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Leopards lose at last second



Amanda Duvall

With only three seconds remaining in the first home game of the season, a final pass was made to senior wide receiver Jon Lilly. The pass was ruled incomplete because the ball came loose when he was pushed out of bounds. The Leopards fell short against the Whitworth Pirates, with a final score of 50-48, Saturday at Ortmayer Stadium. **See story on page 10.**

Wage hike hard for LV shops

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Recent national polls suggest that a majority of small business owners support increased minimum wages, but a few downtown La Verne business owners are saying otherwise.

On July 1, California became one of four states to increase its minimum wage to $9 per hour or higher statewide, though some individual cities across the country have increased their minimum wage to as high as $15 per hour.

California's new $9 minimum wage will rise again – to $10 an hour – by the beginning of 2016.

According to the American Sustainable Business Council, "61 percent of small business owners ... support gradually increasing the federal minimum wage from $7.25 to $10.10, and then adjusting it annually to keep pace with the cost of living."

In the council's report released in July, business owners believe that when people make more money, they spend more money, which is good for the economy.

However, Travis Flood, chef and owner of Pappas Artisanal in downtown La Verne, said the minimum wage increase would be difficult for him to accommodate because 50 percent of the restaurant's profit already goes to labor costs.

"You have to be able to adapt and change but not change the perception of the restaurant," Flood said.

As a result of the recent minimum wage increase to $9 an hour, Flood said he might have to increase prices and change portion sizes.

Andy Gee, owner of Coffeeberry, is also concerned.

"In California, restaurant businesses already have a more difficult time due to the prices of food rising," Gee said. "With a wage increase, it is difficult to

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University serves Hispanic students

La Verne earns HSI designation

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The University of La Verne celebrated its federal designation as a Hispanic Serving Institution last week, creating a university-wide dialogue on what merits an HSI designation beyond a population quota.

At the week's core was an exploration of identity for the University as a whole and the more underrepresented groups on campus.

"As an academic enterprise, we need to learn about not only ourselves, but about each other," said Daniel Loera, director of multicultural affairs and the former president of the Southern California Consortium of Hispanic Institutions.

This year the Latino undergraduate population reached 48 percent at the University — above the 25 percent figure required to be designated an HSI.

Schools designated as an HSI by the Department of Education gain access to additional Title V funding.

In addition to funding, the HSI designation has changed the expectation for how a small school like the University should facilitate under-represented or otherwise underprivileged students, Loera said.

"Often times campuses that are identified as Hispanic serving institutions—they are primarily Hispanic enrolling institutions, but not necessarily Hispanic serving institutions," he said.

"We've sort of jumped the gun a little bit in saying that we're serving, but we've never really identified or clarified what serving means. We want to know, in the experience of the students—do they feel served?"

Other University staff and faculty said they agreed with Loera.

Rocio Rosales-Meza, associate professor of psychology, said the University has admitted more Hispanic students, but that does not necessarily mean the institution goes out of its way to reach out to the Hispanic community.

High Hispanic admission correlates with the large Hispanic population in the area. She said similar patterns are seen across the nation.

"That is an area that as a nation that we have to do better in if we want our Latino students to succeed," Rosales-Meza said.

"I think we've improved in many areas, so we have a lot more Latinos going to college, but we still don't have the same amount that come in the first year. They don't always graduate."

A key to a higher retention rate among Latino students is hiring more multicultural full-time or tenure faculty, she said.

"The research is clear and says that Latino faculty and faculty of color are important to Latino students to graduate, for them to persist, for them to feel like they belong on campus," Rosales-Meza said.

It is important for Latino students to see that higher education is not exclusive and people of color can accomplish it as well, she said.

The University needs to develop more programs that support under represented students in general, said Marisol Morales, Director of Civic and Community Engagement.

One such implementation many faculty members spoke about was a multicultural center, where students could gather and explore lineages other than their own.

Director of Diversity and Inclusivity Joy Lei worked at the University of California Santa Cruz, where she recalled several of these centers serving as safe spaces for Asian American, Chicano, Native American and LGBT students. But for a small campus like the University such an array of centers might not be logistically viable, she said.

"We can at the very least expand the current office of multicultural services to a center that will have more people who can provide more services for the different cultural groups," Lei said.

"My goal with this is to keep the dialogue open and respectful, and I hope people can help me with this, because I'm sure it's not only my goal."

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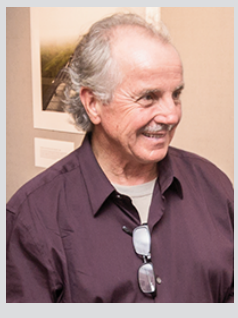

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Industry adjusts to social changes

Chun examines car market



Julian Mininsohn

Douglas Chun, assistant professor of management, discusses firm strategies, societal norms and cognitions of the American Auto Industry between 1968 and 2008 in the President's Dining Room Monday. Chun asserted that when sales decline, American automakers shift plans and actions to match societal probabilities. The lecture is part of the ongoing faculty lecture series.

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Staff Writer

Douglas Chun, assistant professor of management, presented "Firm Strategy, Societal Norms and Cognition: The American Auto Industry Between 1968 and 2008" to an audience of 20 students and faculty as part of the faculty lecture series Monday in the President's Dining Room.

In this study, Chun wanted to know how changing cognitive frames of society affect managerial cognitions and impact the strategies of the auto industry.

He explained before studying the auto industry, one must first understand institutionalism, cognition and strategy and how they relate to firms.

"I wanted to identify how institutionalism and strategy cognition are linked," Chun said.

Chun said that in institutionalism, institutional forces outside of the firm limit strategic choice. The primary factors of a strategic formulation and actions of a firm are the cognitions of top management.

Within the firm, organizational existence is dependent upon the ability to obtain and maintain the approval of society.

Since the firm's environment is ever changing, it can fall behind in societal changes in standards and cognitions.

Chun said a firm's symbolic representation of the environment and understanding of how things should be are based on biases and past experiences of the firm.

The U.S. auto industry is constantly trying to keep up with the standards of society to stay in business and make profit.

Chun concentrated on the fuel economy aspect of the U.S. auto industry for his study.

"I thought it was an interesting topic to research," Chun said. "I noticed that car companies started paying more attention to miles per gallon."

In 1975 the Corporate Average Fuel Economy standard was introduced, and later enforced in 1978. This standard was introduced to improve the average fuel economy of American automobiles; it has been raised multiple times since.

Automotive manufacturers in the United States are in constant competition with foreign companies and with meeting the fuel economy standards.

According to Chun's research, when faced with increasing pressure from fuel economy standards and continued success in sales, American automotive manufacturers will adhere to the fuel economy regulations at a minimal level.

On the contrary, when faced with declining sales, American automakers will change their manufacturing strategy and actions to match society's expectations.

When society became concerned with fuel economy, automotive manufacturers adhered to this by marketing their vehicles with a concentration on how many miles per gallon it could get.

"I found it interesting that they emphasize whether a vehicle is hybrid or not in order to sell better in the poor economy," Jessica Cervantes, junior psychology major, said.

In order to remain competitive in the automotive market, manufacturers must put into consideration the implications of society.

"It makes me question the societal considerations of the American auto industry," Ashley Hoffman, sophomore legal studies major, said.

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NEWS BRIEFS

Graduate Workshop

La Verne students are invited to attend the California Forum for Diversity in Graduate Education from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Nov. 8 at UC San Diego.

The forum will include workshops open to undergraduate and master's students. More than 150 programs will be represented and tips for the GRE will be available.

For complimentary lunch and transportation, contact Daniel Loera of the Office of Multicultural Services at **dloera@laverne.edu** or call at 909-448-4321.

Empowering Workshop

Women are invited to "Unmask Your Identity," a workshop held every Monday beginning in October from 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at the Counseling and Psychological Services office.

The workshop is designed for women who are interested in exploring their personal growth and empowering themselves through a journey of self-understanding.

One Book, One University

Sonia Nazario, author of "Enrique's Journey," will speak at 11 a.m. and 7 p.m. Oct 2 in Morgan Auditorium as part of the One Book, One University program. Freshmen read the same book at the beginning of the school year to promote and discuss diverse perspectives.

Washington Internships

An information session for students who are interested in studying and interning at the Washington Center will be held at noon Friday in the Campus Center Ballroom. Internships are available for all majors in government offices, international businesses and foreign embassies.

—Alejandra Aguilar

Minimum wage...

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survive."

Although Gee said he wants his employees to live well, he finds it difficult to provide them the new minimum wage.

Earlier this year, the Congressional Budget Office released a report finding that if the minimum wage were to rise to $10.10 an hour across the East Coast, employment could be reduced by up to 500,000 workers.

Yet it would also boost 900,000 families out of poverty, and the outcome mirrors what could happen in California.

The debate about wage increase has left business owners such as Kenny Schonfeld, owner of Warehouse Pizza, believing there should be restrictions to the new minimum wage law.

"For a student just out of high school or college, $9 is very fair," Schonfeld said.

"I've had this business for 28 years, and I'm going along with it, but there should be provisions for the youth to make less than that."

Schonfeld, who pays his cooks more than minimum wage, said that they deserve it, but teenagers could survive on less than the minimum.

Compared to large businesses, smaller companies have less flexibility, have limited access to loans and have more competition.

"It is what it is. People have families and they work hard, but for small businesses, it makes it harder," Flood said.

Currently, Los Angeles Mayor Eric Garcetti is proposing to raise the minimum wage for the city of Los Angeles to $13.25 by 2017.

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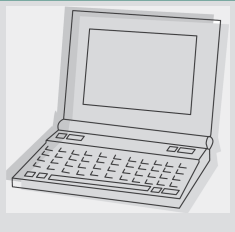

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Fair vendors offer unique trinkets

Guests enjoy LACF shopping

Russell R. Silva
Staff Writer



Daniel Torres

Glendora based company eGood, represented by Ryan Cathey and Zack Swire, finds creative ways to attract children at the Los Angeles County Fair on Sunday. They give away eGood merchandise and candy as prizes for a bean bag toss. This is eGood's first time at the Fair. The company is a startup whose mission is to make donating to charities and nonprofits easy and accessible for businesses and their customers. Families enjoy eGood's booth, as well as other vendors' booths at the fair.

The Los Angeles County Fair attracted shoppers in search of unique boutiques.

Vendors displayed their finest products. Handmade bracelets, t-shirts, headbands and baby clothes lined the fair alleys in big white tents.

The theme of the vendors seemed to focus on homemade goods instead of cheap priced imports.

Families walked through the central aisles of the Fair in awe of merchandise choices.

Sports booths offered specialized ice chests, backpacks, and purses. Football fans seemed to love this booth. Other booths offered scented candles, fresh fudge and customized t-shirts.

Walking through the aisles, shoppers were able to bask in the essence of cinnamon candles, incense and scented soap.

Customers gathered around the sports booths since football season is approaching. Ten to 15 people placed orders for team grills, jerseys and neon signs, within a half hour.

Customers were excited to be able to customize t-shirts with pictures or drawings from one booth. This gave artistic shoppers the opportunity to wear their work. The booth next to it made custom dog accessories. Dog lovers gathered to order spiked collars, rhinestone puppy shoes and even doggie bows.

"I love coming to the fair for years, now that I have a family, I'm able to buy things for my daughter and fiancé," said Justin Reyes, from Ontario.

"I seen Titans dresses for the football season. My little girl is going to rock her daddy's team."

"It's not just about finding unique things, but splurging on fried foods and rides," Reyes said.

"This isn't something we do every day, so it's good to come out and live a little."

> 'This isn't something we do every day, so it's good to come out and live a little.'
> *—Justin Reyes, Ontario resident*

Reyes was dressed in his favorite sports team as he shopped around with his family.

He said having a family day at the Fair is important to him, because it is something that he has always wanted to do.

One boutique specialized in baby goods. Rockn Baby Boutique, owned by Kim Katnik, makes anything from accessories to crib bedding. The company started up in Irvine at the Orange County Fair eight years ago.

"I like to give the customer the capability to design stuff the way they like," Katnik said.

Reyes and his fiancé placed an order for a customized Titans dress for their 10-month-old baby. After meeting with the owner and placing their order, the dress will be ready in seven to 10 business days.

Custom orders can be made online at **rocknbabyboutique.com.**

Another small company to return to the Fair, is Unrvl. The company specializes in headpieces for ladies.

"I started the company over a year and half ago," said Maly Vongkesone, owner and founder of the company. "I originally just wanted to sell clothes, but my head pieces have been so successful."

Shoppers began lining up for unique food choices. Personalized candy apples, wine bottles and flavored roasted almonds seemed to be popular to finish the night off.

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Jimmy John's makes its way to the West Coast

Sandwich shop opens in La Verne

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Jimmy John's Gourmet Sandwiches opened in La Verne, and so far the business has been a success.

"Business is great," Lee Dilworth, Jimmy John's restaurant manager, said. "Lines have been out the door ever since we opened."

Jimmy John's, a franchised sandwich restaurant chain that prides itself on delivery, was first founded by Jimmy John Liautaud in 1983 and is currently headquartered in Champaign, Ill.

The opening of the La Verne location marks the sixteenth Jimmy John's in California, and with its recent success, more locations may be coming soon.

With the large number of sandwich options available in La Verne, most notably Subway and Jersey Mike's, Jimmy John's must do something unique to set itself apart from the others.

"What sets us apart is a number of things: First of all we deliver. Second of all our ambience and atmosphere is unmatched," Dilworth said. "We're loud and our music is loud. Every hour we have dance parties in the store. Third is the quality of my product. Every morning we slice our meats and make our bread fresh. If my bread is three hours old, I will sell it to you for 70 cents to use at home. Ultimately it is the quality of our product."

> 'We're loud and our music is loud. Every hour we have dance parties in the store.'
> *—Lee Dilworth, Jimmy John's restaurant manager*

The restaurant's initial success seems to validate Dilworth's three key points.

JJ's, as it is referred to by many of the employees, greets their customers with a loud welcome upon arrival.

Employees pride themselves on being happy at all times and delivering a quality product quickly.

Two customers within Jimmy John's who looked especially pleased were Rick Gomez and Stanley Kosht.

"I really enjoy the sandwiches, which are great and always fresh. To top it off the service is always friendly and my food is out in a hurry," Jimmy John's frequenter Rick Gomez said.

"I live close by and have never really been able to find a good option for sandwiches, but I think I've found my answer now."

Stanley Kosht had a similar opinion on Jimmy John's.

"This is my second time at Jimmy John's in less than a week," Kosht said. "I live in Montebello but after my first experience here went so well, I had to come back. To make the 45 minute drive when there are other options closer by, you know it must be good. The sandwich I ordered was exactly the way I wanted it. It was fresh and amazing."

The Jimmy John's experiment in La Verne has been a great success. Customers continue to flock to the gourmet sandwich shop, and continue to leave with nothing but rave reviews.

The restaurant is located at 2320 Foothill Boulevard.

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Students express need for equality

Event honors free speech

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The Lordsburg Debate Union hosted its first Freedom of Speech Day Wednesday night at the Rock, where students had the opportunity to voice their opinions on any topic of their choice.

The event commemorated the 225th anniversary of the signing of the Bill of Rights.

"Tonight was about voicing opinions and free speech," said Colin Fisk, president of the Lordsburg Debate Union and senior political science major.

One speaker was Vice Mayor of Pomona Ginna Escobar, who talked about the discouraging circumstances such as bankruptcy, multiple murders and lawsuits that have left Pomona residents feeling helpless over the last year.

Escobar said that while the city still has room for improvement, it has progressed thanks to the participation of citizens in its local government.

She explained how simply voting was the first step towards positive change and encouraged everyone to vote in the upcoming election Nov. 4.

Students expressed their views using various methods such as singing, poetry, stand up comedy and scripted and unscripted speaking.

"Freedom of speech means being able to speak in whatever way you know," said sophomore computer science major James Trejo, a member of the Slam Poetry Team. "For me that means using the beauty of poetry."

Trejo delivered a jaw dropping freestyle rap about the negative aspects of hip-hop music and the negative morals it teaches our youth.

Equality and inclusivity was a popular topic of the night. Whether it was equality of races or genders, all of the speakers agreed that equality for all is an important issue.

Debate team captain Melanie Nadon, a senior speech communication and gender, law and policy major, performed feminist stand up comedy.

She ended her set with a joke claiming that female "hobos" asking for a dollar would get only 76 cents.

Feminism was a central topic due to the recent controversy revolving around actress Emma Watson, who received online threats after delivering a speech encouraging gender equality for the United Nation's #HeforShe campaign.

In her speech, Watson encouraged men to come forward and support gender equality for the campaign.

The crowd at the Rock and its applause created an environment that allowed people to exercise their freedom of speech and to express their thoughts without limiting themselves.

"The point of this event was to bring up all of these topics," said sophomore theatre arts and creative writing major Steven Forns, captain of the Spoken Word team.

"Feminism, the impact of voting, cultural songs, religion, freestyle rap — it encourages diversity and change," he said.

The Lordsburg Debate Union partnered with the Slam Poetry Team, Mock Trial, College Democrats, Model United Nations, Black Student Union, Shades of Essence and SPARKS Women Leadership for Freedom of Speech Day.

The organizers said they will try to make the event an annual occurrence because of this year's success.

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LeoSafe app nominated for overall app award

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The University of La Verne's LeoSafe app has been nominated for the 2014 Overall App Award on **bestmobileappawards.com**.

Stanley Skipworth, director of campus safety and transportation, nominated the LeoSafe App, which he co-created with Social Sentinel, for the award.

Along with winning the title of 2014 Overall App, the winner will also be mentioned in a press release to more than 40 news sites. Social Sentinel is an online service built by safety and security experts.

Advisers work with district public safety and security officials to improve their awareness and management of potential threats shared on publicly available social media sites.

"I'm happy that we can emphasize the type of remarkably safer environment and culture that we have here," Skipworth said. "We are fortunate to be able to do that and to point to so many partners all across the campus that makes that possible and that's all that matters."

Since its launch over the summer, the free app has been downloaded by roughly 2,000 users.

The app includes emergency features such as crime statistics, a daily crime log, emergency contact information, security reports, parking and transportation information, a campus map, an alert system and technology that allows app users to report suspicious behavior or send reports, pictures and videos directly to Campus Safety.

"It will help us get our name out there as a safe school," Todd Britton, assistant vice president of information technology business relations, said.

He said the app improves safety at La Verne by providing access to a variety of important information.

"It's also about really pursing a demonstrative level of transparency to let everyone know what is being reported to us and what we're working on with our local police department," Skipworth said. "The app is designed to bring more of the resources and connectivity to the campus, community and our guests."

Clive Houston-Brown, vice president of facilities and technology, said Skipworth has worked hard at escalating the communication lines between students and the Campus Safety department.

"An award or not, we're just excited about what it does to help us be more immediately in touch with the people we are serving and that really is the ultimate goal," Skipworth said.

Best Mobile App Awards recognizes the newest apps for all platforms.

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Suggestions disrespect diversity

Last week the University celebrated Hispanic Serving Institutions Week, HSI, which was designed to promote discussion of Hispanic culture and heritage. As one of the week's activities, students were encouraged to contribute to the "Question Board" in the Campus Center and answer the question, "Thinking about your culture, race and heritage, how does ULV support or not support your sense of belonging?"

It's a legitimate and thought-provoking question, especially considering that HSI Week falls within Hispanic Heritage Month. It's important for the University, where 48 percent of the undergraduate population is Hispanic, to raise these types of questions with students. However most of the answers on the Question Board unfortunately show how immature some students at the University can be.

"More partays," one paper read. A "Yasssssss!" was posted alongside it.

One student – or a few – felt the need to speak for everyone by writing down "My culture is desperately in need of a pool – Everyone" and one comment next to it read "We all agree!"

Really, La Verne? If the school built a pool, would you really feel better about your culture?

Conversations about culture, heritage and belonging are so crucial, especially within a college environment. It's unfortunate that there is only one week where we decide to bring up those conversations campuswide, and it's more unfortunate that certain individuals were the ones who flooded the question board.

It might be a small population of students who are polluting the school with these irrelevant requests, but they're posted publicly for all to see. It's disheartening to see that these people have used a place, where students were meant to meaningfully express themselves, to post their juvenile whining and babbling. Aren't we supposed to make each other feel like we belong here?

Some comments on the board were more thoughtful such as: "LSF (Latino Student Forum) has allowed me join a community with similar backgrounds and heritages. I am grateful for multicultural clubs like LSF," and "…opportunities for ourselves to become more involved with ULV in order for an individual to feel like they belong."

Those are the comments that should be considered and should not be overshadowed by parties and pools.

Besides, how realistic is it that the University will have a pool?

It's totally probable that they are urging student organizations to throw more parties, all thanks to your "helpful" feedback. In the meantime, let's focus on the issues that matter, like diversity and whether minority students feel a sense of belonging at La Verne.

Urban Outfitters offends again

Urban Outfitters' latest controversy involves a vintage Kent State University sweatshirt with bloodstain-like marks, stirring the outrage of those who remember the Kent State shooting massacre in 1970, resulting in the deaths of four students and nine injuries.

The $129 sweatshirt was a one-of-a-kind online exclusive for the company listed under "Vintage Finds." The company later apologized and claimed the blood-like stains were due to "discoloration."

On the other hand, Kent State said, "We take great offense to a company using our pain for the publicity and profit. This item is beyond poor taste and trivializes a loss of life that still hurts the Kent State community today." Kent State also invited Urban Outfitters and the people involved with the sweatshirt to tour the university's May 4 Visitors Center to understand the massacre.

Whether Urban Outfitters released the sweatshirt thinking it was clever or as an ignorant choice made with ill judgment, the company is responsible for the products they make. Perhaps this may be a marketing strategy to get people talking about the company. After all, bad publicity is better than no publicity. If this is the case, it is definitely working because outraged people across the nation helped make the sweatshirt go viral across various social media platforms.

Although the intention of the sweatshirt is unknown, Urban Outfitters has a record of selling insensitive products. This includes T-shirts mocking eating disorders with its print "Eat Less," an insensitive Monopoly knockoff board game titled Ghettopoly that degrades ethical groups through stereotypes, a T-shirt with a star badge similar to the ones Jews were forced to wear during the Holocaust and many more.

Is Urban Outfitters in lack of creative designers to the point where they have to resort to continuously selling offensive items to catch the attention of shoppers? While we may disagree on fashion faux pas, Urban Outfitters' insensitive Kent State sweatshirt with bloodstain-like design is one definite fashion faux pas.

Water protection is critical

With groundwater sources across the state sinking by more than a foot a year and reports of wells going dry, the Groundwater Protection Act was finally approved, which is good news. Its effective date, however, is not immediate enough to help address our drought, and is somewhat dependent on various municipal legislative bodies.

The legislative package requires water basin managers throughout the state to draft plans to stop the overdraft of groundwater resources. It also allows the state to review the plans and step in to enforce them if necessary. Provisions in the law could take a year or more to implement.

Groundwater is a critical natural resource in California that should be protected. Up to 65 percent of the state's water supplies could come from groundwater this year, and with the ongoing drought, groundwater is a more limited resource than ever. California had been the only western state without legislation protecting against overuse of groundwater. The drought is the catalyst to get the protection for water use.

Why did legislation here take so long?

Many coastal communities and farmers depend on groundwater and the fact that it is taking too long to approve this act is not only affecting the water use, but also the income of those farmers and the state economy.

The Groundwater Protection Act helps us see that water should be treated as a shared resource, to not take advantage of water and not treat it as a property right to fight over.

But with the drought straining water supplies and setting off a well-drilling frenzy, local water managers have begun accepting the notion that regional authority need not be absolute, according to Timothy Quinn of the Association of California Water Agencies. He called the bill a necessary remedy for what has been "a simmering crisis for half a century."

Why has a state in a dire drought waited so long for a solution that affects not only the local environment, but the well-being of California itself?

Letters to the Editor

The *Campus Times* encourages readers to submit letters to the editors regarding topics covered in the paper. Letters should be no more than 400 words in length and are due by Tuesday at 3 p.m. The *Campus Times* reserves the right to edit letters for clarity, space and libel. Letters may be sent to **ctimes@laverne.edu**.

Letter to the Editor

Dear Editor,

After reading "La Verne drops five spots in college rankings" by Michael Saakyan in the Campus Times (Sept. 19), I was troubled that comments attributed to me did not accurately reflect the basis of the US News & World Report rankings. I am a believer in and advocate of wide access to higher education, and I am proud of our University's record in this area. Our University provides educational access to all students regardless of their income, background, ethnicity, faith, etc. It is also important to note that our rankings are not tied in any way to our students' income levels. The implication that we dropped slightly in the rankings because of the income level of our students is not correct. We are proud of our rankings as a top-tier nationally ranked comprehensive institution and my greatest pride is the work of our faculty and staff and the accomplishments of our students. When I referred to our students' income levels, my intention was to highlight the successes of our students despite any of their economic disadvantages. As the President of this fine University, it is imperative for me to always remember the many paths our students take to arrive here – paths that are often riddled with challenges – and that it is the responsibility of all faculty and staff to support and guide every student to success. It is critical that we all participate in conversations about higher education access and student success at the institutional, local, regional and national levels. We welcome this national dialogue, and we are actively engaging in it.

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Interfaith walk demonstrates unity

Community calls for peace



Kaung Myat Tun

Anthony Reyes, senior political science major, exchanges beads with 7-year-old Dunya Hakkak and her mother, Layla Naji, a University of La Verne alumna, during Sunday's Interfaith Peace Walk. The beads came in various colors with each color representing a religious tradition. Participants exchanged beads and made colorful bracelets. The walk started at Temple Beth Israel in Pomona, reached City of Knowledge Islamic School in Pomona as a midway point, and ended at the Church of the Brethren in La Verne. Students and clubs like Common Ground participated in the walk designed to create religious unity.

Alyssa Navarro
Staff Writer

People from different races and religions came together Sunday for the Sixth Annual Interfaith Peace Walk to commemorate the International Day of Peace.

The program started at Temple Beth Israel in Pomona. Music filled the temple as guests entered through the hall. The song "Hallelujah" welcomed participants.

Senior political science major Anthony Reyes joined walkers this year for the first time.

"I was in awe," Reyes said. "I have never been in a synagogue before and it was a great feeling sitting with individuals of all faiths who share the principle of peace and love for all."

There were no divisions among the various faiths represented. The entire community was united.

As the walk began, participants were each given a bag full of beads to take part in a bead exchange.

Each bag of colored beads represented a different religious or non-religious tradition.

Throughout the event, people were to exchange beads while engaging in conversation to symbolize sharing parts of each faith with one another.

"The bead activity got to show the diversity of our religious and secular communities and getting to really bond with members of the community," Spanish major Tahil Sharma said.

The walk ended in the La Verne Church of the Brethren. People who completed the walk were gifted a bead memento, free shirt and light meal.

Common Ground, La Verne's interfaith student club, has participated in the walk since it began six years ago.

The goal of Common Ground is to encourage La Verne students, faculty and staff to learn about various religious, non-religious and spiritual perspectives.

Tahil Sharma, one of the founders and the former president for Common Ground, started the club because he wanted to change the atmosphere of people with different faiths on campus.

"There was a continuing dynamic of chaos between those of different faith traditions especially after 9/11," Sharma said.

> 'By coexisting with different faiths and understanding where they come from, it creates a win-win situation of creating unity and learning more about different faiths.'
> *—Roxana Bautista, president of Common Ground*

"I formed the interfaith student council with eight people from six different traditions. It was actually quite surprising for such a small campus La Verne is."

"We benefit from marching and doing all these things because we walk for a common goal which is peace," Reyes said.

Psychology major Roxana Bautista is the current president of Common Ground. She practices different ways of promoting interfaith peace in the community.

"The best thing you can do is clarify any questions you have with any religion," Bautista said.

"By coexisting with different faiths and understanding where they come from, it creates a win-win situation of creating unity and learning more about different faiths."

Common Ground puts on various events throughout the year to promote friendship and understanding among people of various faiths.

They have monthly field trips called Souljourns where they visit different houses of worship.

All students are welcome to learn about historical and local interfaith cooperation efforts alongside the brothers and sisters of many different faiths.

For more information about Common Ground visit the club's Facebook page at **facebook.com/groups/ulvcommonground.**

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Sorority members say no to hazing

Sigma Kappa sorority held its annual Rock painting and fundraiser on Monday designed to bring awareness to the dangers of hazing during National Hazing Prevention Week.

During the event, Sigma Kappa sorority members encouraged students to take an anti-hazing pledge.

Some painted their hands and placed them on the Rock, symbolically leaving their promise there.

"Hazing can be something big or something small," said Sigma Kappa President Melissa Procopio, a senior business administration major.

"It doesn't happen just in Greek life. It happens all the time," she said.

Sigma Kappa nationally supports National Hazing Prevention Week with its "RespΣKt" movement.

According to Stop Hazing, a research and prevention organization, 47 percent of students are hazed before entering college, and three in five students face hazing at some point.

Currently 44 states including California have anti-hazing laws.

Procopio said bullying and hazing can sometimes overlap but that they can both do damage.

"Today is about getting people to be aware," said Lauren Crumbaker of Sigma Kappa.

"This movement speaks to us," Sigma Kappa member and English major Sarah Barthel said.

During the Rock painting, Sigma Kappa members also sold baked goods to raise money for the Alzheimer's association.

The sorority has also spread the anti-hazing word through social media throughout the week. The sorority has used the #respΣKt hashtag to demonstrate its dedication to the anti-hazing movement.

National Hazing Prevention week is Sept. 22 to Sept. 26.

—Alejandra Aguilar

Mandala symbolizes world peace

Liz Ortiz
Metro Editor

Students, faculty and staff created a mandala on a white sheet, which formed a unified symbol of peace in the universe on Sept. 19 during the International Day of Peace ceremony.

More than 25 people attended the ceremony that Zandra Wagoner, the University chaplain, organized to commemorate the United Nations' International Day of Peace.

The event consisted of several faculty, staff and students defining what peace meant to them and ended with the attendees coming together to make the mandala.

"Peace is a journey we need to build together," Wagoner said. "It's a part of the community."

The speakers agreed that in order to achieve world peace, people must first find inner peace, be compassionate towards others and spread love to those they encounter.

"Every human has a story and can make a difference in the world, regardless of their beliefs and religion," said Tahil Sharma, senior Spanish major and university chaplain's assistant.

He led a Buddhist chant and began creating the mandala, which was inspired by Tibetan Buddhist monk tradition.

As a part of the tradition, the monks create their mandalas out of sand and often spend days working on a single creation.

Once it is complete, they enter the process of dissolution and destroy the mandala, which represents letting go of their wants and leaving their destiny to fate.

Instead of using sand to create the University mandala, participants used dried rice and beans to make the piece. Sharma created the center of the mandala and encouraged everyone else to complete it after he finished chanting.

To go along with tradition, once the mandala was finished, it was destroyed, and the left over beans and rice were donated to a local soup kitchen.

The United Nations established the International Day of Peace 10 days after the 9/11 terrorist attacks, said Juli Minoves-Triquell, assistant professor of political science and Ambassador of Andorra.

The countries that are part of the United Nations agree to a 24-hour ceasefire and encourage a peaceful world.

"At the end of the day, we all have the same spots just different patterns," said Anthony Reyes, a senior political science major and treasurer for the Model United Nations club. "It's a beautiful thing that strangers can come together in the name of peace."

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Michael Saakyan

Sophomore political science major Mariela Martinez and Professor of Humanities Al Clark help create a mandala Friday at the International Day of Peace ceremony in the Campus Center Ballroom. The mandala was created with different types of beans, lentils and dried rice. Traditionally the mandala is created with colorful sand, to be later broken up by Tibetan Buddhist monks. Zandra Wagoner, the university chaplain who organized the event, donated the beans, lentils and rice to a local soup kitchen.

To improv or not to improv



Sonora Hernandez

Members of Shakespearean improv group A Horse perform Sept. 20 in the Jane Dibbell Cabaret. Performers Amanda Barnes, Carolyn Marie Wright, Rollin Perry and John David Williams asked the crowd for titles of plays Shakespeare might write today and performed one tragedy and comedy in the form of Shakespearean dialogue. The event, hosted by Professor of English Jeffery Kahan, was the opener for the Shakespeare Experience season. The group formed four years ago and performs in Los Angeles. This is the second time the group has performed at the University.

Arts, etc...

HAPPENINGS

'Uneasy Neighbors'

Carlson Gallery presents "Uneasy Neighbors: The Causes and Consequences of Undocumented Migration to the United States," photographs by Don Bartletti, through Oct. 10.

Admission is free.

'Radius Abstractus'

"Radius Abstractus," a solo exhibit by Augusto Sandroni runs through May 30 at the Tall Wall Space in the Arts and Communications Building.

Admission is free.

'Pictures of Everything'

Harris Gallery's exhibit, "Pictures of Everything" features abstract paintings from 10 different artists.

The exhibit runs through Oct. 30. Admission is free.

Friday Nights Live!

Friday Nights Live! takes place at three different venues in the Claremont Village every Friday through Oct. 24.

For more information, visit **thevillageclaremont.com**. Admission is free.

South Bay Contemporary

"Transforming Feminism," which includes works from Professor of Art Ruth Trotter runs through Oct. 25 at Rolling Hills Estates.

Admission is free.

Sundays at the Morgan

Lori Andrews is performing jazz music at 6 p.m. on Oct. 5 in Morgan Auditorium.

Suggested donation is $20 and admission is free.

Music for a New B'ak'tun

Nadia Shpachenko-Gottesman and faculty artist Genevieve Feiwen Lee are performing at 3 p.m. on Sunday at Pomona College Bridges Hall of Music. Admission is free.

—Erum Jaffrey

Photos bring insight
On immigrants

by Cody Luk

photography by Helen Arase



Pulitzer Prize-winning photojournalist Don Bartletti chats with Gale Carlson Ortega and Linda Carlson Lane, descendents of Irene Carlson, for whom the Irene Carlson Gallery of Photography is named. Bartletti's photographs are from his work dealing with immigrants from Latin America crossing the U.S.-Mexico border while risking their lives. Ortega and Lane came to La Verne to hear Bartletti's lecture and attend his reception, as this year marks the 25th anniversary of the Carlson Gallery.

Pulitzer Prize-winning photographer Don Bartletti stimulated the minds and emotions of gallery visitors about the issues of undocumented immigrants at the "Uneasy Neighbors: The Causes and Consequences of Undocumented Migration to the United States" exhibit reception Sept. 18 in the Irene Carlson Gallery.

His photographs tell the stories of real people in our society. These undocumented immigrants risk their lives dreaming of a better future in the US. Many of them ride on top of speeding trains, holding on to a very small, but still a glimpse of hope.

"It's kind of crazy to think about this because my family came from Mexico, not this way, but to think about what people have to go through to get a better life is just crazy," said sophomore psychology major Caitlin Villegas.

"Hearing a story is different than seeing these actual photos," she said. "A lot of people don't make it to the U.S., and they end up getting deported but they continue to have hope for a better life and reunite with family in the U.S. The stories are very sad," Villegas said.

Some photographs portray the brighter side to the theme, such as the 2006 photograph, "New American," in which Wilfredo Ramirez, a formal undocumented agricultural migrant is pictured smiling while waving the American flag during a naturalization ceremony. He qualified to become an American citizen due to a 1986 law enabling him to work legally in the country.

Sophomore biology major Traci Ramirez was impressed by the subject of the 2010 photograph, "Denis in San Diego." It depicts the then 21-year-old Denis Contreras doing landscape maintenance on a suburban house. He fled from Honduras to find his mother , learned English and started a family. However, he was later deported at 25.

"This guy is still smiling and working hard," Traci Ramirez said. "I think more people should be like this. Just to go through all that must have been hard, but he's still smiling."

"Mother's Regret" is a 2003 photograph of Maria Georgina Nunez crying over a photograph of her son on a speeding train in Mexico. She left him as a baby to work in the U.S. but he is currently having trouble with his immigration status. Ramirez said the photograph makes her appreciate family more.

Other photographs portray darker subjects such as "Death Corridor," taken in 2013. A mortician is at a route parallel to Texas Highway 281 recording details of an unidentified body, one of many who die of hypothermia or hyperthermia. The route is known as "Death Corridor" due to the deaths of as many as 129 bodies in 2012.

"I felt really sad, it was kind of crazy how people can get into situations like this, hypothermia in the cold and hyperthermia in the heat," Ramirez said.

"It reminds me of '127 Hours' and how you should have someone know where you are 24/7," she said.

"I think that they're very real and moving," said sophomore chemistry major Isabelle Alvarez.

"It's sad to think this (issue) is a thing. I felt that there are things that we can do about it and I think not enough people know the severity of it," she said.

"If more people see these photos then they would understand better."

Although some of the photographs on undocumented immigrants date back to as early as the 1980s, Bartletti does not get involved with the situations.

"(Bartletti) was really professional and he didn't interfere with people's lives," Alvarez said.

"He just documented it. He's also really compassionate," she said.

Faculty reflection essays by Assistant Professor of Psychology Nadine M. Nakamura and Assistant Professor of Public Administration Adrian Velazquez Vazquez are also featured in the gallery.

The exhibit is open to the public and will run until Oct. 10.

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Bartletti turns lens to immigrants

Photos depict struggles

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Photojournalist Don Bartletti described his experience traveling through Mexico and Central America during the lecture for his exhibit, "Uneasy Neighbors: Causes and Consequences of Undocumented Migration to the United States," Sept. 18 in the Campus Center Ballroom.

The exhibit is currently on display in the Carlson Gallery.

In 2003 Bartletti won the Pulitzer Prize in feature photography for his photographs that portrayed the dangers people faced when traveling to the United States and crossing the border.

He has been a photographer for 42 years and currently works for the Los Angeles Times, where he has covered news stories ranging from storms to the Super Bowl.

"Those are news, but even (the stories about) Afghanistan and Iraq will go away some day, but you know the story that's never going to go away? This one," Bartletti said.

"This one is forever. It's a never ending story," he said.

In a completely dark room, about 60 students and faculty members listened as Bartletti presented a slideshow of the photos he took in Mexico, Honduras and Guatemala, while he explained the backstory and his feelings when capturing these moments.

He has been covering the topic of immigration since the mid-1980s and believes that with his camera and technology, he has the tools needed to bring the truth to the public through his photographs.

He documented the daily lives of migrant workers in the United States, but also exposed the gruesome and sometimes bloody tragedies some people encounter as they make their trek north.

Young children are often victims of gang shootings, smuggling, drug trafficking and horrible accidents, but Bartletti did not shy away from revealing these photographs.

"These things are hard to look at but I want you to see them because I don't want you to forget that drug trafficking is not a celebration like it is in the movies or books or novels, because it's uglier," Bartletti said.

"It's way uglier than 'Breaking Bad'," he said.

Bartletti experienced the struggles firsthand as he has accompanied teenagers on their journeys and learned their tricks for how to survive, such as jumping onto moving trains and rationing food.

Many of his photographs tell the stories of the individuals he followed.

One of the boys, Enrique, inspired Pulitzer Prize winner Sonia Nazario to write "Enrique's Journey," which is the book the University chose for its "One Book, One University" program this year.

Some pictures evoked audible emotional reactions from the audience.

"It doesn't matter where you come from, but you should respect one's country," said Jesica Le, a sophomore chemistry major, regarding "Allegiance," a photograph that showed a Mexican-American girl ripping a United States flag during a demonstration in Santa Ana.

Bartletti ended the lecture by telling a personal story about the subject, Denis Contrares, in his photograph, "Denis in San Diego."



Kaung Myat Tun

Before the start of his lecture, photojournalist Don Bartletti chatted with Assistant Professor of Public Administration Adrian Vasquez, who wrote an exhibition reflection essay. In his Sept. 18 lecture, Bartletti discussed his photographs and the reasons people leave their home countries. Those reasons include poverty, gang violence and the search for parents who left them behind to come to the U.S. Bartletti's exhibit is on display in the Carlson Gallery until Oct. 10.

Contrares was 12 years old when he left Honduras by himself and began his search for his mother living in the United States.

"Don is a … hardworking and concerned photojournalist whose daily assignments are wide-ranging and arduous," said Gary Colby, photography department chairman, who brought Bartletti to campus.

The exhibition is on display in the Carlson Gallery in Miller Hall until Oct. 10. Admission is free.

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Comm students take home media awards

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University of La Verne students and recent graduates earned several honors from the Hometown Media Awards in August, and the San Bernardino Valley College Film Festival in May.

The team that included alumna Marilyn Mejia, who majored in broadcast journalism; alumna Ebony Williams, a broadcast major; alumna Chantal Silva, a broadcast journalism major; and Tyler Harrison, a senior broadcast journalism major won Best Student Documentary for "J. Brown: Violinmaker" in the national Hometown Media Awards.

Mejia and her crew were assigned to make a documentary on a local business for their advanced video production class.

The instructor, Professor of Communications Don Pollock, had wanted someone to do a documentary profiling violin maker Jim Brown for a while.

Coincidently Mejia had been a client of Brown's, so she was positive she could convince Brown to be the subject of their piece.

"I love the production process of being in charge of videos," Mejia said. "I love ... seeing it come together, because people don't realize how much time you put into these videos," she said.

Mejia said the whole group put in a lot of hard work. The process from organizing interviews, to getting the camera work and making sure that the editing process goes according to plan is intense.

Four students and recent graduates – senior liberal arts major Alexander Clague, alumna broadcast journalism major Jetske Wauran, senior broadcast major Delanie Pacheco, and alumna broadcast journalism major Chelsea Stark-Jones – placed among the top 11 winners in the San Bernardino Valley College Film Festival competition.

Clague won for his dramedy short "Sugar and Love" in best crime/drama.

Stark-Jones won for her senior project "Enjoying the Journey" in best news/reality.

The Festival is designed to give student filmmakers an opportunity to present their work to a wide audience.

Wauran won the cinematography award for the documentary "Mary Cotter: 100 Years."

A fan of documentaries, Wauran said she thought the story of Mary Cotter, who turned 100 in 2012, was an incredible story that needed to be documented.

"It's unique," Wauran said. "How often does someone you know turn 100 years old?"

Pollock said he was pleased with the documentary, so he submitted it to several competitions to have Wauran represent the University.

Pacheco won the editing award for the documentary called "Road to Recovery."

Pacheco is an athlete and said the sports documentary she worked on was easy to wrap her head around.

Specifically Pacheco's documentary was about one of the University's senior volleyball players who suffered a serious injury, that side-lined her for much of her season.

She managed to come back ultimately.

Pacheco said this perspective is a side of sports that people do not necessarily get to see all the time.

"Road to Recovery" was selected for screening at the film festival and received an award along with three other documentaries from ULV students.

"I just think that (winning these) shows what great mentors we have here," Pacheco said.

"We have great amazing people in our department that give us a great foundation. And it also speaks to all the creativity and the hard work that students at La Verne put in," she said.

The students received prizes like the Sony video camera and AVID video-editing software for winning.

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Men's soccer trampled by Tigers

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Megan Peralez

Occidental freshman defender Ryan Banard drew no penalty in his encounter with La Verne freshman midfielder Javier Jasso, as he makes his way toward the goal during the second half of the game.

The Leopards redeemed themselves by tying the game in the second half, 3-3. Occidental responded with two more goals, ending the game with a Leopards loss, 5-3.

The men's soccer team took on the Occidential Tigers Monday at Ortmayer Stadium, resulting in a 5-3 loss for the Leopards.

The loss puts the team at an overall record of 4-4-1 on the season and a 1-4-0 start in Southern California Intercollegiate Athletic Conference play.

The Leopards fought their way back from a 3-0 deficit early in the first half to tie the game up.

Then La Verne had an unexpected defensive collapse late in the game.

"It was unfortunate to battle back from giving up three goals in 59 seconds, then only to lose the grip on the game," head coach Trevor Persson said.

"We just mentally took a break in the first half for a minute, and in the second half for 15 minutes where we gave up two more goals."

In the first half, momentum shifted towards the Tigers, as freshman forward Tod Kawada put in three goals for a hat trick in under 59 seconds from each other, just 13 minutes into the game.

"We need to be a rough team, we need to battle for those 50/50 balls," junior goalkeeper Darrin Bangle said.

"During the couple minutes in the first half we started lacking our roughness that we needed too to play college sports."

Bangle posted two saves for the match.

The Leopards responded back later in the first half, with 17 minutes left.

Sophomore forward Mario Interiano scored, assisted by sophomore forward Nathan Gonzalez to make it a 3-1 ballgame, with Occidental still in the lead.

The goal was Interiano's second of the season.

"I think as a team it's all been about just our little mistakes," Interiano said.

"We have the heart and I truly believe we have more heart than any other team in conference. There's no doubt the skill is there it shows on and off the field, it's just little mistakes we need to tweak and we will be right back in it," he said.

The Leopards started the second half with a bang.

La Verne leapt back onto the scoreboard quickly with two unassisted goals by sophomore forward Nathan Gonzalez within five minutes of each other at the 55 and 60 minute mark.

The two goals were Gonzalez's third and fourth of the season.

"At the time of the goals I felt pretty good and I thought we were going to come back," Gonzalez said.

"When we tied, we did not continue trying to get that winning goal. We let up and we should not have let up," he said.

With a tied match at 3-3, momentum felt like it was going back towards the Leopards way, until a non-called apparent foul in the penalty box of the Tigers was not called in favor of the Leopards.

"I felt we created our own luck. Nate gets fouled and gets up and then the Tigers charged down the field and take a shot that hits the crossbar and may have even gone in and bounces out and we were able to clear it," Persson said.

"But that was the shift because it put confidence right back into Occidental that they could still win."

The Leopards defense tried to keep their poise in the midst of the momentum shift.

But the Tigers capitalized on a late goal made by junior midfielder Michael Tonetti in the 74th minute by way of assists from Kawaba.

A defensive breakdown by the Leopards allowed the Tigers to score once again in the 86th minute from Kawaba.

Kawaba finished the game with four goals.

La Verne battled back with great intensity late in the game but came up short.

The Leopards remain optimistic that they can fight their way back into the top four of the SCIAC standings to make the postseason tournament.

"I felt coming into today's game it was a good opportunity to get our win streak started again, after coming off some tough losses that we felt we should not have lost," Bangle said.

"We lost our urgency to put the ball in the goal, so we got to go into next game and finish that one out," he said.

The Leopards next game is at 4 p.m. Saturday at Caltech.

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Leopards lose home opener in final seconds

Firepower falls short, 50-48

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Even after facing a 50-48 loss against Whitworth Saturday at Ortmayer Stadium, the La Verne football team still put on a phenomenal fight for its home opener.

The team is now 1-1 overall.

The Leopards were ahead 48-44 until the last 30 seconds of the game when the Pirates scored.

Racking up 672 yards and scoring seven touchdowns, La Verne had a great game offensively.

Both teams put up a fight, but in the end, it was about who had possession of the ball last. With only three seconds to spare, La Verne had one last chance to score.

The last pass was caught by senior wide receiver Jon Lilly but was ruled incomplete because the ball came loose after he was pushed out of bounds.

"We set the tone with high set offense and kept it close," head coach Chris Krich said. "Both sides were not going to give up."

Lilly was the star of the game, earning 274 yards on eight receptions and catching six touchdown passes, breaking La Verne's school record.

Lilly was also named to the **D3football.com** Team of the Week for his record-breaking performance and Southern California Intercollegiate Athletic Conference Male Athlete of the Week Tuesday.

"Jon Lilly is one of the top receivers in the country," Krich said. "Every time he touches the ball it's a highlight."

Each time Lilly scored he helped the Leopards tie or lead Whitworth.

He started the game with a 40-yard reception within the first five minutes and scored at least once more each quarter with a high of an 80-yard touchdown in the fourth quarter.

It was his 25-yard score that allowed La Verne to lead Whitworth until the last 30 seconds.

"It definitely all came from my team's help," Lilly said. "I just took the opportunities that I was given, but it still feels unbelievable and surreal."

It was not until 3:10 in the second quarter when sophomore wide receiver Ezra Broadus' reception touchdown allowed La Verne to lead 28-21.

After a Whitworth touchdown, the Leopards kept the lead 28-27 after senior defensive lineman Nik Gutierrez blocked the extra point.

In an offensively high powered game, a quarterback becomes the root of success. For the Leopards that is junior William Livingston, who threw for 469 yards and seven touchdowns.

"The offensive as a whole was a highlight," Livingston said. "Eleven guys working together and making plays."

After returning the ball 38 yards to the La Verne 43-yard line, sophomore running back Dallas Parent helped give the team its last opportunity to win.

"At the end of the game I did what I could on special teams to put our team in a position to win the game," Parent said.

Senior linebacker Christian Lozon led the defense with 16 tackles, followed by senior defensive back Manuel Macias with 13 tackles and two sacks.

Even with the offensive firepower, mistakes are made. With two interceptions and one fumble, the Leopards hope to evaluate their game and fix their mistakes going into conference.

The Leopards will host their first SCIAC game at 7 p.m. Saturday against Occidental at Ortmayer Stadium.

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Leopards victorious over Regals



Mariela Patron

La Verne midfielder Kelsea Varner pushes forward against Cal Lutheran's defense before the end of the first half, after Regals junior midfielder Katie Moyer scored, 15 minutes into the game. The Leopards ultimately dethroned the Regals, 2-1, at the women's soccer home opener Saturday at Ortmayer Stadium.

Varner earns first SCIAC goal

Kat Simonelli
News Editor

The women's soccer team won its first Southern California Intercollegiate Athletic Conference match of the season, 2-1, against Cal Lutheran Saturday at Ortmayer Stadium.

The game got off to what looked like a poor start for La Verne, after Cal Lutheran's junior midfielder Katie Moyer, scored a goal on a free kick only 13 minutes into the game.

"I'm not sure what the call was so I was upset that there was a foul and a little disappointed because I got a hand on it but I couldn't keep it out," senior goalkeeper Delanie Pacheco said.

After that first goal, the first half went pretty slowly for the Leopards, as there were only three shots on goal, but once the second half started they kicked up the pace.

"We went down early, I thought we had possession of the ball for the most part in the game, but we went down early and at halftime we talked about how we don't want people walking away easily on our field with wins," head coach Lauryn Pehanich said.

"They came out and they scored two goals in the first five minutes of the half and they got it done."

In the 48th minute, sophomore forward Alexa Smith shot the ball over Cal Lutheran's sophomore goalkeeper Coral Hassey's reach from about 30 yards out, on a pass from junior midfielder Kelsea Varner, scoring her first goal in SCIAC play.

Four minutes later, senior midfielder JJ Weaver headed the ball in off a free kick taken by senior forward Natalie Vasquez and scored her fourth goal of the season.

"Natalie had played a perfect ball in and I just jumped up and happened to get a head on it so it was good, it was a great ball in," Weaver said.

While the team did walk away with a win, they still learned the importance of control and keeping their cool.

"We learned game control and how to control it when were down, that we need to get back up and score and when were up 2-1 we need to control the game and stay calm," Smith said.

Pacheco walked away with six saves out of a total of seven shots on goal.

The team also faced the Claremont-Mudd-Scripps Wednesday.

La Verne lost 2-1, putting them at a 1-2-0 record in the SCIAC tournament and 3-4-0 overall.

The Leopards got off to a good start, after freshman forward Jessica Hernandez headed in the first goal of the game in the 28th minute off a pass from Smith.

With two minutes left in the first half, Vasquez scored an own goal, after the ball took a bad bounce off her foot while she was trying to block a shot.

The winning goal went to CMS, after sophomore midfielder Emily Cassell headed a ball in past Pacheco on a corner kick from CMS senior forward Isabel Lester.

The women's soccer team will take on Chapman at 7 p.m. Saturday at Holly and David Wilson Field.

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Poised for competition



Emily Bieker

At 6 a.m. Tuesday, senior Andrea Ramirez leads junior David Sincock through hip mobility stretches. Tuesday morning practices consist of plyometric work, hip mobility stretches, and core strengthening prior to taking off on a distance run. The team starts its first conference game at the Southern California Intercollegiate Athletic Conference Multi-Dual Oct. 17.

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Volleyball vanquished by Athenas

Yaxley earns 19 kills

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The volleyball team faced its first Southern California Intercollegiate Athletic Conference loss to No. 18 Claremont-Mudd-Scripps, 3-2, Saturday at Frantz Athletic Court.

The team is also getting national attention after a great start on the season, receiving votes in the latest AVCA Division III Coaches Poll.

The Leopards came out on fire, winning the first set, but failed to keep the momentum rolling and forced five sets, resulting in a loss.

"In the first set, we executed our game plan and did our job," head coach Jenna Panatier said. "We just didn't continue to execute it and so that resulted in our loss today."

With kills coming from junior outside hitter Brittany Yaxley, sophomore middle blocker Kelsi Robinson and junior outside hitter Ashlyn Cross, La Verne was able to get on the scoreboard quickly.

A kill by senior outside hitter Nysa Allen sealed the first set, 25-19.

The team finished the first set with a .593 hit percentage.

Yaxley started off the second set with a kill, putting the Leopards on the board first.

But errors made by La Verne gave the Athenas momentum.

"We didn't have a good consistent flow because our energy would be up then it would go down," Yaxley said. "Our energy was great in the first set and we need to maintain that throughout the whole match."

A tip by sophomore outside hitter Nicole Kerkhof, gave Claremont the first lead of the game, 4-3.

As errors rolled in and momentum slowing down for the Leopards, the Athenas found a good opportunity to win the set, 25-16.

"We started off really good in the first set," Robinson said. "But the energy and communication wasn't there to follow."

La Verne managed to tie the game, 2-2 by winning the fourth set.

A kill by junior middle blocker Destinee Sales broke the tie, giving La Verne the lead, 14-13.

A service error by freshman opposite hitter Margaux Arntson, allowed the Leopards to win the set, 25-22, as they headed to the fifth and final set.

"As a team we need to keep together and our main focus as a whole would be to focus mentally," Yaxley said.

But La Verne was not able to keep the defense up and fell short early, losing 15-4.

"We definitely need to stay focused when things like this happen," Panatier said. "It is staying focused and making sure that we stay consistent or we fall back."

Yaxley led the game with 19 kills and Robinson finished with 10.

"I felt that I started the season very strong and I work hard at each practice," Robinson said. "I try to get better everyday and each game I process what I need to work on next."

The Leopards were not consistent and had 15 serving errors.

"We need to work on handling the ball better," Yaxley said.

"Not only serving but also keep the rally flow going as well but in our favor," she said.

The Leopards also traveled to Redlands Tuesday for their first SCIAC road match of the season and defeated the Bulldogs, 3-0.



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Sophomore middle blocker Kelsi Robinson spikes down the middle past Claremont-Mudd-Scripps outside hitters sophomore Nicole Kerkhof and freshman Mariah Rigg, in the first of a five-match battle Saturday. The Leopards were speared by the Athenas, 3-2.

Yaxley led the game with 15 kills, followed by Robinson, who had 11.

The Leopards kept the fire going from the first set into the second set, going on a 12-3 run.

With points coming from sophomore middle blocker Cassie Thompson and Cross, La Verne was able to win the set, 25-13.

In the third set of the game, La Verne had a strong momentum as they came out on a 5-0 run over the Bulldogs.

The Leopards also had assists by setters sophomore Tiffany Mancuso and senior Kailey Faust.

La Verne is now 8-2 overall and 3-1 in SCIAC play.

"We have a few things that we need to work on and that would be blocking, hitting, connecting and keeping a consistent energy throughout the game," Robinson said.

The team will face Chapman at 7:30 p.m. Friday at Frantz Athletic Court.

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Leopard Scoreboard

At the Buzzer

Men's Soccer, Sept. 22
La Verne – 3
Occidental –5

Volleyball, Sept. 23
Redlands – 0
La Verne – 3

Women's Soccer, Sept. 24
La Verne – 1
Claremont-Mudd-Scripps – 2

Schedule

Friday
Volleyball vs. Chapman, 7:30 p.m.

Saturday
Cross Country, Stanford Invitational
Men's Soccer @ Caltech, 4 p.m.
Volleyball @ Caltech, 6 p.m.
Women's Soccer @ Chapman, 7 p.m.

Volleyball Standings

	SCIAC	Overall
Cal Lutheran	2-0	13-1
CMS	3-0	12-3
Chapman	2-0	3-8
La Verne	**3-1**	**8-2**
Pomona-Pitzer	1-2	7-5
Whittier	1-2	2-7
Redlands	1-2	1-7
Occidental	0-3	1-10
Caltech	0-3	0-8