvious.

“Each day in California, approximately 22 people become newly infected with HIV. California ranks second only to New York in cumulative AIDS cases. Did you know that of the 40,000 people who will test positive for HIV in the US this year, 50% will be under 25 years old? We’ve come a long way in fighting this disease, but there is still a long way to go and I feel it is once again time to do something big.”

Pioli is hoping to raise $2500 in pledges by May 14, her deadline. Of course, she’d like to exceed that goal by the time she pedals away this June and stresses that every dollar counts. “There’s no minimum pledge- every dollar gets me closer to my goal. People who’d like to help can even spread out their donation through a monthly payment plan.”

You can make a donation online by visiting Monique’s webpage at www.aidslifecycle.org/1900 or by contacting her on campus. She says she’d be happy to mail or fax donation forms.
Hispanic History Celebration

California's rich Hispanic heritage and the state's Mexican and Latino cultural legacies will be the focus of the 55th California History Institute, to be held on Pacific's Stockton campus, April 23-24, 2004.

The conference organizers are seeking academic participation by scholars who focus on California under Spain and Mexico as well as Mexican-American and Latino issues during the American period. Contact Bill Swagerty for further information at x6-2527.

Also in April, the Spanish Language Film Festival

Pacific Theatre, 8 p.m.

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April 23, “Talk to Her”
April 24, “Y tu Mama Tambien”

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