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Two lacrosse players arrested in connection with turkey theft

Jackie Cohen | News Editor

Two members of Chapman's undeclared lacrosse team, junior Richard "Brent" Melbye and senior Steven Koressel, were arrested April 18 in connection with the theft and abuse of Tim the turkey from Orange High School.

The two players have not been suspended from the lacrosse team by the Office of the Dean, said Jerry Price, vice chancellor for student affairs and dean of students. The lacrosse team is set to play in the Southwestern Lacrosse Conference final April 29.

Karras said that he does not think that this is representative of all Chapman students.

"But with all of the recent accounts of events involving the types of disrespectful and unfriendly student gatherings, I think it is indicative of a lack of leadership by the Chapman University administration towards facilities for student social activities outside of the classroom, which are things that students customarily offered by other prominent universities in more of an on-campus setting," Karras said.

"Let's just say it has been less than ideal," Duberstein wrote in an email. "Respect Orange has been working to build bridges between the community and Chapman students. Unfortunately, this has burned some of those bridges and will slow the process."
Tyler Porterfield recommended for president

Tryphena Wardlaw | Staff Writer

Student government has not yet reached a decision on how to replace the president-elect vacancy after Austin Kernan resigned April 12, although that elections committee recommends that Vice President-elect Tyler Porterfield take over. The organization said it will be creating a judicial review board to review the elections committee’s decision “within a week,” according to a press release from the organization issued April 18.

Porterfield, who is currently studying abroad, has not been notified of any decision but has been looking at the group’s Facebook page and website and The Panther for updates, she wrote in an email.

“I am currently being transitioned as the VP-elect. However, because of the current situation, I am working with the current president and VP on projects that must be started now for next year,” Porterfield wrote. “Together, we selected the directors, I started turning in all of the paperwork while also planning and coordinating many details for next year’s senate.”

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Of that money, 10 percent goes to the academic organization fund, which is controlled by Johnny Demshki, student government’s director of finance. After the 10 percent is distributed to Student Government Association, The Panther, Chapman Radio and the University Program Board, the remaining $79,340 goes to student government, where it funds the student organization fund, the co-sponsorship fund and a reserve account for the academic organization fund, Demshki said.

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Negeen Lofti, the University Program Board’s chair, said a lot of student government’s budget is spent on internal costs, including pay for advisors and fees for executive members and public relations expenses.

Price Byrge, vice chancellor for student affairs and dean of students, created the academic organization fund to benefit academic organizations directly. Student government cannot allocate that money to anything else, Demshki said.

Demshki said that student government tried to allocate all of the academic organization fund’s money every year. Last year student government allocated $79,771.63 out of a total of $80,500. Demshki said he talks to club presidents to let them know about the fund.

If any money is left, it rolls over into a reserved account, Demshki said. Student government said students have 48 hours from the time of the release to file an appeal. Anna-bell Liao, the only person who ran against Kernan for president, is in the process of preparing an appeal, Liao said.

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What do your student activities fees fund?

Patricia Torres | Senior Writer

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Negeen Lofti, the University Program Board’s chair, said the money it receives is distributed between the six committees within the program.

“The president-elect is the only vacancy left by Kernan after Adam Breung, the College of Performing Arts senator, was appointed to Ker- nan’s speaker of the senate position, and Tosh Turner, a junior theatre performance senior, was appointed to senate during the organization’s April 15 meeting. Kernan said he resigned from student government for personal reasons, but Porterfield and Andrew Primavera, the Delta Tau Delta fraternity chapter president, both confirmed that Kernan had stolen money from the fraternity, according to the press release.

Student government’s election procedures state that elected candidates will be asked to meet with their positions and that if the elected candidate becomes ineligible before the start of his or her term, the run- ner-up will be offered the position. Kernan did not decline the position; he is the appropriate time frame and did not become ineligible, the press release states.

“Eligibility of the candidate wasn’t even in question because he resigned under personal cir- cumstances,” DeVries said. “(The election committee’s) job is to go off of that as opposed to guessing, even if the rumors may be true.”

In addition, the student govern- ment elections committee deter- mined that Kernan resigned assuming his presidential duties because he began the process of appointing non-elected executive council mem- bers with Porterfield. Since Kernan assumed presidential duties, the elections committee recommends that Porterfield should take over, as outlined in the student govern- ment constitution, according to the release.

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Dickson-Lewis of dance department to retire

Justine Winans | Staff Writer

When it comes to the reason Nancy Dickson-Lewis, chair of the Department of Dance, decided to retire at the end of this semester, there is a short story and a long story.

The short story: Dickson-Lewis has taught at Chapman for 30 years. Plus, she will have more flexibility to visit her two daughters, one in Atlanta and the other in Kuala Lumpur. 

“I haven’t had a semester off since my second daughter’s birth 28 years ago,” Dickson-Lewis said. “I’m glad to be able to read a book just for fun.”

The long story isn’t as simple. Dickson-Lewis came to Chapman College from 2009. In January, it spread to her spine. Due to health reasons, Dickson-Lewis said she will take her retirement one day at a time.

“I get my blood drawn one or two times a week, so I can’t travel as much as I like,” Dickson-Lewis said.

If she is approved for travel, she would be allowed seven days, which would still allow for visits to her two daughters, Dickson-Lewis said.

It will be a change of pace from her work on dance rehearsals and takes eight weekends a year to audition more than 300 students for the dance program.

“There are so many things around my house I’ve wanted to do for years,” Dickson-Lewis said. “I’m really excited to have the time to cook dinner, as well as put more research into her genealogy.”

Dickson-Lewis started as an adjunct professor in 1986, when there was no official dance department. At the time, the dance classes were part of the combined music studies program.

“There has been a huge arc to my career here at Chapman,” Dickson-Lewis said. “It’s in a really good shape. It’s not a bad time to leave.”

A senior faculty member with performance and administrative experience from a different university will replace Dickson-Lewis. The new chair’s name cannot be released until he or she undergoes a background check.

“We train dancers to go in the direction they want to go in and nurture their talents and interests to find their strengths,” Dickson-Lewis said. “The new chair is aligned with that.”

Dickson-Lewis taught for seven years at Golden West College in Huntington Beach before coming to Chapman to teach classes such as choreography and dance history.

“Dickson-Lewis is the most kind, caring, honest and wise person and those characteristics reflect directly in who she is as a person,” said Cristina McKeever, a junior dance performance major. “Her door is always open. She does everything she can to help us dance students administratively, personally and emotionally.”

Junior mathematics and dance major Carolyn Oliver agreed.

“She is such a nurturing soul who put my house in order,” Oliver said. “She was a joy to work with and loved by everyone. I know every dance major will miss her greatly.”

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schedule at Chapman, where she is a full-time faculty member, stays late to work on dance rehearsals and takes

Students meet with Neighborhood Advisory Committee to discuss tension and solutions

Athinasha Singarajah | Assistant News Editor

Students were invited to offer solutions and voice their concerns about the recent tension between the city and the university at a Neighborhood Advisory Committee meeting April 20 in Argyros Forum.

Six Chapman students, including Student Government President Josh Nudelman, attended the meeting, along with city leaders, including Mayor Teresa Smith.

Nudelman’s short introductory statement shared the student perspective on the issue.

“One rotten apple spoils the whole barrel,” Nudelman said. “I honestly try to understand to long to understand and see the severity of this issue.”

Nudelman brought up the recent incident with Tim the turkey and how through social media, students are showing that they do not support the actions that were committed by the two students.

“Students are standing by the community, saying, ‘That is wrong.’ That is not OK,” Nudelman said.

Nudelman said students are slowly beginning to understand, and it takes time for this culture shift to happen. He said that he is in support of the Good Neighborhood Education program that could possibly bring people together.

Smith said she embraces the opportunity for the city and the university to work together and be the best they can be.

“I heard from time to time over the years that Orange is a college town,” Smith said. “When speaking to local leaders, there is always an opportunity to work to make Orange a college town.”

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New bottle refilling stations coming to Sandhu, Marion Knott Studios

Atharshna Singarajah | Assistant News Editor

Two new water bottle refilling stations will be installed at the end of the semester in the Sandhu Residence Center and the Marion Knott Studios.

In an effort to improve the facilities at the Crean College of Health and Behavioral Sciences, Crean Senator Emmi Schlaefler began working on a project to bring new water bottle refilling stations to the building. However, in the process, she found that other buildings needed them too.

One station will be in the Sandhu Residence Center by the mail room underneat the cafeteria, and the second station will be at the Mari- on Knott Studios by the building’s entrance and will replace the water fountain currently there. “The idea for having more water bottle refilling stations on campus can further reduce the use of plastic water bottles on campus, and therefore reduce the amount of waste we have,” Schlaefler said. Facilities provided the funding for the stations. Rick Turner, associate vice president of Facilities Management, said he is still looking for funds to order the stations for Crean Hall and Von Neumann Hall off West Palm Avenue. Schlaefler said the cost of each station will depend on what the location needs. The station for the bottles,” Nel said. Schlaefler had originally contacted Mackenzie Crigger, Chapman’s sustainability manager, to see if Crean College was cleared for water bottle refilling stations, and Crigger informed her that the Sandhu Residence Center, Von Neumann Hall and the Marion Knott Studios were all cleared.

Schlaefler created a bill for student government to fund all four stations, but senators voted not to fund the stations and proposed to find funding from another department at Chapman. Schlaefler said that many senators felt the university should pay for these stations, and since the Sustainability Department didn’t have the funds for this either, student government encouraged Schlaefler to reach out to other departments.

Schlaefler said she checked if Prale-Sodaro Hall or Glass Hall could have stations as well, but Crigger said they were not cleared to have them due to the conditions of the Americans with Disabilities Act. Faith Ann Marie Escalera, a sophomore strategic and corporate communication major, said the water bottle refilling stations are convenient.

“I personally use my Camel- Bak water bottle every day since I stopped buying water bottles, so the water refilling stations are my lifesaver,” Escalera said.

Moore resigns, Scheinman appointed

This has been student government’s fourth resignation since the start of the semester

Nazli Donmez | Staff Writer

Days after former Schmid College of Science and Technology Senator Tristan Tran’s resignation from student government, Amanda Moore, College of Educational Studies senator, resigned from her seat.

Moore, who resigned with two weeks remaining in her term, is the fourth senator this semester to step down. Peter Scheinman, a junior business administration major, was sworn in as an at-large senator to fill Moore’s place during student government’s meeting April 22.

Vice President Jaycie Rowe shared Moore’s letter of resignation, which was read to the members of student government April 15. Moore could not be reached for comment.

Moore cited a busy schedule as her reason for stepping down.

“With five weeks of school left, my master’s program has become very demanding and I am consuming a great amount of time. I also have been working in an elementary and a middle school as part of the program,” she wrote in the letter. “The teacher I am working for needs me to come in on Friday since this is part of my program, I will have to continuously miss senate meetings.”

Moore also wrote that she worked two jobs, has a sorority commitment, and has been going home between both family members has a medical complication.

“Amanda Moore

“I care so much about student government and I can tell this organization is getting stronger every day,” she wrote. “I decided resigning would be easier than wasting other senators’ time in senate meetings to discuss my continuing absences.”

Scheinman, who is currently running for an Argryos School of Business and Economics senate seat, was sworn in as an at-large senator because the student government constitution states that an official election isn’t held if a senator resigns with less than 10 weeks remaining in his or her term. Josie Chan, a freshman political science major, is skeptical of what the new senator can accomplish in the remaining weeks.

“[It looks] very unprofessional on them to resign from their positions one by one,” Chan said. “What will [Scheinman] do in such short time? Eric Leigh, a freshman screenwriting major, said he has become wary of relying on student government.

“Since Austin Kernan’s resignation, it seems as though the rest of the resignations are an avoidance of censure,” Leigh said.

Turn to Page 13 to read The Panther’s editorial on senate resignations.

ATM in Henley Basement

At-large senator Mitchell Rosenberg presented a resolution to show support to bring an ATM to Henley Basement. Senators approved the message.

Visit thepantheronline.com to read more about the ATM.

Student Psychological Counseling Services

Junior Class Senator Emma Cronshaw proposed a resolution requesting action on the matter of increasing the budget to the Student Psychological Counseling Services. Cronshaw has been working with the center to allocate more funds and add three staff members, two full-time therapists and a receptionist. Cronshaw said Chapman administrators have met with her but are refusing to speak any further about allocating more funds to the department, because they feel they are on par with other institutions.

Visit thepantheronline.com to read more about the Student Psychological Counseling Services.

Senate updates

April 22 meeting

Senator sworn in

Peter Scheinman, a junior business administration major, was sworn in as an at-large senator, replacing previous College of Educational Studies Senator Amanda Moore.

Censure for two senators

Student government voted on censures for Adam Cash and Christopher Nelson, both senators at-large, due to absences at meetings. Senators voted to deny the censure for both senators.

INCIIDENT LOG

The crime log has not been updated by Public Safety since April 17.

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Chapman will be establishing a School of Communication beginning in the fall.

Lisa Sparks, the current communication studies department chair, was appointed as the school’s inaugural dean by President Jim Doti. The new School of Communication is well-positioned to continue to generate external funding, leaving Wilkinson College to focus all its attention on its remaining programs, without the concern and focused attention required of our growing programs,” Sparks wrote in an email.

The proposal for the new school was unanimously approved March 28 after receiving support from the department, the Faculty Senate and the Chapman Board of Trustees. Initially, the School of Communication will offer three academic programs – bachelor’s programs in communication studies and strategic and corporate communication, and a master’s program in health and strategic communication.

Distinguishing itself from its original roots within the Wilkinson College of Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences, the School of Communication has already hired new faculty to start in the fall.

“I feel like what it will do for the future is really big. A lot of really world-renowned schools have their own communications program and it will allow the school to expand and offer more subsets of communication,” said Addy Briley, a junior communication studies major.

“I think just by branching out of Wilkinson, it has the ability to brand itself however it wants … It has the ability to encompass multiple facets of communication and not just liberal arts. There are more than 50 schools of communication at institutions across the country. One of the main goals of Chapman’s new School of Communication is to offer students evidence-based degrees that will prepare them for the workplace, which has been achieved by building programs that match the needs of future employers, Sparks wrote.

Evelyn Addison, a freshman strategic and corporate communication major, said she is excited about the new school because it will allow her to receive an even more in-depth education.

“The plan on taking advantage of the school’s career workshops once it opens,” Addison said. “I don’t necessarily think it needed to be separated, I think it would have done just fine in Wilkinson, but it is a way to develop and strengthen the communication studies and strategic and corporate communication majors even more.” In the future, Sparks hopes to add additional undergraduate and graduate programs, as well as a doctorate program. For now, the School of Communication plans to build productive partnerships with the other schools at Chapman. These partnerships can include working with the School of Pharmacy to offer patient and provider training.

“I think there will be more resources and connections to this new school for communication majors, so hopefully I will be able to take advantage of the fact that I will have more resources,” said Nathalie Larrea, a freshman communication studies major. “If anything, the major will evolve into something bigger and better at Chapman with this new school.”

More than 630 Chapman students are enrolled as communication studies and strategic and corporate communication majors, Sparks said. With an influx of transfer students and incoming freshmen, communication has become the school’s second most popular undergraduate program, just behind business administration. After separating, the School of Communication will leave the Wilkinson College with about 900 students of its own, Sparks said.
Students paint the campus purple for cancer research

Mark Luburic | Senior Writer

Chapman students and other members of the community raised at least $41,983.31 for the American Cancer Society during the 24-hour Relay for Life event April 22-23.

“I have participated in Relay for Life before because I have had friends and family members who have battled cancer. I am walking to honor them and their fight against cancer,” said Caitlin Pu- lone, a junior psychology major. “I am walking this spring because my (sorority) big’s dad passed away from brain cancer recently. We have a team here to support him.”

This is the seventh time that Colleges Against Cancer planned Relay for Life at Chapman. Fifty-two teams participated in the event.

“I am walking in Relay for Life to support not only people I know that have passed from cancer but also to support people who have lost people close to them,” said Marilee Jooste, a junior creative producing major. “My favorite part was seeing everyone come together – different organizations and people coming together to support a common cause.”

The course was organized as a loop around campus, with team tents set up in the Attallah Piazza. Most of the participants were Chapman students, however, anyone in the community was welcome to join. There was barbecue for attendees to enjoy, as well as face painting.

The money raised from Relay for Life is donated to the American Cancer Society, which funds research and grants, said Danielle Ventura, who works for the American Cancer Society.

“We have a program called Road to Recovery, which offers free rides to and from all cancer related doctor’s appointments,” Ventura said.

“We have Hope Lodge, which provides free housing for people going through cancer treatment that have to stay away from home. It includes all their food and laundry.”

In order to maintain all of its programs free of cost, the American Cancer Society has to continue to fundraise, Ventura said.

Throughout the 24 hours, there were several activities organized for participants such as Zumba, musical chairs, a watermelon eating contest and a “zombies” lap, where participants ran around dressed up as zombies, trying to pull flags strapped around their waists.

“I joined because of her, to be there for her,” AlOmar said. “She has persevered and been through so much. She is a cancer survivor. She was diagnosed with stage IV maligna melanoma at age 17. As I got to know her, she became my best friend and I relay for her every year.”

Coachella comes to campus in 22nd Spring Sizzle

Kaitlin Homan | Staff Writer

Chapman got a taste of Indio April 20 during the University Program Board’s 22nd annual Spring Sizzle.

The music festival-themed event catered to students, faculty and staff with a photo booth, airbrush tattoo artist, horseshoe toss, inflatable bungee run and other small games. Organizations including the B+ Foundation, Active Minds, Fossil Free Chapman and the Black Student Union also had booths.

“This is my fourth year coming, said Sun Greene, a senior kinesiology major. “I really just come for the food.”

Kristina Lima, a junior health sciences major and director of the University Program Board’s Special Events and Traditions Committee, was in charge of putting on the event.

“There were a few bumps here and there with the planning, but I had the support of my team and committee through it all,” Lima said.

“With all the work and ideas we had for the event, I was excited to see them come to life.”

Lima said the committee chose the music festival theme because it

wanted something new and different, since Spring Sizzle is usually carnival themed. The budget for the event was $5,000, Lima said.

“Nightair, a student band, performed during the two-hour event. Tony Davia, a sophomore business administration major, is the lead singer and guitarist for the band. “We felt great considering how we played a double-length set, how hot it was and how many technical difficulties there were. We had a fun time for sure,” Davia said. “I’m really glad we got to play and it seemed like everyone was having a good time – would definitely do it again.”

Raffle tickets were given out to winners of games and could be traded in for prizes. Students could get a Spring Sizzle T-shirt for five tickets, a plastic water bottle for two tickets and small toy prizes for one ticket. Free wine glasses were also passed out to seniors at the event.

“I really just wanted a ‘Class of 2016’ glass, but I ended up staying for the entire event because the music was great and I ran into a bunch of friends,” said Karlie Myszka, a senior business administration major.

The cafeteria was closed during Spring Sizzle, but students were able to eat corn dogs, watermelon, pasta salad and chocolate brownies in the Piazza. Water and lemonade stands were available as well.

“I think it’s great. I didn’t expect all of these people to be here,” said Jasmine Lucey, a sophomore business major and member of the Special Events and Traditions Committee. “But I guess if you close the cafe, you’re going to get a ton of people.”
Summer interning happened so fast

Leah de Leon | Staff Writer

For some students, summer means less responsibilities, more time to binge-watch Netflix shows all day or the opportunity to travel the world. For others, summer is the chance to get ahead in a professional career.

Carolyn Oliver has chosen the career path and will be venturing off to Maryland for her first internship, analyzing data and crunching numbers for PayPal.

“I’m most excited about being able to see how the operational side of a business works,” said the junior mathematics and dance major, who is originally from Colorado. “It’s also not all research based, so I’m looking forward to collaborating and having face-to-face interactions rather than sitting in a lonely cubicle.”

While there are many different methods to finding internship opportunities, Oliver found out about her internship through the public Jobs & Opportunities, Oliver found out about her internship after making a connection with a Chapman alumnus, potential employers and current students.

“I’m very interested in data analytics. It’s a very hot topic in the market,” Oliver said. “So when I saw a Chapman alumni post on the Facebook page, I immediately jumped at the opportunity.”

After two phone interviews, Oliver was notified that she was chosen as one of the paid summer interns. “I was so happy when they called me,” Oliver said. “I didn’t even know what benefits were associated with it, and when they gave me my offer, I just thought, ‘This keeps getting better and better.’”

Oliver will be staying in an apartment in Maryland and working 40 hours a week in the office. All travel, living and food expenses are courtesy of PayPal.

“They even offered an education reimbursement policy which is incredible,” Oliver said. “It’s an amazing opportunity.”

Another student, Brittany Souza, found her internship after making a connection with a Chapman alumnus at a pre-law honors’ society panel. As an unpaid legal intern at Wilner & O’Reilly Immigration Lawyers in Orange, Souza will attend deportation court hearings and serve as an assistant during interviews with clients.

“I’m really interested to see what immigration looks like through a private law firm rather than through politics or the federal government,” the sophomore political science and peace studies major said.

In the humanities field especially, there is a shortage of paid internships because a lot of the positions require a higher degree, Souza said. So in order for her to achieve her long-term goal of attending law school, she must sacrifice a paycheck now in order to gain the experiences necessary for her future career.

“Although my past internship was also unpaid, I felt so happy going in every day because I knew I was going to make a significant change in the community,” Souza said. “I can’t wait to do the same with this next internship by helping immigrants start a new life here.”

Claire Hauso, Chapman’s internship coordinator, recommends looking for paid internships first.

“It’s best to seek out paid internships. You are serving the employer, so I think it’s fair to get compensated for your work,” Hauso said. “If you do have an unpaid internship, it’s important to know your rights and to make sure that it’s an educational opportunity for you.”

Hauso suggests students should focus on the potential connections they could make in their industries rather than trying to put monetary values on internships.

“Sometimes all it takes is a referral or if they know someone who knows someone,” Hauso said. “I think there can definitely be benefits for both paid and unpaid internships.”

Oliver says she chose to give up her summer because she thinks it is important to practice professional development.

“You have to work on skills in the workplace before you graduate so you are better prepared for what post-grad life is like,” Oliver said. “Don’t close your mind to anything. You never know what (internship) opportunity could be the one for you.”

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Summertime madness crossword

1. Not Blaze Pizza but ...
2. The color of Nacho Cheese Doritos
3. A popular drink called a “Tequila ____”
4. Students broke this during the 2008 Undie Run
5. The sound a panther would make if it wanted an acai bowl
6. The nickname for Hooves
7. Found in a flower and the name of a store in Old Towne
8. What Old Towne residents call the Circle
9. This prominent Chapman figure will be stepping down in August

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While some students may up and leave for the summer, others like Sean Shiramizu and Nate Mulroy will be sticking around “Chaptown” with the hopes of earning a little money, taking summer classes and just relaxing.

“Orange itself doesn’t feel different at all (over summer). My life feels different I think. But Orange, you know, it’s interesting because I guess I get a look at what Orange would be like without Chapman,” Mulroy, a junior film production major, said. “I think it (Orange) would go extinct after (a while).”

Not all Chapman students will leave the city of Orange when summer arrives.

Shiramizu, a junior business administration major, wishes he could go home to Honolulu. Instead, he will be taking summer school online at another university, a class on campus at Chapman, as well as getting a part-time job.

“So I am playing a little bit of catch up,” Shiramizu said. “From my perspective, I don’t want to just come home and, you know, waste my parents’ time and money when I could be up here (in Orange) at least taking something and getting a few things out of the way.”

Shiramizu plans on getting a job at the Tustin Ranch Golf Club, where he frequently practices, to earn some money while staying in Orange.

“I don’t really feel like there’s anything to be nervous about, it’s just something I haven’t really done before,” Shiramizu said, “because usually I go home every summer, and take classes at the University of Hawaii and transfer them here and work in my parents’ shops.”

Communication studies professor Jonathan Denham, an Orange native and resident as of June 2015, will be teaching his first summer class, COM 210 Theories of Persuasion, this summer.

“The whole town’s really quiet because it’s kind of a small town feel, like this part of downtown Orange, but then school’s in session you have this influx of all these thousands of students all gathered around,” Denham said. “My guess is that the residents probably like it more, but at the same time, a lot of local shops depend on Chapman students.”

Denham feels like being stuck in Orange is not such a horrible concept as there is so much to do in the city and surrounding cities including going to the beach and hiking.

“You can just drive along PCH (Pacific Coast Highway) for hours or days and you can find an endless number of things to do,” Denham said. “There’s tons of outdoor parks all over the place.”

For Beatrice Ho, a sophomore creative producing major and international student from Taiwan, the 14-week summer provides her with an opportunity to take the 15-hour flight home to Taiwan as well as spend time in Orange to maybe get a job and work on film projects with friends.

“(I am concerned with) maybe getting too comfortable,” Ho said. “I just think it’s important to have like a balance of work but also just relax because it’s summer.”

Mulroy will be working at Growl Juice Pub for his second summer in Orange as well as working for a film festival company. He said he thinks that the businesses in the Plaza are not affected by the summer break.

“You know Growl is expensive, and it’s healthy and there’s definitely a demographic of Orange County that enjoys that – adults and like health nut adults,” Mulroy said. “The business doesn’t really slow down for Growl, and a lot of other businesses in the (Plaza) I think are kind of family oriented or geared toward the older people.”

Not your mother’s summer calendar
Attempting to even out the playing field

As a female athlete on the track and field team at Chapman, Hannah Pickerill has witnessed firsthand that women can be treated differently than men when it comes to sports.

“When I am at a meet you can see that people pay attention more to boys’ events than girls’,” the freshman psychology major said. “Women’s sports in general are not watched as much as men’s, so I think it is not surprising that women do not get paid as much. It is obviously a societal problem.”

Today, inequality between men and women exists in the wage gap, the percent difference between the median wages of each gender. The average woman makes 78 cents for every dollar a man makes according to the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics.

On March 31, five members of the U.S. women’s national soccer team, filed a wage-discrimination action to the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission against the U.S. Soccer Federation, according to ESPN’s website.

Carli Lloyd, Alex Morgan, Meghan Klingenberg, and Hope Solo said they earned as little as 40 percent of what the players on the U.S. men’s national team earned, despite having won three FIFA Women’s World Cup titles. The women’s soccer team earned $2 million for winning the World Cup, whereas the men’s team, who finished in 11th place during the 2014 World Cup, earned $9 million.

Chapman economics professor Allie Kawata also said that media coverage contributes to the gender wage gap in sports.

“In tennis, the gap is much smaller because there is much more value on the tennis female athletes like Serena Williams and Maria Sharapova,” Campbell said. “If you ask people about WNBA players, people might not be able to give an answer.”

Pickerill said that she thinks it is good that the U.S. women’s soccer team brought this problem to light.

“While I am not sure that they will win, it is good that they are standing up for themselves and bringing it (the wage gap) to people’s attention,” Pickerill said.

Allie Kawata, a senior health sciences major, said that the gender pay gap is outdated.

“If someone is equally qualified, then they should get paid the same amount,” Kawata said. Kawata also said that media contributes to the gender wage gap in athletics.

“When you turn on ESPN, you mostly see men. If there was equal amount of marketing, maybe there would be more wage equality.”
was an utter disappointment. Despite being assured that this cupcake was the best-selling dessert at Rockwell’s, the cake was as dry and crumbly as day-old cornbread and the frosting tasted like that of a gas station Hostess Ding Dong. I was so disappointed with the cupcake that I actually threw the second half away.

I’m not one to write a place off after one bad experience, so one morning later in the week, I gave it another go. After all, bakeries are usually better in the morning. This time I was armed with questions. The woman working the cash register told me that the small location in the Plaza doesn’t have the space to bake anything themselves and so all of its pastries get delivered at 5:30 a.m. from a larger location in Villa Park. This explains the crummy cupcake. It was more than 12 hours old!

That morning I ordered a small cappuccino ($2) and a carrot muffin ($3). To my surprise, the cappuccino was just the right consistency and texture and the “small” turned out to be a 16-ounce cup for a decent price. The muffin was huge and tasted fresh, though it was a little too sweet for my taste.

Would I recommend Rockwell’s to a friend? Yes, for the coffee, the prices and the atmosphere. But if you’re looking for a decent pastry, you better go early in the morning or come away disappointed.

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Recommendation

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After spending far too long looking at the specialty cake binder, I pulled myself back to the realistic choices in the display case and opted for a macaroon ($1.75) and a chocolate drip cupcake ($3). The macaroon was definitely the better of the two desserts with enough sweetened coconut to put me in a sugar coma. It also was so large that I was glad to have someone to split it with. But after all the goodness that followed, the cupcake offered, the cupcake...
Don’t condemn thousands over the actions of a few

When I was in first grade, there were two problem children in my class. Let’s call them Jimmy and Bobby. Every week, it was the same story — Jimmy and/or Bobby would do something against the rules in class and my teacher would cancel recess for our entire class. The idea behind her method of choice was straightforward — by taking recess away from the entire class, punishment for Jimmy and Bobby’s disrespectful actions, the two troublemakers would feel pressured to stop acting out by their understandably annoyed peers. Either that, or she just didn’t feel like taking the time to deal with Jimmy and Bobby as individuals.

But guess what? Jimmy and Bobby kept being obnoxious. And we kept missing recess, receiving the same punishment as the troublemakers for doing nothing. It wasn’t until Jimmy got detention and Bobby got suspended that things started to get better — the school finally dealt with the individuals, rather than putting the other 20 plus first graders in the same category as the two classroom menaces.

I dug up this memory from my childhood archives recently because of the situation that Chapman students find themselves in within the Orange community right now.

After two lacrosse players stole and mistreated a turkey from Orange High School, a lot of the Orange community is ready to label every Chapman student as just as big of a threat to the city as the two aforementioned bad apples.

This simply is not the case, and punishing all for the actions of two will not solve anything.

This label-driven, group-centric punishment philosophy is not limited to the task at hand. You have to look at how the stricter party ordinance will punish guests at an unruly party, rather than just citing the house’s residents with a noise complaint. The "punish as many as possible" mob mentality that this ordinance now essentially enforces is a direct reflection of the rhetoric we’ve heard from many residents at city council meetings. One resident went as far as to say that he doesn’t want the girls in their little black dresses and FMPs (explicit me pumps) that are stumbling out of Uber cars at 8 a.m. doing the walk of shame, to be my neighbors — or guys crashing on the sidewalk in front of my house or on my neighbor’s sidewalk to be volunteering with children.

I looked to counter a point about the positive impact of Chapman students that was brought up at the meeting April 12.

Now, I won’t do the very thing I’m writing this column about and suggest that this one guy’s views summarize every resident’s opinion on Chapman students. Plenty of Orange residents have gone on the record either saying that they enjoy Chapman students’ presence in the neighborhood, while others have reasonably called for problem students to be disciplined on an individual basis. But the ordinance doesn’t do that. It doesn’t just punish kids who are underage drinking, which is already illegal and is punished to the full extent of the law. It doesn’t just punish the hosts of a house party. Instead, it looks to scare kids into following rules by slapping a misdemeanor on anyone who looks like they are too involved in an unruly party. The anti-Chapman rhetoric spewed by a select group of Orange residents that looks to lump the honor student and the turkey-stealer into the same group is, at face value, no different than punishing my entire first grade class for theJimmy and Bobby’s actions.

I would urge the Orange community to follow in other residents’ footsteps and continue to defend the integrity of this city, but not fall into the ineffective rhetoric of “Mr. FMP” and condemn all Chapman students because of the actions of a few.
Tim the turkey is a wake-up call

Each morning, when I arrive at Orange High Farm at Orange High School, I am greeted with calls from a donkey and a turkey named Tim. Since Sunday morning, I have not been greeted.

Tim, our 5-year-old American Heritage Slate turkey, was taken and used as entertainment for a Chapman student who lives near our school. He did come back to us for a short time, only to find that he sustained several injuries from the tortures he endured while at this house. He has since been in a veterinary hospital under close observation in hope his body can heal the damage that was done.

He was taken and abused by two Chapman students and countless others who looked on as he was tortured in the name of “fun.” This unimaginable act of animal cruelty has left me speechless. I have tried very hard to keep the anger and my emotions at bay and be professional during this awful week. When I see this gentle and friendly animal that is loved by so many, in the condition he is in, it makes me want to scream. Scream at this horrific act. Scream at lack the integrity of those who watched. Those who won’t stand up for what is right and not sit back in support of these two men and the laws they have broken. But enough about Chapman students.

Throughout all this, my focus, other than Tim, is a special group of people who have been deeply affected by this. These are my amazing students – the ones who work every day with Tim and all of our animals. They come to 7 a.m. every morning, I mean every morning – Christmas, holidays, vacations, summers, etc. – and come back at 3 to 5 p.m. They feed, clean, exercise, groom, care for and love these animals. These are the young men and women of Orange High Agriculture Department. These 14 to 18-year-olds are dedicated, responsible and compassionate with more integrity that anyone I know. These are my students and they are having a hard time understanding this. We spoke this morning in class. Some of the things they spoke about were fear – fear for the safety of these animals, fear of retaliation from the friends of the men who were arrested for this, fear for whether he will live or die and the saddest thing is the fear of Chapman students in general. What a statement, that these high school students are fearful of college students and what they have shown they are capable of. I am at a loss for words.

With that being said, I hope this has been a wake-up call for us as a community comprised of residents, high school and college students. A wake-up call that tells us that cruelty in any form is unacceptable. It is my hope that these men and all those involved are prosecuted to the fullest extent of the law and Chapman disciplinary policies. My thoughts go out to the parents and families of these men and to the Chapman administration as a whole, perhaps this wake-up call will teach compassion, responsibility and to do what is right.

For more on Tim the Turkey, turn to Page 2.

The unresponsive and unconstitutional state of the student government association

Since the beginning of the semester, we have been seeing signs of the extent to which the student government, especially its executive branch, cares about Chapman. First it was the on-campus smoking ban, which was practically passed through an aggressive campaign of misinformation, essentialism and purposeful attempts at cultural assimilation. And for what? A resume filler? Then there are the city hall meetings, where the party ordinance has been slow but surely been making its transition from an outlandish proposal to a real law. All members of the student government’s executive board failed to show up for the first meeting when this ordinance was being voted on. More city hall meetings have followed and, although student government’s current president has finally decided to attend some of these meetings, he refrained from speaking on behalf of the student body at the last crucial meeting, which I believe is the only time he receives a substantial. While Josh Nudelman stated early in the academic year that he wanted to “make communication more clear between him and the student body,” creating a transparent channel between the student body and the Orange community seems to have eluded his mind.

Now, there’s the uncertain estate of the student government’s presidency. While more students seemed to be focusing on the conditions under which the student government’s president-elect withdrew from his position April 12, a group of students attended a senate meeting April 15 in order to figure out who our next president is going to be. However, they left with even more anxiety about the state of the student government than they came in with. Later, there was a noticeable pattern to the discussion during the open forum regarding the presidential election. Every time a concerned student asked the student elections committee a question, a member uttered the verbatim equivalent of “no comment,” and said that it would have a press release by April 18, a Monday, which is also when The Panther is published. To my surprise, not only did the committee and board fail to submit their press release to The Panther, but they did not even have the decency to send the students an email, or even get their message across through Jerry Price’s weekly newsletter, which everyone would have had access to. Instead, they opted for a Facebook post.

The reason of this complaint is not necessarily who the new president is going to be, but how this president is going to be chosen. Is it going to be done through the constitutional means as they are stated in Article II of the Election Code, where it is clearly stated that “the term of office or the president, vice president and senators begin May 1,” or will the elections committee and review board continue to lie to our faces, saying that “the newly elected president began assuming presidential duties from his post on April 12”?

Should the elections committee and review board, both appointed by the old executive board, comply with section 14A of the election process and accept that “the runner-up candidate will be offered the position” in the event that an elected candidate becomes ineligible before the start of his or her term? Or shall the elections committee “have the power to interpret and apply these processes” at its own convenience? How does this even begin to obey section 28 of the Student Government Association Constitution, which urges all members of student government “to be ultimately responsible for the welfare of the student government?” Ultimately, the level of unaccountability seeping through the many holes of the student government’s current attitude on its duties towards the student body has reached a point in which the student body cannot afford to look away anymore, for it jeopardizes the student body, its relationship to the community, and even the future of our student government as a democratic organization. For more on the student government, turn to Page 5.
Softball has tough week, loses 4 of 6 games

Jacob Hutchinson | Sports Editor

The last-place Chapman Panthers hosted Whittier College (17-19, 9-15) April 19 for a doubleheader – in the first two games of six this past week – with a chance to get themselves out of the cellar of the conference standings. After losing the first game 9-2, the Panthers were able to put some runs on the board in the second, winning 7-1.

In the team’s previous four games before the victory, Chapman scored a combined eight runs.

“Basically we’ve had one or two hitters on (base) for a game lately, so we get them out there and not get them in, but yesterday in the second game we were able to get them in,” said Head Coach Janet Lloyd.

Senior pitcher Natalie Both pitched one of her best games of the season in the second game, giving up just six hits and one run while striking out two.

“She’s a senior and she’s injured and doing the best she can, basically just toughing it out,” Lloyd said.

“She has a herniated disk so she probably shouldn’t be playing. But the last couple times she’s been great, but she’s just getting her stamina back. She’s keeping us in games. It will be nice to have her and Samantha Whalen back pitching well at the same time.”

Both was also aided by a 16-hit performance by her teammates.

“It would be huge to sweep that doubleheader because it would throw us into the fourth-place spot,” Lloyd said before the April 22 and 23 games. “We need to win games, that’s what I told my team. If we play good games and get a little help around us then I think we’re in a good spot. Who knows, maybe we’re peaking at the right time.”

Unfortunately for the Panthers, they only came out with one win on the weekend.

On April 22 at Whittier, Chapman fell to the Poets in both games. The Panthers lost to 8-4 in the first game and 11-4 in the second game. Chapman tied the second game in the third inning, but a three-run home run from Whittier in the fourth put the game out of reach.

Later in the day, Chapman fell to the same fate but by a bigger margin. The Poets took the lead early, leaving Panthers unable to mount a successful comeback.

On April 23, Chapman split its doubleheader against Pomona-Pitzer (12-24, 9-15). Pomona-Pitzer won the first game by a score of 3-0, but Chapman came back to win the second game 8-0.

Chapman came back for the second game and did a complete 180. While the Panthers were shut out in the first game, the Panthers provided Pomona-Pitzer with the same fate, and mounted a strong offensive performance.

In the third inning, the Panthers scored six runs and had two home runs. They also received a shutout, six-inning pitching performance from freshman pitcher Samantha Whalen.

The Panthers will face a rescheduled doubleheader against the University of Redlands (23-11, 13-9) next April 27.

Around Chapman: Your weekly sports round up

Jacob Hutchinson | Sports Editor

Tennis

Some members of the Chapman tennis teams competed in the Ojai Tennis Tournament in Ojai, California April 21-24.

Senior Brett Buford staged a relatively successful individual run in the Men’s Division III Singles category, winning his first match in the round of 32 before falling to No. 7 freshman Daniel Morkovine of Claremont-Mudd-Scripps, who finished second overall in the category, in the round 16.

Junior Charlie Werman also competed in the event, but fell in the first round to freshman Adrian Sirovica of the University of California, Santa Cruz.

On the women’s side of the singles event, senior Andrea Hammer was also knocked out in the round of 16 after winning her first match in the round of 32. Junior Madeline Saunders also competed in the event, but was knocked out in the round of 32.

Hammer and Saunders also competed together in the Women’s Independent Doubles category. Poet were knocked out in the round of 16.

The women’s team (2-13, 2-4) has its last match of the season April 30, when it will travel to California Lutheran University (10-4, 2-3). The men’s team (2-13, 1-4) has two matches remaining, both at home. First, it will face off against the University of Redlands (15-5, 4-1) April 29, before matching up against California Lutheran (3-12, 2-4) April 30.

Golf

The men’s golf team began competing in the Southern California Intercollegiate Athletic Conference Championships April 24, the first day among three in the competition.

As a team, the Panthers sit last at seventh in the standings, with a combined score — taking the top four scores of the six players on the team — of 306 strokes, at 18 over par.

Leading the Panthers is freshman Griffin Tso, who, at 2 over par, is tied for eighth in the overall standings. Behind Tso is junior Chuck Pedone, who stands at 4 over par, and is tied for 18th. Freshman Dallas Haun and junior Bryan Wise are behind both Pedone and Tso tied for 23rd at 6 over par.

Also involved in the competition are senior Nickolas Gates, at 8 over par and tied for 32nd and freshman Harrison Holeit, who, at 22 over par, sits last in 44th place.

The competition will continue April 25 and 26 at Oak Valley Golf Club in Beaumont.
Women’s lacrosse finishes tied for first

Daniel Starkand | Senior Writer

With first place in the conference on the line, the Chapman women’s lacrosse team found itself tied with Pomona-Pitzer April 20 at eight goals each, with just under a minute to go in the game. With 31 seconds left, junior midfielder Tessa Oliaro scored for Chapman, securing a 9-8 victory and temporarily catapulting the Panthers into first place.

Head Coach Dan Kirkpatrick said the goal was huge for the team’s confidence. “It was huge. Pomona-Pitzer is one of the best teams in our league, and to show that we can compete with the best is huge for morale and 6-3 huge for continuing to build our confidence.”

Pomona-Pitzer (13-3, 8-2) and Claremont-Mudd-Scripps (13-3, 8-2) both won their games as well, leaving Chapman (13-3, 8-2) in a virtual tie, though practically in third place.

Sports Information Director Steven Olveda said that Chapman finished third as the tiebreaker is goal against, and Chapman sits below both Claremont and Pomona in that category. Regardless of the playoff matchup, Kirkpatrick said the team would be facing a tough game.

“I expect to play some really good teams,” he said. “Our conference this year has been incredibly tough top to bottom, so it’s one of those things where whenever we end up playing is going to be a good lacrosse team, and we’ve got to be prepared to play our best.”

Until Oliaro’s goal, Chapman never led during the game. Chapman was outscored 7-2 up until Oliaro’s goal, however, whichever one of those teams wins the conference tournament will win the conference title.

Kirkpatrick said the team would be facing Pomona-Pitzer in Wednesday’s contest at Wilson Field. “They make playing baseball fun.”

What is your favorite aspect of baseball?

I must have been 10 years old. I used to play hockey before that, but all my friends were baseball players, so that drew me to start playing and develop, like my friends.

What motivates you to play your hardest?

I’m really competitive, so I just want to do the best that I can.

Do you have any pregame rituals?

No, not really. I try to not be superstitious, anything.

What is your favorite aspect of baseball?

The feeling after hitting a home run. That’s the best.

What is your favorite part of being on the Chapman baseball team?

All of my teammates out there. They’re great guys and I love being around them. They make playing baseball fun.

What is a hobby of yours aside from playing baseball?

Surfing and biking.

What would you like to do in the future?

As of right now, I want to be a firefighter.

What was your favorite memory from playing baseball?

My senior year against Los Osos, I hit three home runs in one game.

Freshman infielder Konnor Zickefoose.

A temporary suspension is a valid possibility that the players could have stolen and abused the turkey. However, that argument would essentially be feigned ignorance. A temporary suspension is enough reason for it to implement at least some culpability. The school would be completely warranted in allowing the players to play April 29 if no other information is released before, as there would not be any public information fully proving the players’ involvement in the abuse and theft of the turkey. However, that thinking would be short-sighted.

Would suspending Koressel, who is leading the team with 62 points, also suspend two players who would be infinitely more innocent. The school would be completely warranted in allowing the players to play April 29 if no other information is released before, as there would not be any public information fully proving the players’ involvement in the abuse and theft of the turkey. However, that thinking would be short-sighted.

If it feels good. I try not to really look at it, but it is a plus. It’s just nice.
Chapman’s baseball team clinched a conference championship on April 25 after a 17-9 victory over Whittier in their final game of the season. The win sets the tone for each game, said Head Coach Scott Laverty. “The keys to success for the weekend are confidence plays a big part in how we perform on the field. Our abilities we can put together some offense. Hot right before playoffs is huge because Pomona had only lost one game of his career at Chapman as a pinch hitter in the eighth. Chapman will play La Verne April 27 in the first game of a round robin tournament that is based on seeding, but Chapman has already clinched a spot in the Southern California Intercollegiate Athletic Association playoffs after moving into the third spot ahead of the University of Redlands. Final seeding may change based on the results of the next three games. "It was huge to come back in the second half, and their starting pitcher is great and he was throwing 90 mph, so to get him out early was great,” Laverty said.

Women’s water polo finishes fourth in conference

Jayson King | Staff Writer

The women’s water polo team finished its season in fourth place, after disappointing losses during the Southern California Intercollegiate Athletic Conference post-season tournament. In its first game of the tournament April 22, the women’s water polo team defeated No. 4 Claremont-Mudd-Scripps 10-8. “Overall, it was our second half defense that came through in the end,” said Head Coach Eric Ploessel.

The game was close from the beginning. After the first half, Claremont (9-18, 6-5) had a 5-4 lead over No. 5 Chapman. However, the Panthers came back in the second half, led by senior attacker Alison Basen. "At the break we were down 4-1, but we came back with four scoreless innings in the bottom of the fifth to tie the game at 5-5. We didn’t score another run in the rest of the game as freshman pitcher Mason Collins came into the game in the sixth inning and pitched four scoreless innings. Nickel立刻 responded with another run in the top of the fifth to lead by three. Chase,” Ploessel said.

Sophomore utility player Gavin Bloedgett provided the highlight of the first game for the Panthers with a three-run home run and senior catcher David Basen knocked in two more runs. “The second game started out slow with each team struggling to find runs, but the Panthers found a groove in the bottom of the fourth inning, scoring seven runs. Four of the Panthers’ seven runs in the inning were unearned,” said Head Coach Scott Laverty.

"We lost to Pomona today by two and they won the last four national championships,” Ploessel said. “We were close – we were so close. In that game today we had our opportunities, but we didn’t finish. We could tie it, we just couldn’t take the lead, but we had our chances.”


La Verne 11
Chapman 8

Whittier 9
Chapman 2

Chapman 7
Whittier 1

Chapman 4
Whittier 11

Chapman 1
Whittier 1

Chapman 8
Pomona-Pitzer 0

Whittier 17
Chapman 9

Pomona-Pitzer 8
Chapman 6

Women’s Water Polo
Claremont-M-S 3 p.m.
May 1 vs. Redlands 11 a.m.

Women’s Lacrosse
April 27 vs. Whittier 7 p.m.

Softball
April 27 @ Redlands 1, 3 p.m.
April 29 @ Claremont-M-S 2, 4 p.m.
April 30 @ La Verne, noon, 2 p.m.

Track & Field
Conference Championships Prelims: April 29 @ Eagle Rock
Finals: April 30 @ Eagle Rock

Men’s Golf
Conference Championships April 25-26 @ Oak Valley Golf Club, Beaumont

Baseball
April 27 @ La Verne 3 p.m.
April 30 @ Whittier 3 p.m.
May 1 vs. Redlands 11 a.m. & Claremont-M-S 3 p.m.

SCOREBOARD

Women’s Lacrosse
Chapman 9
Pomona-Pitzer 8

Baseball
Chapman 8
La Verne 5
Chapman 7
La Verne 3

Softball
Whittier 9
Chapman 2

Whittier 7
Chapman 4

Chapman 1
Chapman 8
Pomona-Pitzer 0

Chapman 10
Claremont-M-S 8

Whittier 17
Chapman 9

Pomona-Pitzer 8
Chapman 6

UPCOMING GAMES

THE PANTHER

16 SPORTS

Liam Noonan | Staff Writer

Chapman’s baseball team won its first game of this weekend’s three-game series against the University of La Verne. The away game was played on La Verne’s Senior Day, but freshman infielder Konnor Zickeloo helped crash the celebration with two home runs to lead the Panthers to an 8-5 win.

“The keys to success for the weekend are to pitch well and play good defense. That will set the tone for each game,” Head Coach Scott Laverty said prior to the April 22 game.

The Panthers (22-14, 16-8) did just that, holding La Verne scoreless through the first three innings while Chapman’s offense got going quickly and scored two runs in the first inning.

Chapman picked up another run from freshman infielder Andrew Mendonca and a single from freshman infielder Jarrod Penniman. La Verne (17-18, 10-14) came back with two runs of its own in the bottom of the fourth inning, but Zickeloo responded with a two run home run in the fifth. La Verne scored three more runs in the bottom of the fifth to tie the game at 5-5.

La Verne would not score another run in the rest of the game as freshman pitcher Mason Collins came into the game in the sixth inning and pitched four scoreless innings. Nickel responded with another run in the top of the fifth to lead by three. Chase,” Ploessel said before the game.

“Whenever we stay within ourselves and our abilities we can put together some great games,” Penniman said. “Getting hot right before playoffs is huge because confidence plays a big part in how we handle ourselves out on the field. Chapman’s baseball team clinched a postseason berth after splitting the final two games of its series against La Verne University April 23. The Panthers fell 11-7 in the first game, but rallied back to win the second 10-3.

“We have been fighting all season after a tough start and a few key injuries, so to battle back and to be where we are at this point in the season is awesome,” said Head Coach Scott Laverty.

Chapman (22-14, 16-8) got off to a quick start in the morning game and built up a 4-1 lead heading into the fourth inning. Unfortunately for the Panthers, La Verne (17-18, 10-4) drove in 10 runs in the next three innings. Chapman scored three runs of its own in the same innings, but it would not be enough. La Verne would end up with a win, which temporarily set the tone for each game,” Head Coach Scott Laverty said prior to the April 22 game.

Women’s water polo finishes fourth in conference

Chapman’s baseball team wins 2 of 3 final regular season games