

## One hand on the title

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Senior defensive lineman Adam O'Shea holds the conference championship trophy after a one-handed interception secured Chapman's 46-38 win Oct. 28.



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About 30 people attended a rally in the Attallah Piazza Oct. 24 to support the rights of homeless people in Orange County. News, Page 3



Early Sunday morning, a drunk driver hit two Chapman students' cars, which were unattended and parked.

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A soccer assistant coach's sister lost her house and most of her ranch in the Northern California fires.

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# Students' cars hit in DUI collision near campus

**Kate Hoover** | Assistant News Editor

A drunk driver hit two unattended parked cars owned by Chapman students five blocks from campus. The collision took place near East Walnut Avenue and Maplewood Street in the early morning Oct. 29, according to the Orange Police Department.

Both parked cars belonged to Chapman students, said Carson Shevitz, a sophomore business administration major who was one of the first to arrive at the scene.

It was not clear at press time the extent of the damage to the cars.

The car that was hit first and sustained the most damage belonged to Leah Woienski, a junior health sciences major, Shevitz said. Woienski, who drove a white Toyota Camry, said she arrived "coincidentally," after Shevitz — who was already there — asked her to take a friend home from the area.

"I was in so much shock. I was so not anticipating that happening. I panicked," Woienski told *The Panther*.

No one was injured in the collision, Orange Police Department Public Information Officer Sgt. Phillip McMullin told *The Panther*.

Shevitz, who arrived before the police, said he was driving a Chapman student back from a party when he pulled onto Walnut Avenue and saw a car "flipped on its side," he said. He arrived just after the driver had gotten out of the passenger side of his car.

"He was just standing in the middle of the road, it was obvious that he was very confused," Shevitz said.



Photo courtesy of Leah Woienski

A drunk driver's car flipped on its side (left) and collided with junior health sciences major Leah Woienski's parked, unattended Toyota Camry (right) in the early morning Oct. 29.

"We jumped out and started talking to him."

Woienski said that she did not speak to the drunk driver, 26-year-old

Orange resident Ricardo Barron, who was arrested.

Barron had left his phone and wallet in the car, Shevitz said, and "couldn't call anyone."

"He didn't know what was going on or what to do," Shevitz said.

When the driver emerged from his car, he was dressed in a Ghostbusters Halloween costume, Shevitz told *The Panther*. Shevitz said that Barron got out of his car "perfectly fine" and that he didn't appear to be injured.

Shevitz saw Chapman University parking stickers on all three of the cars involved in the collision — including Barron's — which led him to believe that the drunk driver may have been a Chapman student, he said.

However, Dean of Students Jerry Price wrote in an email to *The Panther* Oct. 29 that his review of the student database "shows no student with that (Ricardo Barron) name."

The police arrived on scene after receiving a call at 3:10 a.m. for a traffic collision and detained the driver for suspicion of drunk driving, McMullin said.

The driver was arrested for driving under the influence and was taken to the police department. He was released from the police department at 6:30 a.m. after being given a citation, McMullin said.

*Sabrina Santoro, Emma Reith and Maggie Mayer contributed to this report.*

# Nev Schulman talks 'Catfish' and sending nudes

*The producer and co-host of MTV's 'Catfish' spoke in Memorial Hall*

**Lorig Yaghezian** | Features Editor

Yaniv "Nev" Schulman, the producer and co-host of MTV's "Catfish: The TV Show," got personal Oct. 24, discussing everything from his hairy chest and sending nude photos to honesty and self-esteem at the University Program Board (UPB)'s fall speaker event.

"It is really hard to take an attractive photo of the male genitalia," Schulman said during his talk. "There is a reason they call it 'junk.' I doubt any women swoon over the picture. It's just gross."

"Catfish" helps people in online relationships find out if their significant other is using his or her true identity.

The event, hosted in Memorial Hall, was free to students, and cost UPB \$15,500, said Riddhi Mehra, UPB's director of awareness.

"(Schulman) talks about social media, which is very relevant to students and is different than what we have done in the past," Mehra said. "Everyone is on social media and talking to different people. You never know who you are actually talking to, so we thought it would be a great way to spread awareness."

The event was originally scheduled for Oct. 11, but was rescheduled after Schulman had a death in his family.

Natalie Brown, a freshman business administration major, was catfished when she was younger, which made her want to attend the event, she said. A catfish is someone who creates a false identity on social media outlets like Facebook, Schulman said.

"My best friend pretended to be a



IAN CRADDOCK Staff Photographer

Nev Schulman, the producer and co-host of MTV's "Catfish: The TV Show," spoke to *The Panther* before talking to students about nude photos and honesty in Memorial Hall Oct. 24. Go to [thepantheronline.com](http://thepantheronline.com) to read a Q&A with Schulman.

boy who I had a crush on," Brown said. "She gave me a fake number and continuously texted me for months."

Brown realized she was being catfished when she found her crush's Facebook and discovered that the last name of the person she was texting and the one on his Facebook profile did not match.

Jennifer Johnson, a junior graphic

design major, said that she attended because of the prevalence of catfishing in today's culture, she said.

"I have been watching 'Catfish' since it came out," Johnson said. "My favorite part was learning about (Schulman's) life before the show, since we don't see that."

Dante Clark, a freshman business administration major, had never seen

the show, but heard from his friends that Schulman had an interesting perspective about online communication.

"I enjoyed how (Schulman) paralleled the 'Catfish' show with actual lessons in life," he said. "Now I want to watch the show."

# 'Being homeless is not a crime'

## Students lead rally to support county homeless population

Kate Hoover | Assistant News Editor

About 30 students, faculty and Orange residents attended a rally in the Attallah Piazza to support the rights of homeless people and advocate for permanent supportive housing in Orange County.

The Oct. 24 rally made its way to the Orange City Council chambers, with ralliers holding signs that read, "Being homeless is not a crime," "Where can they go?" and "No unjust eviction," while chanting, "When homeless rights are under attack, what do we do? Stand up, fight back."

"It was absolutely important to hold this rally and mobilize Chapman students to become engaged in homeless rights activism," said senior political science major Brad West, who organized the rally. "It was for Chapman students to give a voice to the people in the riverbed."

One of the items on the council's agenda was an ordinance that would prohibit the act of "aggressive solicitation," or when a solicitor "coerces, threatens, hounds or intimidates another."

All the students, faculty and residents who attended the rally addressed the council to oppose the ordinance, but the council unanimously approved the first reading. If the second reading is approved at the Nov. 14 meeting, it will take effect in the next 30 days.

"We made our voices heard. Nobody said democracy was a convenient process," said Juan Bustillo, a junior political science and screenwriting major who attended the rally. "I would call it a success overall, even though we didn't get what we wanted."

The turnout for the rally was higher than the protest against homeless displacement at the Santa Ana Civic Center that West and senior peace studies and political science major Atty McLellan organized in February,



JACKIE COHEN Photo Editor

Brad West, a senior political science major, was one of the organizers for a rally held in the Attallah Piazza in support of the homeless population in Orange County before the Oct. 24 city council meeting.

West said. Ten people, four of whom were Chapman students, attended the protest last February.

"I was more impressed by, not necessarily the quantity, but the quality of the people that came out," West said. "Almost everyone there marched down the street (to the city council meeting) and waited three hours to speak for three minutes."

It's especially important for Chapman students to engage in this issue, said Daniel Espiritu, a sophomore political science major who attended the rally and spoke at the city council meeting.

"We don't all necessarily come from affluent positions, but the fact that we're at a university does show that we have a lot of privilege," Espiritu told The Panther. "We need to be

using that privilege to speak up for people who don't have the means of coming down here and fighting for themselves."

Richard Faulkner, a professor at the Dale E. Fowler School of Law and one of the guest speakers during the rally, spoke about the importance of Chapman students getting involved.

"College students are citizens like everyone else. It's important for all of us to get involved. This really is something where everyone can make a difference for these most vulnerable people, and that starts with college students," Faulkner told The Panther.

Nika Darrin, a senior kinesiology and peace studies major who attended the rally, studied abroad in South Africa last semester, where she learned a lot about poverty and homelessness

issues firsthand, she said.

"I thought this rally would be a good place to go and voice my opinion and at least try to make a difference," she said.

Kendra Klint, a junior sociology major, also attended the rally.

"Homelessness is a really prevalent issue in our community. It's right in our backyard," she said. "I think it's important that we stand up for people that don't have the means to do it themselves."

Turn to page 12 to read a column about students getting involved in the community.

Go to [thepantheronline.com](http://thepantheronline.com) to watch a video from the rally.

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# Nearly 90 on waitlist for counseling

## SGA president proposes resolution to aid mental health services

Emma Reith | Staff Writer

Nearly 90 students are on the waitlist for the Student Psychological Counseling Services, said Student Government President Mitchell Rosenberg during the Oct. 27 senate meeting.

Director of Psychological Counseling Services Jeanne Walker confirmed the length of the waitlist, and said most of the increase is due to recent events like the Las Vegas shooting and the fires in Anaheim Hills and Sonoma County. The waitlist size is typically 20 to 30 students.

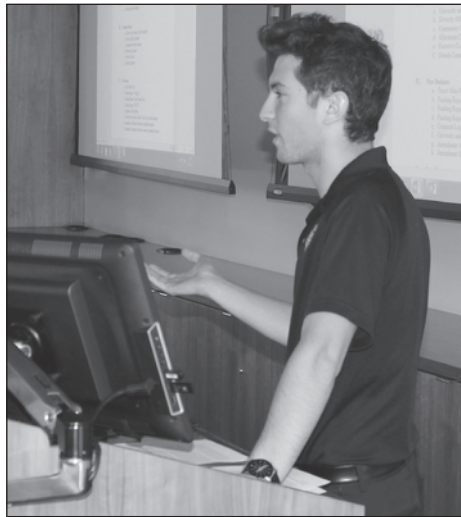
"An anomaly of events have occurred recently, causing many students to seek psychological help from the university," Walker said. "It's difficult to not be able to see all of the students in a timely way."

Student Psychological Counseling Services has seven staff members that are qualified to speak with students about mental health issues.

"We're now going to push this on an expedited timeline," Rosenberg said. "That may put the administration in a tough place, because they're going to have to figure it out, but we are going to push until we see results that are helping the students."

Walker is optimistic that the university can provide more mental health resources to students soon, she said.

"I feel confident that the university will help us, but I don't know what that's really going to look like," Walker said.



GRACIE FLEISCHMAN Staff Photographer  
Student Government President Mitchell Rosenberg proposed to draft a resolution to help mental health services on campus at the Oct. 27 senate meeting.

Rosenberg said at the Oct. 27 senate meeting that he plans to draft a resolution with other student government members to help with mental health services. The resolution will eventually be given to the administration.

Chapman administrators could not be immediately reached for comment.

"The point of a resolution is for us to show our support – also known as the student body's support – for certain issues, so that the administration will really do something about it," he said.

Active Minds, a club that pro-

vides resources to help students with psychological needs, assists students who can't get help from the university by giving out their personal contact information to get coffee with students who are "in need," said Active Minds executive board member Hayley Funk.

"If someone is going through a hard time and needs support, you can't just not give them an outlet for help," Funk said.

When a student seeks psychological help from the university, they take a survey ranking their severity of mental health issues, typically on a scale of one to five, with one being completely stable and five being in a state of mental emergency, Funk said.

It's difficult to get in to the psychological center if it isn't an emergency, Funk said.

Active Minds, has meetings with up to 60 students who speak about their mental health issues, how they can help other students on campus, and participate in stress-relieving activities and exercises.

Active Minds is not a peer counseling group, but it is a safe place to help students get the resources they need, Funk said. The group plans to pair with student government to expand the psychological center, both in physical office expansion and in the addition of new therapists, she said.

## Senate updates

### Oct. 27 meeting

#### Mental health resolution

President Mitchell Rosenberg spoke at the senate meeting to discuss the 90 students on Chapman's Student Psychological Counseling Services waitlist, and announced his plans to draft a resolution to help with this issue.

"We are going to do everything in our power to make sure (students) receive the help that they need," Rosenberg said.

#### Funding requests

Young Life, a student ministry club, submitted a funding request to attend an annual conference in New York City. The club is requesting the maximum of \$750 per person, due to a new cap on conference funding requests. The request would cover three Chapman students' lodging and food for the conference. The request was approved.

#### Allocations committee

The allocations committee recommended that the senate partially fund the Queer and Trans People of Color Collective's second annual Queer & Trans Youth Holiday Giving Banquet. The request, totaling at \$2,679.97 for catering for 150 to 200 attendees and decorations for the event, would fund food for about 100 non-Chapman students. The request was tabled so a representative from the club can present at a future meeting.

#### Fitness center

Assistant Director of Student Engagement Michael Keyser attended the senate meeting to discuss the Julianne Argyros Fitness Center.

Fifty-two percent of students reported that their expectations for the fitness center are not being met. The fitness center usage comprises 97 percent of overall fitness participation, according to an infographic in Keyser's presentation.

Read the full senate updates at [thepantheronline.com](http://thepantheronline.com).

Compiled by Emma Reith

# SGA passes absence policy amendment

Sabrina Santoro | News Editor

Senators won't automatically be brought up for censure after four absences anymore, as student government unanimously passed an amendment to the absence policy at the senate meeting Oct. 20.

A censure is a formal disapproval in front of the senate when a senator has acquired four absences or demonstrates unsatisfactory behavior.

Last school year, three senators were censured for acquiring four absences, according to The Panther archives.

The student body also passed a proposal April 3 to restructure the senate, reducing the total number of senators from 29 to 16.

The amendment, which was proposed by Speaker of Senate Alex Ballard, will allow the president, vice president and speaker of senate to decide whether a censure is added to the agenda at the next senate meeting if a senator has four absences. Right now, a censure is automatically added to the agenda to be brought before the senate if a senator has four absences.

"This new amendment is a final product of many weeks of discussion that we have been having internally within (student government) with regards to accountability," Ballard said.

The amendment aims to balance accountability for senators while also taking situations like family deaths, hospitalizations or emergencies into account.

"The new policy does not change our policy that we have in place right now, where we have a certain number of absences regardless of excused or unexcused," Ballard said. "If it's for a family emergency, it's still counted



GRACIE FLEISCHMAN Staff Photographer

Speaker of Senate Alex Ballard proposed an amendment to the absence policy, changing how censures work. The senate unanimously passed the amendment Oct. 20.

toward your total, so really, we're not excusing anything."

Vice President Sarah Tabsh previously proposed an amendment to the senate attendance policies at the Oct. 13 senate meeting that would allow absences to be excused by the vice president under "extenuating circumstances."

That amendment proposal, which the senate denied, would have allowed only three unexcused absences, as opposed to the four absences currently allowed. Tabsh said that the amendment would have created a loophole, because the "discretion" of the future vice presidents is subjective.

Schmid College of Science and Technology Senator Alyssa Nowlen said at the Oct. 13 senate meeting that she doesn't think student government needs an absence policy.

"We should all be here," Nowlen said during the meeting. "We have a responsibility in doing so."

Ian Policarpio, the College of Performing Arts senator, disagreed and supported the need for an amendment to the absence policy.

"Being in the hospital isn't exactly a conflict of priorities, your parents dying isn't exactly a conflict of priorities," Policarpio said at the senate meeting.

## INCIDENT LOG

### Oct. 20

Two Chapman students were involved in a physical altercation at the Conference Center Lot. One student failed to identify himself and left the scene.

Unknown subjects entered the Center for Science and Technology construction site and removed copper wire.

An unknown subject removed clothing from the laundry room in the Sandhu Residence Center.

### Oct. 23

An unknown subject removed a bicycle that was locked and secured to a rack outside of the Walmart Theatre.

### Oct. 24

Unknown subject(s) took a bicycle from a bike rack outside of Beckman Hall.

Compiled by Kate Hoover from the *Public Safety daily crime log*

**Correction:** Due to an editor's error, the story, "University releases annual campus climate survey results" published in print Oct. 23, misstated a statistic about the percentage of survey respondents who reported experiencing nonconsensual sexual contact or removal of clothing. This information has been corrected online.

Turn to page 12 to read an editorial on fact-checking in *The Panther*.



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# Student voting rates rise more than 10 percent

Blake Waddell | Staff Writer

Voting among Chapman students rose more than 10 percent from the 2012 to 2016 presidential election, according to a report released in August by the National Study of Learning, Voting and Engagement.

The voting rate at Chapman increased from 46.6 percent in 2012 to 57.2 percent in 2016, and more than 3 percent nationwide, according to the study. The report found that Chapman students voted at a rate of about 6 percent higher than the average of the institutions that participated in the report.

The report collected data from more than 1,000 colleges and nearly 10 million students. The largest increase in voting habits at Chapman and nationwide was among millennials, or those born between 1982 and 2000.

"On election night, there was a narrative (about) participation decreasing slightly among millennials that was mostly based off exit polling, but this report shows differently," said Spencer Dixon, the partnership coordinator for Young Invincibles, a nonpartisan nonprofit dedicated to helping students register to vote. "Millennials want to be involved in the process."

Dixon said that as a millennial, he cared the most about issues like the cost of higher education and access to healthcare.

"(The candidates) have issues that people care about. Given the necessary knowledge and information, millennials will get involved," Dixon said.

Nationwide, voting increased the most in Hispanic and Asian populations, by 7 percent and 7.8 percent respectively.

Jeffrey Haskell, a senior creative producing and computer science

major, believes that President Donald Trump's rhetoric degraded these communities, leading them to vote against him, he said.

"With a lot of the hate speech Trump said toward the Latino community with the (talk of) deportation and a lot of his degrading comments he said toward China and the manipulation of currency, those two ethnic groups were targeted by Trump," Haskell said.

Both presidential candidates in the 2016 election used social media effectively, which led them to reach a larger number of millennials than in 2012, Haskell said. Since millennials spend so much time on social media, they were exposed to more political news and content, he said.

"Trump understood the social media aspect and took hold of it, and really pushed his campaign that way," Haskell said. "I think Hillary Clinton also understood how important social media is nowadays."

The difficulty students encounter registering to vote is a result of a lack of knowledge, Dixon said.

"For many students, it is their first election, and the first of anything has barriers," Dixon said. "Students don't know (about the voting process). The institutions are in a unique role in providing students that information."

At Chapman, Civic Engagement started the "CU at the Booths" initiative following the 2012 election, which helps Chapman students register and vote in elections. They provided several resources on campus during the 2016 election season to prepare students for the election, like National Voter Registration Day, screenings of presidential debates, student political debates and shuttles to polling stations on Election Day.

"We've put forth a lot of effort

related to voter engagement, voter registration, ballot access and day-of get-out-the-vote efforts," said Justin Koppelman, the associate director of civic engagement initiatives at Chapman. "The election itself was a

really high-profile one that certainly involved a lot of hatred among college students across the country."

## Chapman votes: by the numbers



### Overall voting rate

2012 46.6%

2016 52.7%

### Undergraduate student voting rate

2012 43%

2016 52.5%

### Graduate student voting rate

2012 47.9%

2016 58.1%

### Female voting rate

2012 55.7%

2016 68.7%

### Male voting rate

2012 51.3%

2016 62.1%

Source: National Study of Learning, Voting and Engagement

Graphic by EMMA STESSMAN Art Director

Voting rates rose 10 percent among Chapman students in the 2016 presidential election compared to the 2012 election, according to a report released by the National Study of Learning, Voting and Engagement.

# Stop sign proposed at intersection near dorms

Lou Vanhecke | Staff Writer

Student government senator Wil Harris proposed to add a stop sign to the intersection of Rose Avenue and Grand Street, near the entrance of the Jim Miller Parking Structure.

"I received multiple notes from students about the intersection, saying that people were 'suicidally driving' through the intersection," said Harris, a student organization senator. "I thought the concern was sufficient enough to look into the topic, so I brought it up (Oct. 13) at the senate meeting."

Adding a stop sign to the intersection is under need-based consideration, said Paul Sitkoff, the Orange public affairs and information officer. He said that there is no data to support a stop sign being placed.

"There have been little to no traffic collisions at that intersection brought to the city's attention," Sitkoff said.

A few students approached Harris two weeks ago when student government tabled in the Attallah Piazza, the students were concerned about the safety of the intersection, he said. After presenting the initiative during the senate meeting, he spoke with Orange traffic officials, but said that the city acts based upon community interest.

"They're reactive, not proactive," Harris said. "I understood that it would be up to us to ask them for a stop sign."

Although students voiced concern to Harris about the intersection, other Chapman students have been wary of



JACKIE COHEN Photo Editor

Student Organizations Senator Wil Harris proposed adding a stop sign at the intersection of Rose Avenue and Grand Street, near the entrance to the Jim Miller Parking Structure.

a stop sign's impact on the intersection.

"I think a stop sign at the Rose and Grand intersection might confuse people, especially because there is an intersection about 300 yards behind it," said John Giammona, a sophomore history major who lives in the Sandhu Residence Hall. "It's not something that I would've thought was a problem, either. It seems to me that not many people drive (on) that

street in the first place."

But Harris believes a sign would keep students safe. He observed the intersection last week and saw idle cars in the street, students disregarding oncoming traffic and jaywalking students.

"Right now, I'm driving blind, and I don't know if there is oncoming traffic," said Chandana Srinivas, a senior strategic and corporate communications major and Sandhu resident

advisor. "I think a stop sign would increase the chances of safety for both drivers and pedestrians."

Because there isn't traffic data for the intersection, Harris is working with Greg Warren, the Orange administrative manager, to complete a traffic survey.

The city has other projects, so the response to this initiative has been slow, Harris said. He hopes Orange will complete a traffic survey in late November, but wants to gain more student support before then, he said.

"I will be working with Residence Life staff and students who live in Chapman-provided housing to spread awareness about the dangers that come at the intersection," Harris said. "From what I have witnessed from that intersection myself, drivers just don't stop."

If a community member brings an initiative like Harris's to the city's attention, the request is considered important, Sitkoff said. However, Harris is prepared to start a petition if the request for a stop sign is denied.

"If the city comes back and says they don't think a stop sign is necessary, I will start petitions and try to build a portfolio of information to present them with input from both students and residents who live by the intersection," Harris said. "I am more than happy to pursue this if the city says no."

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# Starting to rebuild

## Sister of women's soccer coach loses home in Northern California fire

Jacob Hutchinson | Sports Editor

Missy Lely was in her pajamas when she heard a pounding on her door. It was just before midnight Oct. 8, and she and her husband, Austin Lely, hadn't been sleeping well. The winds were howling against the roof of their Glen Ellen home in Sonoma County, California.

They opened the door to their neighbor.

"There was a fire," the neighbor said. "We have to get out now."

Immediately, the Lelys thought of their animals: 350 chickens, 12 cows, two goats and their bluetick coonhound, Uka. As they ran to check on them, the Lelys looked up at a nearby hill. At the crest of the ridge, they saw a wall of flames creeping into the valley where their home and 450-acre ranch lay.

"It literally felt like we were in the apocalypse, like the world was going to end," said Missy Lely, whose brother, Josh Johnson, is the assistant women's soccer coach at Chapman.

The Lelys' home was one of many destroyed by the Nuns fire, which started Oct. 8. It is one of the 17 fires in and around Sonoma County that have destroyed some Chapman students' childhood homes. The Nuns fire is 95 percent contained and has destroyed 56,556 acres of land as of Oct. 27, according to CalFire. Full containment is expected by Oct. 31.

The Lelys had minutes to act that night. There was no time to save anything nonessential and they had to leave behind a truck, SUV, utility vehicle, two vans and their new dual-suspension mountain bikes.

Missy Lely said they grabbed Uka, her wedding band, their wedding video, a laptop and some cash they'd saved.

"That was the worst night of my life," Missy Lely said. "I was just thinking the worst. It mostly had to



Courtesy of Missy Lely  
Austin and Missy Lely evacuated their home the night of Oct. 8 after firefighters told them to leave. When they returned the next morning, some of their 450-acre ranch was still in flames.

do with thinking about the potential of the animals burning alive. I was sick to my stomach thinking about all that."

The Lelys drove back to Glen Ellen the next morning, and a good portion of the ranch was still on fire when they arrived, Missy Lely said. While seven of the 10 structures on the ranch, including their home, were destroyed, the Lelys found all animals alive.

"It was crazy," Lely said. "Not one of them were injured. The fire burnt through the whole pasture they were in."

Glen Ellen residents were cleared to return to their homes Oct. 22, two weeks after the fire began.

Lely estimates that the damage to their home and business is about \$250,000 to \$300,000, but the amount of damage to the property as a whole was even more.

The Lelys applied for Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA)

aid days after the fire.

While the Lelys wait for their claims to process, they have one other way to compensate some of their losses. Missy Lely's brother, Josh Johnson, has set up a GoFundMe for the Lelys. As of Oct. 29, it has raised \$8,995 of its \$150,000 goal.

"I'm thankful that my brother started (it)," Missy Lely said. "It's rallying to get money together for us to rebuild — even to rebuild our personal lives, because there is a lot of stuff we lost."

The siblings have been close since growing up in their 600-person hometown of Groveland, California, just outside of Yosemite National Park, she said.

They spent most of their time running outdoors and swimming in Pine Mountain Lake, which their house sat on.

Missy Lely said that Johnson has helped her in more ways than she could have imagined.

"He would drop everything he was

doing to help us out, and he got on it right away," she said. "That's a good brother. He's here no matter what."

Playing and now coaching soccer has provided an outlet for Johnson, he said.

"It's (was) a rough week, to say the least," Johnson said. "Soccer has always been freedom for me. I can just be in the moment around the game I love, instead of worrying about the livelihood of my sister."

Johnson plans to drive to see the Lelys in November after the women's soccer season ends, he said.

In the meantime, the Lelys have pushed on with physically demanding work that, in combination with the poor air quality, has left Missy Lely with a bad cough and congestion, she said.

Until the Environmental Protection Agency removes the hazardous materials on their property, the Lelys cannot begin to clean up the rubble themselves. Waste management companies aren't even allowed in the area yet, Missy Lely said.

While the Lelys wait to rebuild their property, they are tending to their animals and cleaning up their ranch, starting with the trees that fell or burned during the high winds.

Missy Lely said that since the fire, she and her husband had two options: either dwell on the past, or look forward in a positive way.

"There is no sense for us to give up when we feel like what we're doing is good for people and the planet," Missy Lely said. "We're very passionate about what we do, so that's what we have to keep doing. We did think about resorting to our plan B, which was moving to (Lake) Tahoe and living a life of recreation, and starting a little family. But at the end of the day, we both just feel like we still have to work toward our goals."

Read the full story on [thepantheronline.com](http://thepantheronline.com).

# California first to legally recognize third gender

Lou Vanhecke | Staff Writer

*A name in this story has been changed because the person is not out as nonbinary to their family.*

When Randy, a freshman news and documentary major, paid with a debit card at Jamba Juice, the cashier did a double take. The name on the card did not correlate with Randy's gender, making them angry, yet not surprised.

"The cashier thought I might've stolen the debit card," said Randy, who uses they/them/their pronouns and requested anonymity. "Unfortunately, this happens pretty often."

But with California becoming the first state to legally recognize nonbinary as a third gender, an everyday occurrence like using a debit card may change. The Gender Recognition Bill was signed Oct. 16, and will allow a third gender to be issued on California driver's licenses, IDs and birth certificates.

"This means to me that my identity exists," said Mariela Chaidez, a sophomore digital arts major who identifies as nonbinary. "I'd love to be able to say 'I'm nonbinary' whenever there could be a question about it. I would love to not have to give an expected explanation."

Like Chaidez, Randy hopes the acceptance of the third gender will become more prevalent with the new legislation. With that hope comes a conversation about the third gender, as Hynes said that many people don't ac-

cept what they might not understand.

Starting in January 2018, a trip to the Department of Motor Vehicles or the legal change of a California-issued identification will come with a new sense of inclusivity, Randy said. Oregon was the first state to offer "non-specified" gender options on ID cards June 9, which allowed people who identify as nonbinary to leave the gender blank on their ID, according to The New York Times. But California takes this further by legally recognizing nonbinary residents' genders on their licenses.

Some Chapman students who identify as nonbinary, as well as allies of the LGBTQIA+ community, appreciate the new legislation.

"My best friend is nonbinary, and it makes me happy that their identity is finally being legally recognized," said Nick Curl, a junior television writing and production major. "This shows our state is moving in a more progressive and accepting direction."

Curl's desire for a more inclusive state is part of the Gender Recognition Bill's purpose, written within the bill that "every person deserves full legal recognition and equal treatment under the law."

"(The bill) will keep California at the forefront of (LGBTQIA+) civil rights," said Sen. Toni Atkins, the Democratic representative who introduced the bill, at a Capitol news conference, according to the Los Angeles Times.

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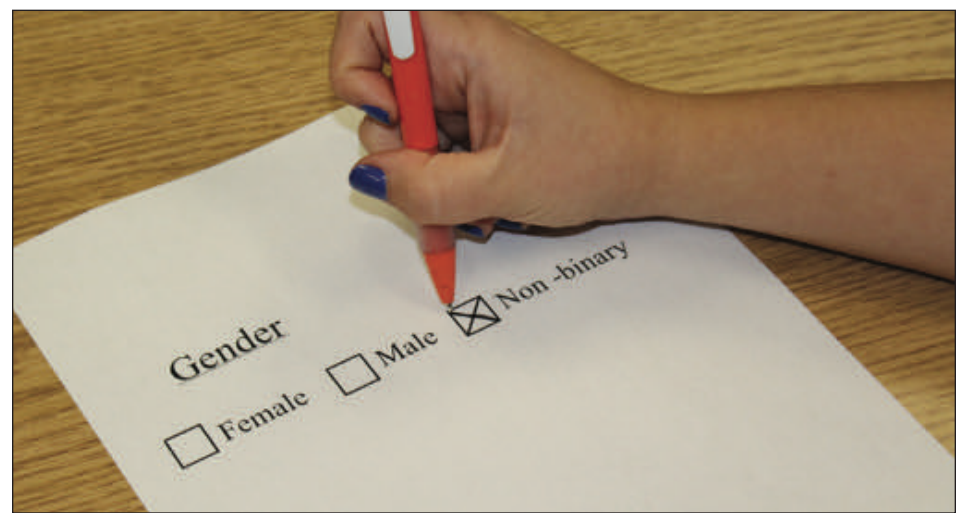


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A new bill will allow California residents to identify as nonbinary in legal documents beginning January 2018.

inclusiveness is great progress, said Dean of Students Jerry Price.

Law school professor Denis Binder, who instructs diversity and social justice, expanded on California's role in the country as a leader of policy and progressiveness.

"Experts say California leads the nation and sets the path on social issues," Binder wrote in an email to The Panther. "Very progressive blue states might follow California's lead on the driver's license."

Binder hasn't heard much negative discussion about the bill, he said. The only way he believes this bill could become controversial is because of restroom and gender arguments. Despite

these potential debates, Chapman added a gender-neutral restroom to Argyros Forum in September.

Although Curl does not identify as nonbinary, he hopes people will have more respect for those who identify as nonbinary because of the bill.

"In my experience, people are afraid of what they don't know and understand, and once they learn about that thing, the fear washes away," Curl said. "I'd encourage people to step out of their comfort zones and learn about people's experiences other than their own."



# Chapman veterans agree with Trump's condolences

Leslie Song | Staff Writer

Ryan King, a senior philosophy and biochemistry major, watched a soldier die during combat in April 2011. He lost a friend, but he also had to live with knowing that someone died to save his life. When King spoke with the fallen soldier's family, he couldn't find the right words to say.

King, who was active in the military from 2007 to 2012, felt like he didn't do the soldier justice.

Like King, President Donald Trump was recently expected to give condolences to a family suffering from a tragic loss, when four American soldiers were killed in Niger after an ambush attack Oct. 4, according to *The New York Times*. Trump caused controversy by waiting 12 days to contact the victims' grieving families. However, some veterans at Chapman disagree with the backlash, such as King, who believes that Trump was only trying to do the right thing.

"(Trump) meant well, and he is not someone who is good at speaking, but I don't think he intended to do any harm," said King, who considers himself a centrist. "He was trying to console (the family) and show that we owe a debt of gratitude."

Trump told Myeshia Johnson, the wife of slain Sgt. La David Johnson, who was involved in the Niger ambush, "He knew what he was signing up for, but I guess it hurts anyway."

Johnson's family accused Trump of disrespecting their family, alleging that Trump could not even remember the deceased soldier's name.

King agrees that the military is built from volunteers and anyone who signs up knows the responsibilities and consequences that can occur. The men in Niger not only volunteered



Photo courtesy of Ben Olson  
Ben Olson, a senior political science major (left), stands with fellow soldiers in Afghanistan. He served from 2008-2015.

to go into combat arms, but also to be a part of the special operations committee, where the commitment is even greater, King said.

King did not appreciate that the conversation between the deceased soldier's widow and Trump became publicized, he said. The exchanges between a suffering family and the commander in chief is sacred and should stay private, King said.

"It's frustrating that we're bringing

this up. Stop dragging the military who have fallen into the mud," King said.

Ben Olson, a senior political science major and who served in the military from 2008-2015, wasn't offended by Trump's comments to the widow of the fallen soldier either.

"A lot of people have a hard time remembering that this isn't the only thing that's happening. For the president to take a week or even a month

getting around to (acknowledging the event), it didn't bother me. Just the fact that he took the time to make those phone calls is pretty significant," Olson said.

It is not listed as a formal obligation for the commander in chief to reach out to the families of slain soldiers, according to the White House. However, Trump and his predecessors have offered condolences in the past.

In April, Staff Sgt. Mark De Alencar of Army Special Forces was the first soldier to be killed in Afghanistan, which resulted in a call home from Trump, according to *The New York Times*. The exchange between the widow, Natasha De Alencar, and Trump was recorded by a civilian and released to the public.

Kyndra Rotunda, a military and international law professor at Chapman, also defended Trump's comments to Johnson.

"We have to consider the intention behind our words and I think (Trump's) intention was a good one. That really is unfortunate because I don't think his intention, nor any commander in chief, would be to worsen an already horrifying situation," Rotunda said.

In September 2011, during George W. Bush's presidency, Rotunda worked as a lawyer at the Walter Reed Army Medical Center in Washington, D.C., and witnessed the first group of victims after 9/11, she said. Bush would visit frequently and offer his support, Rotunda said.

"It's hard to know exactly what to say. But at that time, Bush came to the hospital constantly. He was always there to see wounded troops and to talk to family members. When the commander in chief is sending soldiers off to war, that's how it should be," Rotunda said.



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The iPhone X, which includes features like facial recognition and a 12-megapixel camera, will be released Nov. 3. Visit [thepantheronline.com](http://thepantheronline.com) to read students' opinions about the new iPhone.

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The Zombie Frappuccino is available from Oct. 26 to Oct. 31.

## Zombie Frappuccino will give you a sugary death

Jackie Cohen | Photo Editor

The Zombie Frappuccino at Starbucks has enough sugar to bring back the undead.

A tall Zombie Frappuccino has 35

grams of sugar and costs \$4.75, while regular frappuccinos of the same sizes are usually \$4.45. The drink is only available Oct. 26 to Oct. 31.

The frappuccino, which is apple- and caramel-flavored, definitely

matches the pumpkin patch fall aesthetic. The green apple-caramel base has “blood” dripping down, which is called zombie mocha drizzle, according to Starbucks’ website. The zombie mocha drizzle takes some time to drip down the apple-caramel base, but as it does, it looks more like blood. It is topped off with “brains,” which is pink whipped cream, said a barista at Starbucks in Carmel Valley.

Every time Starbucks releases a limited-time frappuccino, it’s odd that it doesn’t use more normal flavors. The Halloween frappuccino available in the U.K., the Vampire Frappuccino, consists of mocha with strawberry syrup. That sounds a lot more appetizing - and normal - than a bright green caramel apple frappuccino. It seems like Starbucks is trying to make its drinks sound healthy by making them fruit-flavored, but the closest thing the frappuccino had to fruit was fruit and vegetable coloring, according to the drink’s ingredients on Starbucks’ website.

To create this aesthetically pleasing frappuccino, baristas use a lot of food coloring. The coloring on the Zombie Frappuccino, however, was much less intense than the Unicorn Frappuccino’s colors, which was available April 19 to 23. With its slightly tamer pink and green coloring, which are much more common on the Starbucks menu than

bright blue and hot pink, the Zombie Frappuccino almost blends in with other Starbucks options.

Besides having more sugar than a 1-ounce tub of cotton candy, the Zombie Frappuccino was unbearably sweet, to the point that I only drank a few sips before throwing it out. It is interesting that the Zombie Frappuccino was so sweet, considering a coffee frappuccino has the same amount of sugar. The green base tasted exactly how the sun-ripened raspberry body wash from Bath and Body Works smells. The frappuccino is supposed to be apple-caramel flavored, but it tastes more like white chocolate with raspberries and a lot of extra sugar. The fruitiness tasted completely artificial... which it is.

While the drink is blended, the creaminess makes it taste even more sickeningly sweet. If you really wanted a fruity, refreshing drink to get through the 100-degree weather, you should turn to Starbucks’ refreshers or iced teas, because the only thing the Zombie Frappuccino is going to make cool is your Instagram aesthetic.



Netflix Media Center

“Stranger Things 2” was released Oct. 27.

## Season two brings even ‘Stranger Things’

Claire Treu | Contributor

“Stranger Things 2,” which was released on Netflix Oct. 27, is even

more thrilling than the first season. “It’s cliché to say ‘bigger and darker,’ but that’s really what we tried to do,” said “Stranger Things” co-creator and

Chapman alumnus Matt Duffer ‘07, according to Deadline.

Bigger and darker is exactly what he delivered. Not for the faint of heart, “Stranger Things 2” is hair-raising, plot-twisting and addictive.

In season two, the original and fearless preteen gang of Mike, Lucas, Will and Dustin is faced with yet another problem from the “Upside Down” dimension. A growing shadow inside Will starts to lash out while unusual events reveal a ghostly presence in Hawkins, Indiana. The friends team up with new and old characters in nine new chapters of friendship, romance, family and death.

Without compromising familiar and beloved characters from season one, six new characters enter the stage this season. The addition of more developed and independent female characters actively enhances the story. It was most exciting this season to see each character develop. You really feel like you are part of the Hawkins group, not to mention the growing love story between Eleven and Mike, even after so much time apart.

Provoking music combined with intense and powerful camera angles will keep your heart racing and eyes glued to the screen. Using a variety of camera angles and shots, the viewer can step into the scene with the characters. The music, released a week earlier on Spotify, helps viewers

relate to the sci-fi feeling of the show, especially when focusing on characters with supernatural gifts, like Eleven and Will.

The cinematography and visual effects are what make this season better than the first. While gory to some, the animations are well done and often terrifying. Visual effects make the “Upside Down” and Will’s visions more realistic. Two unexpected and bloody deaths are intensified with convincing animations of the Demogorgon, which is a monster, and its army.

Chapter five is the best episode in the sequel. This episode builds the plot while revealing lingering questions from season one. Characters start to build stronger bonds and love stories heat up.

The closing scene in chapter nine foreshadows another season. Can the Duffer Brothers top themselves with a possible “Stranger Things 3”?

Anyone who is ready to binge should watch this season. I am thoroughly impressed with the young actors’ talents and the originality shown in “Stranger Things 2.”



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**MONDAY**

### Students Supporting Israel

Israeli soldiers will speak about their combat experiences in Gaza, Lebanon and the West Bank. The event is put on by Students Supporting Israel.

Argyros Forum  
6 p.m. - 8 p.m.

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**TUESDAY**

### Election Day preview tabling

Civic Engagement Initiatives will show what races to watch for one week before federal offices will be voted on during Election Day 2017.

Attallah Piazza  
10 a.m. - 3 p.m.

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**WEDNESDAY**

### UPB presents: Free Flicks “Forrest Gump”

UPB will host a double feature of “Forrest Gump.” Chocolate, sweets, popcorn and refreshments will be provided.

Student Union  
6:30 p.m.

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**THURSDAY**

### Noche de Alteres (Dia de los Muertos)

Celebrate the Day of the Dead with MECha de Chapman. Food, spoken word, dancers and live music will be at the event, as well as altars constructed by various Chapman organizations.

Attallah Piazza  
6 - 9 p.m.

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**FRIDAY**

### Duffer Brothers Master Class

Matt and Ross Duffer, creators of the Netflix original series “Stranger Things,” will host a master class. Tickets are free and will be available Oct. 31 at noon on the University tickets website.

Folino Theater  
2 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.

## Students care about Orange, too



Olivia Harden  
Opinions Editor

Chapman students get a bad rap in Orange, and maybe we deserve it. This might be an unpopular opinion, but the resentment some Orange residents feel toward Chapman students is valid,

especially if we're peeing on lawns and stealing turkeys.

This conflict isn't new, but it came to a major head in 2016 when residents pushed the city to pass a stricter noise ordinance that specifically targets Chapman parties, even though it was clearly unconstitutional. The ordinance infringes on our First Amendment rights, which The Panther has written about in a previous editorial.

We've been accused for so long of not caring about the community where we live. So why did students show up Oct. 24 to rally to support the rights of homeless people and advocate for them at the Orange City Council meeting?

Thirty students showed up to protest and walk to the meeting. They waited two hours before they were allowed to speak for three minutes during public comment. These students were committed to making their voices heard to better their community.

Seniors political science major Brad West and peace studies and political science major Atty McClellan have been organizing efforts for the homeless in the Santa Ana and Orange areas since February, when an Orange County Public Works project to help with flood control required homeless people to leave their encampments at the Santa Ana riverbed.

"We are taught at Chapman to be global citizens, and if we're not somewhere else, that really starts with our own community," West told The Panther Oct. 24.

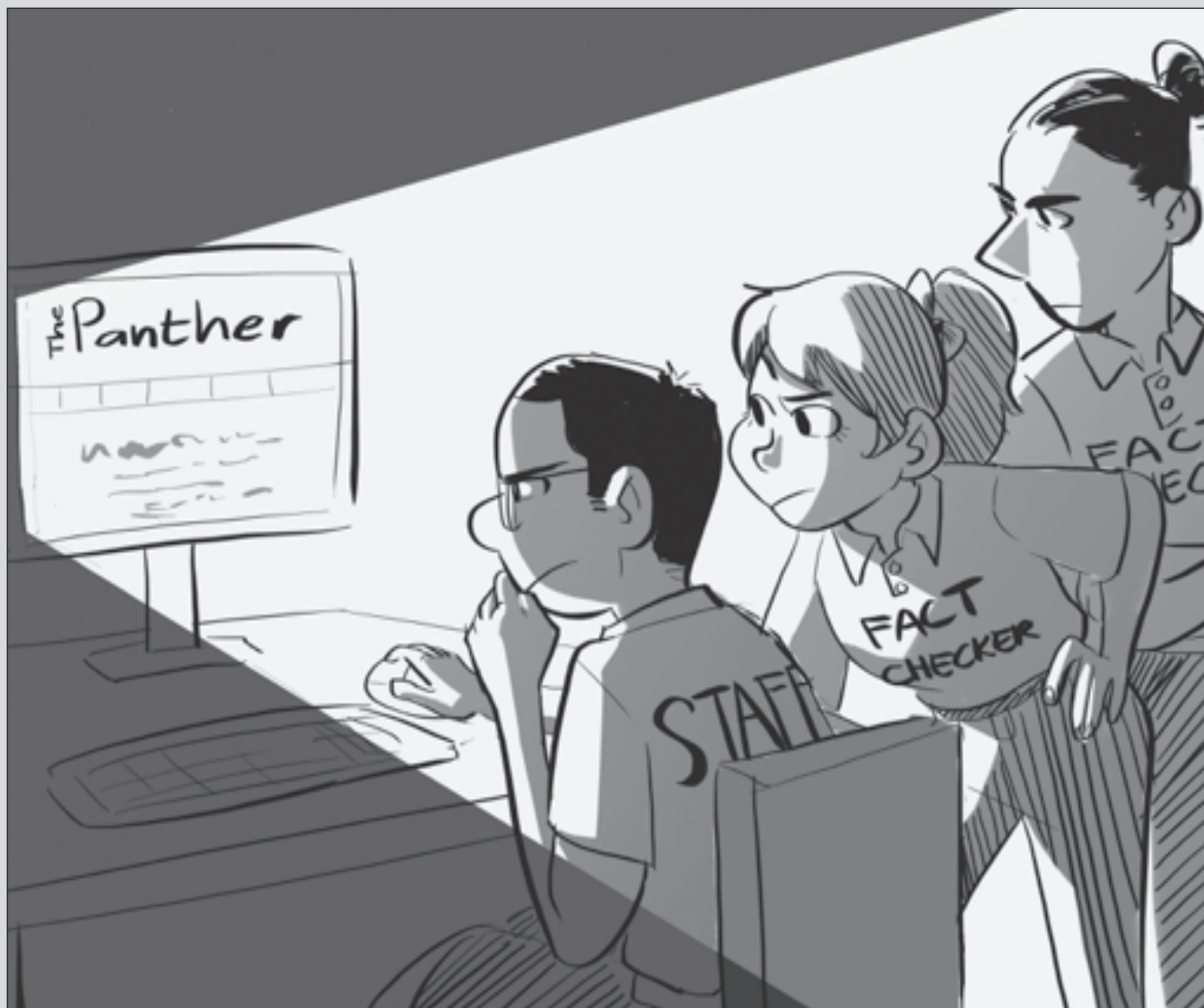
Students have donated money to buy homeless people on the riverbed supplies like food, bottled water and tampons, despite the fact that many live on a college budget. They've protested, rallied and advocated for people who society often forgets about or deems unworthy of basic human rights.

The rally wasn't even originally scheduled for Oct. 24. The city council had scheduled a meeting on Oct. 10. But when the Anaheim Hills fire broke out on Oct. 9, the meeting had to be rescheduled. Students could have easily chosen to cancel the rally, but even with the rescheduled date, 30 students went the extra mile to take care of our community.

Most Chapman students are not turkey-stealers. Most don't pee on their neighbors' lawns. Most want a good relationship with Orange residents. Student government even hosted Chapman Dog Day last November to help improve how we interact with our neighbors, and around 250 students and residents showed up willingly.

I know the Orange community still has reservations about us, and I get that. But Chapman students are more than the leftover beer bottles on your front lawn six months ago. Many are interested in being decent human beings, but we're young and learning. That doesn't mean we aren't capable of being a part of this community. We are willing to put in the work to make this city a better place to live in for all of residents. Are you?

### EDITORIAL



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## Getting the facts straight

The Panther Editorial Board

The Panther had three fact errors in last week's issue. Mistakes are unavoidable in publications, especially in student-run newspapers with editors who are learning the process and reporters who are writing for us for the first time.

Typically, The Panther issues about three corrections a semester. Maybe a reporter misunderstood a source, an editor added a statistic incorrectly at the last minute or someone meant to fact-check something, but forgot. Reporters and editors feel awful when mistakes happen, but we clearly correct the information, discuss how we can avoid making the same mistake in the future, and we move on. As student editors, things like fact errors are a learning experience.

But three errors in one issue is unacceptable.

One of the errors was in an article about the campus climate survey. We incorrectly reported that 78 percent of survey respondents said they had experienced nonconsensual sexual contact during the 2016-2017 academic year. In actuality, it was 7 percent who said they had experienced nonconsensual sexual contact, and 78 percent of those said that they had experienced nonconsensual touching or removal of clothing. This is a big mistake. After meeting in person with The Panther's news editor, Associate Dean of Students DeAnn Yocum Gaffney decided to write a letter to the editor responding to this error. In her letter, Yocum Gaffney apologized for the confusing survey results, and wrote that the Dean of Students Office would clarify the information.

But one of the purposes of a newspaper is to inform. It is a reporter and editor's responsibility to take that confusing information and simplify it for our readers. The Panther has done this before with other surveys, complex court documents and propositions during the presidential election. But this time, we failed, and it's not the Dean of Students Office's fault that the information was unclear.

As notice of these fact errors flooded in last week, The Panther's top editors realized that the fact-checking processes that have worked in the past were not working anymore. We needed to make a change in how we edit.

In multiple meetings throughout the week, we decided to give other editors fact-checking responsibilities on articles, in addition to the fact-checkers we already have. We decided to check interview transcripts while we edit. We decided to be extra diligent to edit articles early in the week, so that changes aren't made at the last minute. We decided to trust our gut about a story that doesn't seem ready for publication yet.

During a time when the U.S. president tries to discredit publications by tweeting "Fake news!" the media's credibility is more important than ever. Sixty-five percent of voters believe there is a lot of fake news in the mainstream media, according to a study conducted by Harvard's Center for American Political Studies and Harris Insights and Analytics in May.

But there's a difference between deliberate fake news that has a specific agenda – like articles we saw during the election season – and well-intentioned journalists who make mistakes. It's easy to claim "fake news" and write a publication off forever, but it's harder to understand that student journalists are humans who devote up to 40 hours every week to produce 16 pages of news and daily online content. And we love doing it.

But just because we are student editors who are learning doesn't mean that we automatically deserve the public's trust. Trust is earned, not expected.

By owning up to our mistakes and choosing not to hide behind them, we hope that we can take a step toward regaining that trust. By citing specific ways that The Panther will improve its fact-checking, we are putting these mistakes behind us so that we can continue to work hard every day to produce credible and reliable content that informs and entertains our readers.

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## A letter to the editor



DeAnn Yocum Gaffney,  
Associate Dean of Students

The front page of the Oct. 23 issue of The Panther included a headline: “78% report sexual misconduct.” The news article on Page 3 originally reported that 78 percent of Chapman students who responded to the campus climate survey had experienced nonconsensual sexual contact or removal of clothing. This

number was gathered from a report that our office published of the climate survey data. However, it is important to note that 7 percent of Chapman students who completed the survey reported experiencing one or more instances of nonconsensual sexual contact last year, not 78 percent. The 78 percent listed is a portion of that 7 percent of students.

To be more specific, the climate survey first asked students if they had experienced nonconsensual

sexual contact during the 2016-17 academic year. Seven percent of Chapman students who answered this question indicated that they had. The survey then asked these students what type of nonconsensual contact they had experienced. Seventy-eight

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percent of those 7 percent reported having experienced nonconsensual touching or removal of clothing, as compared to other types of contact, such as attempted or completed nonconsensual penetration, which were reported at lower rates.

We appreciate that The Panther devoted portions

of last week’s issue to reporting on Chapman’s sexual misconduct climate survey results, examining issues of sexual harassment in two features articles and addressing sexual assault in its editorial. We applaud The Panther’s work and its efforts.

These are important topics for our campus, and The Panther plays a vital role in increasing knowledge and awareness, and furthering dialogue within our community. In the interest of supporting these conversations, we wrote this letter to clarify the results from the climate survey. Any percentage is too many, and it’s important that all members of the Chapman community continue working to eliminate sexual harassment and assault.

The Dean of Students Office would like to thank The Panther for not only correcting the information in its article, but also for letting us know that some reporters found the report we posted of survey results to be somewhat confusing in how these numbers were presented. We agree, and we are taking steps to make our report clearer.

Finally, we would like to offer ourselves as resources for anyone on campus who is interested in discussing the climate survey results, or looking for additional clarification. Please contact us, DeAnn Yocum Gaffney and Chris Toutain, program coordinator for student conduct, at gaffney@chapman.edu or toutain@chapman.edu if there is any way we can be of support in this regard.

## On political correctness and avoidance of critical conversations



Danielle Shorr,  
senior creative writing major

Political correctness is a term I’ve been grappling to fully comprehend since its resurrection back into popular culture. Perhaps its contention came with the term’s inception, although it has arguably been made relevant again with the country’s rising tensions.

In his opinion piece for The Panther Oct. 16, sophomore business ad-

ministration major Ryan Marhoefer used “political correctness” to assist his opposition to the strive for diversity. His disdain for the idea is apparent as he writes, “The obsession with multiculturalism and political correctness, in a vain attempt to create ‘inclusion,’ has created an environment where students only hear one side.” How does a move toward political correctness imply a goal for one-sidedness? And how do the topics of diversity and inclu-

sion relate to the term?

It seems like those opposed to critical conversation and analysis seek refuge in the proclamation of political correctness. Like Marhoefer, many conservatives blame political correctness to avoid productive conversation. Marhoefer argued multiple times that radicalism breeds silencing and produces an echo chamber. However, I would argue that radicalism challenges what many avoid because they’re afraid of changing their beliefs. Conservatives often view themselves as open-minded, but it is narrow-minded to dismiss other perspectives. If radicalism is an echo chamber, then why do many conservatives choose to counter argue instead of understand different views?

The argument that radicalism silences is curious. The institutionally racist structures of this country do more to silence people than radicalism does. As shown by President Donald Trump’s election, radical ideology is in fact not the majority in America, and as a result, its supporters must consistently and actively fight for its platform to speak.

Political correctness, although a hot button term, may actually have no relevance to the conversation. Diversity and inclusion have less to do with being politically correct and more to do with simply creating space for those who have been institutionally blocked from having it. The term needs updating or complete abandonment for these conversations to progress. Political correctness, while necessary

for basic decency, has gotten lost in divisiveness. Political progressiveness gives a much better representation of radicalism and its goals. Political correctness, on the other hand, frequently claimed as a weapon of anti-free speech, has become a buffer to prevent political progressiveness.

Marhoefer is persistent that radicalism has become a method of silencing, “This radicalism has hushed numerous individuals who were merely presenting legitimate questions and critiques,” he wrote. But he doesn’t acknowledge that silence is a choice that many choose to avoid having critical conversations.

Claiming that an opposing side silences opinions implies that one doesn’t want to engage in deeper conversation. A political majority’s claim of silencing, unlike the silencing caused by institutional power systems, exists because of a lack of engagement in dialogue rather than force. Marhoefer’s ability to succeed, unlike that of his marginalized peers, is not infringed upon by issues of race. He’s not being forcibly silenced. It’s his privilege that allows him to succeed. His insistence that opposing political views silences opinions, and his disdain for political correctness stems from a privilege to separate political views from identity. Diversity and inclusion are not just matters of appeasing standards, but they are necessary for a more equitable society. Perhaps privilege shows itself most when someone is able to view both as unnecessary.

### Staff Column:

## ADHD, a silent struggle



Gracie Fleischman,  
sophomore political science major

Adderall, Focalin, Strattera, Ritalin, Wellbutrin, Lexapro, BuSpar and Vyvanse. These are all the drugs I’ve been prescribed to treat my attention deficit hyperactivity disorder, known as ADHD. Since I was diagnosed in eighth grade, I’ve tried all of these drugs with no lasting success, and with side effects ranging from depression to constant nausea.

When I first realized that my mind-numbing inability to finish homework quickly or focus on conversations were symptoms of ADHD, I was ashamed. I thought if I just tried harder, if I just stayed up a little longer, I could overcome my inattention. That led to sleepless, stressful nights, and

13-year-old me went to bed far too late. Over time, it caused crippling anxiety and depression that was so bad I couldn’t go a week without having a panic attack.

When I heard classmates say, “Ugh, I have ADD” when they got an answer wrong, or “Oh I’m so ADD” when they forgot something, it made me an-

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gry. I was going through a roller coaster of taking prescription medications, while they made fun of a learning difference I couldn’t control.

October is ADHD awareness month. The goal is to promote better knowledge about symptoms so people can get diagnosed, and recognize that people can be diagnosed with ADHD at any time. Young women like myself are usually not diagnosed until they are older because they don’t fit the

stereotype of the hyperactive little boy, according to the American Psychological Association. Minority children are even less likely to be diagnosed, according to a study from the American Academy of Pediatrics.

It is so important that people of all ages, genders and ethnicities get diagnosed and learn about the school and workplace accommodations that are available. I wish I had known this during my difficult years in middle and high school. At Chapman, there are many accommodations available through Disability Services, including peer notetakers, special arrangements for test-taking and even alternate tables and chairs in classrooms.

If you have a hard time taking tests in a classroom, little sounds distract you or you can’t study in groups, don’t be ashamed. Having ADHD is simply a learning difference that you can treat with lifestyle changes, medication or therapy. I feel lucky that I discovered my diagnosis when I did, because it allowed me to grow and mature. I am proud of my learning difference. I may work twice as hard as other people do for the same work, but I also have creative problem-solving skills and out-of-the-box ideas that are unique to me.

Please take care of your mental health and of those around you. If having a learning difference is making you self-doubt or experience anxiety or depression, reach out to someone you trust.

## Football can continue success on national stage



Jacob Hutchinson  
Sports Editor

At the beginning of this season, I asked in a column if the football team could return to the form it showed in 2014, which was the last time it won a conference championship. After Chapman's title-clinching 46-38 win over California Lutheran University

Oct. 28, the answer is obviously "yes."

That success is largely a product of Chapman's improved run blocking, which has allowed senior running back Joe Mudie, junior running back Marcellus Hunter and senior quarterback Ricky Bautista to keep opposing defenses on their toes. The improvement in the running game has created a "complete offense," head coach Bob Owens said after the team's win Oct. 28.

Chapman leads the conference with 482 offensive yards per game, and is third in rushing yards per game, with 188. Last season, Chapman finished in fourth place and was sixth in total offensive yards per game, with 361.4, and seventh in rushing yards per game, with 128.1.

Sometimes, yardage doesn't equal scoring, but that hasn't been the case for Chapman. The Panthers have scored 35 or more points in all but one game this season, after only scoring that number of points once last season.

These numbers are indicative of a run game dominated by Mudie, and a passing game led by Bautista and senior wide receiver Jacob Isabel. Mudie leads the conference with 123 rushing yards per game and is averaging 7.4 yards per carry this season after averaging 4.4 yards per carry last season.

Bautista, who is tied for the conference lead with 22 total passing touchdowns, has found success with Isabel, who leads the conference with 119.4 receiving yards per game. The duo, who trained together over the summer, have become the backbone of Chapman's offense.

The team's defense doesn't look nearly as impressive statistically, but when it needs to, it comes up with important plays. In Chapman's 45-26 win over Redlands Oct. 14, Chapman had a pair of crucial defensive stops, forcing Redlands to set up for long-range field goals that it ultimately missed. When Cal Lutheran marched down the field at the end of the game Oct. 28, it was a one-handed interception from senior linebacker Lincoln Faletoi that sealed the win and conference championship.

Thanks to that clutch defense and offensive potency, Chapman has had little trouble in the conference. But in three weeks, the Panthers will play in the quarterfinals of the NCAA tournament. They are likely to face teams like Linfield College and Trinity University (Texas), which they lost to earlier in the season.

Against Linfield and Trinity, Chapman lost first-half leads due to its offensive inefficiency and turnovers. Even in its title-winning performance, Chapman missed three extra points. Had Chapman made just one of those extra points, Cal Lutheran would not have had a chance to tie the game on its last drive.

For Chapman to extend its conference success to the national stage, it will need to continue what it has been doing: jumping on teams early and coming up with defensive stops when it needs them.

Because Occidental College forfeited its season due to a lack of players, Chapman will have an extra week off to recover and clean up any issues in practice before the NCAA tournament starts.

That time will be crucial, because if Chapman wants to stake its claim for a national title, mistakes like missed extra points can't happen.

## Women's volleyball seals playoff spot on senior night

Natalie van Winden | Senior Writer

The crowd in the Hutton Sports Center erupted Oct. 28 when the women's volleyball team secured its place in the conference tournament. With a 3-0 win over Occidental College on the team's senior night, Chapman avoided the fate it suffered last season, when it narrowly missed out on the conference playoffs due to a tiebreaker.

Leading up to the game, two things had to happen for Chapman to finish fourth, and secure a playoff spot in the Southern California Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (SCIAC): Whittier College had to lose to the University of La Verne, and Chapman had to beat Occidental. Both were accomplished in the same night.

"We've been waiting for this for about a week," said senior opposite Kylie Cooke. "We tallied up what the score was going to have to be, and figured out that this was the one game that was going to define it for us. We had to take care of business and let it happen."

The team did not know whether winning would make a difference in its postseason chances.

"I wasn't following the Whittier game," said head coach Mary Cahill. "I didn't want to know. I didn't want the team to be focusing on that."

The team learned that it had made it to the SCIAC tournament right after the game.

"We didn't find out until the whistle blew at the end of the game," said senior outside hitter Kiley McGill. "So there was the excitement from winning and from senior night and then our coach told us that we had won (the playoff spot) and we all just lost it."

As the last home game of the regu-



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The women's volleyball team celebrates after winning a point Oct. 28. Chapman secured a playoff spot with a 3-0 win over Occidental College.

lar season, the game could have been the last ever for Chapman's four seniors, Cooke, McGill, middle blocker Abby Smith and outside hitter Cheri Raymundo.

"It was crazy," Raymundo said. "We were just so pumped and we went into it and enjoyed it. I was thinking (about it possibly being my last game) a little bit."

Cahill said that senior night might have given the players the extra push they needed to win the game, and McGill agreed.

"I don't think it added pressure but it definitely added emotion," said McGill. "A lot of us were more emotional on the court than usual, but I think it added the fire under our butts. We wanted it a little bit more."

Chapman started its regular season with a five-game winning streak before hitting a rough patch that included a five-game losing streak.

"I think everyone just rallied back," Cooke said of the team's improvement. "Everyone just got the mentality that we have the best chance to

make it to (the) conference (playoffs) this season, and this is the best opportunity for us to make it."

Cahill empathized with Whittier after it narrowly missed out on the playoffs. Chapman lost in a tiebreaker for the fourth seed and missed the playoffs last season.

"It's tough because Whittier was up (in the standings) the whole time and they went from that to being knocked down, to not even being able to go," Cahill said. "That's tough, because we were always fifth and they were always third - it came down to this last match to knock them out."

Chapman will play first-place Claremont-Mudd-Scripps in the first game of the tournament, Nov. 2 at 7 p.m.

"We get to play the top team in SCIAC and we are their only loss in SCIAC," Cooke said. "I think that will be a really great opportunity, and I saw us getting there. I saw us making the tournament this year and after the past couple of years, this was a really big win for us."

## Martial arts club kicks its way onto campus

Naidine Conde | Web Editor

Justin Sanchez has always been a fairly angry person, he said. Martial arts taught him how to channel and control that pent-up aggression. The sport strengthened Sanchez's mind, body and spirit, and it taught him how to be humble in both victory and defeat.

Most importantly, it taught him how to handle adversity.

The Chapman martial arts club is a place where people like Sanchez, a junior psychology major and the vice president of the club, can thrive in a positive environment and learn the benefits of martial arts. The club is working to become a recognized club sport by fall 2018.

Starting this spring, the club's adviser, Andrea Montanari, will teach a martial arts physical education class, known as Aikido, for credit.

Because the club isn't an official team yet, it isn't allowed to compete against other schools, said sophomore kinesiology major and club president Max Strul.

"A lot of our members already compete," Strul said. "It would be better to compete in the Chapman name."

Sanchez competes for a gym outside of Chapman, but also wants to compete for the school, he said.

"I'm so hyped for that," Sanchez said. "Could you imagine a competition team with the logos on them and we get to represent Chapman on top of it? That would be pretty cool."

Sanchez is no stranger to martial arts. He competed in the 13th annual North American Brazilian Jiu-Jitsu Federation tournament in Cerritos,

California, in August, receiving a silver medal in his belt and weight division.

"At this point, I had only been doing jiu-jitsu for just over a year," he said. "I had a good feeling I'd do well. I train with high-level coaches and teammates, so I felt confident that I would perform well."

His favorite form of martial arts is muay thai, which is a Thai martial art also known as Thai boxing.

"It's called 'the art of eight limbs,' because a fighter can strike using the hands, elbows, knees and legs," Sanchez said.

"Muay thai is a little more diverse in your striking capabilities, compared to traditional boxing."

While many club members have experience in competitive martial arts, Strul described the club as a learning environment rather than a competitive space.

"It's like a self-defense class," Strul said.

Freshman digital arts major Gabrielle Saral has done martial arts for seven years. She found the club to help her transition into life on cam-



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Junior psychology major Justin Sanchez practices a choke hold on club instructor Chewy, who declined to give his full name.

pus, but realized that the skills she has learned can help her protect herself if she needs to, she said.

"I love jiu-jitsu," Saral said. "It really pushes me to my limits, and I love the practical application, because the ground is a common battlefield in any fight. Learning how to get the upper hand in that is crucial."

Martial arts has made her a stronger person, Saral said.

"I think I wouldn't be the person I am today if not for martial arts," Saral said.

# From saving shots to winning pageants

Kali Hoffman | Staff Writer

When she was a child, junior water polo goalkeeper Alyssa Welfringer would watch Miss Huntington Beach glide by on her float in the city's annual Fourth of July parade. This year, Welfringer, who had never competed in a pageant before, will be the one in the spotlight after taking home the Miss Huntington Beach title Oct. 14.

"My teammates would come up to me and say, 'I didn't know you did pageants,' and I would say, 'I don't do pageants, I'm doing this pageant,'" Welfringer said.

A lifelong native of Huntington Beach, Welfringer saw the pageant as a way to give back to her community, although the \$3,000 scholarship for winning didn't discourage her either, she said. She wanted less to be a pageant winner, she said, and more to be an advocate for her hometown.

"I always thought, 'What have I got to lose?'" Welfringer said. "If I didn't win, I would be in the same place as if I'd never done it, but it was worth the shot."

Before making it to the stage, Welfringer participated in a preliminary application process and an offstage interview. In these stages, contestants show that they have a strong cause to represent if they win, Welfringer said. Her platform is representing the Huntington Beach Children's Library.

"It wasn't about the pageant. The pageant was just the last part of the interview for the position," Welfringer said. "It's almost a physical tryout — like they have in water polo — to see if you can do the job."

During the athletic wear portion of the pageant, the contestants weren't



Photos courtesy of Alyssa Welfringer

Junior water polo goalkeeper Alyssa Welfringer holds a bouquet of flowers after winning the Miss Huntington Beach pageant Oct. 14.

required to dress up for a sport they actually played, but Welfringer wore her Chapman water polo uniform anyway. She believes the authenticity of wearing her own uniform gave her an edge.

"You could clearly tell I actually played the sport I was representing," Welfringer said.

Although Welfringer felt prepared during the pageant process, she didn't want to get her hopes up. For a while,

she even tried to keep her participation in the pageant a secret from her team.

"This was a decision I made for myself," Welfringer said. "I didn't want to get really excited about anything until it was final, since there's always doubt if you're going to win or not. There's no guaranteed outcome."

Welfringer did let the secret slip one day after practice while chatting with teammates in the hot tub, but their response was overwhelmingly

supportive, she said.

"Everyone is excited and super proud (of Welfringer)," said freshman utility player Emily Whitney. "She's doing it for the right reasons."

Now that she has earned her title, Welfringer's responsibilities include representing her city at community events, like its annual Fourth of July parade, the Queen's Rose Garden Ceremony, the Firehouse Ball and the Duck-A-Thon. Welfringer said that she's prepared to juggle these responsibilities with school and water polo.

"There are definitely going to be days where I have a match in the morning and then I need to be in a dress in Huntington later that day," Welfringer said. "But I'm excited to do both."

Water polo head coach Eric Ploessel has no doubt Welfringer will be able to handle her newfound responsibility while staying dedicated to her team, he said.

"We try and tell the girls, it's not all about water polo and school," Ploessel said. "They can do other stuff. Academics, water polo, being Miss Huntington Beach, it's all possible. I think (Welfringer) is a good example of that."

Welfringer said she hasn't had time to promote the Huntington Beach Children's Library yet, but looks forward to helping and connecting with others in her community.

"The adults come to events, see Miss Huntington Beach and they end up meeting Alyssa," Welfringer said. "Then I can tell them about the work I'm doing. The kids, to them, I'm just the first princess they've met that doesn't have an animal sidekick."

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# Football wins conference title in 84-point 'shootout'

Jacob Hutchinson | Sports Editor

To head football coach Bob Owens, every day is a blank sheet of paper. His team writes a new story each day, he said. On Oct. 28, that story was about another checked box – a conference championship.

For the second time in four seasons, Chapman players hoisted the conference championship trophy. This time, the team held it at home, after its 46-38 win over California Lutheran University.

“It’s crazy, because in the beginning (of the season), we all talk about this, but it’s not really tangible to your ear,” said senior linebacker Lincoln Faletoi. “But now that it’s here, it’s like, man, I can’t believe we did it. (We’re) just going check mark by check mark, doing all the things we said we were going to do.”

Crossing the conference championship off that list was not easy for Chapman. Two interceptions, three missed extra points and an equally explosive Cal Lutheran offense made the Panthers’ route to victory difficult.

On Chapman’s second offensive play of the game, senior quarterback Ricky Bautista’s pass was intercepted and returned to Chapman’s own 7-yard line. Cal Lutheran scored a touchdown two plays later to take a 7-0 lead.

The last time Bautista threw an interception and Chapman trailed at home was Sept. 9, during Chapman’s first game of the season, a 27-12 loss to Linfield College.

After Chapman responded with a touchdown on its next possession, Bautista threw another interception. In the span of less than 10 minutes, Bautista had doubled his interception total for the season. Despite those early mistakes, he was nearly perfect the rest of the game, completing 16 of his next 18 passes, five of which were touchdowns.

“It was coach Owens,” Bautista said. “He came over to me and pulled me aside and said, ‘Just relax, take what they give you. If it’s not there, throw it out of bounds or run the ball.’ I just had to stay within myself, relax, stay calm and believe in the offense.”

On Cal Lutheran’s side, senior quarterback Adam Friederichsen passed for 439 yards, three touchdowns and one interception.

The preferred targets for the quarterbacks were evident. Bautista passed to senior wide receiver Jacob Isabel for 131 yards and two touchdowns. Friederichsen, meanwhile, connected with senior wide receiver Aaron Lacombe for 176 yards and one touchdown.

“This was a shootout,” Owens said. “You’re just matching good players against good players. Our guys know going in that they were going to



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Above: The football team celebrates Oct. 28 after clinching the conference championship with a 46-38 win over California Lutheran University. Below: Senior quarterback Ricky Bautista, left, runs with the ball while senior wide receiver Jacob Isabel, right, blocks.



JACKIE COHEN Photo Editor

make plays and we expected that we were going to make plays.”

That playmaking ability was also apparent in the running game. Senior running back Joe Mudie ran for 153 yards and a touchdown, which came on a 70-yard run in the first quarter.

Cal Lutheran’s senior running back Chris Beeson ran for 98 yards and two touchdowns, including a 59-yard run on a draw play late in the third quarter.

“The speed was very surprising,” Faletoi said. “I can handle a bowling ball running back, we can all handle that. But (Beeson) ran one draw, he ran right down the middle and he just took off and out-ran our defensive backs and our safeties.”

The back-and-forth battle between the two offenses looked to have no end in sight. While Bautista, Isabel

and Faletoi said they enjoyed how much they had to fight for the win, Owens disagreed.

“That’s them talking,” Owens said. “For me, it could’ve been 51-2 and I would have been just fine.”

With less than 10 minutes remaining in the game, Chapman’s offense went stagnant. The Panthers punted on their next two drives, leaving the game in the hands of their defense – more specifically, in Faletoi’s hands.

After Cal Lutheran drove down to Chapman’s 45-yard line, Chapman forced a sack and got a stop on a short run play. On third down, Friederichsen looked across the middle of the field for his favorite target, Lacombe. To the audible dismay of Cal Lutheran fans, the ball stuck, this time, in Faletoi’s left

hand.

“(Friederichsen) threw the ball and I was like, ‘If I just hit this down, we win the game,’” Faletoi said. “I was just going to hit it down and it stuck to my hand and I was like, ‘Oh, all right, I’ll take it.’”

That moment, while important for any player who’s just single-handedly secured a conference championship, had a special significance for Faletoi, who was playing in his first game of the season. Faletoi, who has two children, almost stopped playing football after suffering a herniated disk in his cervical spine.

Faletoi said he was concerned about his well-being for his children’s sake (after the injury). He said his wife convinced him to continue playing because of his love of the game, which he did for the first time Oct. 28. He said he was very emotional following the interception.

“You have no idea,” Faletoi said. “Man, I was out of breath after that play because all the adrenaline, all the emotions took over. It’s crazy.”

One play later, Bautista kneeled the ball, crowning Chapman a conference champion once again.

Chapman could still technically share the conference trophy with the University of Redlands if Chapman loses its final regular-season game against Claremont-Mudd-Scripps at home Nov. 4, and Redlands wins its final two games against Whittier College and Cal Lutheran.

However, Chapman’s Oct. 14 win over Redlands means it has already secured a spot over Redlands in the NCAA Division III tournament through the conference’s automatic qualifier.

“We’ll celebrate and then we’ll be back to work Monday,” Owens said.

## SCOREBOARD

### Men’s Soccer

Cal Lutheran 2 **Chapman 1**  
Pomona-Pitzer 1 **Chapman 0**

### Men’s Water Polo

**Chapman 11** Redlands 10

### Football

**Chapman 46** Cal Lutheran 38

### Women’s Volleyball

**Chapman 3** Caltech 0  
**Chapman 3** Pomona-Pitzer 2  
**Chapman 3** Occidental 0

### Women’s Soccer

Occidental 2 **Chapman 1**  
**Chapman 6** La Verne 2

Key: Bold = Chapman, winner listed first

## UPCOMING GAMES

### Men’s Soccer

Nov. 1 @ Cal Lutheran 7 p.m.\*

### Men’s Water Polo

Nov. 1 @ Cal Lutheran 4 p.m.  
Nov. 4 vs. Whittier 11 a.m.

### Football

Nov. 4 vs. Claremont-M-S 7 p.m.

### Women’s Volleyball

Nov. 2 @ Claremont-M-S 7 p.m.\*

Key: Bold = in-conference game  
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