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Historic council race

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Two employees from the University of La Verne, Robin Carder and Donna Nasmyth, are running for seats on the La Verne City Council – and they could make history, as a woman has never been elected to serve on the La Verne City Council.

Both Carder and Nasmyth are running along with two other candidates for two open seats. The two have been friends for more than 10 years.

Carder does not see the campaign as a political race or "running against" Nasmyth. Actually, she sees it as a spot to fill to serve the city of La Verne, and also, a way for two women to work together with the rest of the council members and mayor.

"There is a possibility we can both make it through and that is comforting," said Nasmyth, who has served the council since 2007 in an appointed position.

Nasmyth has a master's degree in leadership and management and a doctorate degree in organizational leadership, both from ULV. Her doctorate degree has been useful in "team building," politics and more specifically her work on the city council, she said

Nasmyth was the first woman to sit on the La Verne city council in its 101-year history. She was appointed to fill the seat of Dan Harden, upon his 2007 retirement. Prior to council position, she was a planning commissioner for La Verne for three years, and she was on the Youth and Family Action Committee.

Being born and raised in La Verne has helped Nasmyth understand what the city needs to best serve the La Verne residents.

Being on the city council has been "the most rewarding experience" of her life, Nasmyth

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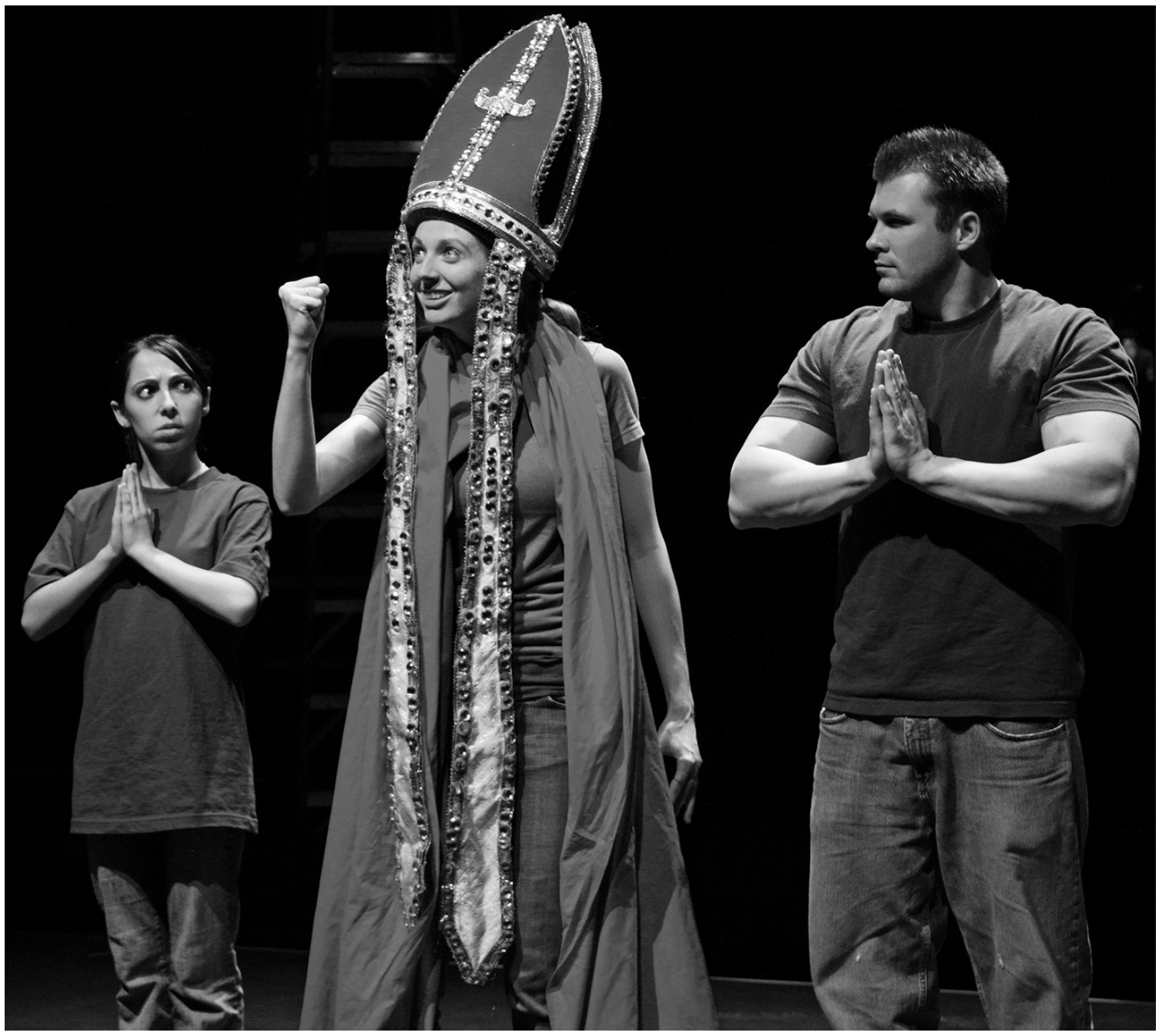
Fairy tales take on new life



Stephanie Arellanes

The Brothers Grimm wrote many fairy tales that remain some of today's classics. Adrianna Castillo, Jessica Swapp, and Mike Sarti performed "The Fisherman and his Wife," a tale originally published in 1812 in "Children's and Household Tales." The performance was held from Feb. 5 -7 at the Dailey Theatre. **See story, page 9.**

Heavy rains flood campus buildings

David deBos
Staff Writer

A powerful rainstorm blew through the University of La Verne Campus last week, leaving numerous buildings flooded and requiring considerable clean-up.

Following a fairly dry winters, the torrential downpour caught students and faculty off guard.

The La Fetra Lecture Hall, Brandt Hall and the Arts and Communications Building were affected by minor flooding.

"Major storms bring a lot of rain at one time. That much rain picks up debris and moves it around, blocking storm drains," David Koch, director of facilities management said.

Koch estimated that on Feb. 5 the school received about three-and-one-fourth inches of rain, more than the drainage systems can handle.

> 'It was literally raining inside my office.'
> *—Maia Kinsinger, associate professor of communications*

Koch said an associate found a root in one of the drainage systems.

"Because of the great work of our custodial staff, the water was cleaned up that day and classes were allowed to continue," Koch said.

"We vacuumed up most of the water and rented dehumidifiers to dry the carpets," he added.

Nonetheless some wish such fast footwork had taken place before the storm.

Maia Kinsinger, associate professor of communications, was taken by surprise when water started leaking into her office in the Arts and Communications Building.

"On Thursday the roof started leaking at about 4:30 p.m. with a small drip in my office," Kinsinger said. "By 7:30 p.m. it was a steady stream of water pouring from a hole in the ceiling. It was literally raining inside my office."

After noticing the water dripping into her office, and before she left for the day, Kinsinger made it a point to move files and other items of value into a safe place, which in the end saved her office from more extensive damage.

"Friday through Monday, housekeeping and maintenance did an excellent job of cleaning up, but I wish they had reacted sooner to prevent the damage," Kinsinger said,

"I was told that tennis balls had backed up the drainage system," she added.

Weather reports are calling for more rain in the coming days, with an 80 percent chance of rain today and showers on-an-off for the next few days.

Koch said that he and his staff are prepared for the coming rain.

"We've channeled the water around Barkley and the Athletics Pavilion using sandbags.

"There's also a drain cover we've swapped from a high location to another one, which should allow better drainage by the Barkley Building," Koch said.

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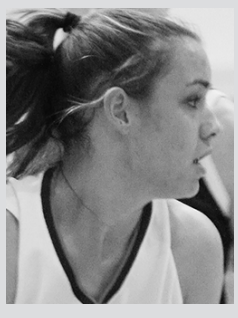

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Bookstore changes management

Dioses returns to La Verne

Julissa Cardenas
Staff Writer



Stephanie Arellanes

The new store manager for the University of La Verne Bookstore, Derek Dioses is glad to be back in La Verne. Dioses has worked for the Follett company for more than 20 years. Dioses began his career at Chapman University and worked at two different stores there. He then briefly moved here to the ULV Bookstore in 1991, moved on to Cal State Dominguez Hills, followed by Cal State Northridge. "It feels like I've completed a full circle and now I'm back home," Dioses said.

The University of La Verne Bookstore has a new manager, sort of.

Derek J. Dioses took the helm on January 28 after Julie Patrick, manager of more than 2 years left for a position at the University of Georgia.

For Dioses, though, the job is not exactly new.

He was the bookstore manager at La Verne in the mid-1990s.

Dioses and Patrick before him, works for Follett, which is a company that runs bookstores throughout the United States and Canada.

Previously, Dioses has more than 20 years experience recently doing similar work.

Dioses started his career at Chapman University in Orange.

Most recently he worked at Cal State Northridge.

He said he has finally settled in and his job consists of managing the bookstore.

The position also entails overseeing shipments, helping the customers when needed.

He also works the register and maintains the store in good condition.

"It's a little different from Cal State Northridge because of the volume, but I love it here."

Cal State Northridge has many more students and Dioses said he is still getting used to La Verne's slower pace.

"The first day of the semester I was expecting all the students to swarm in all at once to get their textbooks, but here the students sort of trickled in a little at a time," he said.

Aja Gallegos, the textbook manager, said Dioses is fitting right in.

"He is very knowledgeable, and things so far are great," Gallegos said.

She added that her concern now is not new management, but the economy.

As students have less money to spend, they are buying more books on the Internet.

"Sales are low, but (with) a good manager with a lot of experience ... we are all taking it in stride," Gallegos said.

Mary Ferreira, who also works at the bookstore, echoed Gallegos:

"I just expect great things in the future," Ferreira said.

The bookstore is located on the corner of Bonita Avenue and D Street.

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U.S. salmonella scare bring menu changes

Davenport food deemed safe

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Staff at the University of La Verne's Davenport Dining Hall assure patrons that they are taking all precautions to guarantee their food products are safe despite the recent incidents of salmonella poisoning across the United States.

Concerns about salmonella, a bacteria most commonly found in meat, seafood and eggs – and recently a concern in peanut products – has somewhat changed the offerings at Davenport.

When the ULV campus first became aware of possibly tainted products, mainly peanut based products were removed from the menu said General Manager Justin McGruder.

Cintya Lopez, a freshman international business major, said concerns about the deadly bacteria have affected her eating habits.

"I don't feel safe eating peanut butter," she said.

She added that she used to eat peanut butter products at Davenport.

Once the peanut butter being served was declared as non-contaminated, McGruder said, Davenport once again began to offer it to the approximately 750 people it provides food for each day.

> 'I don't feel safe eating peanut butter.'
> *—Cintya Lopez, freshman international business major*

Laticia Lerma, a junior criminology major, said the scare has not had any affect on her eating habits.

"I don't really eat peanut butter that much," she said, adding that when tomatoes were a cause for concern last summer, "I still ate tomatoes."

"It happens every few years," said Michael Gove, executive chef at Davenport.

To avoid food contamination on campus, there are regular meetings between ULV officials, contributors and purchasers.

According to both McGruder and Gove, they receive daily reports as to what products are considered safe to consume.

"I have all of these recipes on file," Gove said.

"If it's a new item I will actually rename it," Gove said.

This is done to alert consumers that it is a new dish with new ingredients, so as to avoid any confusion.

Gove said to know what ingredients are of concern to you personally before consuming them; know what your allergies are.

"Time and temperature are the two big keys," McGruder said about avoiding the spread of salmonella.

Instead of just reaching for the product, he recommends seeking out store managers asking questions and exercising rights everyone has as a consumer.

What it comes down to, he said, is knowing if a company is reputable or not.

Leaving food in the car while running errands and waiting more than the appropriate time to store food is also a big concern if meat, poultry, and seafood are involved.

The illness from salmonella usually shows its first symptoms within eight to 72 hours from when the food product was initially ingested and it is unable to be seen, tasted, or smelled in food.

Some precautions to take include washing hands, utensils, cutting boards, dishes, and countertops that have been exposed to any type of raw meat, poultry or seafood.

Refrigerating food at its proper temperature and refrigerating leftover foods within two hours is important.

Not overcrowding a refrigerator can also help in avoiding salmonella.

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CORRECTIONS

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Michael Lopez was misquoted in the "Sound of Beethoven fills Founders," Dec. 5, 2008. The correct quote is, "These are some of Beethoven's earliest works and display his distinctly unique use of the forms that he inherited from Hadyn and Mozart." The Campus Times regrets the error.

CDC cautions students on flu season

Mark Vidal
Arts Editor

Spring semester – cold and rainy such as it is – has started in the midst of what is shaping up to be a nasty cold and flu season.

And if this year is anything like last year, we are not yet past the worst of it.

According to a recent report by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, "Last winter influenza struck colleges and universities with unexpected severity."

Some colleges even reported running out of the flu vaccination because the demand was so great.

Though no serious cases of flu escalation have been reported in the West so far this year, it is too soon for people to let their guards down.

Cindy Denne, director of student health services, encourages students planning to get vaccinated to do so sooner rather than later.

"Once you have the flu, it is too late," Denne said.

While densely populated communities are at greater risk for wide-spread infection, students cannot rule out the possibility of the flu spreading at the University of La Verne, as getting infected with influenza is not difficult.

According to the CDC, influenza is easily spread when "droplets from a cough or sneeze of an infected person are propelled through the air and deposited on the mouth or nose of people nearby."

In other words the flu is highly contagious and a simple sneeze could lead to serious illness.

Still, some students do not see the need for a flu vaccination.

"I don't really get sick too often, so I don't see a reason for a shot," Jordan Skylar, a junior theater major said.

Many students dismiss the flu virus as simply another "cold," but the CDC reports that approximately 36,000 people are killed annually by flu-related complications.

Another 200,000 are hospitalized.

"Only a handful of students have requested the vaccination this year," Denne said.

The student health center began offering flu shots last semester for $14, which is the only out-of-pocket expense for the visit.

Still some students prefer alternative methods of treatment.

"I prefer natural remedies to combat the flu," Oscar Bauman, Glendora High School senior, said.

Those who prefer modern Western medicine, but get queasy at the sight of needles might opt for a nasal spray, which is proven to be just as safe and effective as the shot.

Many students are not aware of the services offered by the student health center or that undergraduate tuition entitles students to free medical service including immunizations, laboratory testing, access to antibiotics and more.

"Our medical practitioners offer an assessment of symptoms just like a normal family doctor's office would," Denne said.

The student health center is located at 2147 E. St. just east of Leo's Den. It is open Monday through Thursday from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. and Friday from 8 a.m. to noon.

For more information or to request a vaccination, call 909-593-3511 ext. 4254.

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Photo major to start in fall

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The University of La Verne will begin offering students the chance to major in photography beginning in fall 2009.

Rhiannon Mim, a senior majoring in journalism with a photojournalism emphasis, said she will graduate this spring with a good foundation in photography – her passion.

Since her first year at the University, however, Mim has been asking why ULV does not offer a photography major.

"All we want to do is photography, but it was impossible before because we got stuck either taking journalism or art classes," Mim said. "We're competing with photographers graduating from places like Art Institute where they're immersed in nothing but photography."

ULV currently offers a minor in photography and a major in art with an emphasis in photography or a major in journalism with a minor in photography.

According to the proposal by photography department chairman and professor of photography Gary Colby, which was approved by the faculty assembly last semester, the major will prepare students to work as contract photographers.

Whereas the current art major with a photography concentration prepares students for graduate school and the journalism/photojournalism major prepares students for publication work.

Colby said that the new photography major will also "get students ready and rigorously trained for graduate school."

The photo major will require students to also have a minor so they are able to apply photography to another discipline, like biology.

The major will consist of a minimum of 40 required semester hours and a minimum of 20 in a selected minor.

He said he is hoping for students who are entrepreneurial by nature.

Colby began work on this major proposal four years ago.

Colby said Eric Bishop, ULV's former associate dean of academic support and retention, was a great supporter of this major.

"We kept talking about possibilities," said Bishop, now the director of the Fontana campus for Chaffey College. "There is excitement out there. The new major is a very solid idea."

Courtney Droke, a junior journalism/photojournalism major, said that she also would have liked to be a part of the new major.

Colby believes the new major will attract students that would not otherwise come to ULV.

"We want students that are interested in photography as well as other majors," Colby said. "There is now a market for us that is not there for other schools."

The proposal to offer the degree of bachelor of arts in photography received final approval in December 2008.

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NEWS BRIEFS

Tavis Smiley Lecture

Popular talk show host and best-selling author Tavis Smiley is going to be giving a University of La Verne 2009 Fasnacht lecture called "An Evening with Tavis Smiley" on Feb. 24 at 7:30 p.m. in Founders Auditorium.

For more information, contact Christina Massengale at 909-593-3511, ext. 4682.

Day of Service

Since La Verne was not able deliver a day of service on Martin Luther King Jr. Day, Jan. 19, the La Verne Chapel and other La Verne members are asking to for people to volunteer on Monday, which is President's Day.

Winter shelters, parks, food pantries and churches are the various places people can volunteer their time.

For more information, contact Sonya Gravlee, campus minister, at 909-593-3511, ext. 4320 or at **gravlees@ulv.edu**.

President's Dinner Gala

This year's President's Dinner Gala will be held at Fairplex in Pomona on Feb. 28. There will be a reception at 6 p.m. and a dinner at 7 p.m.

The price for the Carnival-themed event is $100 per person.

For more information, contact Noemi Ortega at 909-593-3511, ext. 4696.

Foster Care Service

The Children's Bureau, a licensed private foster and adoption agency, is seeking for potential adoptive and foster parents who have a love for children and the devotion care for a child.

There will an informative meeting for potential adoptive and foster parents from 10:30 a.m. to noon on Saturday at the Upland Public Library.

For more information, contact Marcia Morris at 661-272-9996.

—Natalie Veissalov



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The primary purpose of the *Campus Times* is to publish unbiased news accounts, to provide a vehicle for the balanced expression of student opinion and to maintain strong, responsible leadership. Further, the *Campus Times* shall strive to be the mirror of the public mind, interpreter of the public intent and troubler of the public conscience.

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1. The *Campus Times* shall seek to uphold the finest standards and highest ideas of journalism, and, in particular, be devoted to truth, accuracy and fairness.

2. Realizing the power of the written word, the *Campus Times* staff members shall strive to use good judgment and sensitivity toward the protection of the well-being of the people of the University of La Verne.

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1. Freedom of the press is to be guarded as a vital right of humanity. Freedom from all obligations except that of fidelity to the students' right-to-know is vital. It is the unquestionable right of the *Campus Times* to discuss whatever is not explicitly forbidden by law, while at the same time observing the responsibility cited in Section III.

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2. As space permits, the *Campus Times* shall strive to cover entertainment in the surrounding community, including major events on other area campuses.

3. Realizing that the University of La Verne is an integral part of the community, the *Campus Times* will report important events as news relates to the student body.

VI. FAIR PLAY

1. Publication of propaganda under the guise of news shall not be permitted. The *Campus Times* shall not invade the rights of any individual and will be restricted by the established principles of fair comment.

2. To protect freedom in the classroom, statements made by faculty members in the classroom shall not be quoted. Such statements may only be quoted with the individual's consent. However, statements made in public gatherings and in interviews with *Campus Times* staff members are subject to direct quotation.

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IX. AMENDMENTS

Further, the structure or existence of the code of ethics should be viewed as continually open to change and evolution. For just as the requirements and purposes of the University of La Verne are altered by time, so also its newspaper.

Flood woes were preventable

The flooding from recent rainstorms has been a burden on both students and staff. Flooding and water intrusion spanned across the campus from Brandt Hall to the Arts and Communications Building.

Furniture in the Brandt lounge, carpet tiles and all, fell victim to the merciless storm. With better preparation, such damage probably could have been avoided.

Although storms are unpredictable, preparations such as the unclogging of drainage pipes in buildings across campus should have been done. Facilities management staff said that housekeeping and campus safety worked swiftly after the flooding had already drenched many of the buildings.

However, they could have avoided using dehumidifiers and other pricey cleanup procedures if they had acted swiftly and productively before the storm arrived.

Some say that the strong water current caused by the rain was the cause of the clogging of the pipes.

They should have gone to check the pipes before the storm began.

A couple of weeks ago there were some windy days, when debris could have been pushed into the drains.

The facilities management should have thoroughly checked each drain as an extra precaution. Especially since a tree root was the cause of a drain clog in Brandt.

The tree root must have been there before the strong currents of the rain began.

The total cleanup cost was less than $500 in employee overtime and the fees for the rental equipment used to dry the wet areas.

But damages to property such as papers and photos, are harder to quantify.

If ULV continues to neglect and prepare for such events and storms, the cost will likely go up. We would rather see that money be used for things the school and students can benefit from.

If maintenance had not deferred attention to the drains, many workers from facilities management, housekeeping and campus safety would have not had to work the entire night and into the early morning cleaning up the mess.

We appreciate the quick action taken by facilities management and housekeeping to dry the carpets with dehumidifiers and carpet-drying fans, and using a special enzyme cleaner that eats up bacteria to eliminate bad smells that mildew and excess moisture leave behind.

However, maintenance has had these types of issues before. In 2003, there was flooding in the ACB and Founders Hall.

Though not to knock all maintenance decisions, facilities management seems to have done a good job keeping roofs in good shape across campus.

Hence some leakage has been reduced in recent years.

We believe those charged with maintaining campus structures should as they have tended to the roofs, take care to clean out the drainage pipes as well.

Heavy rains are not the only thing that cause clogged the drains. winds and mischievous children dumping various objects into the drains can also be the cause of the clogging.

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FROM THE EDITOR...

Shuffling into the 21st century



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When I was in middle school my mom bought me a Walkman that played the radio.

It does not sound very exciting, but I took that thing everywhere and I always had the headphones on my ears. There were no earbuds.

The Walkman came with a set of foam-covered ear pieces with a metal band between them.

My beloved Walkman lasted for a few years, but finally gave up after its third or fourth time being dropped into a body of water.

I remembered my Walkman as I walked into the Apple store in January with my gift card from Christmas in hand.

Two Apple Store employees were cheerfully helping customers in front of the display of iPod shuffles.

I was looking at the different iPod options when I saw the one I wanted. It was tiny and green and really cute.

I was so distracted that I had not noticed the Apple employee next to me offering his assistance.

When I came to my senses, I explained that I was considering buying an Apple shuffle with my gift card.

He asked me which color I wanted and he explained the features it provided.

Just a few minutes later, I was the proud owner of a new green iPod shuffle. I had arrived in the 21st century.

When I came home I showed everyone in the house my new technological toy and I went to work, choosing CDs from my CD binder that I wanted to use to add, music to my iPod.

Even though I was born in the mid-1980s, I was always a little behind the times when it came to music.

I grew up in a house that was filled with music.

Whether it was the Beach Boys on Saturday mornings when we were dusting the house or Glenn Miller's band playing from the stereo system at night, there was always music.

But instead of a cassette player or CD player, we had a record player and a radio, at least for the early years of my childhood.

A cassette player was not present until I was well into elementary school and a CD player did not make a debut in our house until the late 1990s.

An iPod is a big step for me. Just this last week, I figured out how to put a podcast on my shuffle. I absolutely love my shuffle.

It is small and compact and affordable, not to mention more technologically advanced.

Though it lacks a screen to view every single song and podcast it contains, it holds a manageable amount of tracks, so I can find what I can play. It is extremely easy to use.

I love Apple products because they are user friendly and when I have a problem or a question I can go to a physical location and I do not have to call a phone number and listen to a recording.

And everyone I have encountered in the Apple Store is friendly, patient and knowledgeable.

With my new Shuffle, I can listen to my favorite music or an interesting podcast anywhere.

I especially enjoy using my iPod when I walk.

It is so much easier to take with me than a bulky portable CD player that skips whenever it gets bumped or moved.

With my shuffle, I feel as though I am finally catching up with the times.

But every now and then I feel nostalgic and when I look at my shiny green shuffle I remember my black plastic Walkman with the needle that always pointed a couple of stations to the left of what it was really playing.

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Praying for motivation



SHER PORTER

Every day is the same routine. I wake up in the morning, get dressed, go to class, eat lunch, attend organization meetings, go to class, have dinner, hang out with friends, do homework and go to sleep.

The next day, I wake up and do the same thing over again.

It feels like I have been doing the exact same thing every day for the past 15 years of my life.

It has become too much of the same thing. My life is an organized robotic schedule that it is now making me malfunction. I plan my life around the schedules.

Now I have run into a problem.

I wake up and wonder, "What am I doing? What is my purpose?" I am unmotivated to go to class, unmotivated to do my homework, unmotivated to participate in my organizations.

Honestly, I am unmotivated to write this. Everything I do is no longer based on me wanting to do it. Everything is now based on me having to do it, which is no longer enough for me.

Then comes the next question, "What will motivate me?" That is the answer I need to find out. I figure once I know that, it can help me move forward with life.

Sometimes I think that if I knew what I wanted to do with my life, as far as my career, I would feel motivated.

Sometimes I feel that finding that special person would motivate me.

Clearly none of those things have happened yet, so I do not know the answer. Maybe it is none of those things. It would be nice to know what it is that could push me forward each day.

Maybe I just need to get away and go somewhere.

I cannot study abroad until next year and I am not waiting that long to find my drive.

Since January, I have been asking myself day after day, but day after day, I cannot figure out the answer. It is almost as if I have stopped caring.

Unfortunately, I have to keep going, day after day with no real purpose. Well, I have a purpose.

My purpose is to graduate, my purpose is to keep the spirit of these organizations alive, and my purpose is to find a job. I do not have significant push or energy to keep me going throughout the day.

I know you are starting to think that I am sounding "emo" right now.

I could not agree more. I feel emo.

Tonight, I suppose I will get on my hands and knees and pray about it.

He has all the answers.

Does He want to reveal them to me right now, I do not know.

He has not yet. Maybe He is just waiting and I am waiting. It is a little harder for me to wait.

Until then, I will go to class, go to my meetings, eat my food, hang out with friends, do homework and sleep.

One of these days the light will spark and I will finally find my answer. It will just be a loud click in my ear that puts it all back together.

I will be motivated once again. Maybe that will be my motivation. It sounds a little corny but that's all I have to go on right now.

I will motivate myself to find my motivation. It could work. Either way, I cannot give up now, as much as I may want to.

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Life, liberty and the pursuit of money



MARK VIDAL

Life. We never asked for it but we got it, and we have to figure out what to do with it.

Liberty. All of us are blessed to claim our unalienable rights in this country and depending on the choices we make, our lives are affected for better or for worse.

But what is the one thing that can take away both life and liberty? I will give you a hint: It is not money.

I cannot help but wonder if we would be experiencing a recession of such magnitude, if it were not for the *pursuit* of money by filthy rich CEOs, oil tycoons and of course mortgage investors.

Interestingly enough, most of them probably started out just like me. They must have been told at a young age to study hard in school so that they could get good grades.

They must have gotten good grades to get into good colleges in order to eventually get good-paying jobs.

In short, they were always in pursuit of making a buck. But we can all relate to them, right?

I know I can.

Who does not want to live a comfortable, financially secure life? This idea of success is the driving force of not only Americans but all of man-kind. Success brings happiness.

If I were to reach one of my career goals, I would become the CEO of a hospital, marry and make a couple of kids, drive a simple BMW 645 series and live in a modest four-bedroom house in Claremont surrounded by a few orange trees.

This would be my success story and I am content with that.

I do not need billions of dollars or corporate jets to feel like I have accomplished something.

Unfortunately, some individuals feel they do and because of them, the world is in an economic catastrophe with no end in sight.

There is definitely something morally wrong when executives of Wells Fargo plan lavish vacation trips after receiving $25 billion of pure taxpayer money.

Sure they are successful and they worked hard to get where they are, and I will be the first to admit that we need entrepreneurs and visionaries to lead in the world of business.

I am simply concerned with the effects that greed can have on the rest of the world.

There is one organization that is hiring despite tens of thousands of layoffs every week, the unemployment office.

This is what reality has come to be for the father struggling to provide for his family and to future college graduates preparing to enter the workforce, or lack thereof.

Money can be used for many great things, such as paying for tuition, but it is a shame when greedy people use it on themselves and let others suffer for it.

I have heard that "the love of money is the route of all evil" and it makes more and more sense every day.

Perhaps corporate giants never anticipated their pursuit of money to cause great harm, but maybe now they will put matters into perspective.

While the future may look ominous, all hope does not have to be lost. There is always room for reform.

If we as a nation and we as a people are going to coexist, we have to halt this fortune-driven ideology because it is proving to have deplorable repercussions.

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LV moves closer to being Safe Zone

Workshop addresses homophobia

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Homophobic remarks, childhood harassment, isolation and depression are some of the issues that people who are gay, lesbian, bisexual, questioning and transgender have to face.

About 20 staff and faculty from the College of Education and Organizational Leadership attended the Safe Zone training on Jan. 30 in the Barkley Building to learn how to be an ally.

Those who are part of the LGBT community may have issues, but do not know who to go to for help.

This training helps people learn the appropriate ways to handle these situations.

At the end of the training, they received a decal that they can hang up so people will know they are in a safe zone to talk.

They also sign a commitment to become an ally.

"We want to make it a safe college and at some point an open and affirming campus," John Bartelt, associate professor of education technology, said.

The seminar lasted five hours, with presentations and activities explaining what safe zones are, the proper ways to handle situations and talk to people and taking ownership of personal biases and stereotypes.

'There is a lot to be done as far as gay rights are concerned. There is a lot to be done as far as racial rights are concerned.'
—Thierry Kolpin, associate professor of education

The training was arranged and led by Bartelt; Thierry Kolpin, co-chairman of the school counselor preparation program and associate professor of education; and Laurel Schroeder, co-chairwoman of the school counselor preparation program.

One of the activities involved having the attendees write down on five note cards different things pertaining to their childhood, friendships and personal possessions.

Schroeder stood at the front of the room and had everyone imagine the story she told about how someone who is homosexual, bisexual or questioning might grow up.

Each time the person in the story became hurt or was made fun of, everyone had to tear up a note card in succession according to the order they were written.

When she came to the point in the story about the person being disowned by friends, everyone had to tear up the card that had the names of their best friends on it.

By the end of the story, all the cards were torn up, demonstrating the way someone in that position would feel. After each activity and presentation, there was a discussion.

"The fact that you are thinking about it helps you become an ally," Kolpin said.

Schroeder said the idea is to be in their shoes without making the shoes your own.

Those present shared some of their own experiences with the LGBT community.

Some shared experiences they have had when talking or helping someone in that community with their problems. Others shared how they make jokes.

"Not only is it not funny, it's perpetuating something in a human being," Dean of the College of Education and Organizational Leadership Mark Goor said.

They also shared ways they want to make this campus feel comfortable for members of this community.

This includes students, staff and faculty.

"There is a whole lot of staff that are allies," David Bayless, marketing assistant and adviser of Rainbow Alliance, said.

The trainers gave the attendees a handbook that covers subjects such as definitions, myths, homophobia, identity development and strategies for people in educational settings.

It also offered statistics about people in the LGBT community in areas dealing with depression, harassment and education.

One statistic showed that 53 percent of students reported hearing homophobic remarks from school staff.

For now, Kolpin and Schroeder want to make this training a voluntary part of the counselor preparation program.

Over time they would like to see this training become a part of the entire campus.

It is also their hope that the students in the program will bring the training to other schools.

"I think the biggest thing we can do is push it out to the schools," Kolpin said.

The last Safe Zone training took place four years ago.

Kolpin and Schroeder would like to see this training be more consistent, with sessions happening each semester.

"There is a lot to be done as far as gay rights are concerned. There is a lot to be done as far as racial rights are concerned," Kolpin said.

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Students learn techniques to handle stress

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Anna Ayvazlan, a counselor at the University of La Verne and Alicia Grey, an undergraduate student and marriage and family therapy trainee led an interactive and educational stress management workshop Feb. 5.

The objective of the workshop was to teach students the behavioral, physical and emotional signs of stress and how to deal with them.

The workshop was held in the West Dinning Room and through the hour-long session, students learned how to identify and cope with stress.

Ayvazlan and Grey taught students several stress management skills.

One skill was a simple exercise.

It is called diaphragmatic or abdominal breathing, which involves taking a few deep breaths to help with relaxation.

The exercise requires pushing down and out on the abdomen and breathing slowly through the nose while the lungs slowly fill with air.

Completing the exercise requires holding the breath while slowly exhaling out.

This allows one to refocus and concentrate on the next task that must be completed.

The workshop taught students how to become more aware of stress signals that the body gives.

The physical characteristics of stress include fatigue, muscular tension, chests pains, nausea and dizziness.

In behavior, a student might notice that they are withdrawn, reckless, less productive and dealing with insomnia.

To aid in the reduction of stress Ayvazlan and Grey also emphasized the importance of time management and having a positive attitude.

"Planning and having an agenda is a great way to manage," Grey said.

Students at the workshop learned how important such techniques used to deal with stress are, especially during finals week.

Sophomore Giulana Zaga understands the importance of time management.

"I psych myself out," Zaga said.

The coping methods that can be applied to stress are evaluating what is causing stress, breaking down what important issues are that need to be addressed first and what issues are worth just letting go.

Once organized the issues can be tackled one at a time.

This will allow the mind to be focused on one thing at a time. When one issue is done , attention can then turn to something else.

It is in human nature to want to do everything and anything all at the same time and please people along the way.

This adds extra baggage to the weight that many already carry trying to get tasks done.

The workshop gave a coping method to this issue.

Students and others who are stressed should avoid irritating goals and expectations. They have to realize that they cannot all be great at everything.

Students and others must emphasize strong points and not allow the extra worry about tasks that they have little to no control over.

Another coping method that women are already good at and men might need help on is discussing worries.

Having someone else listen to worries and problems can bring a new perspective.

Talking about problems can also help those who are stressed out blow off some steam.

The workshop was a resource to identify and learn stress management skills.

"I liked the atmosphere and instructors' attitude," Teresa Zago, an undergraduate student, said.

Information about the stress workshop can be obtained by contacting Anna Ayvazlan in the counseling center located in Hoover Building.

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CAB kicks off spring semester

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Spring semester's Welcome Back Week ended on a high note, with one lucky student winning a trip for two to Disneyland.

Lisa Bakke, a member of the Iota Delta sorority, was the first to call "bingo" at the popular event.

On Feb. 6, she was whisked off in a limousine to the Anaheim Hotel with her friend Nicole Wood, freshman and member of the Iota Delta sorority, with whom she planned to spend the following day with at Disneyland.

"I'm really excited to have won. I really love Disneyland and have been there loads of times. I'm going to go on all of the rides when I'm there. I've managed it before and I can do it again," Bakke said.

The competitive game was enjoyed by all the students who participated, not just the winner.

Communications senior Kim Rampaul, who entered alongside Bakke, was grateful for the effort and organization put into the event by the Campus Activities Board.

"I had a really good time playing bingo and I thought they organized it really well. I liked how they managed to organize the hotel and the Disneyland tickets. They put in a lot of effort. I was nine numbers away from winning and I wanted to win really badly. I don't mind too much about not winning as I had a great time playing anyway," Rampaul said.

Suitcase bingo and the In-N-Out event were the two most popular events held by CAB that week.

The free food from In-N-Out on Feb. 4 attracted over 200 people.

"We've had a brilliant response all week and it has been great to see all of our hard work pay off in the end," Naime Laskar, major events co-chairwoman, said.

"We organized the hotel and limousine back in January and we already had the bingo equipment so it wasn't too difficult to arrange," Laskar said.

The week long program of events began the first day of spring semester, Feb. 2, with a lunchtime karaoke in Davenport and a rock painting under the stars with the band Sleepwalk, a Robot.

The event was a lot more popular than expected with about 65 people braving the cold air to paint the Rock outside Founders Hall.

"We chose Sleepwalk, a Robot to play for us after we saw them at a conference in Ontario and thought they were really good," said special events chairwoman Evelyn Castro.

Tuesday featured a lunchtime tye-dye at Sneaky Park and an acoustic dinner with Mike Pinto in Davenport, both of which were very well received.

Many people were seen in their tye-dyed shirts the next day, and CAB has said that they may host a similar event in the future.

The In-N-Out lunch on Wednesday in Sneaky Park was by far the biggest draw, with tickets going quickly, much to the dismay of students who had a class just before lunch.

Students were required to ask a CAB chairwoman or chairman a question about CAB to get a ticket for the food.

The men's basketball home game was in the evening where school spirit was strong with more people turning out to support the Leopards than usual, but unfortunately the team lost against Whittier.

On Feb. 5, students made Valentine's Day cards outside Davenport at lunch and then went to the Chino Skate Express in the evening where the first 50 University of La Verne students had free entry.

The skate night was '80s themed with the DJ playing '80s music and some students dressed in '80s clothes.

"The skating was really good. About 65 people went to it and everyone was saying afterwards how much they enjoyed it," Castro said.

The suitcase bingo was held in the evening on Feb. 6 in West Dining Room and attracted about 25 players. There were also Disney movies playing in the lounges of the residence halls.

Many saw the week as an overall success, and CAB is looking into repeating some events in the future.

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said.

"It is a learning experience," Nasmyth said. "I'm just enjoying giving back to the community. I have a lifelong commitment to this city."

If elected Nasmyth's main task will be to maintain quality service for citizens. Since the city of La Verne has grown, it is Nasmyth's goal to expand public safety facilities "so that the quality of service isn't compromised," Nasmyth said.

Aside from being on the city council, she is a mother, assistant professor of education and assistant program chairwoman for liberal studies at ULV.

However she said she is able to find a good balance with her busy schedule, and she is lucky to have a family that is understanding of her career.

Carder, who has two grown children and has been married for 35 years, earned an accounting degree from Mount San Antonio College and a bachelor's degree in organizational management from ULV.

She has worked at ULV for nine years as a business manager in the enrollment management building at ULV.

Carder said she thinks it would be nice to have two staff members from the University to represent the school and the city.

Since the city would not be what it is without the University, and the University would not be what it is without the city.

Carder has been a resident of La Verne for 30 years, and she has played an active role in the community. She ran in four campaigns, not including the current campaign. Two campaigns included Board Member for the Bonita Unified School District, and the other two included chairwoman for bond election, which supports upgrading facilities for schools. She won all four campaigns.

Carder has been on many boards and committees for the city, and she feels the next step is to run for city council.

"I am really passionate about being involved," Carder said. "I've stayed involved for 30 years, when the seat became available I was encouraged to run by community members."

Carder's expertise is to plan, organize and make people happy, according to Carder.

Her passion to help the community was sparked 26 years ago when La Verne was missing an adult tennis group. She is the founder and president of the La Verne Tennis Association.

"I started it because there was a need for an adult tennis group," Carder said.

Carder's main concern is to ensure economic stability and preparedness, and public safety. If elected, her goal is to expand the facilities for La Verne police and fire department.

"It will be an honor to serve the citizens on the La Verne City Council," Carder said.

Traci Attman, administrative assistant for the education program at ULV, is a friend of both Carder and Nasmyth. She has known Nasmyth for 15 years and Carder for four years.

Attman believes that Carder and Nasmyth are both smart and knowledgeable. "They have a real passion for La Verne," Attman said.

The two other candidates running for La Verne City Council on the March 3 election are Norm Faustini and Charles Rosales.

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Rafael Anguiano

Donna Nasmyth, the first woman to serve on the La Verne City Council in its 101-year history is hoping to maintain her seat in the March 3 election. She could make history as one of two women elected to the council for the first time. She was appointed in 2007 to her current seat.



Rafael Anguiano

La Verne City Council candidate Robin Carder, who is the vice president of enrollment management at the University of La Verne, has also been a board member for the Bonita Unified School District for nine years. Carder is the president of the La Verne Tennis Association. She is competing for one of two open council seats in the March 3 election.

Arts, etc...

HAPPENINGS

'Slow Fire'

The Irene Carlson Gallery is currently showcasing "Slow Fire," a collection of black and white documentary photographs at the University of La Verne.

The exhibit will feature the work of photographers Glenn Hanson and Anthony W. Thompson.

The gallery is open Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m.

Tall Wall Exhibit

The Tall Wall Space of the Department of Art and Art History features "Fountain," an exhibit created by Los Angeles based artist Chris Oatey.

The fountain drawing measures approximately thirty feet.

The reception will take place from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. on March 29 at the Tall Wall Space located in the Arts and Communications Building.

This exhibition will remain until December 18.

Glasshouse Show

Funeral For a Friend will perform with The Sleeping, Emarosa and This Is Hell tonight at the Glasshouse in Pomona. Doors open at 7 p.m.

Tickets are $13 in advance or $15 at the door and are available at **www.theglasshouse.us**.

Family Art Day

Family Art Day hosted by the Claremont Museum of Art invites everyone for a day of creating self-portraits.

Inspired by the artwork of James Hueter, participants can turn their self-observations into a work of art from noon to 4 p.m. on Feb. 22. This event is free and open to the public.

For more information, visit **claremontmuseum.org**.

—Megan Sebestyen

Artists use city life as inspiration

by Lauryl Bakke

photography by Steven Bier

A mix of east coast and west coast art, spray paint and oil paint can be seen on display at "To Here Knows When," an art exhibit in the Harris Art Gallery, located between the Wilson Library and the Landis Academic Center.

The exhibition includes the work of Daina Higgins and Liat Yossifor, each with their own unique form of art.

Higgins is an artist from New York, whose influence can be seen in her work through paintings of the city's streets, one of her main influences.

"The city and urban areas are some of my inspiration, aspects of the city and the suburbs of New York," Higgins said.

She said that her favorite part of the city is to get inspiration from changes in the city. Right now she is exploring Queens.

Some of Higgins paintings in the exhibition draw on her history as a graffiti artist, through her detailed and unique take on the city using black and white spray-paint.

"They look like photographs rather than a painting, the details and color and shading bring the pictures to life," senior political science major Paul Bennett said.

He said he was impressed with the exhibit and its visual aspects.



Artist Daina Higgins shares a light moment with President Stephen Morgan and Dion Johnson, director of galleries. Associate Professor of Art Keith Lord picks up on the conversation. Higgins traveled from New York to take part in a reception for her and Liat Yossifor, a painter from Los Angeles. The exhibition, "To Here Knows When," was curated and installed by Johnson.

"It was a natural choice to use it, I love how it looks, its focuses on the light," Higgins said.

On the other side of the city spectrum is Los Angeles artist, Yossifor, whose distinctive use of oil paint deals with minimalism and surface, giving character to the images she paints.

"You can't just glance at the paintings, you have to look inside to see exactly what it is. You have to get the angle of it and that makes the paintings so interesting," junior psychology major Kaitlin Eckert said.

Yossifor uses hard brushes, knives and even the back of brushes to get the unique texture and shape of her paintings. She said the black on black style of painting and hints of color in her artwork help the eye move around the painting.

"I've been working a lot with the idea of monuments, the figures in the paintings are made to look like statues" Yossifor said.

She is using these pieces as studies for larger scale paintings of the same technique.

With the style of painting Yossifor uses, the viewer is able to see something different from every angle of the painting, allowing them to go into the depths of the painting discovering more about it the longer they view it.

The "To Here Knows When" art exhibition runs through March 13 in the Harris Art Gallery.

The gallery hours are Monday through Thursday, 11 a.m to 4 p.m., and by appointment.

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Guitarists bring flamenco flavor

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Guitars played and crowds applauded as the chamber music guitar ensemble played in concert in Founders Auditorium Monday at the University of La Verne.

A range of music was played from classical to flamenco.

Michael Ryan, the director of the ensemble, teaches Music 118, the chamber music class that performed in the concert.

"Chamber music originated as the chamber for the king. It is a small group of musicians that play for the king, and that is where the name comes from," Ryan said.

"I'm trying to change music a little bit. I try to experiment with different instruments to get a different sound," Donald Anthony, one of the musicians said.

Anthony is excited about his music and he was not afraid to try new things on stage. All artists played the guitar, and Anthony played the flute as well.

Nicole Pond, another musician on stage, has been interested in music and playing instruments for 10 years.

"I've been learning the piano because as a musician you really have to know how to play it," Pond said.

Pond also plays the electric guitar in a band called The Vinyls.

"Playing in a rock band is more exciting than the chamber music, but I enjoy both," she said. "Although they are both very different, both have qualities that distinguish them apart," Pond said.

"I'm taking a music class and I'm also here to support Michael, the director," Suzanne Tinsley, a student in Music 118 said.

Katrina Hathaway, a freshman movement and sports science major, enjoys guitar music but also enjoyed hearing music she does not normally listen to.

"Although I don't know much about this music, I like it. I don't usually listen to this but my friends encouraged me to try something new so I did and I have to say the music is really soothing. I enjoyed it," Hathaway said.

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Theater Review

Performers spin Grimm tales

Fairy tales take the stage

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Actors whirled about the stage in frenzy as the "Not So Children's Tales" performance took lead in the tightly packed Dailey Theatre.

The theater came alive as students of the theater arts performance interterm class, whisked the audience into a land of magic and fantasy.

Fifteen acts based off of stories of the Brothers Grimm were chosen, directed and performed by students who took the January interterm course.

"The class read more than 200 Grimm tales and slowly whittled their way down to 15," Sean Dillon, professor of theater arts and the instructor of the course, said.

Members of the class said they focused on the criteria of, if "it's been heard let's do something else."

The stage had a Shakespearean feel with numerous floor pillows encompassing the stage.

Intimacy with the actors allowed the audience to feel that they were a part of the fairy tales being portrayed.

"I wanted people to laugh, connect and understand the stories because they are a lot of fun," said Hannah Knous, a sophomore theater major, who played Clever Gretel.

And the audience did just that.

Aside from a few of the more "dramatic" tales, the actors were comically entertaining throughout the night.

"This show is about entertainment and fun, and what a group of people can do in a month," Kris Bicknell, ULV alumnus said.

With no more than a few pieces of clothing, puppets and a handful of other props, the students were able to take the audience into the various realms of the Grimm fairy tales.

Ralph Saldana a freshman theater major who portrayed the king in "The Three Feathers" said he wished that the audience would find fairy tales in their lives.

The cast was able to put a smile on every individual's face, each person connecting with a story that stood out to them.

"The performance made me feel like a kindergartener in story time," freshman Caitlin McCarthy said.

From beginning to end, the actors put on a charming and spectacular show.

"This department extends beyond the circular to the social life, and I think that's what makes us so close as a team," Dillon said.

It is no question that the theater department has put on another memorable show.

With the cast and audience beaming afterward, there's no doubt opening night was a success.

"Always look for the magic in your own lives," as the cast of "Not So Children's Tales" so quaintly put it.

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Movie sharing service offers cheap options

Users share DVDs with LendAround

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Rather than buying expensive DVDs or paying for rental services like Netflix, many film fans are using LendAround, a new free Web tool that encourages friends, colleagues and neighbors to lend their DVDs to other users.

"I've heard it described as Netflix meets Facebook," LendAround founder Tim Jackson said.

American consumers spend an estimated $7 billion a year on movie rentals.

Services like Netflix cost $17 a month to rent three movies while a single movie at Blockbuster can cost up to $5.

LendAround is entirely free to join.

"Our research suggests that there are two billion DVDs in homes, but 80 percent don't get watched more than twice a year," Jackson said.

LendAround was created by Jackson, a former columnist for the Financial Times, and David Heath, a software engineer for other non-profit organizations.

Jackson wanted to encourage people to share after he realized how many things people own but rarely use.

Though founded by a Brit, the company is a Delaware partnership and launched a private beta trial for U.S. consumers on Feb. 2.

"This is different from other swapping sites," said LendAround employee Jacqueline Gulyan. "Its an emphasis on lending and borrowing. You need to get stuff back."

Jackson said that the success of the site comes from the fact that people are eager to showcase their best DVDs when they display them on their profile.

So other users have a great selection of DVDs from which to choose.

Gulyan shares 857 DVDs with her circle of about 25 friends.

LendAround allows users to create an account with a list of movies they own as well as a list of movies they would like to see.

Users can choose only people they trust to receive their DVDs.

The Web site allows users to track the locations of their DVDs and ask for their return. LendAround makes sending DVDs by mail easy with printable address labels.

"It's a good concept, if only we lived in a perfect world," said Ami Smith, a senior broadcasting major.

The service works like Facebook, as users can create their own network of friends.

The more friends a user has, the more DVDs they can access.

If a user experiences a problem with another DVD lender, they can give them a rating on their profile so other users will be warned.

"[LendAround] is a good way to keep in touch with your

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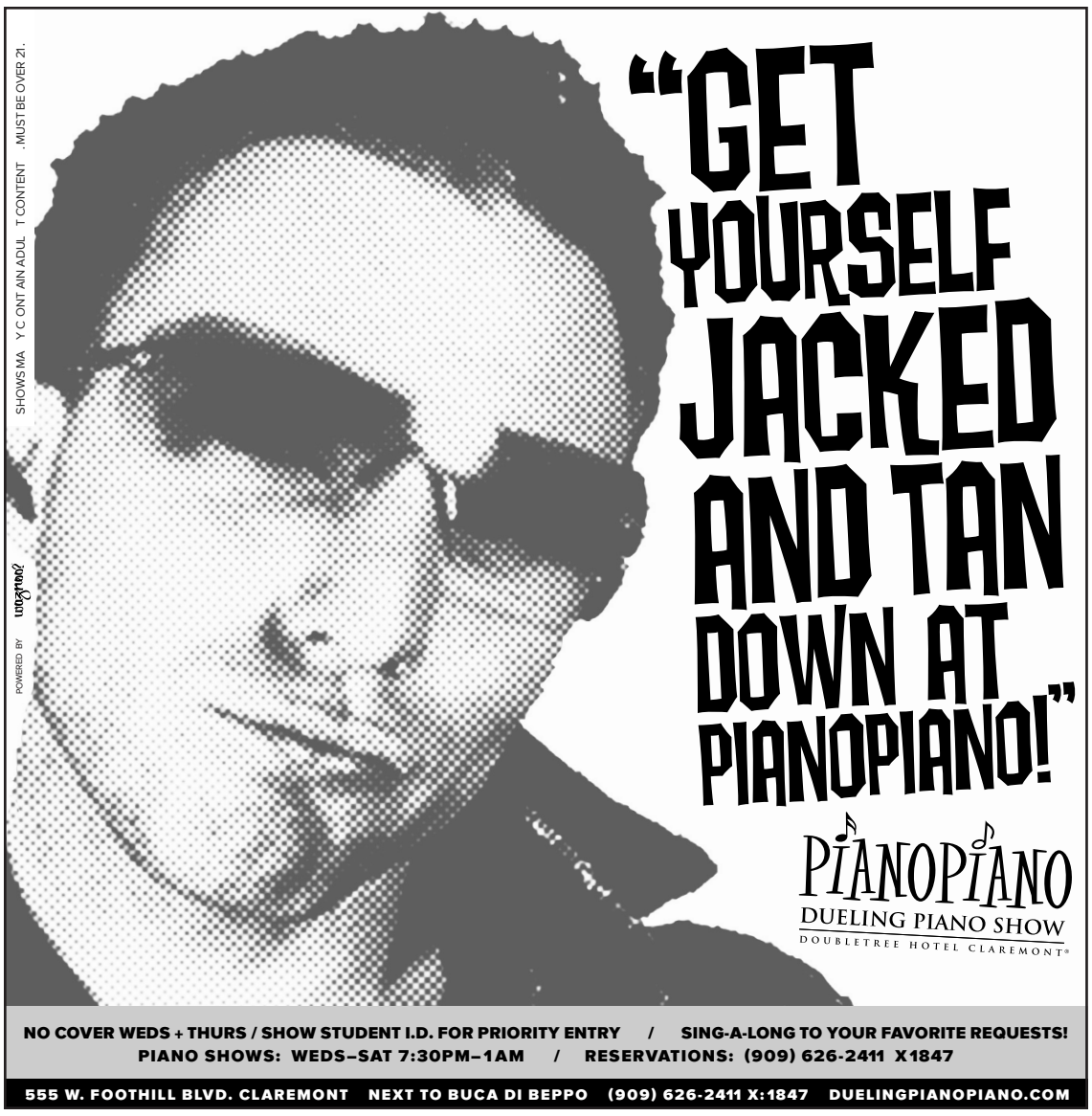



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Baseball raises $15k for Ortegas

Leos open '09 season with losses

Kevin Garrity
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Gearing up for its 2009 season, the University of La Verne baseball team played its annual alumni game, Saturday at Upland Memorial Park. In addition to the game, a charity event was being held benefiting the James and Theresa Ortega Children Memorial Fund.

James Ortega, a former La Verne baseball player who won Southern California Intercollegiate Athletic Conference Player of the Year honors in 2004, and his sister Theresa Ortega started the fund after their parents, along with seven other family members, were murdered on Dec. 24, 2008.

A man dressed in a Santa outfit came to one of their family member's homes and opened fire on those attending a Christmas party and then set fire to the house.

"We spent a lot of time mourning with James after Christmas. He is a big part of the ULV family and so it was easy getting people together to show our support," head coach Scott Winterburn said. "It was touching for me and the rest of the coaching staff to see such a large number of past players coming out to support James."

The festivities included the Laker Girls and Clipper Girls signing autographs as well as a silent auction featuring signed jerseys by former NFL quarterbacks Dan Marino and Joe Montana.

All of the donations and profits from the auction went directly to the fund.



Rafael Anguiano

Alumnus Justin Brown (No. 15) races to steal second base and avoid the tag of La Verne second baseman Sergio Munoz as first baseman Kevin Ibarra watches. As soon as Brown successfully stole the base, the alumni bullpen erupted with cheers.

In a surprise moment during the second inning, the mayor of Upland, John Pomierski, announced to the audience that an anonymous donor gave $5,000 to the charity. The money earned on the day was estimated to exceed $15,000.

The La Verne baseball team defeated the former Leopards in both games of the doubleheader.

The defending SCIAC champs are looking to defend their title with a new class of recruits as well as returning players.

"My goal every year is to win the national championship," Winterburn said, "My expectations are to fill every position with solid players and then try and find ways to go out and win baseball games."

Winterburn said that the team has lost speed from last year's club so they are going to have to find new ways to get guys into scoring position. He added, however, the lineup features more power than last year, with the ability of each player to hit for extra bases.

"In this early stage of the season," Winterburn said, "Our strength is toughness. Our guys play hard and the team works well together."

"Guys who have been around for a couple of years now think we are as strong, if not stronger, throughout our lineup this year," said Mike Belcher, junior outfielder. "We have a strong core of upperclassmen pitchers that we think is going to be one of our biggest strengths."

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> *—Scott Winterburn, head coach*

The Leopards lost crucial seniors from last year's team, but enjoyed a good recruiting class and have inserted returning players into positions that needed to be filled.

"The players we now have through recruitment are strong and will contribute in a big way to our team," said Jon-Michael Hattabaugh, junior third baseman. "We just need to play as a team and as the season progresses, everything will come together and will put us in a good position to compete for another championship."

The Leopards opened their season Feb. 4 with a 9-3 loss to San Diego Christian and a 3-1 loss to Cal Poly Pomona on Tuesday.

They continue their season against Pacific Lutheran at 2 p.m. Friday at Ben Hines Field.

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Loury dives into record books during prelims

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There was nothing preliminary about senior diver Chad Loury's presence in the Southern California Intercollegiate Athletic Conference diving prelims on Sunday at the El Monte Aquatic Center.

In fact, it was nothing short of astonishing as Loury set a La Verne record in the men's 3-meter event with a score of 355.40**.**

Loury now holds a first place lead in the event before this weekend's SCIAC championships.

Loury also placed fourth in the 1-meter.

"Definitely taking first is a big step for me," Loury said. "I never thought about getting first."

Along with Loury, junior diver Adam Kazub placed eighth in the one-meter event.

"The season went really well, especially for Chad," Kazub said. "I improved my dives and tried to have as much fun at it."

Loury was the first to dive in the event. After his dive, Loury headed to the showers and did not stay to watch the other competitors.

It was not until his coach went to get him that he knew what was happening.

"I thought I would end up fourth," Loury said, "But my coach came in and said 'You need to come out here."

Coach Olivia Palmer said she knew Loury placed high, but did not know if it was a record or not.

"He was surprised," Palmer said. "He didn't think he had placed that high."

Loury said he was hesitant at first, but finally came out after his coach said he placed first.

"My coaches have been really helpful," Loury said.

Loury has been competing in diving for 12 years.

As a sophomore at Covina High School, he won a California Interscholastic Federation title.

Sunday's record performance comes just months after Loury tore a cartilage in his left elbow, which required surgery in November and kept him out of competition until mid-January.

"I came back and worked really hard," Loury said. "This was just the cherry on top. It's kind of the way I wanted to go."

"He took it like a champion; he came back with vengeance," Palmer said. "I was very surprised. I didn't think he come back that strong."

Loury now holds both records in men's diving at La Verne.

He set a personal best in the 1-meter during the final dual meet against Occidental on Jan. 31.

Now that he has accomplished these records, Loury eyes turns to SCIAC championships. But he still believes he has room for improvement.

"I'm looking to do two new dives," Loury said. "My goal is to place on the podium on both dives. I need to stay consistent."

"I want him to enjoy his last finals and take in every moment," Palmer said.

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Women get squeezed by Whittier



Stephanie Arellanes

La Verne forward Clarissa Holz tries to pass the ball to a nearby teammate while forward Melissa Johnson of Whittier attempts to block. The Poets outsmarted the Leopards, 74-71, on Feb. 5.

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Despite coming in with a four-game winning streak, it was not a welcoming night for the La Verne women's basketball team as it lost a heartbreaker against Whittier, 74-71, on Feb. 5 at Frantz Court.

La Verne was able to salvage the week, however, after pummeling Caltech 65-39 on Saturday.

The win keeps La Verne tied for first in the Southern California Intercollegiate Athletic Conference with Occidental. La Verne's overall record is 16-4.

"Everyone in the second round is going to be better and stronger," head coach Julie Kline said after the Whittier game. "They were good tonight."

"We just played bad," sophomore guard Ashley Paul said. "We didn't have any intensity in the first half."

Without senior forward Trenecca Jones, the Leopards found themselves behind most of the game against Whittier. Behind junior guard Tedra Clark, the Leopards came roaring back to narrow the game to 65-63 after a lay up by Clarissa Holz from an assist by Clark with 5:35 minutes left in the game.

Seconds later, Holz steal gave the Leopards the opportunity to tie the game. After a foul by Whittier, junior center Corinne Watkins went up to the foul line, making her first shot to put the score at 67-66.

But Watkins missed the second attempt and the Poets were able to extend their lead to 71-66 following a quick jumper by Tina Merlino.

Coming back down the court, Clark backed into a Whittier defender trying to head to the basket. But both players went down, and Clark reached for her leg and needed to be helped out by officials and trainers. She ended the game with 20 points.

The Leopards came within two again with a score of 72-70 and needed to convert two free throws. But junior guard Emily Carrillo could not convert both free throws, which led La Verne to foul Whittier's Brittany Aranda with five seconds left.

Aranda converted both free throws.

La Verne got the ball again, but Paul's tying three-pointer bounced off the rim and the Poets pulled away to win.

"If we were to execute and play defense in the first half we would of did better," Kline said.

After the game, Kline stated she was still happy at their spirit of the team to keep fighting.

"I couldn't be more proud of them," Kline said after the Whittier game.

La Verne started the game sluggish, trailing the Poets 14-4 after a three-pointer by the Poet's Morgan Sabala.

Whittier's lead extended to 12 points after a jumper by Ashley Vierra to make it 18-6.

"They came out and were hitting every shot," Carrillo said. "We didn't really execute what we went through all week."

The Leopards would not go down without a fight, however, after a steal by Paul led to a wide open outside shot by freshman forward Jessica Schob to tie the game at 26-26.

But the Poets ran away again and led the rest of the game, after a pump-faked shot by Melissa Johnson ended the half, 39-30.

La Verne's defense was not up to par, letting the Poets score almost at will in the first half. The Poets found ways to get to the painted area early in the game.

Turnovers also played a huge factor in the game, as both teams could not control their errors. Whittier ended the night with 23 turnovers, while La Verne registered 19.

Carrillo stated that rebounding was a big factor in the game. Whittier out rebound the Leopards 31 to 27.

Paul scored 17 points against Whittier, while Watkins came off the bench to add 11 points.

Also, with the injury to Clark, the Leopards are now down four players that played in the rotation. But Paul does not see it as a negative.

"This will be a bounced back for the next five games," Paul said after the Whittier game. " It effects us but we have to just step it up."

Likewise, neither does Carrillo.

"At this point of the season, we can't really think about who we don't have, Carrillo said." "We learned how to play with what we have and how to play."

On Saturday, the Leopards rebounded with a win against Caltech. The Leopards were too much for the Beavers to handle. Carrillo attributed the win to executing their offensive plays.

"In the past, we kind of started rushing things," Carrillo said. "We needed to work at our own pace and run our offense."

The Leopards shot 52.1 percent of the night. Carrillo registered a double-double with 19 points and 11 rebounds. Paul added 15 points and seven rebounds.

With the season winding down to just three games, Kline believes her team will be okay following the loss.

"We have one choice to make and we going to continue moving forward," Kline said. "We will continue to work on both ends of the floor and what we been doing all year."

La Verne will play Redlands Saturday for the second time this season. Tip off starts at 5:00 p.m. at Frantz Athletic Courts.

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Softball preps for '09 season

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The La Verne softball team looks to continue where it left off last year with the opening of the 2009 season.

The Leopards finished the 2008 season with a 28-19 record and a trip to the NCAA national tournament after a 12-3 run to end the season.

With a strong core of returning starters and newcomers, head coach Julie Smith sees several improvements from the team that made it to the regionals last year.

"We have evolved into a better team than the one we had at the start of last year," Smith said. "The girls are working really hard."

Smith enters her second season as head coach and finds that not only has the team already developed good chemistry, but it also has enough depth to make a strong run.

"Player depth was something we didn't have enough of going into last season," Smith said. "This year we have enough hitters to put the rest of the team at ease."

The Leopards return five of their six all-conference players from last season. Melissa Carlson, Kari Granger, Ashley Paul, Lynsey Padilla and Mandy Brenner all return to a lineup that is sure to prove itself as an offensive force once again.

Padilla feels that the experience gained from last season will help the team's chances to win even more this season.

"We have a strong foundation entering the year and the new players add so much more to the team," Padilla said.

The team hopes to see great contributions from all seven of its incoming players, including freshmen Lissa Ishihara and Tara Allis.

Ishihara, from Upland High School, brings not only her speed but also her competitive nature to a team that she feels has the ability to succeed.

"We definitely have a lot of chemistry and can trust how each other plays," Ishihara said. "We're on the right path and we can go far as long as we keep working hard."

Aside from their defensive skills, Ishihara and Allis have already put up outstanding offensive numbers in the team's opening games against La Sierra and Concordia.

The team came out of its opening weekend with a 2-2 record, sweeping two from La Sierra but dropping both to Concordia.

The team plays a doubleheader at noon on Saturday in Whittier.

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Men's hoops squad routs Caltech

Leos earn 2nd SCIAC win, 67-43

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It was all La Verne Saturday night as the men's basketball team improved its record to 2-7 in conference and 6-14 overall in a lopsided 67-43 victory over the Caltech Beavers in Pasadena.

La Verne shot just over 48 percent from the floor for the night and over 75 percent from the line.

After a slow start in the first half, the Leopards took over, going on a 14-0 run, giving La Verne a comfortable 21-7 lead with 11 minutes left in the first half.

Although they were offensively efficient, it was the Leopard's defense that stood out, not allowing Caltech to break double digits until less than nine minutes remained in the first half.

Junior guard Billy Nicolini attributed their consistent first half play to "playing well as a team and executing what we wanted to do."

Remaining dominant on defense the Leopards cruised into half time with a comfortable lead, with a score of 39-22.

The second half was much of the same.

La Verne came out a little slow, allowing the Beavers to score first, but they never looked back, going on an 18-0 run, topping their impressive 14-0 run in the first half.

With much of the same tempo, La Verne was dominant on the boards and they built a massive 33 point lead with a score of 57-24.

La Verne stayed consistent and kept the game out of reach with help from their bench, which contributed to the Leopards maintaining the biggest go ahead of the night; a 33 point lead.

The Leopards finished out their second Southern California Intercollegiate Athletic Conference victory by remaining consistent on defense and on offense beating the Beavers with a final score of 67-43.

This was an impressive 29 point victory for head coach Richard Reed and his team, snapping a six-game losing streak.

La Verne's first SCIAC win also came against Caltech with a score of 90-25 on Jan. 14 at home.

> 'The Caltech win) is important for our guys and it's a huge step for us moving forward with five games left in the season.'
> *—Richard Reed, head coach*

Although in somewhat of a deficit, the Leopards look ahead to their last five games of the season with confidence coming off a big road win at Caltech.

"It's important for our guys and it's a huge step for us moving forward with five games left in the season," Reed said.

Reed also said that the win was important for his young players who are learning how to be successful competing at the college level.

Freshmen John Leggett, the starting point guard, is one of those young players.

"It's a big jump. The games are a lot faster and the guys are a lot bigger," Leggett said.

The Leopards carry eight freshmen on their roster, showing that they have room to grow as a team.

"There is always work to do and we need to focus on improving and we are looking forward to Wednesday when we play Cal Lutheran trying to take another step forward," Reed said.

The Leopards lost to Cal Lutheran on Wednesday night at Frantz Court, 68-61.

Junior guard Matt Heyd led the Leopards in scoring with 17 points, and senior forward Kyle Luhnow added 12.

The team will next take on the Redlands Bulldogs at 7:30 p.m. Saturday at Frantz Court.

On Wednesday, the Leopards will travel to Claremont-Mudd-Scripps to face the Stags at 7:30 p.m.

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Smith named to senior women's administrator post

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For seven months Julie Smith has been working hard to bring some big changes to the athletics department and has worked hard to make advancements in athletics department.

Smith, the head softball coach, was named senior women's administrator for the University of La Verne in July.

"It's about helping the department and being part of a team," she said.

According to the NCAA, the role of senior women's administrator is to support gender equity in college athletic programs under Title IX and provide support for senior athletics management.

Smith's responsibilities include going to meetings and conferences, supervising graduate assistants, helping with fundraising and coordinating these efforts with coaches throughout the program.

Smith works directly with Julie Kline, the interim athletic director.

"Julie brings tremendous experience to our athletics department," Kline said. "We feel very fortunate to have her here. Julie has already made a positive impact with our softball program, with our student athletes and with our athletics department."

Kline is not the only person who feels that Smith has worked hard and brought positive impact on the department.

Christie Joines, assistant to the athletic director, says she has seen many changes since Smith was given the position.

"Julie is inspirational and motivates. She has the other coaches fired up and all the ideas she is throwing out are getting people excited and energized," Joines said.

> 'It's about helping the department and being part of a team.'
> *—Julie Smith, senior women's administrator*

Since the time Smith took the position, there have been some changes to the athletics department, especially in fundraising.

The fundraising has been getting many great ideas from Smith who has started working to get sponsorships from three or four different companies.

Smith has brought very out of the box ideas that have been helping to get the athletics department in the open and in the view of the whole school.

Besides being the senior women's administrator, Smith is beginning her second season as softball coach.

The squad, which earned a berth in the NCAA national championship tournament last year, is currently 2-2 in nonconference play.

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Sharing...

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friends," said Gulyan.

Most DVD exchanges take place in person, since the users within networks usually live close to each other.

Jackson wanted to start by promoting sharing of DVDs since they are cheap and easy to mail to others.

Jackson wants to see people use LendAround for sharing other items in the future.

Gulyan said that other media items like CDs or books may eventually be available on LendAround.

Students who would like an invitation to join should contact that address listing what movies they like.

Gulyan said that the site should be entirely available to the public soon.

LendAround is a completely legal service.

The United States Copyright Law does allow any DVD purchased legally to be borrowed, sold, exchanged or rented.

However, users are not allowed to make copies of any DVDs they borrow or to lend out copies made from these DVDs.

For more information, visit **www.lendaround.com.**

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Leopard Scoreboard

At the Buzzer

Men's Tennis, Feb. 10
Caltech -- 9
La Verne -- 0

Baseball, Feb. 10
La Verne -- 1
Cal Poly Pomona -- 3

Schedule

Friday
Swimming and diving @ SCIAC Championships (Long Beach), all day
Baseball vs. Pacific Lutheran, 2 p.m.
Women's tennis @ Whittier, 3 p.m.

Saturday
Swimming and diving @ SCIAC Championships (Long Beach), all day
Track and field @ Flagstaff Indoor Meet, all day
Softball @ Whittier, noon (doubleheader)
Baseball @ Chapman, 6 p.m.
Women's basketball vs. Redlands, 5 p.m.
Men's basketball vs. Redlands, 7:30 p.m.

SCIAC Standings

Women's Basketball

La Verne	**8-2**
Occidental	8-2
Redlands	7-3
Whittier	6-4
C-M-S	5-5
Cal Lutheran	4-6
Pomona-Pitzer	2-8
Caltech	0-10