By Melissa Knopp
The Collegian

After appointing a new Executive Vice President, ASI has hit the ground running and the executives say they are ready for a spring semester full of changes.

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First, briefly outline your plans for ASI this spring.

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**SWEETEN:** I believe that past executives have passed things verbally from team to team, which is fine, but our executive team is working to put things in writing and give more specific guidelines and expectations than what has been in the past.

We see the importance of having a paper trail and we want this to be shaped over the years to come.

What things have you heard students most concerned about and how will you best address these issues or attempt to address them?

**WAHLBERG:** I think right now everyone is worried about the state of California and with good reason. Students who have decided to pursue a career in education are worried about the state’s same-sex marriage ban.

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We need to continue to lobby in Sacramento and fight the legislatures on increasing fees for higher education. I’ve heard that you want to focus only on student fees, but on parking as well. How will you plan on addressing these issues?

WAHLBERG: Parking is an interesting issue. Students in my opinion have a dilemma: do they prefer a flat parking fee to increase to support a parking structure or do they prefer to keep fees down and in turn, keep the status quo? I have strong opinions either way, and I leave this decision to the students. I know I will support what they decide on the matter.

SWETEN: We need to work with President Welty on implementing a parking structure, but as an agriculturist I believe we need to go up and not out. We need to do this in a way that protects the land that students use to lean many things from. How was it coming in at the middle of last semester Graham?

WAHLBERG: I am excited and sad at the same time. I know we have already accomplished so much, but still have lots more to do.

Unfortunately, I know I will not be able to return to my position for another term, so I know that my time here is limited. Jessica, what was it like for you when you first heard that Campuzano resigned? How does it feel to be the new Executive Vice President?

SWETEN: I know that it was a chance for me to run again for EVP and accomplish things that I have been working on and working with Graham on some of his ideas and mine. I was sad to see Campuzano go, because I have been friends with her since high school in our FFA days, but was ready to seize the opportunity. Being EVP is very new to me, and I’m trying to take it all in. I have been with ASI for more than a year and a half and have worked with past EVPs, but you do not truly understand it until you walk into that office your first day. I am so ready to work with this amazing executive team and our office staff to accomplish a lot in the coming months.

What is the most important issue facing Fresno State, if you had to pick one?

WAHLBERG: The California budget issue.

SWETEN: The budget crisis. This is directly affecting every student at Fresno State.

Given that you both came into office relatively late, do either of you plan on running for reelection?

WAHLBERG: I’m still up in the air, but I know that if I don’t get a job now, I may never get one. It’s serious.

I’m construction management major and we’ve never had problems like this, for students getting jobs.

Our graduates always get jobs—like 90 percent—every one gets a job.

But this last semester people actually didn’t get jobs. I would love to run again, don’t get me wrong, but unfortunately I don’t think it’s in the cards for me right now.

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PROPS: Donor disclosure debated

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attracted 36,000 contributions totaling $30 million, the state contends no clear evidence exists that the measure was hurt by fear of reprisal. That argument misses the point, attorney James Bopp Jr. said, because harassment occurred only after donors sent their money.

Bopp said the state has no compelling reason to disclose donations as low as $100. "Surely, there’s no one in the state who would be influenced by fear of reprisal against an initiative because Joe Blow gave $100," he said.

In a voting for Proposition 8 is over, there is no way that keeping names confidential could affect the outcome. Bopp added.

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Hiding our ‘Brit-love’

Pepsi & Prozac  
SARAH A. PETERSON

I could not believe it. Target had sold out of Britney Spears’ CD. It appeared just as quickly as短缺ly, but every single album. What was I to do?

It was not always like this, however. I did not always dig Brit. In fact, in high school, I thought she was just another underage tramp having Beaverdown in schoolgirl attire. Of course, this is coming from someone who thought “Britney and the One More Time” was about domest-ic abuse. My disgust was palpable when her bad mom antics and exposed nether regions began circulating the tabloids. I mean, seriously, what a ho. But then something changed. I can’t pinpoint what exactly made her more palatable. It might have been the head shaving or hospitalization, or even the visit from Dr. Phil. Suddenly in my mind’s eye, she’d gone from spoiled “Pimp Tatt” to a real chick with actual problems. Britney was human, and I could relate, though I’ve never actually shaved my head, been hospitalized or had a chat with Dr. Phil. And then there was the album “Blackout.” That I heard at a party, it was so insanely danceable, I bought it and never looked back. So I asked myself one day, “Why is it that I only crack it up when nobody’s around?”

Is it because it’s my only time to whip out the hairbrush mic and get jiggly with it? Or am I actually ashamed of the fact that I totally rock to the music of Ms. Spears? And apparently I am not alone. One of my friends recently admitted to working out to Britney only when no one is home.

Several other friends have also come forward, but they all wish to remain anonymous. I suspect there are even more out there, which is pretty sad, considering it’s nowhere near as bad as fessing up to slushy- ing or the preference for some bizarre sexual fetish.

I don’t know, maybe I’m ashamed because of my former scorn; but does my newfound “Brit-love” make me a hypocrite? Probably.

But when you really think about it, pop music in general gets a bad rap. It’s the domain of their fans and their ilk, the ones who have Miley Cyrus and the Jonas Brothers plastered across their bedroom walls. It’s about as substantial as cotton candy - we’re talking extremely pro-cessed fluff here.

So when it comes right down to it, there are only two words needed to sum up my affection for Britney’s latest work: guilty pleasure.

Because let’s face it, cotton candy can be pretty darn tasty.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Intimidated conservatives

For a country that prides itself on the right to free speech, there are some people that are remaining surprisingly silent. It is apparent to me that, despite the fact that there are many conservative people on the Fresno State campus, it is the liberal voices that speak up the most, and the loudest. It appears that many people are intimidated when the vocal, or apparent, majority of their peers have different viewpoints. This is not the case. There are always a way to pay for your education. Go to community college and work at Burger King. Apply for scholarships so you can’t pay for all of tuition. I’m not saying it’s going to be easy but where there’s a will there’s a way. Whining and complaining don’t get people anywhere. People who don’t take action have no right to complain. So stop it. Quit it. Act like a college student. Act your age. Be an adult. It’s about time. Things will no longer be done for you. You have to do them yourself. So if you don’t like the way student fees are increasing; join a student club, start a petition or get a job.

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Useless complaints of economy

Yes the economy is bad. Everything is bad. Tuition keeping rising and financial aid doesn’t do a thing about it. Many struggle with it, but stop complaining! There is always a way to pay for your education. Go to community college and work at Burger King. Apply for scholarships so you can’t pay for all of tuition. I’m not saying it’s going to be easy but where there’s a will there’s a way. Whining and complaining don’t get people anywhere. People who don’t take action have no right to complain. So stop it. Quit it. Act like a college student. Act your age. Be an adult. It’s about time. Things will no longer be done for you. You have to do them yourself. So if you don’t like the way student fees are increasing; join a student club, start a petition or get a job.

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That’s What the People Are Saying

On Executive Order to close detention camp

President Barack Obama signed an Executive Order calling for the closure of Guantánamo Bay within a year. Actually, you know how he can close it faster? Make it a bank, OK? It’ll shut down.  

—Jay Leno, The Tonight Show

ONE-FINGER SALUTE

Called out from desks in The Collegian restroom.

Thumbs up

Fresno State Women’s basketball

The Bulldogs rocked the house in Hawaii when they beat the Rainbow Wahine 71-45 this Friday. Too bad the winning streak didn’t translate over to the men’s basketball team with their second loss to San Jose on Saturday.  

Thumbs down

Prostitute solicitors

Early Sunday morning, four men picked up 2 Hostinave on Olive Avenue only to have their car stolen at gunpoint shortly after. Thank you for once again reminding us why soliciting prostitutes is not only illegal, but highly dangerous.

Thumbs up

President Obama’s Historic week

Everyone is thrilled to see the world’s first Hawaiian president get right to work.

Thumbs down

Oscar snubbing of ‘The Dark Knight’

Yes, Heath got the supporting actor nod but where is Chris Nolan’s best director nomination?

Thumbs down

Budget cuts

Another $3.6 million are going to be cut from Fresno State’s budget? I guess we might have to sit on the library floor or on a donated bean bag for longer than expected. On the plus side: we’ll have Starbucks coffee! Maybe we can petition CEO Harold Schultz to donate a couple of desks.

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American Idle?

By Whitney Vasquez
The Collegian

After years of being away, John Loiacono, who gradu-
ated from Fresno State in 1984, will be returning to campus
to lecture on the advance-
ment of technology as part
of the College of Arts and
Humanities Lecture Series.

Don’t worry though: Loiacono said his lecture, on
Tuesday night at 5 p.m. in the
Education Building, will not
be your “typical” speech.
“ I hate the ‘lectureers,”
Loiacono said. “If I am bor-
ing you can throw tomatoes
at me.”

Loiacono, who originally went into marketing, is the
senior vice president of
Adobe’s Creative Solutions
Business Unit and is in charge
of programs such as Adobe
Photoshop and Macromedia.

Flash, among others. He will be
talking about trends in media and how these trends
affect the people who use
them.

After college, Loiacono started working at Sun
Microsystems in marketing, where he learned to
become a risk taker.

“We had a motto at Sun: to
ask permission, is to seek deni-
sal,” Loiacono said. “I believe
people should prepare yourself
to ask permission, is to seek deni-
sal,” Loiacono said. “I believe
people should prepare yourself
for public consumption,” Ray
said.

I wanted to create something
that goes with this piece.”

Ray created and re-created
these images using an ancient
printing technique—intaglio
printing. There was an image
drawn on top of a plate. She
also used stone lithography to
print her poems.

“It’s not that different from
lithography,” Ray said. “It’s
just done on a big rock.”

Ray also displayed her etch-
ings and poetry in three differ-
et ways.

“I presented my artwork in
three forms,” Ray said. “On
the wall, in a handmade book
and as an interactive sculpture
where it doesn’t matter where
you start or end.”

The addition of poetry to
the art is the thing that most sepa-
rates Ray’s work from others.

Each piece of art was com-
bined with two poems to cre-
ate a conversation.

“The goal of the poetry was
to enter a conversation with
each piece of art in two ways,”
Ray said. “With one poem
Ray approached the piece as a
modern person talking to the
image, in the other I wrote as
if I was communicating some-
thing from the past.”

One of Ray’s etchings models
the cave paintings at Chauvet
Cave in France which displays
a series of horses drawn next
to one another over time.

“The cave paintings remind-
ed me of drawings my father
made when he was showing
me how to draw a horse as a
kid,” Ray said. “It made me
ask whether the drawings were
done by a young person
learning to draw over time or
by individual artists: that
question inspired the poetry
that goes with this piece.”

English Professor Connie
Hales, who mentored Ray
on her poetry, said that mix-
ing Ray’s poetry and artwork
wasn’t easy, but because of
Ray’s determination was suc-
cessful.

“What I admire most about
Murleen’s project is how she
set out to create an ambi-
tuous, difficult, mixed media
exhibit, and didn’t settle for
anything less,” Hales said.

Ray didn’t scrimp on any
thing and that every decision
she made, right down to the
paper she printed the poems
on, had artistic significance.

“Everything I used
meaning: the poetry for exam-
ple has a light transitory feel,
almost like it could fly away,
where it’s just floating over
the pavement,” Ray said.

“Even the use of shadow boxes
has meaning because I wanted
to echo the aspect of vitrines
which were traditionally used
to hold artifacts.”

Ray’s goal with these details
is that when people see her
work they will learn some-
thing.

“The past I made artwork
to please myself, but when I
started the honors program
I wanted to create something
for public consumption,” Ray
said. “Something that people
can look at and be inspired by
or learn something from.”

“If I just open the door a little
bit, I feel like I’ve succeeded
in what I wanted to do.

Word of the Day

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When one is hesitate about sharing the con-
tents of his or her iPod.
tunities.

Non-profit agencies will be at the Satellite Student Union Community Career Expo at Annual Services to the Center from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. Admission is free for students. For more information visit GoBuildings.com.

Jan. 29—It's Salsa Night at the Fowler Library from 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. You can bring a partner or come alone, either way it's completely free. Must be over 18 to participate.

Jan. 30—Cineculture presents the film “The War of 33: Letters from Beirut” at the Save Mart Center from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. Admission is free for students. For more information visit cineculture.csufresno.edu.

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Clint Eastwood just keeps on truckin’. Just when I think he’s done and gone his last great film, he goes and makes another. His latest, “Gran Torino,” is the best he has directed since the 2005 Best Picture winner “Million Dollar Baby.” The film, based on the collaborative story by Dave Johannson and Nick Schenk, is definitely not for the faint of ear. The movie tackles the issue of racist head-on, bulldozing through offensive speech like a kid through a sandbox.

The story follows Walter Kowalski, a tough old coot and Korean War vet who has just lost his wife. Despite the well-meaning of a baby-faced priest (Christopher Carley) and his two grown sons (Brian Haley and Brian Howe) he just wants to be left alone. He takes the persistent kindness of his next-door neighbor, Sue (Ahney Her) and her brother Thao (Bee Vang), to break through the barrier of his self-imposed solitude.

After a failed gang initiation and a subsequent run-in with the gang, Walter and Thao form a tentative friendship that blossoms into mutual respect and kinship. Eastwood is a “grade-A badass” here, with the same gruff voice he had as Marshel Jed in “Hang ‘Em High,” and the big guns he had in “Dirty Harry.” He chews up the scenery, as a character both tough and vulnerable, stealing every scene he is in. This is a credit to him, of course, but has the disadvantage of making all other acting look mediocre by comparison.

“Gran Torino” meanders along at a rather leisurely pace as the story unfolds and we get to know the characters, but the last third quickens with a barrage of bullets, leading to a final showdown, reminiscent of one of Eastwoods aforementioned westerns. Nominated for only one Golden Globe and completely overlooked by The Oscars this year, “Gran Torino” may not be considered the best film of 2008, but it is definitely worth seeing for any Eastwood aficionado.

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Men’s hoops fall to Spartans

By Collegian Staff

After the men’s basketball team’s first conference win of the season over Louisiana Tech Thursday, the Bulldogs were confident heading into the Event Center against San Jose State on Saturday.

Junior forward Sylvester Seay recorded his first career double-double with 17 points and 12 rebounds, as the Bulldog’s second half surge erased a 14-point halftime deficit. The Bulldogs shot 54.5 percent from the field in the second half, while hitting 11 three-pointers. However, it wouldn’t be enough, as the Spartans would complete the season sweep defeating the Bulldogs 86-79.

The ‘Dogs failed to win yet another conference game, as the team’s record now stands at 8-12 overall and 1-5 in the WAC.

Four Bulldogs scored in double figures for the second straight game. Senior guard Dwight O’Neil netted 21 points and four assists, while freshman Paul George tallied 20 points of his own along with four blocks to go with his 17 points and 12 rebounds, and sophomore Ned Golubovic added 11 points on the night.

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The ‘Dogs started the second half down 43-29, but with back-to-back 3-pointers from Golubovic and George, the Bulldogs would cut the Spartans lead to 43-39.

Minutes later, freshman Bryce Cartwright would drain another three-pointer to get the Bulldogs within five. After a defensive stop, Seay would hit the Bulldog’s fifth three-pointer in less than five minutes to put the pressure back on the Spartans.

The Bulldogs erased the deficit completely when O’Neil hit a tough 12-foot jumper in traffic to even the game at 57-57. However, the Spartans would respond by recording a quick 8-1 run. Down seven points, with seven minutes left, the ‘Dogs wouldn’t go easily. George continued to stay hot from beyond the arc as he dropped in a pair to cut the San Jose State lead to four, 70-66.

But, the ‘Dogs fell down by ten points as the Spartans hit clutch free throws and timely shots down the stretch. The Bulldogs recorded a season-high 12 three-pointers on the night, but the defense was the weak point.

The ‘Dogs now take a break from WAC play for their final non-conference home game of the season as they welcome Houston Baptist to the Save Mart Center on Wednesday night at 7 p.m.

Women’s basketball sails past Hawaii on the island

By Collegian Staff

The women’s basketball team improved to 13-6 over-all and 4-2 in the WAC after beating Hawaii at the Stan Sheriff Center, 71-45 Friday night. Junior guard Ashley Walker came off the bench and sparked the Bulldogs by scoring a career-high 17 points and five rebounds.

The Bulldogs got off to a hot start in the first half behind the shooting of Jaleesa Ross and Marnique Arnold. Ross scored 12 of her 15 points in the first half, while Arnold had eight points and six rebounds.

Hawaii only managed to stay in the game through the first 10 minutes. At that point the Rainbow Wahine held a 14-13 lead. However, the final 30 minutes belonged to the Bulldogs.

The ‘Dogs finished that final 10 minutes of the first half with a 10-2 run to lead 49-29 at the break.

After returning from halftime, the Rainbow Wahine were not able to get any closer than 16 points in the second half, and the final score was the largest lead of the game.

While many players were active and played well, it was the play of Haylee Munro that stood out Friday night. Munro had a complete all-around game, but came up just shy of a double-double as she had 14 points, eight rebounds and a career-high nine assists. As a team, the Bulldogs had 20 assists.

Fresno State dominated every aspect of the game against the Rainbow Wahine. The Bulldogs shot 40 percent from the field, while the Rainbow Wahine shot 38 percent.

The ‘Dogs were also able to control the boards out-rebounding Hawaii 36-33. Arnold and Taja Edwards each had seven of their own. However, it was the Bulldog’s defense that determined the game, forcing 27 turnovers compared to the Bulldogs 14.

The next game for the Bulldogs will be against rival San Jose State at the Save Mart Center on Friday at 7 p.m.

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The women’s tennis team was scheduled to open their season Saturday at noon at the Wathen Center, but the weekend rain storms forced the matchup against Saint Mary’s to be rescheduled. The match was set to feature the No. 2 doubles team in the nation – Bulldogs Anastasia Potukhova and Renata Kucerkova. Bulldog Melanie Gloria, the No. 17 ranked singles player in the nation, was also scheduled to begin her season. While the Gaels and the Bulldogs will make up the rained-out match, no date has been determined yet for the rescheduled match.
The 2009 offseason will be a trying time full of uncertainty for the Bulldog football program following a disappointing 2008 campaign. Head coach Pat Hill will be replacing three members of his coaching staff – defensive coordinator Dan Brown (left), defensive line coach Kerry Locklin (center) and offensive coordinator Doug Nussmeier (right).

Nussmeier, an Oregon native, was excited about the opportunity to coach at a Bowl Championship Series (BCS) school and should be expecting a higher salary closer to his hometown. Even though the move made sense for Nussmeier and his family, he still feels that he will miss coaching for the ‘Dogs.

“First and foremost I thank coach Hill for the opportunity to come to Fresno State,” Nussmeier said. “I’ll always be grateful for the way he treated me and my family. We had an outstanding time in Fresno and it’s a special place and difficult to leave.”

With Nussmeier running the offense in 2008, Fresno State ranked No. 43 in the nation in total offense with 387 yards per game and averaged 29 points per game, ranking No. 37.

The numbers were down from the prior year, but Locklin felt that moving to a school like Kansas wouldn’t be a drastic change from the atmosphere of Fresno State.

“I feel this is a school, with a rich tradition and is an up-and-coming program,” Locklin said in a release. “Coach Mangino has done a great job getting the program headed in the right direction. I am excited to be a part of it. Kansas is very similar to Fresno State in getting respect in the conference and around the country.”

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