Many teachers had to find alternative class meeting places during Monday’s blackout.

Larry Newman for The Panther

The Panthers cheered about their 38-12 win against La Verne Saturday night. They remain undefeated at home, a feat that hasn’t been accomplished since 1995.

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An unexpected blackout on campus Monday forced professors to cancel classes or move them outside. Smith Hall, Moulton Hall, Oliphant Hall, Bertea Hall, Memorial Hall, Argyros Forum, Leatherby Libraries and the Lastinger Parking Structure lost power around 9 a.m. after an electrical loop was damaged by a misaligned ground-stake. “I had a math midterm in AF at 9 a.m. It was dark and the door was closed so we couldn’t get upstairs,” said junior health science major Amber Bux. “We didn’t have time to go somewhere else so now the test has been pushed back.”

Classic Party Rentals, the company setting up for American Celebration (ABC Club), was responsible for the power outage, said Mary Platt, director of communications and media relations. A stake was driven into the underground electrical distribution system in Memorial Laws. The stake pierced a conduit and hit one of the wires that supports the campus electrical system. Rick Turner, director of Facilities Management, wrote in an email. Randy Burba, chief of Public Safety, wrote in an email that he received calls about the outage around 9 a.m. However, an email wasn’t sent out to the Chapman community about the outage until an hour and a half later.

“It takes time to determine causes, solutions, and useful information to put out,” Burba wrote.

Leatherby Libraries and parts of Argyros Forum were without power until the afternoon. Beckman Hall was on a different electrical loop than the rest of campus and remained unaffected, Platt said.

Jordan Lilly, a first-year student from the United States major, sat on the steps of Leatherby Libraries during the afternoon. “We looked like kindergarteners raising our hands as tour groups passed by,” Lilly said.

Senior psychology major Marah Schwan was working in the Agora Cult Shop in Argyros Forum during the outage. She said the gift shop could only accept cash for half of the day because the computers weren’t working.

Other students were concerned about the risks the power outage posed. “When I went to park, the parking garage was completely dark. That freaked me out,” said freshman biology major Emily Frisch.

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Besides the surprise announcement, Struppa showcased the many of the university’s accomplishments and its plans for the future.

Struppa spent most of the first 30 minutes talking about various rankings and statistical graphs of the university’s advancement. He mentioned Chapman’s number six ranking in the US News & World Report among regional universities. He also spoke about how the university must continually be making advancements because of constant advances in technology.

Struppa said the university has made dramatic investments into the electronic databases of the Leatherby Libraries. He compared the closure of companies like Tower Records and Borders Books to the type of change that is needed in the library.

“We need to keep our eyes and ears open and constantly vigilant of what will be necessary for us to advance in the classroom,” he said.

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“Chapman is using its resources in the right manner,” said Doug Dechow, sciences librarian. “I was impressed with the number of new programs on the horizon that are in various stages of development. I don’t think all of them will pan out, but I like being at a university that tries things,” she said.

Members of the Asian Pacific Student Association (APSA) sell boba milk tea for $3 in the Piazza Wednesday afternoon.

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Club holds boba fundraiser

The student association (APSA) is raising funds through a boba tea fundraiser.

Another woman assaulted on campus

An unknown female was pushed by an unknown male in the Lastinger Parking Structure, marking the third assault incident reported this semester.

Gardner Royce | Staff Writer

A female community member was allegedly assaulted by an unknown white male in the Lastinger Parking Structure Thursday just after 2 a.m. The woman fought back and fled the scene before calling Public Safety from an intersection located in the structure.

Randy Burba, chief of Public Safety wrote in an email to the Chapman community.

“An unknown white male in his twenties about 5’10” wearing a black hoodie and gray pants approached her and pushed her down,” Burba wrote.

This marks the third assault incident reported to Public Safety this year. The two cases on campus were reported as batteries and the off-campus incident was reported as a sexual battery.

After searching the area, Public Safety was unable to locate the suspect. Public Safety and the Orange Police Department (OPD) are currently investigating the case. Public Safety declined to comment further about the investigation.

Public Safety generally receives one to two reports of assaults per year, Burba wrote. However, this latest incident is already the third of its kind this semester.

Burba wrote that Public Safety is continuing to work with OPD to solve these incidents.

First-year graduate student Mariel Lansang said the reported incidents have made her more cautious and alert.

“I never walk alone and I carry pepper spray at all times,” she said. “I feel like there’s crime everywhere and you just have to be alert.”

Public Safety has posted crime awareness notifications and pamphlets with information about its Rape Aggression Defense class. Public Safety has highlighted some areas on campus it believes are at a higher risk level and patrol them more frequently.

“We have added an extra patrol person to high visibility patrol during evening hours,” Burba wrote.

Despite the added patrol, first-year graduate student Sheryl Miyen said the incidents have already made her feel unsafe on campus.

“I wanted to study in the library but chose not to because I didn’t want to be on campus at night,” she said.
SA committee chair resigns

Megan Abba | Staff Writer

Erin Wainwright, one of Student Government Association's (SGA) Schmid College of Science and Technology senators and its academic affairs committee chair, resigned because of problems caused by the knee surgery she had earlier in the semester.

Wainwright announced her resignation during Friday's senate meeting. SGA has already held a special election this semester to fill vacant seats.

"My knee surgery has hurt my health and academics," Wainwright said. "I feel terrible because we just got a full senate."

Wainwright was unavailable for further comment as of press time.

Natalya Subbotina, College of Educational Studies senator, was nominated to become the new academic affairs chair by the executive council and Myke Thompson, speaker of senate. Subbotina held the committee chair position last fall. Senate voted unanimously with one abstention to approve her new position during Friday's meeting.

Thompson was unavailable for comment as of press time.

Colleen Wood, SGA adviser, said the Schnid representative position will be filled in the November election. One Wilkinson College of Humanities and Social Sciences, one Dodge College of Film and Media Arts, and two Argosy School of Business and Economics (ASBE) positions will also be filled in that election because two senators are graduating early and two are studying abroad. Along with Wainwright, the academic affairs committee will be losing Dan Markham, ASBE representative, and Kyle Castellanet, Dodge representative, next semester.

Wood said it's frustrating that senators continue to resign, but she knows that this is the best decision for Wainwright.

"Academics is the primary factor as well as health," Wood said. "I feel like she didn't blow off SGA and the timing is convenient!"

Wood said she doesn't know what to expect with so many new senators coming in and Subbotina becoming chair of the academic affairs committee.

"Adding people always shifts the dynamics. I hope it's a positive shift," Wood said.

Incident Log

Oct. 17
A female student was grabbed by an unknown suspect while walking to Henley Field. The incident was reported to Public Safety and forwarded to Orange Police Department (OPD).

Oct. 19
A student reported damages on her car, which was parked in the Barrera Parking Structure, from a hit and run accident. The report was forwarded to OPD.

An unknown suspect hit a student's car in the Jon Miller Residential Parking Structure. The report was forwarded to OPD.

Oct. 21
Public Safety responded to a report of graffiti in Sandhu Residence Hall. Public Safety forwarded a report of the vandalism to OPD.

A female student reported theft of her bike from North Morlan Hall. The report was forwarded to OPD.

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Librería Martínez re-opens to crowd of 400

Kelsey Kloss | Features Editor

Red and gold balloons, Chapman cheerleaders and the Rondalla Alegra mariachi band welcomed approximately 400 visitors to the Librería Martínez de Chapman University grand re-opening in Santa Ana Saturday.

Chapman Presidential Fellow and former bookstore owner Ruebén Martinez and members of the Board of Directors participated in a ribbon-cutting ceremony. Following formal remarks to establish Chapman's new ownership of the bilingual bookstore, the university made $50,000 worth of renovations to the leased building, mainly with money generated from profit from the bookstore.

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"I love the campus and the ambiance here. There's an exciting energy and all the people in this room wants Chapman to be a part of the community," Silva said. "I'm really interested in education, especially early childhood education, so literature is very important to me," Silva said. "I've never been here before, but I'm really impressed with the welcoming feel."
Panelists break down ObamaCare points

Victorine Kulier | Staff Writer

More than 150 students filed into Argyros Forum Wednesday, filling every seat and even squatting down and leaning against the walls to learn about the new healthcare act.

In the form of a panel discussion, three experts, Greg Buchert, Terri Thorfinnson and Michael McKinnon, discussed why healthcare in the U.S. should be reformed, how it affects women, and the general complexity of Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (PPACA), often called ObamaCare.

“It’s like throwing spaghetti on the wall and seeing what sticks,” McKinnon, a partner in the law firm of Greenberg Traurig who focuses his practice on health care issues, said in reference to the difficulty of explaining the healthcare system in the U.S.

The panel discussion was sponsored by Crean School of Health and Life Sciences, Wilkinson College of Humanities and Social Sciences and the Department of Sociology.

PPACA, which is primarily concerned with reducing the number of uninsured Americans, aims to lower the overall costs of healthcare to make it accessible to every citizen.

McKinnon pointed out that there is an urgent need for reform, since access to healthcare is not equitable across the country. McKinnon said U.S. citizens are not getting what they are paying for and that there is a fundamental lack of transparency in costs and efficiency.

“Everybody has to realize that there has to be a lot more thinking behind the legislation,” McKinnon said. “I don't think that the act will ever be successfully repealed even if Romney becomes president.”

Thorfinnson, an attorney and senior level health policy consultant and former chief of the Office of Women’s Health in the California Department of Health Care service and the California Department of Public Health, offered her view from a female perspective, pinpointing the necessity of the act for women.

“The health reform closes gaps in health coverage for women,” Thorfinnson said. “It also expands and guarantees their coverage.”

Thorfinnson said many women struggle to find affordable coverage in the individual market. She suggested that policy changes, such as the elimination of gender rating discrimination against women, should be further pursued.

Junior health sciences major D.J. Smithers attended the discussion in hopes of finding out more about ObamaCare and the changes that are being implemented.

“I got a feeling that they assumed that we already knew all of this,” Smithers said. “But it was also a wake-up call as to how complex the [PP]ACA is, and that there is so much more to learn about the system.”

Kimia Kabir, a sophomore business major, said she appreciated how Thorfinnson touched on women’s health.

She said it was her first time seeing specific numbers and percentages of women who currently do not have access to healthcare.

“It’s nice to see government changes and how they help women out, as opposed to how women have usually gotten the short end of the stick in the past,” Kabir said.
Students ignore new signs

Public Safety hopes the signs will deter students from causing traffic jams on their way to campus.

Megan Abba | Staff Writer

Public Safety put up signs about two weeks ago advising pedestrians to use the sidewalk on both ends of the Argyros Forum Parking Lot to protect both pedestrians and motorists from accidents. However, students continue to walk through the lot, ignoring the signs.

The facilities, Public Safety and Strategic Marketing and Communications offices were unable to provide a specific installation date as of press time.

"Signs are reminders to help people be safer. We are not going to penalize people but would hope that they understand the reasoning and concern that we have for their wellbeing," Randy Burba, chief of Public Safety, wrote in an email.

Burba wrote that there have been many complaints about pedestrians in the parking lot.

Ryan Wilkerson, a senior integrated educational studies major, said he parks in the Argyros lot on weekends and evenings, which can get frustrating.

"It would be great if people used the sidewalks. Cutting through is inconsiderate and creates a traffic jam," Wilkerson said.

Shelby Blueher, a freshman undeclared major, continues to walk through the parking lot despite the new signs.

"I can see how annoying it would be for cars but I am not going to take the time out of my day to walk the way around the parking lot," Blueher said.

No one has been harmed walking through the parking lot, but the mixture of vehicles and pedestrians has caused many safety concerns, Burba wrote.

"Because the lot was converted to a visitor lot, there is more frequent vehicle turnover so it made sense to add the signs to protect pedestrians and motorists from an accident," Burba wrote.
Fun Size too raunchy for a holiday flick

Alex Manson | For The Panther

“Fun Size” is just what the title suggests - a short flick with a few laughs. The film revolves around Wren (Victoria Justice), a socially aware teenage girl who is anxious to leave her dysfunctional home for New York University. Her deceased father has left the family in shambles, turning her brother Albert (Jackson Nicoll) into a mute trickster and her mother (Chelsea Handler) into a teenager again.

On Halloween night, Wren is forced to stay home with her brother and miss the party of a lifetime hosted by school hunk Aaron Riley (Thomas McDonnel) so her mother can party with her too-young boyfriend. Through a series of events on Halloween night, Wren and her obnoxious friend April (Jane Levy) lose Albert, team up with the dorks in school, and save Albert while predictably falling in love with their new comrades.

The film was entertaining. However, it should have aired on Nickelodeon as a special instead of the big screen. I found myself impatiently waiting for the end of the film and thinking about Victoria Justice in the context of her iconic ‘Victorious’ role on Nickelodeon. Chelsea Handler was not up to her usual comedic standard and Wren’s sidekick April overplayed her role by acting irritating and amateur. Oddly enough, the film was littered with sexual innuendoes that didn’t seem to fit the target audience. Nickelodeon has been associated with graphic humor in the past. However, “Fun Size” goes a little too far. April talks in vulgar terms about how she used Nair and her new friend Roosevelt (Thomas Mann) watches as his Volvo gets violated by a giant chicken. Roosevelt’s parents are lesbian liberal hippies who worship Obama and speak in ethnic languages, but that ended up being one of the few funny scenes in the movie.

The plot is scattered as it follows four different stories that haphazardly weave together to a predictable ending. Though the movie was entirely amateur, it stressed a few important life lessons. “Fun Size” was an entertaining movie, but don’t waste your money and speak in ethnic languages, but that ended up being one of the few funny scenes in the movie.

Fraternity frights entertain students

Zach Shucklin | Staff Writer

I love a good scare, but as a frugally frugal college student, I realized that Knott’s Scary Farm would be out of the question for me this Halloween. Since I had already missed the Chapman excursion to Universal Studios for its horror mazes, I had to look elsewhere. “A Haunted House,” put on by the Phi Kappa Tau fraternity, came just in time to provide an entertaining night with a hint of fright.

The men of Phi Tau transformed a house on Chapman Avenue, which was supposedly built in 1906, with Halloween decorations to resemble a haunted property named “The Plantation.” Pre-sale tickets cost $3, but I paid $5 at the door. A woman with a dim lantern led my group of five into the dark garage on the side of the house. As soon as each of us had cleared the door, it quickly slammed shut. The tour guide grimly told us the rules before we were allowed to enter “The Plantation.”

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Rutabegorz serves dishes with side of haunting

Katie Gossen | Staff Writer

When Rutabegorz manager Vicki Comeau began working at the quaint restaurant 11 years ago, she expected decent tips and a steady job. She didn’t expect to discover a dusty, empty coffin hidden in the cellar and what she thinks are child ghosts.

The Rutabegorz restaurant in Old Towne Orange has been possessed with spirits, ghosts and spells dating back to the day it opened in 1970, Comeau said. Although no customers have experienced paranormal events, Comeau said she has witnessed items falling from walls and ghosts impersonating humans.

“Right away it sort of seems to be an old lady who appears to be sitting in the back room,” Comeau said. “She’s gone in a minute.”

Rutabegorz was opened in 1915 by Daniel and Annie Crawford. They lived in the house with their children while citrus ranching during the day, and felt empty.

“None of it was like that, but it’s never been explained before, either, not even by the previous owner and her two children,” Comeau said. “There is something there.”

Comeau said she has heard about the restaurant’s haunted history from the prior owners.

“These previous owners and her two children I talked a lot,” Comeau said. “Her kids always mentioned seeing a little boy walk out of the kitchen and through walls or even little kids playing ball.”

Employee Joni Guerrero was hired at Rutabegorz 11 years ago and said he often hears distant voices and faint chatter coming from the kitchen.

“I walk room to room and I see people, and the next second they are gone,” Guerrero said.

He said the figures are usually an old woman and an old man, whom the staff refers to as Danny and Annie after the original owners.

Comeau said she and Guerrero found a coffin in the cellar underneath the house when they first started working at Rutabegorz. The dark, hollow cellar extends underneath the entire restaurant.

Both Comeau and Guerrero said they have been in the presence of something unexplainable in the cellar. There are definitely things down there that you can just feel,” Comeau said.

Waitress and day-time manager Victoria Gross has worked at Rutabegorz since 1976 and wrote the book “Ghosts of Orange County.” She said she once sat at a table with chips floating into the air and then slammed to the table below and shattered.

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“People who do put their energy into it are letting us know they are there,” Comeau said.

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Employee Vince Balog, however, doesn’t believe in the strange phenomenon.

“I do not believe in ghosts or any of that, but other servers always talk about their experiences,” he said.

Elisa Becker, a senior sociology major, said she had no idea Rutabegorz was haunted.

“I want to go eat there now,” Becker said. “I am going to be on the lookout.”

Gross said it is unknown as to why employees have experienced strange events, but that it has become part of the Rutabegorz environment.

“The spirits are friendly,” she said. “They are like a part of the family.”

Rutabegorz first opened in 1915 and is supposedly still haunted by its original owners.

Chapman professor takes a walk on the paranormal side

Hannah Darbour | Staff Writer

Christopher Bader, professor of sociology, sat in a house in Texas and observed a woman supposedly possessed by spirits, trailed through the United States to find Bigfoot, and watched as people used crystal balls and tarot cards to reveal the future and past.

Bader studies the paranormal, but focuses on believers rather than the paranormal world itself. By traveling the United States, Bader has witnessed a number of people experience what they claim to be paranormal encounters ranging from UFO sightings to ghost possessions. The mystery as to if believers of the paranormal are truly abnormal has intrigued him since childhood, he said.

“Certainly there are some people who think I’m weird, some people giggle, but it doesn’t bother me,” Bader said. “I think they are ignorant. Some sociologists study drug use and some sociologists study prostitutes.”

In 2010, Bader published “Paranormal America: Ghost Encounters, UFO sightings, Bigfoot Hunts, and other curiosities in religion and culture,” with sociologists F. Carson Mencken and Joseph O. Baker. In the book, Bader described his experiences as he chased down people who believe in phenomena such as ghosts, Bigfoot, UFOs, psychic predictions, astrology and mediums.

Paranormal activities are most often defined as experiences that are outside of what is considered normal and do not have a scientific explanation. Although Bader himself has never experienced a paranormal activity, he said he makes it his job to observe others that do.

“I am there to watch the people who are there, to get a sense of what they are like,” Bader said. “I would love if Bigfoot, UFOs, and ghosts exist. When I was five, I thought Bigfoot was living in my backyard.”

Bader said “Paranormal America” was written based on the lack of in-depth explanation of the paranormal. Bader has since searched for areas of paranormal activity to analyze the subject further.

“I just want to understand the question, ‘Are paranormal people weird?’” Bader said.

Professor of economics Laurence Iannaccone wrote a review of Bader’s book, claiming it was a revelation for the scholar, student, skeptic and seeker.

“Most people who embrace the paranormal are entirely sane and sincere, and in most respects remarkably normal,” Iannaccone said. “They’re usually neither Atheists nor exceptionally religious, and they are often well-educated and successful.”

Bader said he conducted surveys and discovered that 1 in 60 Americans believe in some sort of paranormal force. Jacin Stublarec, a sophomore pre-business major, said she is one of them.

She said she often remembers a time from her childhood in which she was haunted by a spirit.

“On the baby monitor, my room could hear me giggling,” Stublarec said. “Something or someone had to be prowling a baby at that age to be up late giggling and talking.”

Stublarec said since she was born, her family’s home had been haunted by an elderly woman who had previously owned it.

“The Stublarec family contacted the husband of the deceased wife to solve the mystery behind the studies,” Bader said. “He laid out photos on the bed and discovered that I am believed to be the new owner and her two children.”

Stublarec said “I was ever encountered, I would pee my pants and run away!”

Professor of sociology Christopher Bader (left) and colleague F. Carson Mencken (right) hunt for Bigfoot in Texas.
Junior public relations and advertising major Lilli Weiner spent $40, hours of gluing and sewing, and countless rhinestones on one Black Swan costume. After wearing it just once, she packed it away in her closet and never reused it because her friends had already seen it on Facebook.

Chapman students, like Weiner, said the choice of a Halloween costume can define a person's social status based on the outfit's creativity, originality, or sex appeal. Students credit the costume obsession to the pressure put on uploading pictures onto social media sites, making it nearly impossible to reuse an outfit without friends seeing it online.

"Social media allows people to show off their costume to the world," Weiner said. "This creates that underlying competition to be the most creative, the sexiest and obviously original."

A study by The National Retail Federation reported that shoppers plan to spend about $79.82 per costume this year. This is not only more than the past three years, but also trumps the average $65 spent in 2007 before the recession.

In high school, Halloween reflected who was popular and it hasn't changed in college, said junior integrated educational studies major Shelby Halela.

"People still decide whether you are in the cool crowd or not based on what you are wearing," Halela said. "With the guys it's usually whoever has the funniest outfit and with the girls it's usually whoever is wearing the least amount of material."

This underlying competition between students makes modestly-dressed students stick out, Weiner said.

"If someone dressed up in a witch's outfit that was very conservative, I can guarantee almost every girl at Chapman wearing their slutty cat or bunny costume will turn their heads and say 'why is she wearing that? Is she self-conscious?'" Weiner said.

Students focus on Halloween costumes because of the desire to be recognized a certain way by their peers, said assistant professor of psychology Ed Dana.

"The costume we wear reflects how we see ourselves," Dana said. "Whether we strive for recognition or perversely strive to not be recognized, status is thrust upon others."

People usually choose to buy into the stereotypes because they know photos put online can define their reputation, said creative writing major Darin Milanesio.

"We are a very insecure generation," he said. "Giving into the social norms comforts us because it is easier than being called out for being different."

Men often don’t face the same level of pressure as women, Milanesio said. Even though he said it is still socially unacceptable for men to not wear a costume at all, he doesn’t plan on spending much time on his.

"The judgement is that you aren’t fun because you didn’t dress up," he said. "You just have to remind yourself you are fun. It is about confidence."

Ultimately, the effort put into the festive costumes depends on a student’s desire for notability, Weiner said.

"Everyone wants to stand out and be remembered for how good they looked," Weiner said. "That’s why they spend so much time working on costumes."

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**Students Have a Sweet Tooth for Elaborate Halloween Costumes**

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Out of 30 students surveyed by *The Panther*
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Student perceptions of Halloween costumes:

- **CLASSIC ANIMALS**: 60% said "WEIRD"
- **EXOTIC ANIMALS**: 70% said "FUNNY"
- **MOVIE CHARACTERS**: 66% said "SEXY"
- **SUPERHEROES**: 67% said "BORING"
- **HALLOWEEN CLASSICS**: 57% said "BORING"

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Halloween.

I hope you all get more treats than goods from strangers.

...with an adult they trust, in an area behind.

Make sure your tiny relatives are all dependent, but adults shouldn't be far behind.

Sure, kids can experience pseudo-independence, but adults shouldn't be far behind. Make sure your tiny relatives are all dependent, but adults shouldn't be far behind.

Don't engage, then they don't get candy or Pampered Chef products, it's only acceptable to approach people you never met, I was standing back on the sidewalk and letting my little Minnie Mouse and lamb do the talking. Every door made me nervous. I became suspicious of the candy. The night of fun turned into a thousand possibilities of real horror.

All of our guided phrases of warning we learned as kids are either completely thrown out or skewed on Halloween.

"Don't take candy from strangers" turns into "Take candy from strangers and thank them, or you're a brat."

Nobody thinks twice about what could be in the free goodies, just because they are pre-packaged. And think about the words "trick-or-treat." Are we asking them to trick us? Please, make me laugh.

"Don't talk to strangers." Again, we give kids a push and a nod to say something to these foreign people. If the kids don't engage, then they don't get candy because it's a reward for behavior. Forget about "Stranger Danger," "just say no," and "run the other way screaming as loud as you can."

"Don't go door to door." Even when asking neighbors to buy Girl Scout cookies or Pampered Chef products, it's only acceptable to approach people you knew; but this isn't true on Halloween.

Kids are encouraged to get candy from every house on the street. Houses with the lights out become a challenge to see who can ring the doorbell the most times to get someone to come to the door. Missing houses is like losing a point.

"Don't play outside after dark" is the easiest switch: "Don't play outside until after dark." Wait at the window begging the sun to go down faster, and then hit the streets.

Maybe this is what makes Halloween fun; getting rid of all the rules. Perhaps Halloween serves a larger purpose in contemporary society of teaching over-protected children how to confront their fears and walk in the night.

The real problem lies with our neighborhoods getting more and more dangerous every year. Halloween should not be a night for parents to take a break. Sure, kids can experience pseudo-independence, but adults shouldn't be far behind.

Make sure your tiny relatives are always with an adult they trust, in an area they know. Don't let them eat any baked goods from strangers. I hope you all get more treats than tricks and have a safe and happy Halloween.

Students were left uninformed about the campus power outage for an hour and a half Monday. Professors and students scrambled to find new places for classes, or cancelled them altogether. Parking was a madhouse in the lastinger lot, with traffic backing up all the way to Orange High School because of a dangerously dark structure. The lack of internet in many campus buildings made it difficult for students to study and work on assignments, and some of them made the trip to campus for that sole reason.

We aren't blaming Chapman for the power outage. Mistakes happen, but we should be informed about them sooner. When the power goes out, so should an email. We need time to plan accordingly.

We shouldn't be first finding out about it because we drive into a blacked out structure, or see a "Library Closed" sign on the front of Leatherby Libraries. It should not be easier to check a Twitter feed or Facebook for an update on campus happenings from our fellow students.

The power restoration email should have also included a reason for the lack of lights. This is our home. We need to know what is going on—and if it is expected to happen again.

Chapman's notifications are inconsistent in other areas as well. Sometimes we receive "Community Crime Awareness Notice" emails the same day an incident occurs, and sometimes students are left clueless as helicopters circle the residence halls. While we appreciate these notices, we want more. We want to be able to depend on our administra-tors and campus officials to keep us promptly informed about incidents and changes to our campus.

We suggest assigning one single person, not affiliated with a specific department, for this job specifically: quick, simple updates letting us know what is going on and why—most importantly, when. The chaos of Monday should not happen again. Students shouldn't be left in the dark.
Opinions

Fien van Rossum, senior global justice major

"I'm not from America but so far my favorite thing is dressing up with friends because it's fun to be together and be creative."

What's your favorite Halloween tradition, and why?

Hannah Bain, freshman integrated educational studies major

"My favorite tradition is carving pumpkins and going to the pumpkin patch because it reminds me of my childhood."

Joey Tambascio, freshman

"My favorite Halloween tradition is seeing all the girls in their costumes."
Discovering an athlete’s real talent

The physical abilities of world-class athletes only make up part of the equation that makes them great. It’s the mental strength that allows these athletes to thrive in the most trying situations.

I’m not talking about SAT scores and a comprehensive vocabulary. I’m talking about the generator and power supply to the body; the mental strength that means anything and everything to a successful athlete. I have known this my whole life as an athlete, but recently it became very dear.

I ran a 10K trail race in Malibu Canyon last weekend, but ended up getting seriously lost on the trail and found myself a long way outside the course. I went from thinking about grabbing a medal in my first race, to grappling over how I was going to survive, let alone have enough energy to finish the race once I discovered my way back.

After going on a three mile detour, I found the poorly marked trail. Bruised and worried with a dismal throbbing in my stomach, I finished the race.

I really don’t like talking about my own accomplishments, but I felt this was the perfect example of the truly amazing capabilities of brain power. Athletes, and more specifically runners, deal with overcoming doubt, even when something deep down tells them it’s not possible.

Focus and mental clarity undeniably prevail over a tired and aching body, and I learned this just like everyone who has experienced it: the hard way.

Fatigued basketball players sprinting up and back in a fast paced finish, and track athletes running their sixth event of the day know what mental strength means.

The boxer heading into the 12th round of his first championship fight, already physically depleted in every possible way, knows what it means. All athletes know to keep fighting. They know the contradiction the mind must make to itself in order to bring a drained body to achieve greatness in the most intense of situations.

It comes down to how forceful someone can be inside his or her own head, and attempt to believe a reality that everything is telling them is unreachable.

I have read about the monks of northern India that survive brutal winter weather by internally warming themselves through meditation. In a Harvard Gazette story, the monk studied in the experiment states, “There’s another reality we can tap into that’s unaffected by our emotions, by our everyday world.”

I’m no Tibetan monk, but I have scratched the surface of the most amazing ability humans are equipped with. I think every great athlete out there should be that much more impressive to the viewers every time they go out and compete at the highest level of sport, athleticism and cerebral vigor.

Volleyball is No. 2 in the SCIAC and will play in the conference tournament for the first time.

Gardner Royce | Staff Writer

The women’s volleyball team (22-5, 14-2) beat Pomona-Pitzer in three sets Saturday, as the Panthers move into the SCIAC tournament with momentum in spite of losing home court advantage to Cal Lutheran earlier in the week.

The women dominated in each set with scores of 25-11, 25-18, 25-15 against Pomona-Pitzer.

“We got to put a lot of players in that didn’t get a lot of playing time and we were able to get a real confidence boost out of the game,” said junior outside hitter McKenna Roche.

Senior outside hitter Ashleigh Gideon had a standout performance, finishing the game with 12 kills and eight digs. Junior libero Carleigh Mueller contributed 25 digs in the win.

It was a welcomed return to winning ways coming off Friday night’s loss to Cal Lutheran.

The three set sweep dropped the Panthers out of first place in the SCIAC standings.

On the night that Chapman’s seniors were recognized for their hard work and dedication, the team failed to come out strong and wasn’t able to keep up with the tempo of the Regals, falling 25-18, 25-20 and 26-26. The loss marked the end to both the Panthers’ nine game winning streak and 13 home game unbeaten streak.

“They came out really strong and we weren’t able to match them,” Gideon said. “We weren’t all on the same page and weren’t ready for them.”

Cal Lutheran’s sophomore outside hitter Kylie McLogan proved to be unstoppable on the court, as Chapman was unable to defend her spikes.

At times Chapman appeared to be confused, not playing with the kind of energy fans expected to see.

“We weren’t focused and didn’t play to our potential,” Roche said. “We played not to lose and can’t afford to play like that.”

Cal Lutheran was able to suppress Chapman’s comeback attempts. In the second set, the Panthers put together a string of kills to put themselves in position to take the set. Yet the Regals’ hitting and Panthers’ inability to Block at the net proved costly, and they fell 25-20.

Chapman recognized seniors Gideon, middle blocker Kate Ferrin, outside hitter Jenny Gibson and middle blocker Laura Posada. Despite the loss, the four seniors have impacted the team far beyond one game.

“The seniors mean the world to me and I’ve loved every minute of my time here,” Gibson said. “I’m so glad we did so well but I’m sad that it’s over.”

While the loss drops the Panthers out of first place, they can’t afford to dwell on it with the SCIAC tournament next week.

“We just have to move on and play the way we’ve played all season,” said Head Coach Mary Cahill.

The team will play La Verne in the first round of the SCIAC tournament Thursday at Cal Lutheran.

Senior middle blocker Kate Ferrin (12) hugs Head Coach Mary Cahill during senior night Friday.

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Polo floats to top of conference

Polo gathers momentum entering the last week of the season with a win against Occidental.

Michael Ambrose | Staff Writer

Chapman's water polo team (12-13, 5-1) defeated Occidental (5-18, 0-5) 20-7 and continued its six game winning streak. After stumbling out of the gate, losing nine of the season's first 18 games, Chapman has turned it around. The Panthers are second place in the SCIAC as they hunt down first place Pomona-Pitzer next week.

"It was not our best game, but it’s a stepping stone for the rest of the season," said junior driver James Vigeant. Chapman cruised from the start and jumped out to a 7-0 lead by the end of the first quarter. "Occidental came out really hard," said senior goalie Taylor Roszkos. "But we shut them down in the first quarter, and they started falling apart."

The Panthers kept attacking from that point on. Junior driver Jack Cutler led the Panthers with four goals, while junior utility Britt Carter added two more. Sophomore driver Mark Alvarado and sophomore utility Jake Gross controlled the defensive end of the pool, as Gross had six steals.

"The starters did their job," said Head Coach Eric Ploessel. "It was nice to be able to get our backups in there and give them some experience."

The fast start was important for Chapman, as starting slow had doomed the Panthers in their only conference loss to Claremont Mudd-Scripps.

"[The fast start] put Occidental away," Ploessel said. "It is really hard to come back on teams in the SCIAC. They’re just too good."

While the win may have been easy, Chapman did not underestimate Occidental.

"Before the game, I was worried about how the weird pool would affect things," Roszkos said, in reference to Occidental's pool, which has both a shallow and a deep end, unlike Chapman's. "But we came out hard and played great defense."

While Chapman scored 20 goals, the Panthers also turned the ball over 20 times. Due to Gross and Alvarado's defense, Chapman was able to control the ball for much of the game despite the turnovers.

"It’s the turnovers that have cost us in the past," Ploessel said. "We need to have better ball security."

With two games left in the regular season against Pomona-Pitzer and Whittier, Pomona being in first place, and Whittier tied for second with Chapman in the SCIAC standings, the Panthers are getting ready for the tough competition.

"We have a full week to prepare for Pomona with no game this weekend," Ploessel said. "The extra practices will definitely help us get ready."

The games against Whittier and Pomona will decide the seeding for the SCIAC tournament starting Nov. 9. Chapman has already secured itself one of the four seeds in the tournament.

"If we want to be as good as we can be, we have to beat teams like Pomona," Ploessel said.

Chapman will play Pomona-Pitzer at home Wednesday, and will travel to Whittier Saturday for the final game of the season.

Tennis teams work out kinks in preseason tournament

Kate Ferrin | Senior Writer

Chapman men’s and women’s tennis teams jumped into the pre-season at the USTA/ITA Small Colleges Division III Fall Regional Tournament hosted by Claremont Mudd-Scripps last month.

While regular competition doesn’t pick up until next February, Head Coach Will Marvin said regionals offer the court familiarity needed for a successful season.

"It’s good for the freshmen to get used to the college pace, plus it lets our more experienced players get back into the groove of competing," Marvin said.

Freshman Andrea Hammer had a solid debut for Chapman with a pair of wins in the women’s singles main draw. A late comeback handed Hammer her first victory over freshman Lauren Villanueva of the University of Redlands 2-6, 6-4 (2).

Hammer attributes the win to her competitive edge. "[Villanueva] came out with a steady swing and I was making a lot of unforced errors. Once I started making my shots, it came down to a few crucial points and I was able to outlast her," Hammer said.

After glazing over her second opponent in a 6-0, 7-5 win, Hammer was eliminated in the third round with a 6-2, 6-2 loss to junior Alexandra Scotton of UC Santa Cruz.

Hammer later teamed up with sophomore Sophia Duong, who entered the annual offseason event with a noteworthy No. 4 seed in the singles bracket. The duo racked up two consecutive wins before being eliminated in the quarterfinals of the main doubles bracket.

On the men’s side, no player went beyond the first round of singles competition. After the dismal showing, doubles play improved as freshman Brett Buford and senior Dylan Tevlin managed a narrow 9-7 first round victory over Cal Lutheran’s freshmen Sean Handley and Chris Hartman. Tevlin says an injured shoulder made competition nearly impossible.

"I hurt my rotator cuff the week before and probably shouldn’t have been playing, but being a senior meant that this was my last opportunity to compete in the fall tournament," Tevlin said.

The duo also collected another win before being eliminated in opening quarterfinals action with an 8-2 loss to junior Eli Scandalis and senior Erich Koenig of UC Santa Cruz.

The results do not count toward Chapman’s overall record. Marino said the tournament is held to establish both individual and team rankings for the upcoming season. The men’s and women’s teams will begin their mission for a first SCIAC championship this February. Until then, Marino plans to strengthen the doubles play on both sides.

"Both teams need to improve in doubles and we have the offseason time to do so," Marino said. "It’s all about fitting in the new talent and finding out who works well together."

Check out live tweeting from home games @PantherOnline

Sophomore utility Jake Gross (8) sets up for a shot at Saturday morning’s alumni game. The team is now tied with Whittier for second place in the SCIAC after a win over Occidental.
Men’s season ends in bitter defeat

The Panthers will not advance to the SCIAC tournament after their loss to Occidental.

Evan Cooper  |  Staff Writer

Chapman’s men’s soccer team lost its final game of the season, falling 2-1 to Occidental College in front of a home crowd. This loss, paired with Whittier’s victory over Claremont Mudd Scpps Wednesday, will prevent the Panthers from qualifying for the SCIAC tournament.

“It was a familiar story for the team, which has seen its play fluctuate throughout the season,” said Head Coach Eddie Carrillo. “I haven’t been able to figure it out.”

The Panthers defeated Cal Lutheran Wednesday in a shining performance, but Saturday they looked like a different team.

“We didn’t have the same energy,” Carrillo said. “We have done better. We created chances but not enough of them.”

The game seemed to be off to a good start when junior forward Nick Echeverry put the Panthers in the lead in the seventh minute.

But the team was not able to hold on, giving up goals to the Tigers in the 39th and 75th minutes, while looking tired and frustrated.

It was a stark contrast from Wednesday’s Cal Lutheran game, where the Panthers controlled the play.

“It was one of our best games of the season,” Carrillo said. “We pressured well, defended well and just played good soccer.”

The Panthers came into the game wary of Cal Lutheran, having lost 5-1 earlier in the season.

“We showed some heart, and worked hard the whole game,” said sophomore defender Mikey Stoddard. “We switched off for a little bit and that’s when they scored. The score doesn’t completely reflect how well we played.”

Sophomore midfielder Duncan Capriotti scored first for the Panthers, netting a goal in the 15th minute after dribbling through the Kingsmen defense.

But Cal Lutheran grabbed a goal right before the half, with freshman defender Alex Wardle heading the ball in off a corner kick in the 43rd minute.

The game went back and forth in the beginning of the second half, but Chapman was given its break when a penalty was awarded in the 70th minute. Senior forward Mauricio Alfonso converted, putting the Panthers back on top.

Despite the win, the Panthers were eliminated from the playoff race due to Whittier pulling off an upset and defeating Claremont M-S.

“We knew that we had to win to have a chance to get into the tournament,” Stoddard said. “Unfortunately Whittier got the win and knocked us out of it.”

Cross country ends season in last place

Michael Ambrose  |  Staff Writer

Capping off an unsatisfactory season, the men and women’s cross country teams both finished in last place at the SCIAC championships Saturday at Prado Park.

The SCIAC championships continued Chapman’s struggling 2012 campaign, which has been marred with injury.

“It was a familiar story for the team, which has seen its play fluctuate throughout the season,” said Head Coach Brett Halvaks. “In the last mile, runners ran the race, ” said Assistant Coach Connor Hague in 114th.

Senior Mike Chan was in 105th, freshman Seth Falstein in 107th, freshman Evan Cooper in 104th and junior Marisol Diaz in 93rd, sophomore Lisa Peterkin in 90th, freshman Charlie Truax in 69th, sophomore Charlie Truax in 69th, sophomore Gabe Recht-Appel (26) races to take advantage of a fast break during Saturday’s home game against Occidental.

Sophomore Charlie Truax runs during the SCIAC championship Saturday morning at Prado Park in Chino Hills.

The runners are excited about the prospect of improvement.

“We hope to get some good recruits in the next couple of years,” Ralston said. “We are all really excited about the future.”

Five men and five women will be chosen by the coaching staff to travel to Salem, OR and compete in the NCAA Regional Championship Nov. 10.
Football remains unbeaten at home

Chilly autumn air and the echo of 2,476 fans was the ideal recipe for perfect football, as Chapman defeated the University of La Verne with a booming 38-12 victory Saturday evening at Wilson Field for the Hall of Fame game.

With just two games remaining in the regular season, the Panthers finish with a flawless 4-0 home record – a feat that hasn’t been accomplished since 1995.

A first in his career at Chapman, Head Coach Bob Owens said the goal has been attainable in past seasons, but this team was able to deliver.

“It’s been one of those achievable goals, but we had just the right blend of coaches and players to actually do it this year,” Owens said. “We have a great venue, terrific facilities and an outstanding fan base, so it means a lot to make our home crowd happy.”

The win keeps the Panthers (5-2, 4-1) in second in the SCIAC behind Cal Lutheran (6-1, 5-0) and marks the first time in three years they won’t finish with a 4-5 record.

Chapman was quick to set the pace for a high scoring conference matchup. An early 40-yard touchdown from sophomore quarterback Kean Stancil to junior wide receiver Robin Harris put the Panthers on the scoreboard with a 7-0 lead at the 13:25 mark in the first quarter. Stancil said the ability to capitalize on early opportunity is key against any opponent.

“We knew it was crucial to get off to a fast start. Those points are what set the tone for the rest of the night,” Stancil said.

Senior kicker Mauricio Alfonso put the finishing touches on an already explosive first-quarter offense, sinking a 20-yard field goal to push the lead to 10-0 with just 1:59 left on the clock.

“Oh, we try to do eight (yards) or something in the first quarter, but it isn’t something that’s do or die. We just play hard and sometimes it works, sometimes it doesn’t,” Owens said.

Chapman’s defense held the Leopards (3-4, 3-2) scoreless until an 11-yard touchdown from junior running back Matthew Biggers late in the second quarter. Biggers’ effort sparked the otherwise lackluster La Verne, and they scored another touchdown to open the second half.

Despite the comeback attempt, the Panthers weren’t quick to fold. Stancil found the end zone with back-to-back touchdowns runs of 75 yards or more to cap Chapman’s third quarter run at 31-12.

The deficit proved too much for the Leopard defense, which let yet another Panther touchdown slip through, this time from senior running back Al White with 4:10 remaining in the fourth quarter. As a team, Chapman ran for 453 yards on 42 carries while the defense racked in 86 total tackles.

Stancil dominated the game with his dual-threat ability, throwing for 152 yards and a touchdown while adding 248 yards and two touchdowns on the ground.

“Everyone has played selflessly and kept that conference championship as the main focus,” Brandel said. “That’s why we have been so successful, because we refuse to settle for anything less than our best.”

Chapman will look for another SCIAC victory as they travel to Claremont Mudd-Scripps Saturday at 1 p.m.
In its final game of the regular season, Chapman’s women’s soccer team defeated Occidental College 4-0 in a dominating performance. With the No. 2 seed in SCIAC tournament already sealed, the victory generates momentum as the team heads into its first tournament in the new conference.

The Panthers had a slow start and went into halftime with only one goal scored by sophomore forward Rebeccah Bortz. “We had a slow first half, “ said Head Coach Courtney Calderon. “But again, we were able to come together, make some adjustments and totally turn it around.”

Sophomore forward Jordan Royer, sophomore midfielder Jordan Femmerlid and senior midfielder Karina Cisneros all scored goals in the second half to give the Panthers a comfortable win. This was the second big win for the women in the week and a good time to hit stride with the SCIAC tournament starting this Wednesday.

With colorful banners posted around the stadium celebrating senior night, the team outlasted first place Cal Lutheran in a riveting match that finished 1-0 Wednesday. For the whole team, especially the seniors, it was a special night.

“These are the games that we live for,” said senior goalkeeper Marissa Andersen. “Cal Lu was undefeated in our conference and it was nice to give them their first loss, especially on senior night.”

The Panthers attacked right from the start of the game, and were rewarded quickly when junior defender Val Sobol scored a header off of a cross from freshman midfielder Haley Fedden. “It was a great ball played by Haley and all I had to do was get something on it,” Sobol said. The Panthers kept the pressure on the Regals throughout the night. “We were big in the midfield and we had solid defense throughout the night,” Sobol said. “Being able to shut out Cal Lu, who is known for [its] great forwards, was awesome.”

Adding to the excitement of defeating the top place team was picking up the win on senior night. “All our seniors have made a huge impact on our program,” Calderon said. “Their attitude and focus on the team is what they put first.”

The underclassman players made posters for the seniors, which lined the sides of the fence during the game. “It was so fun,” Andersen said. “Our teammates spoiled the seniors. It was a great atmosphere, and the team coming and getting the win just added to that.”

The team now looks toward its SCIAC tournament first-round matchup against Claremont-Mudd-Scripps Wednesday. “I think they are prepared for it,” Calderon said. “It’s something new, a different atmosphere but I think if we prepare well this week we will be in a good position to win it.”

If the team is victorious in Wednesday’s tournament game, they will face the winner of Cal Lutheran against Pomona-Pitzer for a chance to represent the conference in the NCAA tournament.

Women’s Soccer: 10/31 vs. Claremont M-S, time TBD

Men’s Water Polo: 10/31 vs. Pomona-Pitzer 4 p.m.

Cross Country: 11/10 NCAA Div. III Regionals in Oregon

Women’s Volleyball: SCIAC Tournament 11/1 vs. La Verne, time TBD 11/3 vs. opponent TBD

Football: 11/3 @ Claremont M-S 1 p.m.