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The student reported waking up in a car to being fondled by the driver.

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Contractors join labor dispute

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UnKoch My Campus

Ralph Wilson, co-founder of UnKoch My Campus, spoke at Chapman about the negative impacts of donations from the Charles Koch Foundation, which has given more than \$5 million to Chapman.

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Chapman's campus Starbucks will join 8,000 other Starbucks stores – including the two in the Orange Plaza – that will close for racial-bias training May 29.

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The university has stopped purchasing romaine lettuce from Yuma, Arizona, after an E. coli outbreak that has sickened at least 98 people in 22 states.

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Carpenters' union members accused Chapman of hiring a construction company that doesn't meet labor standards.

Union accuses Chapman contractor of violating standards

Jamie Altman | Editor-in-Chief

Representatives of a local carpenters' union joined in a labor dispute near Schmid Gate and Memorial Lawn April 26 and 27, where they accused Chapman of hiring a construction company that does not uphold standards for its carpenter craft workers or fully pay for family health benefits and pension.

The construction workers that the union represents, who are contracted by R.D. Olson Construction, are working on the Villa Park Orchards Residence Hall, which will stand at the corner of Cypress Street and Palm Avenue and will house about 400 Chapman students starting fall 2019.

Despite the workers' claims, the university is not aware of any validity to the labor standards issues, Kris Olsen, vice president of campus planning and operations, wrote in an email to *The Panther*.

A carpenter in Southern California should be paid about \$59 per hour, which includes health and welfare, pension, vacation and training, according to the Department of Industrial Relations.

Pete Rodriguez, president of a local carpenters' union within OC Carpenters Union, did not immediately respond to requests from *The Panther* about the wages that the carpenters in question receive.

"When I look at how much it costs to go to school at Chapman, there really are no shortcuts when it comes to your education," Rodriguez said. "But your students are going to be in these houses. There's going to be top dollar required to live in these dormitories ... Why are we taking shortcuts on those that are building houses that are going to put a roof over these students?"

The university received a letter from the union last week about the workers' complaints, Olsen said. While the union sets its own definition of what labor standards are, all the contractors on the project are licensed and bound by state labor and safety standards, he



The union distributed fliers that accused R.D. Olson Construction of not paying all of its employees area standard wages, including health care and pension benefits.

said.

But Rodriguez said that Chapman needs to raise its standards for the contractors it hires to build facilities.

"It's kind of ironic that a university wouldn't at least have a higher standard in who's building their facilities, considering the high standards that they demand from their students," Rodriguez said.

On campus, people held up banners saying "Labor Dispute, Coming Soon" and distributed fliers entitled "Shame on Chapman University for the Desecration of the American Way of Life." The fliers called the contractor a "rat" for not paying standard wages.

Union members will research other anomalies within Chapman in the next two weeks, Rodriguez said,

including gathering statements from students and community members and researching documents for lawsuits against Chapman. Members want to ensure that parents know "who they're doing business with," Rodriguez said.

"We're not going to hold anything back," he said.

In the past, Chapman has hired R.D. Olson for the construction of the Partridge Dance Center, the Rinker Health Science Campus in Irvine, and the temporary building for the Hilbert Museum of California Art, according to the construction company's website. The company is also remodeling Reeves Hall.

Chapman selects its contractors based on quality, experience and

reputation, and doesn't discriminate between union and non-union firms, Olsen said. The university will allow the union members to dispute for "as long as they deem necessary," Olsen said.

"All we ask is that we get an opportunity to work on some of the finer establishments in town, so we don't have to drive to Los Angeles to get a fair wage," Rodriguez said. "We just want to work in the town that we live in. I don't think that's too much to ask."

Representatives from R.D. Olson Construction did not respond to *The Panther's* requests for comment.

Kali Hoffman contributed to this report.

Student reports sexual battery by Lyft driver

Rebecca Glaser | Managing Editor

A student reported being sexually battered or fondled by a Lyft driver early morning April 26 after falling asleep during the ride home, according to a crime alert email sent from Public Safety Friday morning.

The incident took place on Grand Street outside of the Sandhu Residence Center, according to the email.

"The reporting party awoke to this behavior occurring and exited the vehicle," the email said.

The suspect was described by witnesses as a gray-haired, white male wearing glasses, and was driving a four-door white or silver vehicle.

The suspect still poses a threat to members of the community, the email said, and anyone with information that may aid in the investigation is encouraged to contact Public Safety.

In July, a Chicago Lyft driver was charged with aggravated criminal sexual assault, aggravated kidnapping, armed robbery and unlawful restraint, according to the Chicago Tribune.

The woman who he allegedly assaulted had used the Lyft app on her phone to order a ride home from a bar because she felt she had had too much to drink. The driver then pulled his car into an alley, tied her with a



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zip tie and forced her to perform oral sex on him, the Tribune reported.

"These allegations are sickening and horrifying," Lyft spokesman Scott Coriell told the Tribune in a statement. "As soon as we were made aware of this incident, we deactivated the driver's account and did everything we could to assist law enforcement."

Representatives from Lyft and the Orange Police Department did not respond to requests for comment.

Turn to page 12 to read an editorial about ride-sharing safety.

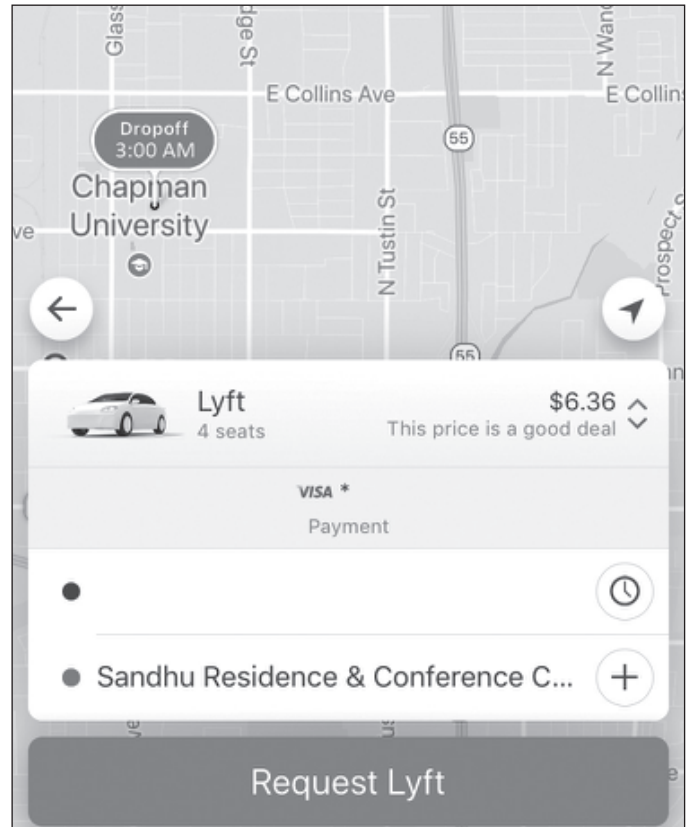


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A student reported being sexual battered or fondled by a Lyft driver early Thursday morning after falling asleep on the ride home.

UnKoch My Campus co-founder talks donations

Jamie Altman | Editor-in-Chief
Rebecca Glaser | Managing Editor

Amid faculty tensions regarding donations to Chapman from the controversial Charles Koch Foundation, co-founder of UnKoch My Campus Ralph Wilson spoke to about 40 students and faculty in Argyros Forum April 24.

He detailed the years he's spent combing through contracts between universities and the foundation, which has donated millions of dollars to colleges across the nation to help create a "talent pipeline" of libertarian-minded students. UnKoch My Campus is a campaign that seeks to expose this "dark money" donated to universities.

"(The foundation is) not just paying to get their self-interests out - they're also training and recruiting the next generation of corporate-funded free-market activists," Wilson said at the event, which was organized by the Chapman University Democrats. "Every dollar has a string attached and the contract allows the donor to pull that string."

The Charles Koch Foundation donated \$5 million to Chapman in December 2016 to help fund the Smith Institute for Political Economy and Philosophy, which aims to combine the studies of humanities and economics. At least three professors in the Smith Institute attended the April 24 event.

Chapman's partially Koch-funded institute joins others at schools across the nation, like Florida State University and George Mason University, which combine economics with other disciplines.

"(The foundation is) spending on think tanks. They're spending on politics," Wilson said. "This is one fully integrated political operation. The way that it works is (that) it's a process of production."

Keith Hankins, a professor in the Smith Institute who attended the event, told The Panther that he doesn't understand some of the concerns about the donation.

He asked Wilson several questions during the 90-minute forum, prompt-



MAYA JUBRAN Staff Photographer

Ralph Wilson, the co-founder of UnKoch My Campus — a campaign that seeks to expose the "dark money" donated to universities — spoke to about 40 Chapman students and faculty April 24.

ing Wilson to clarify the difference between faculty members who independently seek research funding from the Charles Koch Foundation, and the foundation making a donation to create an institute - which is where Wilson believes the problem lies.

After a March 29 forum, during which about 50 professors questioned the transparency and integrity of the donation process, faculty expressed concern to The Panther about the timeline of the foundation's donation, which was combined with an additional \$10 million from two anonymous donors. The funding will last five years, and after that, faculty can try to seek more money from the foundation, or the university will pay the professors' salaries out of its own budget.

To Wilson, who has studied about 12 contracts between universities and the foundation, this is part of the

danger attached to the strings. Wilson said that the foundation can withdraw its funding at any point with as little as 15 days' notice, which was a standard stipulation that he saw in every document he examined.

But Hankins told The Panther after the event that he and his colleagues were given money for ideas that they already wanted to pursue.

"We're not worried about them cutting off the funding. We have ideas to do what we want to do with the money, and we know how much money we got to do it," Hankins said. "I'm frankly more concerned about our academic freedom being limited in terms of who we can seek money from, because some funding sources are maligned as being tainted by political influence."

Wilson also described a shift in capitalism from the industrial age to modern day. Instead of goods and services, knowledge is the new capital,

he said.

"We're in a knowledge economy," he said. "When these large corporations have gained as much influence and political power as they can, they own as much of the means of production as they can. The universities are the production of knowledge. If I was a real capitalist, I would look to control a university."

The talk was held on the same day that Transparent GMU, a student group that aims to expose the influence of donors at George Mason University, entered proceedings for a lawsuit against the school to access donor agreements between the Charles Koch Foundation and the university - the same type of document Wilson has been studying for years.

Smith Institute director Bart Wilson, President Daniele Struppa and Nobel laureate Vernon Smith, who was key in securing the funding from the foundation, are all former employees of George Mason, which has received the highest total donations from the foundation, according to tax documents up to 2015. Last month, the university received \$5 million more from the organization to hire three tenure-track professors in the economics department.

Hankins and Smith stayed after the event to continue the conversation, something Wilson said doesn't happen often with Charles Koch Foundation proponents. They usually don't subject themselves to this type of criticism directly, let alone engage in it, said Wilson, who has spoken at about four college campuses this year about the issue of external funding.

Struppa was not able to attend, but he and Wilson met privately April 26 to discuss the donations.

"There's obviously a lot of contention on campus," Wilson told The Panther. "It was good to see that and get a feel for it. Another reason (I like) to travel to campuses is because it's hard for me to get involved in such a contentious issue but not actually experience the fallout (if I'm not there)."

Turn to page 13 to read a guest column by Ralph Wilson.

Chapman Starbucks to provide racial-bias training

More than 8,000 Starbucks chains, including the one on Chapman's campus, will temporarily close May 29 for prejudice training, following the arrest of two black men.

Katie Takemoto | Assistant News Editor

Chapman's campus Starbucks will close May 29 to take part in the coffee chain's nationwide 8,000-store shutdown for racial bias training, after two African-American men were arrested at a Starbucks in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, while waiting for a friend and asking to use the restroom.

The two Starbucks in the Orange Plaza will also close May 29 for the training. While Chapman's Starbucks is run by food services company Sodexo, the on-campus store isn't required to participate, but Rick Nargi, Sodexo's district manager, told *The Panther* that it will.

"As an organization, we take (diversity) very seriously, and we embrace that," Nargi said. "We thought that it was the right move."

Employees at the Philadelphia store claimed that the two men had not bought anything, and employees called the police when the men refused to leave, according to *The New York Times*.

Starbucks CEO Kevin Johnson met with the two men, according to a Starbucks press release, and Johnson has since apologized.

Harold Hewitt, Chapman's executive vice president and chief operating officer, said that he supports the store's decision to close for the day, as he said Chapman is committed to an image of diversity and inclusiveness in the way that it trains its employees.

"Even here at Chapman, there could be an incident similar to what occurred at that Starbucks (in Philadelphia)," Hewitt said. "We strive for never having an incident of blatant discrimination like that occur."

Chapman Starbucks employees will be trained based on what material the corporate-owned stores prepare, along with the other 8,000 chains nationwide.

Becky Campos, Chapman's vice president of human resources, provided *The Panther* with the material for typical trainings conducted in the workplace on campus. This typical training administered to employees covers unlawful harassment prevention, using respectful language and reducing implicit bias.

"(Because) we have students, staff and faculty coming in every semester, there's a continuous cycle of reinforcement and awareness," Campos said.

Chapman made the decision to close April 24, Nargi said, a few days after University of California, San Diego administrators announced that the Starbucks on campus would participate, after initially deciding against the training since the Starbucks there is licensed by the university.

"We did get approval from (corporate Starbucks April 24) to participate. They're sharing their training materials with us," Nargi said.

Chapman students have mixed reactions to Sodexo's decision to shut down the campus Starbucks.

"I think it's great that Sodexo is willing to close (Starbucks) down,"



MAYA JUBRAN Staff Photographer

Students will be on summer break when the campus Starbucks temporarily closes, but some students believe the shutdown is still valuable.

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 said Julia Ha, a freshman strategic and corporate communication major. “It means that we’re supporting the cause.”

Nick Dowdy, a junior public relations and advertising major, believes that the university isn’t doing enough by participating in the nationwide shutdown.

“In honor of that incident, (offering racial-bias training) is nice – but it doesn’t really fix or change anything,” he said. “It doesn’t change this type of situation from happening in the future. It’s not really changing what they’re doing; it’s just closing for the day.”

Instead of closing Starbucks, freshman sociology major Cindy Rauda thinks the company needs to find other solutions to prove that its employees are not going to discriminate against its customers.

“Closing is going to get rid of the problem (at hand), but they’re not finding any solutions with that,” she said.

The campus Starbucks employees weren’t aware on whether they will have training May 29, as they haven’t been given any information from Sodexo. None of Chapman’s Starbucks employees were given approval to discuss the issue with *The Panther*.



BONNIE CASH Photo Editor

The training provided to employees will be directly supplied by the Starbucks Corporation.

Chapman's romaine lettuce E. coli free

Maura Kate Mitchelson | Staff Writer

Chapman's food services company Sodexo stopped purchasing romaine lettuce that may have been from Yuma, Arizona, and could be contaminated, in wake of a recent E. coli outbreak in that region.

Since April 2, Sodexo has begun purchasing its produce from FreshPoint, a produce distributor that sells romaine lettuce exclusively from California, Eric Cameron, the general manager of Sodexo, wrote in an email to The Panther.

While officials from the Food and Drug Administration haven't yet determined the reason for the contamination, the lettuce has sickened at least 98 people in 22 different states, including 16 in California, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).

Symptoms of E. coli include diarrhea, vomiting and severe stomach cramps, according to the CDC. If left untreated, E. coli exposure can lead to kidney failure and death.

Rick Nargi, the district manager of Sodexo, said Sodexo was immediately alerted of the E. coli outbreak by its food safety team. He declined to disclose the vendor that sold the potentially contaminated romaine.

"We have a robust food safety department and we were alerted immediately," Nargi said. "We checked our stock. We had one vendor that had (romaine from Yuma) in their (stock), but we did not have any products delivered (to Chapman)."

Romaine lettuce is still being served



MELISSA ZHUANG Staff Photographer

Sodexo supplies Chapman's food, and its fresh produce now comes from FreshPoint, a Californian vendor, after an E. coli outbreak potentially affected a supplier.

in the Randall Dining Commons, at SubConnection and at Qdoba, since Chapman's supply is not contaminated, Nargi said.

"If they're serving us romaine, I assume Sodexo knows (what they're doing) and that they're not putting our lives at risk," said Anna Platek, a freshman creative producing major. "Ain't nothing's gonna stop my romaine consumption."

While there have been no reported deaths from the outbreak, one New Jersey victim has filed a federal suit against Panera Bread, where she claims ate the contaminated lettuce and suffered symptoms of E. coli, according to The Washington Post.

Because 53 percent of those con-

taminated with E. coli-related illnesses have been admitted to the hospital, according to The Washington Post, the CDC has issued a statement advising against consuming romaine lettuce from Yuma or any unknown region.

The effects have spread across 22 states because the majority of romaine lettuce sold around the U.S. was grown in Yuma from the winter to early spring season, according to USA Today.

"We do track everything that we purchase and our teams prevent (contaminated products) from getting (served to the public)," Nargi said.

Katie Takemoto contributed to this report.

Senate updates

April 27 meeting

Fitness and recreation rentals

Since there is no official equipment renting program, the Fitness Center is requesting \$4,173 in funding for equipment rentals. The equipment includes all outdoor equipment, such as headlamps and compasses, including the extra equipment not being used at the Doti-Struppa Rock Wall. The money requested will not only be used to rent the equipment, but also to fund recreational outdoor trips for students. The senate agreed to fund the request fully.

Classroom migration

The Provost Student Advisory Board presented an initiative to the senate about classroom locations. Due to renovations in Smith Hall, the building will be inaccessible during the summer. Many courses that are taught in Smith will be moved to the Hashinger Science Center. Offices in Hashinger will be converted into classrooms, while those offices will be moved into the Keck Center for Science and Engineering when it opens this fall. Smith Hall will be renovated with new classrooms.

Yearbooks

Because many yearbooks were left unpurchased in the past, student government will keep track of how many are purchased this year and then calculate the surplus, as senators don't want to waste money on yearbooks if students don't purchase them.

President Mitchell Rosenberg said student government should either put more resources into the yearbook or create a student-led class to create the yearbook. Another suggestion was to change the way the yearbook is accessed by using an online version, as well as a hard copy, in the same way that Loyola Marymount University does. The final alternative was asking seniors whether they would prefer a yearbook, or for the funding to be used for other projects or activities.

Community outreach

Student government was pursuing a collaboration with Uber but is no longer considering it.

Open forum

Student government contacted the head of the Fish Interfaith Center to look into offering packaged kosher food at the Leatherby Libraries Rotunda and other on-campus restaurants.

A Holocaust remembrance organization has ceramic butterflies that represent the children who lost their lives during the Holocaust. The organization is now looking into implementing the art in the Holocaust museum.

Compiled by Katie Takemoto

Morlan student scammed to wire money to China

Jack Eckert | Staff Writer

A student living in North Morlan Hall received a call between April 10 and 11 from someone claiming to be a representative from an unnamed Chinese government agency, threatening consequences unless the student wired money, said Dean of Students Jerry Price.

The student, who university administrators would not identify, complied with the request.

There are about one to two fraudulent phone calls per year that are directed toward members of the Chapman community, although there could be more that go unreported, Price said.

"My understanding is that someone contacted the student, portrayed themselves to be from some agency of a foreign government," Price said. "(They delivered an) urgent message that (the student) owed 'x' amount of money and that there were going to be serious consequences if they didn't wire the money."

This type of scam is most commonly targeted toward U.S. students studying abroad, Price said. In this case, money was wired to a subject in China, but the exact origin of the call – due to IP address masking software and computers with falsely registered IP addresses – is unknown.

After learning about the incident, Public Safety sought assistance from the Orange Police Department to investigate, although the department hasn't issued any warrant or made an arrest.

Randy Burba, the chief of Public Safety, said that these types of calls happen less than once a year.

"I've been at Chapman for 12 years. This kind of thing has only happened maybe three, four times that I can recall. It's not very common (that the



Photo illustration by BONNIE CASH Photo Editor

An undisclosed student recently received a threatening phone call and was swindled into transferring money to China.

scam is successful)," Burba said.

Western Union, a credit union that doesn't trace transactions between parties, has admitting to aiding in transfer scams, agreeing to return \$586 million to customers who haven't been "adequately protected from fraud," according to the Federal Trade Commission. A customer service representative from Western Union declined to comment on wiring fraud.

Jess Quimpo, a junior kinesiology major, said she would go to the police if she received a similar call.

"Of course, I would freak out a bit, but it's best to just take it to the authorities or the bank so they could help at least get me through it," she said.

Fraudulent calls are not commonly targeted to Chapman students, Burba said. But scam calls are prominent in the U.S., with the IRS putting out

public alerts.

According to the Federal Trade Commission, scammers might seem friendly, call you by your first name, make small talk or claim to work for a trusted company. Asking for personal information, like credit card information or Social Security numbers, can also be a red flag.

Price said the university is trying to prevent this type of crime by spreading the word about it. Chapman students and their families should sign up for the Orange i-Watch, Burba said, a free, subscription-based service where subscribers can stay up to date on crimes in the surrounding area through email notifications.

There will most likely be a crime prevention fair in the fall semester, Burba said, with this incident being one of the points of discussion.

INCIDENT LOG

April 21

A subject was observed pulling on locked doors, attempting to enter the Hashinger Science Center. The subject was arrested at around 2 to 2:30 a.m.

April 24

An unknown person removed film equipment from an unlocked vehicle parked on the street in front of Marion Knott Studios.

April 26

A Lyft driver sexually battered or fondled a student passenger without his or her consent.

Turn to page 3 to read more about the incident.

Compiled by Jasmin Sani from the Public Safety daily crime log

Chapman aims to raise \$500 million over next decade

Jack Belisle | Staff Writer

After a record-breaking philanthropic year in 2017, when Chapman received its highest-ever philanthropic support at \$109 million, President Daniele Struppa revealed his goal in February to raise \$500 million for the university over the next seven to 10 years.

When Struppa stepped from provost to president, Sheryl Bourgeois, the executive vice president of university advancement, knew that there was worry Struppa would not be able to raise as much money as President Emeritus Jim Doti did. Doti generated \$570 million during his tenure as university president from 1991 to 2016.

But both are successful in engaging with investors, she said.

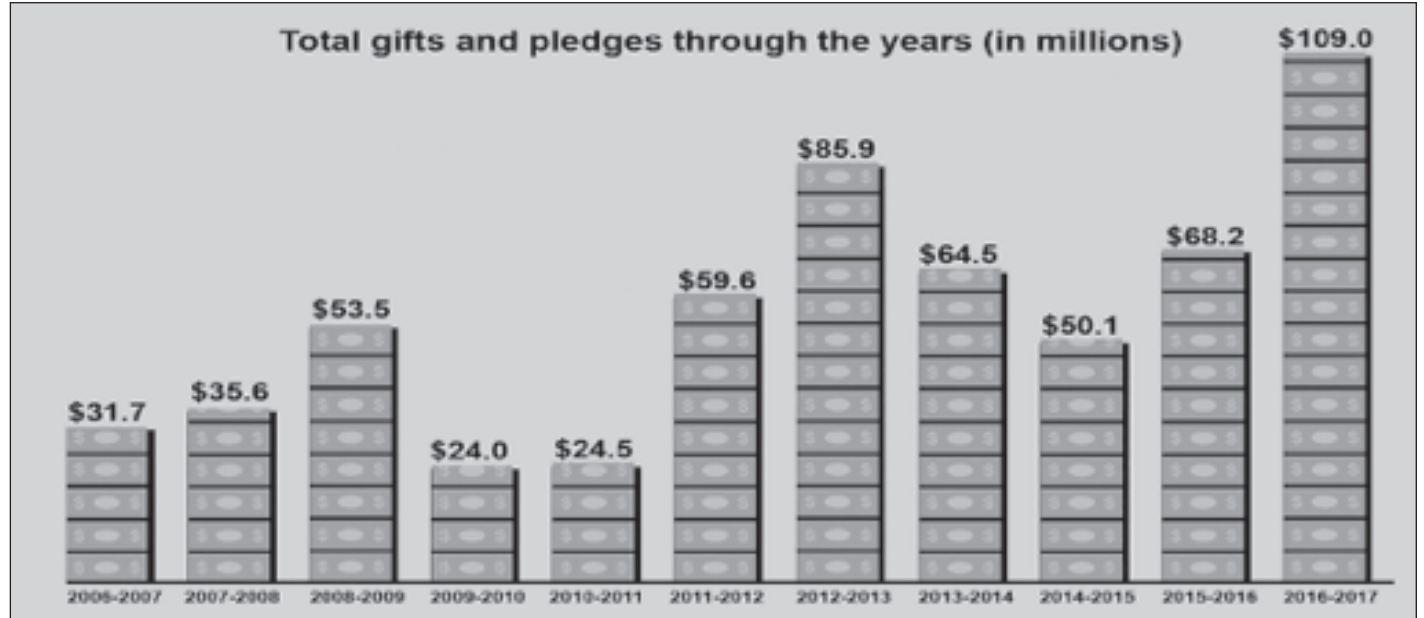
“While (Struppa) might seem to be more aligned with the sciences ... they both bring to their roles this wonderfully personable, genuine sincerity that helps attract people that want to invest (in the university).”

For the record-breaking \$109 million last year, bigger events like Chapman Celebrates, which has drawn guests like the Duffer Brothers and raised more than \$35 million since the fundraiser’s first year, are responsible for the majority of donations.

Bourgeois also said smaller amounts, totaling approximately \$5 million, are raised through mail donations, “phone-a-thon” fundraisers and direct solicitation, where people are contacted and asked for support.

Another large part of Chapman’s financial support comes from contributions to large projects — such as the Musco Center for the Arts— that expand the university.

“The lion’s share (of philanthropic funds) comes from capital projects,” Bourgeois said.



Graphic by EMMA STESSMAN Art Director

Over the past decade, Chapman has steadily increased its philanthropic support.

For the new Keck Center for Science and Engineering, she said, Chapman received official pledges totaling about \$80 million, along with a \$45 million commitment from Dale and Sarah Ann Fowler in 2017, making them the university’s largest single donors. Chapman’s new engineering school will bear the Fowlers’ name.

Struppa’s techniques for raising money vary, but one of his methods is looking at an investor’s interests and determining what they’d like to see from the university. Fundraising is focused on certain academic departments that the donor is interested in, as opposed to the whole university.

“It is important to work with people to identify areas where they believe they can make a difference,” he said. “When you have someone who is passionate about the arts, they would be happy to support the Musco Center, so

one of our fundraising trusts is an endowment that would allow the Musco Center to operate in the future.”

Struppa also talked about events that Chapman organizes in hopes of raising more money for the university.

“Every other year, we do a presidential tour ... A group of 30 to 35 friends of the university will (travel to a foreign destination). This September, we’re going to France,” he said. “We go there and simply socialize, (which) is a big part of our way to grow friendships toward the institution.”

In addition to tours, Struppa said dinners and special performances are thrown for investors and friends of the university, who are people who have a close association with Chapman and may have donated in the past.

The University Advancement team is already planning for the next 10 years of fundraising, with the end

goal of reaching \$500 million.

While Bourgeois said Chapman already has strong philanthropic ground in cities like Seattle, Portland and New York City, new outreach — both within the U.S. and places abroad like the United Arab Emirates — is planned for the coming years.

Fundraising efforts will also be directed toward Chapman alumni who may want to give back. Most philanthropic donations come from business or engineering graduates, Bourgeois said.

“A large percentage of (our relatively young alumni) are just now reaching that high-earning capacity and getting to the point where they may be thinking of being philanthropic,” Bourgeois said. “We’re going to look at (the relationship between Chapman and its alumni) as a way of really building amongst that population.”

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Dogs visit campus for second Dog Day

Kali Hoffman | Features Editor

About 30 people and 15 dogs spent their Saturday afternoon at the Aitken Arts Plaza in front of the Musco Center for the Arts for the second Chapman Dog Day, originally created to help alleviate tensions in student-neighbor relations.



Sunny, a 5-month-old golden retriever, takes a minute to relax on the grass.



Minnie, a 1-year-old Yorkshire Terrier, takes a seat.



Pitbull Wakefield, left, and German shepherd Radar, right, stop to say hello.



Five-month-old pitbull Flash poses for the camera at the event.

Kappa Kappa Gamma wins at 15th Greek Skit

Kali Hoffman | Features Editor

The Kappa Kappa Gamma sorority took home this year's Greek Skit crown with its "Parent Trap" tribute. Fraternity Phi Kappa Tau's "Space Jam" and sorority Delta Gamma's "Incredibles" won second and third place respectively, with sororities Gamma Phi Beta's "Scooby Doo" and Kappa Alpha Theta's "Candyland" coming in fourth and fifth.

Dean of Students Jerry Price, C.A.R.E.S. Coordinator Dani Smith and Glass Hall Resident Director Nathan Worden were the judges for the 15th anniversary of Greek Skit. The weekend-long show, in which members of Chapman's Greek life compete in a themed dance competition, is one of campus' most popular events. This year, both the Saturday matinee and closing show sold out.

All eight sororities and seven of nine fraternities participated. Pi Kappa Alpha and Delta Sigma Phi did not compete.



Photos by KALI HOFFMAN Features Editor

The Kappa Kappa Gamma sorority performed its "Parent Trap"-themed skit 11th in the queue of 15 fraternities and sororities. This marks the first year the sorority has taken home a first-place trophy.



The Delta Gamma sorority put on its "Incredibles" supersuits and took the stage, placing third overall.



The Phi Kappa Tau fraternity made sure not to break a leg when its basketball team recreated the storyline of "Space Jam" and won second place.

Student concerns about ride-share apps are ‘Lyfting’

Kali Hoffman | Features Editor

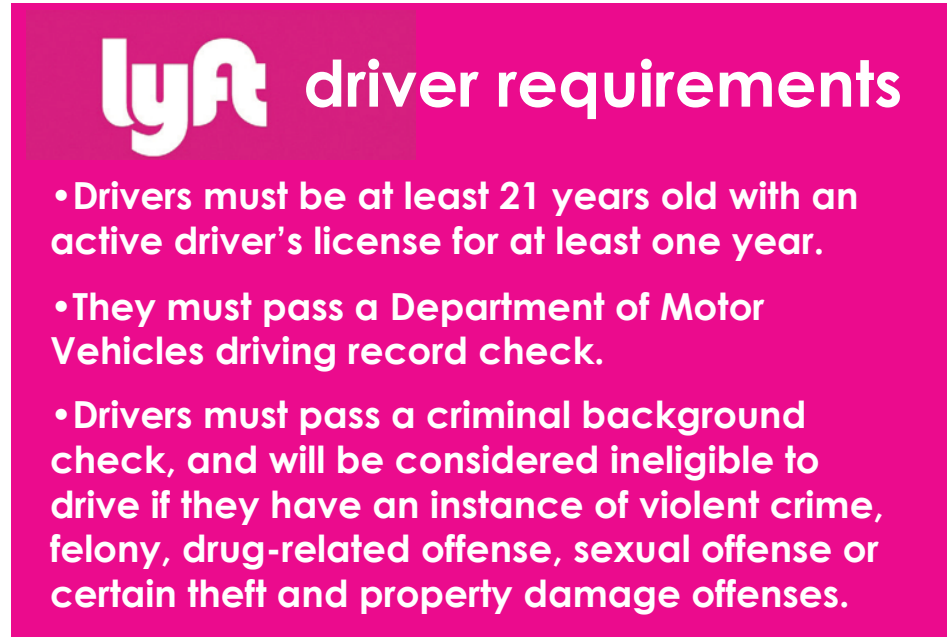
Uber and Lyft are ushering in a new era of efficient travel, but summoning strangers through an app and getting into their car isn't always safe.

Early April 26, a Chapman student awoke at the end of a Lyft ride to the driver fondling him or her, according to a Public Safety crime alert email. Other Chapman students told The Panther that drivers have kicked passengers out of their cars, driven purposefully in the wrong direction and engaged in conversations that are borderline creepy.

“Recently, the first thing (an Uber driver) said when I got in the car was, ‘Wow, I’m so glad to get a beautiful girl as my rider,’ and I was like, ‘Why does that matter?’” said Arianna Behrens, a sophomore screen acting major who frequently uses Uber.

Though both Uber and Lyft require background checks for drivers, that isn't a foolproof way to keep customers safe. More than a dozen women have filed a joint lawsuit against Uber, accusing drivers of sexual assault. On Thursday, the women wrote an open letter demanding that their accounts be heard in court, rather than private arbitration. In July, a Lyft driver was accused of restraining a passenger with a zip tie and sexually assaulting her.

Dalal Alfaris, a junior psychology major and international student from Saudi Arabia, has relied on Uber and Lyft to commute from Huntington Beach for three years. Sometimes, she pretends she can't speak English just so drivers will leave her alone, she said. Uber drivers in Saudi Arabia are typically younger, less talkative and less “threatening” than American drivers because they don't engage with passen-



lyft driver requirements

- Drivers must be at least 21 years old with an active driver's license for at least one year.
- They must pass a Department of Motor Vehicles driving record check.
- Drivers must pass a criminal background check, and will be considered ineligible to drive if they have an instance of violent crime, felony, drug-related offense, sexual offense or certain theft and property damage offenses.

Graphics by EMMA STESSMAN Art Director

A student was assaulted by a Lyft driver in front of Sandhu Residence Center April 26.

ger, Alfaris said.

Though her parents are thousands of miles away, Alfaris said they still worry about her using ride-sharing apps. They told her to never get in a car after midnight, to pretend to be on the phone the entire ride and to avoid discussing personal information and sensitive topics.

“I don't feel (ashamed) of being a woman in front of just any guy. It's only with the (drivers) that point out that I have a vagina before they even talk to me,” Behrens said. “Those are the ones where I completely close up. They start to feel the female energy and I get nervous.”

Uber's website lists ways riders can keep themselves safe, like sharing their location details with a friend and using

their intuition to detect when they may be in a dangerous situation. Lyft's website offers similar features, including a critical response phone line and information about driver and vehicle standards.

But Jade Smith, a junior digital arts major, isn't taking any chances. She tries to use Uber and Lyft “as little as humanly possible” and has cancelled rides in the past because the driver was male or because she was “creeped out” by the driver's picture on the app. When she does order a ride, she sends her mother or boyfriend a screenshot of the information on the ride in case things go awry.

“I've definitely had some nice Uber drivers that were men, but you never know what you're going to get, espe-



UBER driver requirements

- Drivers must be at least 21 years old with at least one year of driving experience in the U.S. and an eligible four-door vehicle.
- Drivers must have a valid U.S. driver's license and proof of vehicle insurance.
- They must pass a driver screening that includes driving record and criminal history.

cially when you're by yourself,” Smith said.

Leslie Song contributed to this report.

Chapman yet to take a stance in sanctuary campus debate

Taylor Thorne | Staff Writer

Early in his campaign, President Donald Trump vowed to deport all 11 million undocumented immigrants currently living in the U.S. Since then, demonstrators and legislators have risen up in protest of his immigration policies.

Recently, students and administrators across the nation have fought to protect undocumented students from Trump's deportation policies through the sanctuary campus movement. The movement, which calls for all campuses to provide a safe space for undocumented students, is already implemented in California state schools, but Chapman – which has at least one student who is a DACA recipient – has yet to take a firm stance.

“To my knowledge, the university doesn't have a specific position on what the city of Orange should and shouldn't do,” said Dean of Students Jerry Price. “From a professional perspective, we don't cast judgment on the backgrounds of our students. If they are qualified, admitted and enrolled, then we will do whatever we can to help them be successful when they're here.”

What does it mean to be a sanctuary campus?

Similar to a sanctuary state or city, sanctuary campuses adopt policies that don't comply with Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) officials. Sanctuary schools limit search access in private areas – like dorm rooms – and withhold student information from ICE, according to the Immigration Response Initiative. Both public and private universities can declare

themselves sanctuaries.

Why the controversy?

Though many student activists urge schools to become sanctuary campuses are asking for minor policy changes, “sanctuary” can be a volatile label. To some, it means schools are prepared to defy the law so that they can shelter undocumented immigrants.

On April 10, the Orange City Council voted not to comply with certain parts of a California bill that makes it a sanctuary state. At the meeting, Councilman Mike Alvarez said he “would be the first to stand in front of a tank” to prevent Orange from becoming a sanctuary city.

Attorney General Jeff Sessions said that sanctuary states and cities that refuse to reveal the identities of undocumented immigrants to ICE could face repercussions, like the denial of federal funds, according to NBC.

Universities and colleges, many of which rely on federal funding, face the same threat. Pennsylvania State University could potentially lose millions of dollars if it keeps its sanctuary status.

Still, some insist that it is a university's obligation to protect its undocumented students. Pitzer College has chosen to stick with its label of a sanctuary campus, regardless of potential repercussions.

“Pitzer College's mission has distinguished itself with its focus on social justice and intercultural understanding,” President Melvin Oliver wrote in a letter to the community, which was provided to The Panther. “It is thus fitting that we join the struggle to support those in our community who may be vulnerable to new threats.”

What does this mean for Chapman?

Chapman hasn't yet taken a stance on whether it would comply with ICE.

Orange County have voted to join the Trump administration's lawsuit against California's sanctuary state law March 27, according to the Orange County Register. Though Orange City Council did not join the lawsuit, they voted not to uphold sections of California's sanctuary state bill. Wayne Winthers, Orange city attorney, told The Panther he doesn't think the decision will change how Orange law enforcement operates.

Regardless, the Federal Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) allows all public and private universities to protect undocumented students' information.

M.P., who asked to be referred to by his initials to protect his family's identity, is an undeclared freshman from Brazil whose parents are undocumented. He hopes Chapman would side with undocumented students if faced with the decision.

“Coming to Chapman, everything was new for me, because I never came to visit the campus before I applied,” he said. “I got accepted, and I didn't have time to come and visit because my parents couldn't come with me. I think Chapman should support those undocumented students because they don't have anyone who is willing to help, and they are looking for an education and a better life.”

Hayley Nelson contributed to this report.



DACA timeline

- 2012**
 - June - Former President Barack Obama enacts the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals program
- 2017**
 - January - President Donald Trump adds a provision to DACA saying recipients' information will no longer be protected from ICE agents
 - September - Trump rescinds DACA and gives Congress six months to propose an alternative program
- 2018**
 - March - Congress fails to come up with a legislative solution for DACA
 - April - A federal judge rules the U.S. must keep DACA and accept new applications.

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The 'A' game: Professors, students stress over STEM grades

Faculty members work toward solution for lack of grade standardization

Yuki Klotz-Burwell | Staff Writer

Every week, Vidal Arroyo, a junior biochemistry and molecular biology major, spends an average of 25 hours on homework and lab work.

"I feel like I don't even have weekends," Arroyo said. "There are certain times when I never know if I'll be able to fully enjoy some parts of my life because of the coursework."

The amount of studying Arroyo does for each class might not always translate into equivalent grades. Each course is graded differently, instructors don't have a uniform grading policy in place, and some grades for classes, like organic chemistry, are curved, he said.

The lack of grade standardization is a common topic among staff members, said Marco Bisoffi, a biochemistry and molecular biology professor.

Because of this, the chemistry and biochemistry faculty members will attend a meeting during finals week to discuss solutions to the issue.

"These students are going out there and competing for graduate school and medical school," he said. "I do have some sleepless nights sometimes thinking about this situation. Are we doing the correct thing?"

In sections of the same class, there can be a substantial difference in the distribution of As and Bs in sections

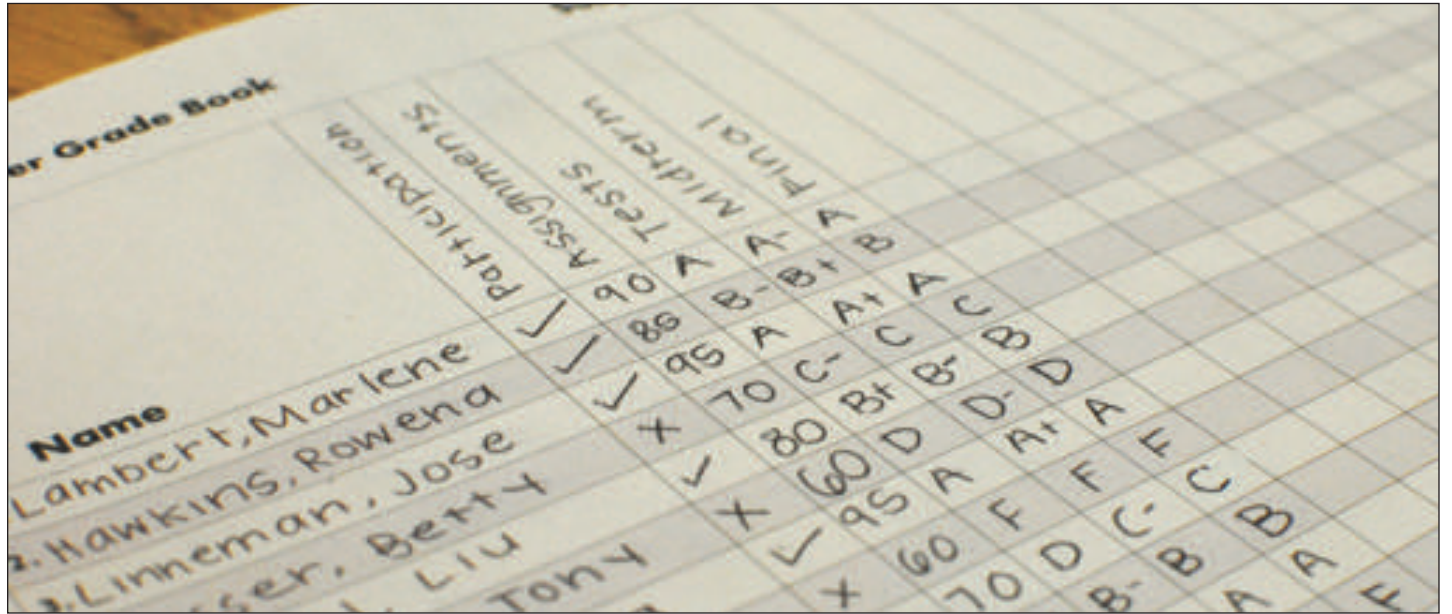


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Fifty-five percent of undergraduate grades given in 2016-17 were As and A-minuses, said Kenneth Murphy, associate provost of academic administration.

from different professors, Bisoffi said.

"What that means is that it's probably not the students, it's probably us who grade differently, and we should not do that," Bisoffi said.

Fifty-five percent of the grades given university-wide for undergraduates in 2016-17 were As and A-minuses, said Kenneth Murphy, associate provost of academic administration.

Those studying in Schmid College of Science and Technology often have to complete more credits to graduate than students in other majors. A degree in biochemistry and molecular biology requires 70-74 credits, whereas public relations and advertising requires 48.

STEM students have more pressure to perform well academically than students who pursue other subjects,

because most science students plan to attend graduate or medical school, said Arianna Burtis, a sophomore health sciences major. At Harvard Medical School, the average undergraduate GPA for accepted students is a 3.9, according to the school's website.

"Our advisers have told us since the beginning that there is not a lot we can do with just our bachelor's degree," Burtis said. "We are required to do more schooling to have a fulfilling career. Most of us are going into a very competitive field that requires more education and professional experience."

Since his undergraduate academics determine a large part of his future, Burtis feels required to keep his GPA high.

"I don't want my GPA to limit me

from going somewhere that I want to go," he said. "We hold ourselves to a higher standard in just being good academically because that's how we are evaluated."

Because of the inconsistent grading system, some students choose classes based on how easy the professors grade, said junior chemistry major Daniel Chang.

"I don't think (that) is a good approach," Chang said. "That choice should really be based on who you think will fit your learning style the best."

Bisoffi said that most of his students, especially in upper division courses, are deserving of As, and those who get below that are usually just in the wrong field.

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Campus DJs: spinning beats on the side

Jade Michaels | Staff Writer

Justin Nako looks out into a sea of pumping fists and flashing lights. A girl jumps on top of a friend's shoulders in the audience. Suddenly, the girl's balance is thrown, and she crashes, chin-first, into the floor several feet below. She stands and takes a pause, then thrusts her fist in the air and continues bumping to the music. These types of experiences are normal in the daily life of a DJ, said Nako, a junior biochemistry and molecular biology major.

"Watching the crowd is always interesting and funny – I see something crazy every time I DJ," Nako said. "Performing for my fraternity brothers and all the other students has been incredibly rewarding."

Nako has been a student DJ since fall 2016, when his friend and now DJ partner John Hunter introduced him to it. But, while DJing can be an exciting job, it is not the end goal for students like Nako.

Mixing music is an extremely competitive job market, and the risk of unemployment is too high, Nako said. On average, DJs with fewer than 10 years of experience typically earn about \$30,000 annually, but it is still something Nako loves and plans to continue as a side career.

"Trying to be a touring producer/DJ is risky, and most people don't get the exposure they need to become famous. But if I ever get the chance to perform on a main stage, I am going to do it," Nako said.

Professional DJ Ricky Hayes said that Chapman's location can make it hard for student DJs to get noticed.

"To stand out in Southern California



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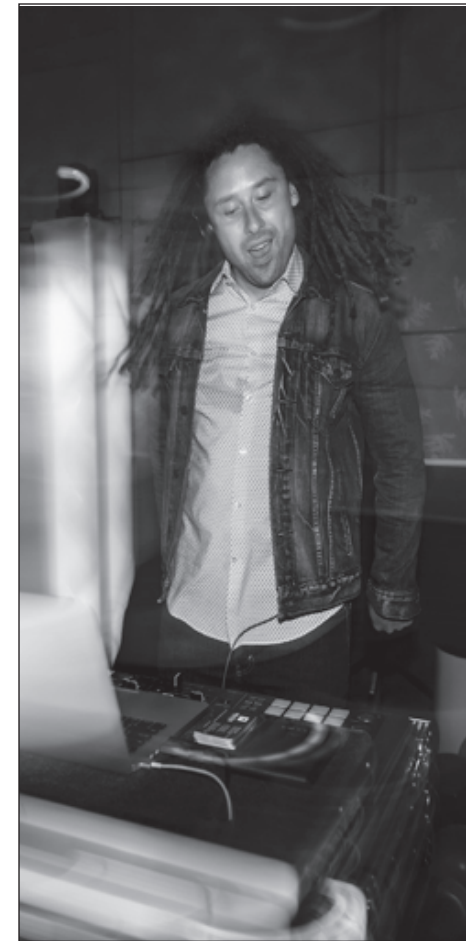


Photo courtesy of Ricky Hayes

Southern California is a competitive area for people trying to break into the DJing business, said professional DJ Ricky Hayes.

as any sort of performer or musician is tough," Hayes said. "The talent pool is so large, and you only have one take at your events to make it great."

Hayes got his start when he joined local DJing company VOX DJs and learned from them. But his transition from hobbyist to full-time DJ was mainly rooted in hard work and positive attitude, he said.

"Every event I work, I try to make a great first impression to everyone I meet. You never know who is going to get your card and call you back months later for a special event," Hayes said.

The hardest part isn't mixing the music, but finding the best balance of fun and professionalism. With so many

options, a DJ must be someone whose personality sticks out to clients, but they must also keep in mind that this is their job, not a party, Hayes said.

"Professionalism, passion, attitude and drive will get you much further than raw talent and swagger. The talent will come after hard work," Hayes said.

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Remember the Armenian genocide



Gracie Fleischman
Opinions Editor

Tuesday, April 24 was the 103rd anniversary of the 1915 Armenian genocide. Thousands rallied all over the world in marches

and peaceful protests to honor their ancestors, who perished at the hands of the Turkish government many decades ago.

Meanwhile, at Chapman, there was zero recognition of the lives that were lost. It's not known how many students at our university are Armenian, and the number of Armenians in the U.S. is also unknown, although it's estimated to be anywhere between 500,000 to 2 million. But the genocide is important no matter the number, and we need to stay educated on horrific past events, because, although cliché, we could be doomed to repeat them.

Why did the administration fail to put together events to commemorate the genocide when there are countless held every year for the Holocaust?

I'm of Jewish descent, and I've grown up learning about the atrocities that Nazi Germany inflicted upon the Jews, people of color, disabled people, the LGBTQIA+ community and the European Roma people, also known as Gypsies.

But, I never learned about the Armenian genocide, which is shameful. At least 664,000 people, and possibly as many as 1.2 million, died during the genocide. Armenians were ripped from their homes and forcibly marched through the desert by the Ottoman Empire's military, leaving behind destroyed towns and cities.

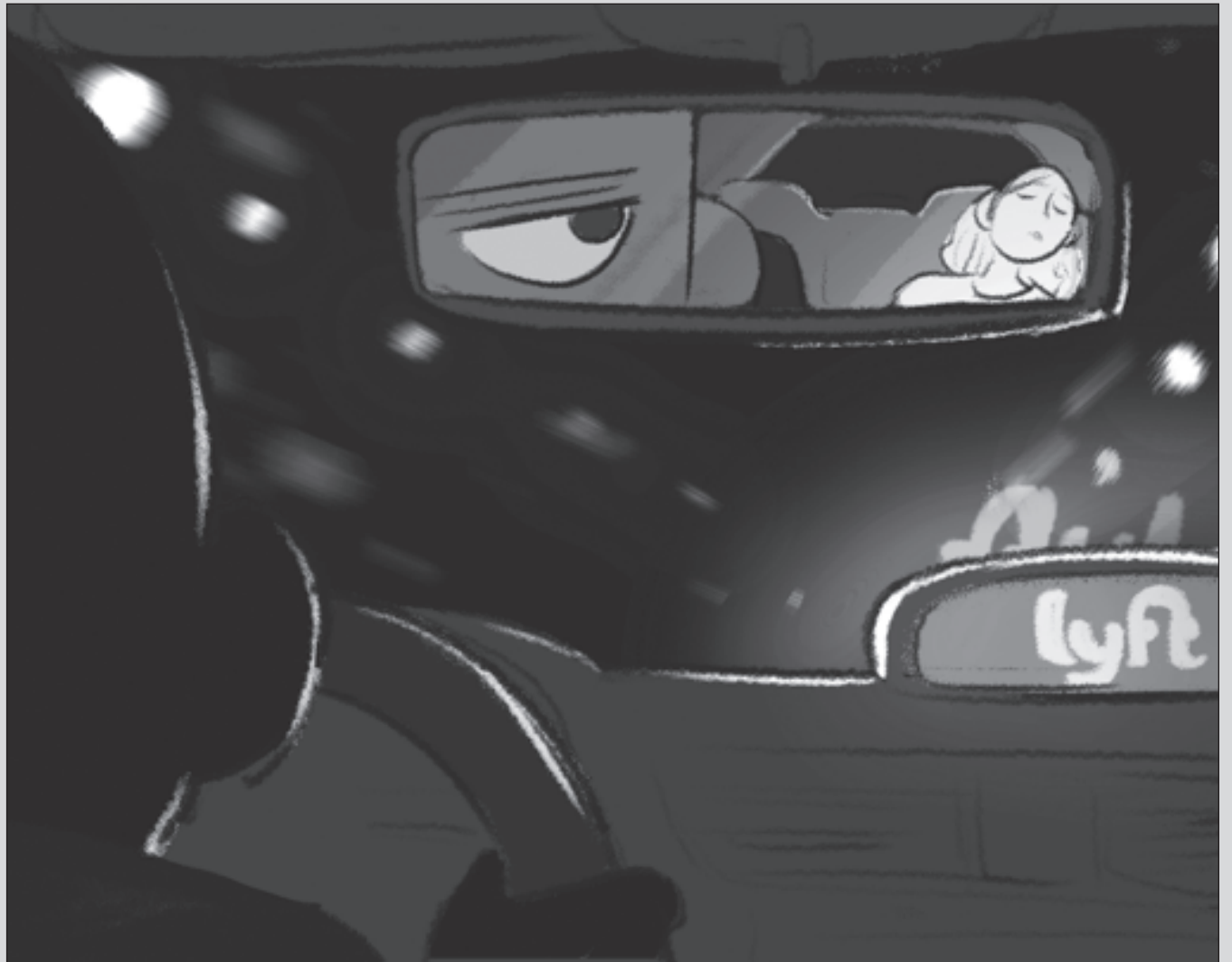
Many young children, women and elderly people were abducted and raped, while "fighting-age" men were sent to work camps. Before they could reach the holding camps, many Armenians were killed or died of starvation and dehydration. Many committed suicide.

Recognition of the genocide has been an issue for decades. Even the U.S. under the Obama administration failed, mostly because Turkish leaders have warned that, if the U.S. officially recognizes the genocide, it would lead to poor relations between the two countries. They even threatened to cut off U.S. access to a military base in Turkey.

Samantha Power, Obama's ambassador to the U.N., said, "I'm sorry we disappointed so many Armenian Americans."

Although it can be difficult to bring up issues of the past, it's important to remember events like the Armenian genocide and talk about them, so they never happen again. Preventing further unnecessary lost lives due to differences of race, ethnicity, religion or sexuality is crucial.

EDITORIAL



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Ride-sharing shouldn't be scary

The Panther Editorial Board

Early Thursday morning, a Chapman student reported awaking in a Lyft car outside the dorms on Grand Street to the driver sexually battering or fondling him or her. It's not clear whether the student was drunkenly passed out or just fell asleep from exhaustion – but the driver took advantage of the student, and by doing so, confirmed many women's worst fears.

There's always a level of risk when using a ride-sharing service – you're putting a significant amount of trust in a stranger to get you from point A to point B. And if you're a woman, it can be even more unnerving, especially if it's late at night. While these ride-sharing services won't ever be able to completely guarantee safety, since you can't always predict human behavior, there's one simple step that would help alleviate much of this anxiety: Allow passengers to choose the gender of their driver.

What happened to this Chapman student was not an isolated incident nationwide. More than a dozen women have filed a joint lawsuit against Uber, accusing drivers of sexual assault. On Thursday, the women wrote an open letter demanding that their stories be heard in court, rather than in private arbitration. In July, a Lyft driver was accused of restraining a passenger with a zip tie and sexually assaulting her.

In essence, these ride-sharing services are meant to increase efficiency and safety. People don't have to rely on public transportation or taxis, and it's a much better alternative to drinking and driving. Especially in Southern California where there isn't much public transportation, and at Chapman, where many students go out and drink every weekend, Ubers and Lyfts are the way to go. But when the safe option becomes unsafe, that's when problems will arise.

It's important to note that not all men are rapists, and for the most part, the ride-sharing drivers undergo proper background checks. But if you're a woman alone in the car with a male driver – and you know the statistic that one in six women in the U.S. has been victim of rape or attempted rape – odds are you won't feel 100 percent safe. Men are also highly likely to be victims of sexual assault – one out of every 10 rape victims is male. For this reason, all passengers should be able to request the gender of the driver that makes them feel most comfortable.

Although users already have the option to cancel and ride after seeing their driver, it would be much more user-friendly to have the ability to filter the type of driver you want from the get-go. Being able to choose "male," "female" or "no preference" as a user would make people feel safer, as well as on the driver's end. Female drivers often report cases of sexual harassment and feeling unsafe because of their passengers.

Some Chapman students told The Panther last week that Uber and Lyft drivers have kicked passengers out of their cars, driven purposefully in the wrong direction and engaged in "creepy" conversations – including a driver saying, "Wow, I'm so glad to get a beautiful girl as my rider."

Making this one, very simple change to ride-sharing services like Lyft and Uber could help prevent incidents like the one that took place April 26. No Chapman student, and no person in general, should have to experience sexual assault and battery while simply trying to get to their destination. If passengers can choose the type of driver they feel safest with, it would improve the experience for everyone.

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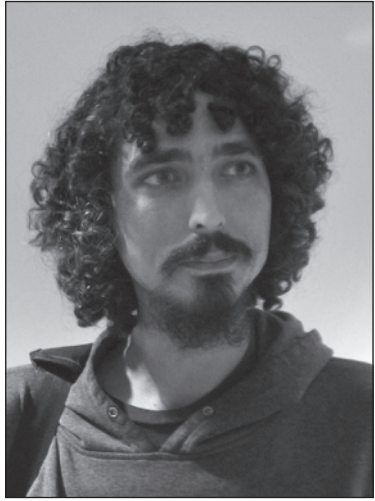
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Examining undue donor influence at Chapman



Ralph Wilson, co-founder of UnKoch My Campus

I was invited to speak at Chapman about the Charles Koch Foundation on April 24, in light of the recent controversy and tensions surrounding the foundation's multi-million-dollar support for Chapman's Smith Institute for Political Economy and Philosophy. My organization, UnKoch My Campus, has spent years documenting examples of undue donor influence over academic pro-

grams, in particular, how the Charles Koch Foundation's corporate political strategy seeks to "leverage" academic programs for the "implementation of policy change."

I'd like to credit Chapman's Koch-funded professors, including Nobel laureate Vernon Smith, for coming to the event and debating the issue of donor influence. The American Association of University Professors recently invited John Hardin, director of university relations at the Charles Koch Foundation, to debate members of UnKoch My Campus this summer. Though he declined, the invitation still stands.

At ground zero of the Kochs' money, George Mason University – which has received the highest total

donations from the foundation – President Angel Cabrera reversed the university's position April 27, conceding that agreements appear to "fall short of the standards of academic independence," granting the foundation undue influence over hiring in the economics department.

Examining these donor agreements from 2003, we find the signature of Chapman's president, Daniele Struppa, who was then serving as dean of George Mason's College of Arts and Sciences, overseeing the Charles Koch Foundation's donations to the university's economics department.

These documents show donor influence over tenured professorships required to affiliate with George Mason's Koch-funded Mercatus Center (where Vernon Smith, who was key in securing Chapman's funding from the foundation, serves on the board).

During my visit to Chapman, Struppa invited me to meet privately. He described his relationship with the Kochs, including his recent attendance of Charles Koch's highly secretive donor summit, where the Kochs' "seminar network" uses their "integrated" strategy to fundraise and coordinate political warfare.

At least one other donor behind the Smith Institute, Gavin Herbert, has hosted parts of the Kochs' secretive meetings (Herbert's son is on Chapman's Board of Trustees).

In addition to the clear question of political donor influence, there are larger questions involved in affiliating with the Koch family. Not only is the Koch network under investigation for exerting influence on the Trump administration, but a recent report by UnKoch My Campus traces more than \$10 million donated from the Charles Koch Foundation to dozens of professors with ties to white supremacy and neo-confederate ideology.

There is also a growing precedent for abandoning the foundation's questionable funding. In a December 2017 report with The Chronicle of Higher Education, UnKoch My Campus showed that schools have been increasingly parting ways with the Charles Koch Foundation since 2010. Of the schools funded in 2015, 31 percent stopped receiving Koch funding in 2016.

Some schools, like Whitman College, have cited concerns for the foundation's reporting requirements, which have included private student information – a potential violation of FERPA laws.

The same week I spoke at Chapman, the faculty senate at the University of Kansas passed a donor policy forbidding financial gifts that come with specific stipulations. Also last week, Montana State University's faculty senate voted to reject a proposed Koch center and is pushing to revise donor guidelines.

While concerned faculty have called for the release of Koch agreements – and, especially at private universities, been denied – Koch contracts consistently contain secrecy clauses.

At Wake Forest University, a faculty senate committee investigated a Koch center and concluded that, "due to the Charles Koch Foundation's unprecedented effort and documented strategy to co-opt higher education for its ideological, political and financial ends, the Committee moves (to) prohibit all Koch network funding for any of its centers or institutes."

Given the broad evidence available (and award-winning reporting by Chapman student journalists), it is clear that the concerns are well-founded and deserving of a good-faith administrative response, including transparency surrounding agreements, proposals and reporting expectations required by the Charles Koch Foundation.

'Voluntourism' does more harm than good



Kali Hoffman, features editor

With summer approaching, we are near prime "voluntourism" season. The approximately \$2 billion dollar industry sends more than 1.6 million volunteer tourists around the globe each year, according to NPR. To the students gearing up to travel to developing countries and refurbish a school, build a well or assist in some

kind of humanitarian venture that can be finished in two weeks – consider this: Volunteer work is not a photo opportunity.

In South Africa, a branch of voluntourism called "orphan tourism" has become so popular that some orphanages purposely keep children in poor conditions so that foreign volunteers will keep visiting and spending money, according to the Human Sciences Research Council.

Even in cases when students travel abroad to

work on projects like improving infrastructure, volunteer work can be more of a burden than a blessing to the local population because volunteers are often grossly under qualified to undertake the tasks they set out to complete.

Pippa Biddle, a former voluntourist, traveled to Tanzania with 14 other girls plus a handful of chaperones to build a library. In a column for the Huffington Post, she wrote that they were equipped with the desire to help, but lacked a basic understanding of construction. The arrangement led to the group haphazardly building the library by day, and the local villagers rebuilding it every night to keep the volunteers happy.

The golden rule of volunteer work is to never do anything for someone that they could do themselves, and systems like these break that rule. Though many volunteer tourists, like Biddle, are well-intentioned, that doesn't exempt them from taking responsibility for their actions.

Christian Media Magazine encourages students to post their voluntourism experiences on social media and document memories to share "in tes-

“Volunteer work is not a photo opportunity.”

timony" when they get back home. But Operation Serve International, a Christian nonprofit organization that organizes humanitarian mission trips, warns students against focusing on themselves.

Instead, the organization tells volunteers to make God "the hero" when posting about their projects, and encourages captions such as, "God empowered us to help the blind to see" and "God worked in and through us as we ministered to this child."

In these narratives, people who actually need help are left out. Instead of focusing on making a lasting difference in the communities they visit, tourists emphasize their own personal or spiritual development. Each selfie with a group of smiling locals is a way for volunteers to reminisce about their own life-changing experience, and they could be doing more harm than good.

Before embarking on any kind of humanitarian venture, students need to reflect on their real intentions. Going on a volunteer or mission trip to find yourself or become closer to God is misguided, because the foremost focus should be making a lasting impact on communities that need it.

There are alternatives to voluntourism, like donating to relief organizations or participating in specialized training volunteer programs, that make a more concrete difference than posting that super adorable selfie of yourself with a child you will likely never see again.

Ecofeminism is for everyone



Anna Bergland, sophomore environmental science and policy major

There is an important connection that exists between the treatment of nature and the planet, and the treatment of women. This ideology is known as ecofeminism, the belief that violence against the Earth parallels that toward women in our culture. First proposed by French feminist Francoise d'Eaubonne in

1974, this theory brings up interesting perspectives on the feminization of nature as "Mother Earth," and how animal exploitation in factory farms can be seen as a feminist issue.

Mothers in the Western world are viewed as the "givers," expected to be selfless, generous and nurturing. Their purpose is to tend to the needs of

their children, as seen in the children's book, "The Giving Tree," which portrays the idea of nature as an all-giving mother.

But, it can be dangerous to personify Earth as our "mother." We perceive it as an all-giving source that will never deplete because there is always "more" that our mother can give. Since we are Mother Earth's children, and she will always provide for us, we don't have to worry about logging the forests for industry, or dumping sewage into the ocean, right? But the Earth's resources are not only limited, they are being rapidly depleted. It's time for humans to stop behaving like dependent children.

We have to be careful when viewing the Earth as feminine, especially in a culture that treats women and mothers misogynistically. This is the same culture in which one in six women in the U.S. has been the victim of rape or attempted rape in their lifetime.

Ecofeminism analyzes not only the domination of nature, but also of animals. Factory farming in the U.S. is a hideous reality that many will ignore. Animals are routinely boxed, caged, poked and prodded, forcefully inseminated and denied access to

their young. Animals that are raised to be eaten are suppressed and objectified by humans – which parallels the way women are objectified in our culture. Women are viewed as sexual objects, while animals are viewed as edible objects.

Female animals, in particular, are exploited because of their reproductive ability. Think about where our milk and eggs come from: female cows and chickens. Female dairy cows are forcefully impregnated until their bodies are exhausted. About 60 percent of U.S. dairy factories immediately separate newborn calves before nursing, leaving their mother in despair and crying out for her baby.

Now consider how human female bodies are treated differently than male bodies in our culture. Exposing youth to the media sexualizes and objectifies women, according to a 2010 report by the American Psychological Association. This study also proved that in youth-oriented television programs, girls are more likely to be portrayed in a sexual manner than boys.

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Fans need patience with rookie QBs



Jake Hutchinson
Sports Editor

The best part of the NFL draft – besides the rapturous, near-constant boos that NFL commissioner Roger Goodell receives – is the reactions from fans and analysts in the seconds following each draft pick.

The internet has nailed down a formula for its reaction to picks. There's an immediate reaction: boos, cheers, crying and rarely, indifference. Then comes a rapid-fire analysis of the pick.

When the Cleveland Browns selected quarterback Baker Mayfield as the first pick of this year's draft, the overwhelming reaction was "Oh, classic Browns."

To be fair, the Browns are a historically terrible franchise. They went 0-16 last season, and 1-15 the season before that. The last time the Browns made the playoffs was in 2002, when they lost to the Pittsburgh Steelers. That record does not inspire confidence, so it's logical to assume the Browns are making another mistake.

But when people look at this new crop of quarterbacks, they should take a breath and get some perspective. Seattle Seahawks quarterback Russell Wilson was a third-round draft pick who was viewed as too undersized to be successful. Wilson has now won a Super Bowl and remains the Seahawks' starting quarterback, while that year's No. 2 overall pick, Robert Griffin III, has floundered after a series of injuries following a stellar rookie season.

There is no perfect criteria that determines whether a player, especially a quarterback, will be a bust or a star.

Maybe Josh Allen turns out to be the best quarterback in the draft. Maybe the decision by the Buffalo Bills to trade up to No. 7 overall and draft him pays off. Maybe he is nurtured by a coaching staff that works the shortcomings out of his game and allows him room to fail without being demonized.

That is all unlikely, but to assume that players' fates are sealed when they have not yet reported to camp is absurd.

All of the quarterbacks drafted in the first round this year – Mayfield, Allen, Sam Darnold, Josh Rosen and Lamar Jackson – have the talent to be starting quarterbacks in the NFL. That's why they were all picked in the first round. But if they're forced into an unforgiving system that does not fit their unique abilities and asks too much of them too soon, they can become busts.

I'm a Jets fan. I don't know if Darnold will become our franchise quarterback like Joe Namath was. Darnold, at 20 years old, is the youngest quarterback to be drafted this year. He seems to be a very nice guy with a nice family, a great work ethic and a lot of potential. But he also has issues with his mechanics and turns the ball over often, which seems like it should be a red flag for a position that centers almost entirely around throwing the ball. Experts say these issues are fixable.

What I hope for Darnold is that he's benched in his first year, and is eased into the starting position – if he earns it – in his second year. I'm not suggesting that the Jets refuse play him solely because he's young, just that he is given time to mature, understand the NFL and get comfortable with the Jets' offensive system.

But it seems all too common for young quarterbacks to be rushed into action. I know the lifespan of the average NFL player is short, and the nature of the sport demands winning sooner rather than later, compared to sports like the NBA, where tanking is pervasive, and patience can prove fruitful. But the pace of the NFL shouldn't matter when dealing with your franchise quarterback. The most important position on the field should be given the most care and patience.

After year away, Haslam set to return

Jake Hutchinson | Sports Editor

A 6-foot-2-inch shooting guard for Chapman stepped up to the free-throw line. He wiped his hands, caught the basketball from the referee and took a deep breath. Chapman was tied at 69 points with the University of Redlands, with two seconds remaining in the game.

Swish. The first free throw fell through the net. The referee retrieved the ball from under the hoop, passing it back to the shooting guard at the line. He took another deep breath. Swish. The second shot dropped, like any of the near-100 free throws he made over the course of that year.

But that wasn't any shot, and it certainly wasn't any shooter.

After that second shot rippled through the net and the buzzer sounded, Chapman fans, players and coaches erupted in cheers. Chapman's men's basketball team was the 2015-16 Southern California Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (SCIAC) champion.

The shooter at the line was Cam Haslam, a freshman from Seattle, Washington. Haslam cemented himself as Chapman's star player early on, scoring 40 points against Brigham Young University, Hawaii in the fourth game of the season. He finished the season as the leading freshman scorer in Division III, with 19.5 points per game.

"He came on the scene, not out of nowhere, but for him to do what he did as a freshman obviously exceeded our expectations," said assistant coach Dan Krikorian. "We could feel it coming on from the inside. You could see our team shaping around him."

But that was two years ago. Since that stellar freshman year, Haslam has played just seven games. At the start of his sophomore year, he suffered a Lisfranc injury in his foot, sidelining him for the first few weeks of practice. He returned as his usual self almost immediately, dropping 26 points at George Fox University in his second game.

But three weeks later, Haslam was sidelined again. After a 24-point performance against La Sierra College, Haslam tore his left-knee's meniscus for the second time during a practice. When he went down, Chapman's season went with him.

The team finished 5-11 in the SCIAC, at one point losing five straight games and missing the playoffs for the first time since Chapman joined the conference in 2012.

Haslam flew back to Seattle for surgery to repair his meniscus, giving him a four-to-six month return period. He underwent three months of scheduled physical training followed by strength-building exercises.

But when this year began, Haslam was absent from the team's roster. After playing during the summer, Haslam said he realized he wasn't fully healthy, and after consulting with close friends and family members, he told the coaching staff he was not returning for the upcoming season.

"It was tough, because I'd built relationships with the coaches and the guys on the team," Haslam said. "I wouldn't say it was easy, but it would've been harder for me to go out there not 100 percent. It made it easier to be real with them and not just play to make other people happy."

In this past year, Haslam said he's gone through a period of self-discovery, going without organized basketball for the first time since fourth grade. A devout Christian, Haslam dove into a number of causes, in-



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Above, junior guard Cam Haslam works out, jumping up a set of stairs outside Wilson Field. Haslam led all Division III freshmen in scoring his freshman year, with 19.5 points per game.

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- Cam Haslam,
junior shooting guard



cluding cancer fundraising program Relay for Life, and Alpha, a program for nonreligious and nondevout individuals that he helped launch at Friends Church in Orange.

While the recovery process was difficult, Haslam said he enjoyed it. He said he thrived with each step, something that was recorded in a documentary by Dodge College of Film and Media Arts students this semester.

When Haslam talked about his recovery, a broad smile crossed his face. He flexed his knee about 120 degrees – the furthest he'd been able to stretch his leg for weeks after his surgery, he said. He smirked again as he stretched his leg straight, demonstrating his now-full range of motion.

"It was so fun; I have a video on my phone of the first time I jumped," Haslam said. "(It's) something that most people are like, 'Oh, that must be terrible.' (I enjoyed) the process of baby steps and physical healing, but also emotional and spiritual. It's a pretty unique, awesome process."

Less than two weeks ago, Haslam told the Chapman coaching staff and players on the team that he will return for the upcoming season.

"I'm so excited to be back out there," Haslam said. "But I'm definitely glad I didn't play this season.

Going through healing with my knee and also who I am and figuring that out – outside of basketball – was what I needed. I have a new perspective on why I play and have a lens on who I am."

Reed Nakakihara, a junior point guard, said that he and other players on the team were in contact with Haslam throughout the season, often taking trips together to the beach or the movies. Nakakihara, who transferred to Chapman sophomore year, said he was struck by Haslam's honesty when he met him. Haslam knows how to criticize other players positively and constructively, he said.

"You can tell he's one of those guys who's really real with you," Nakakihara said. "He's always going to do what's right."

Krikorian had stayed in contact frequently with Haslam throughout the past year. While Krikorian said he wants to manage expectations of Haslam, he couldn't hide his excitement at Haslam's return.

"I could tell he was excited about the chance to play again, and as a coach, you want to feel that," Krikorian said. "I know as a staff, we're excited to have Cam the person, first and foremost, back in our program, and the basketball is going to take care of itself."

Spring means sprints: inside preseason practices

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The preseason – also known by players as spring season – is a time for players to hone and develop technical skills. While the regular season is over, it is not a time for players to sit back and relax.

Instead, players from the football and men's and women's soccer teams practice for five weeks. During that period, they complete intense conditioning and workout regimens, as well as practicing the fundamentals of their sport.

"Spring is mostly the time for learning," said Keely Lane, a freshman midfielder on the women's soccer team. "On top of staying in shape, you're able to (learn) concepts."

Lane and Elle Uyeda, a freshman defender, both said that the preseason is more personalized, allowing coaches to talk to players one-on-one about specific areas needing improvement rather than speaking to the whole team.

Jarod Matteoni, a sophomore team captain and defender for the men's soccer team, said that preseason involves getting in shape and focusing on the "technical stuff."

But these early season practices build more than skills, Matteoni said.

"(Winning) is definitely something that drives this team, that push from within to not be OK with losing," Matteoni said. "You can tell when we're losing, no one is happy for the whole week."

As the start of another season comes closer, summer training becomes even more crucial. As most athletes return home for the summer, it is often up to the individual player to stay on top of his or her fitness



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Chapman's men's soccer team sprints across Wilson Field during a spring practice. Spring practices are a time for players to improve technical skills and acquaint themselves with team strategies.

regimen during the months off.

"When you're with the team, it's so easy to be motivated, to stay on top of it. You consistently have people pushing you," Lane said. "But when you have to be your own motivator, it's so hard."

But Andrew Dieken, a junior

defensive end on the football team, said he likes doing his own thing over the summer.

"Our program really focuses on setting you up for success after school and bettering yourself so when you leave, you can be successful," Dieken said. "I think that's really cool."

Lane said players unquestionably prefer the regular season over preseason, when results from practice are evident from game to game.

"Whenever you get to play other teams, you feel like you're working for something that you can immediately see," Lane said.

Baseball sweeps Occidental for 5th-straight playoff appearance

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Chapman's baseball team began this weekend with the potential to secure a playoff spot for the fifth straight year.

With a 12-9 conference record and three games remaining, Chapman needed two wins to continue that streak. But five teams – Chapman, its opponent Occidental College, Whittier College, California Lutheran University and Pomona-Pitzer – all had a chance at making the playoffs. A five-way tie was theoretically possible.

But Chapman expunged those possibilities with a string of dominant performances: two back-to-back 5-0 wins, followed by a 16-5 offensive onslaught.

The first win came on Chapman's senior day April 27, at the hands of junior pitcher Matt Mogollon. Mogollon pitched a one-hit complete game, tallying 11 strikeouts along the way.

"When Mogollon pitches, we know we are going to win," Jared Love, a senior first baseman, said after the game. "We needed to win because we are still fighting for a playoff spot."

Mogollon's performance marked the second time this season that he's recorded 11 strikeouts. An Occidental single in the top of the fifth inning and three walks were the only bad marks on a near-perfect outing.

Chapman's offense scored all five runs in the first two innings.

"It was nice to set this tone for the first games of the series," said head coach Scott Laverty. "It was great to get the runs on them early."

Chapman saw another shutout pitching performance April 28,



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Left, senior first baseman Jared Love swings at a pitch against Occidental College April 27. Right, sophomore catcher Joe Jimenez looks to throw out a baserunner.

courtesy of junior pitchers Tyler Peck and Mason Collins, followed by an 11-run win.

Chapman will face the University of Redlands May 4 at 3 p.m. in the first round of the Southern California Intercollegiate Athletic Conference playoffs, as the third seed.

Love said the team's pitching depth, coupled with an outstanding offense, gives him optimism and high expectations for the postseason. But he said the team's focus is firmly on the upcoming game against Redlands.

"I think we can be a World Series team," Love said. "But it's baseball, and baseball is crazy. You have to take it one step at a time. If you start looking far in the future, you'll start dropping games."

