The days of playing against the Idahos, the New Mexico States, and the rest of the Western Athletic Conference members on an annual basis is finally over. University officials announced last Wednesday that Fresno State was leaving the WAC to accept an invitation to join the Mountain West Conference.

"Fresno State was certainly honored to be invited to become a member of the Mountain West Conference," university president John Welty said. Soon Fresno State will be seen competing against the likes of Brigham Young, New Mexico, San Diego State and Texas Christian, alongside former WAC rivals Boise State and Nevada. Welty said that Fresno State hopes to enter the MWC sometime in the next two years, if not earlier.

"The sooner you get there, the better it is," he said. "I'd like to see us move by Fall 2011 if possible."

The move to the MWC doesn’t come without penalty, however. Fresno State would be subjected to pay a reported $5 million because of its departure from the WAC. The university has said that it will use non-state funding dollars to help cover the cost of the penalty clause.

WAC commissioner Karl Benson told ESPN that he expects Fresno State to pay the exit fee by Oct. 17. Benson called both Fresno State and Nevada "selfish" for leaving the conference, just five days after all eight WAC schools agreed to the $5 million buyout penalty. The agreement was made to protect the conference from future departures, but Fresno State decided it was still best to leave.

With Fresno State leaving on bad terms, the MWC is welcoming the school with opened arms. The MWC acknowledged that it would waive the entrance fee, which could save the athletic department a reported $1 million.

"Over a period of time, we will both finance a buyout and the additional cost that we have," Welty said. So why did the university choose to accept an invitation to the MWC knowing it was going to be hit by fees?

Welty said that the opportunity to join the conference was too good to pass up, even if it meant being penalized. He said that by joining the conference now, the advantages to Fresno State would be seen as beneficial in the long run.

"This invitation provides an opportunity for Fresno State to take another step athletically and also another step academically," Welty said. Athletically being a part of the MWC will help new students navigate campus.

It’s inevitable. This week, a student will walk into an anthropology classroom expecting biology, another will be running around to find the closest bathroom, and someone else will try to find the Office of Parking and Transportation to contest their fresh parking ticket. In any scenario, take a deep breath and keep an eye out for the “Wag Pack” representatives, experienced students who welcome students and direct them to where they need to go.

"Just look for our t-shirts," said Arthur Montejano, the Delta Sigma Phi Fraternity Beta Nu Vice President and team leader of the Welcome and Guidance (WAG) Pack. Montejano co-leads the group and oversees 35 students who have volunteered themselves this semester to ease the minds of lost students.

"We did lots of recruiting," said Montejano, which accounts for the higher number of volunteers this year. A training day was organized on Aug. 16 to ensure that members were ready for the large influx of students about to arrive.

Remembering Kassie Lee

Kassandra Brianne Lee, a recent Fresno State MCJ graduate, died of a pulmonary embolism on May 31, 2010, just a week after graduation.

Her mother, Cathy Lee, was the last person to speak with her daughter the night before her death. Lee said that she never complained about any symptoms or problems to her on the phone that night. Kassie was found in the home that she had recently bought for herself.

“When we found her, she was very...”

Kassie Lee co-hosted a weekly radio show with her father called “Home Matters” on KYNO 1300 AM.

Photo provided by Cathy Lee
Welty welcomes back students for 100th year

John Welty

Welcome to campus for what will be an exciting year as Fresno State celebrates its 100th anniversary! I want to take this opportunity to give a special welcome to our 2,700 new freshmen, our 2,900 new transfers and 756 new graduate or credential students. Our new and returning numbers total about 21,000 students.

Our celebration, which begins this fall and continues through Commencement next May, is an opportunity to look back over a century of excellence and to look ahead as we begin our second 100 years. It’s also a reminder of how successfully we’ve worked together to overcome challenges and help thousands of individuals achieve the benefit of others.

Fresno State has evolved from modest beginnings as a normal school to train teachers into an acclaimed, culturally diverse, 21st century university, which offers educational opportunities through eight schools and colleges. Our students have applied what they’ve learned in Fresno State as leaders and doers in communities throughout California, around the world and clear into space.

Our alumni are 9/11 heroes, judges, army leaders, presidential press secretaries, teachers, farmers, doctors and nurses, political leaders, military men and women, authors and artists, astronauts, inventors and business moguls. Fresno State alumni have won the Pulitzer Prize, Oscar, Olympic medal and more awards in the process. Because who doesn’t like awards? Let’s go for the gold this year! And take down the Trojans of Southern California, who bested us in the General Excellence Trophies last year.

Another emphasis this year will be topics that students will actually want to read. No puff pieces or press releases from us—that is our aim for this year. Another emphasis this year will be more editorially, likely once per week. As we student body should take a stand on the issues we care about, be it the school’s and state’s fiscal crisis or school and world politics, and there is no better voice than The Collegian.

As a student-run newspaper, we have a voice, a voice that students can use. We have a voice in the best interests of writers—conservatives, liberals, independents, moderates, sports fans and band fans. We have a voice for the students who are The Collegian. And that’s where you come in. We want your voices heard! Send us a letter to the editor and comment online. Tell us how right we are. Tell us how wrong we are. We don’t care, we just want your opinion.

And don’t forget about our special insert! This semester we will have four: The Football/Fall Sports insert on September 16, the General insert on October 16, The Stressbuster’s Guide on October 23, and the Basketball/Winter Sports insert on November 3.

We have a brand new redesign of our website under way, and we’re planning a new look at csufresno.edu. It’s sleeker, cleaner and meaner! (It’s actually not meaner, I just thought I had a thing going with the rhyming.) It looks amazing. And we will be new content online daily thanks to the leadership of our Multimedia Director Allie Norton. Our online team has even been posting during the week itself and that will be another great component of our award-winning newspaper. But don’t take my word for it—check it out yourself.

Speaking of award-winning, last year The Collegian won 11 awards from the California College Media Association, including second place in the category of General Excellence (you read right; we were voted the second best college newspaper in all of California). And though that is fan- tion, we have a little bit of ambition. We want more. So this year, it is our commitment to keep churning out stuff for you to read and inform the reader, winning some more awards in the process. Because who doesn’t like awards? Let’s go for the gold this year! And take down the Trojans of Southern California, who bested us in the General Excellence category.

But above all, we want to put out a product that you, the reader, can be proud of. One that you can’t wait to read on Monday, Wednesday and Friday, instead of just using it to do the Sudoku or to cover up your adopted son’s pee. One which is interesting and that educates the reader in an age when most news is uninteresting and uneducated. We strive to be different. We want what’s best for you.

And that’s our goal for this year.
The right is wrong on the Mosque

By Mike Boylan

It is the American way to acquire property within the confines of the law. Who cares how anyone feels about it?

— Mike Boylan

While some news that plans were underway to build a mosque as part of a 15-story Islamic cultural center two blocks away from ground zero, Americans lost their collective heads. Politicians and news outlets (often one and the same) have hijacked this relative non-issue into a whirlwind of fear-mongering and illogical disconnects.

This project is a relative non-issue. It is purely an emotional, symbolic and unsubstantive debate. What is telling is the immoderate reactions, emotion-laden outbursts and hypocrisy offered by those who are adamant in their opposition.

Many dissenters acknowledge what is terribly clear: That constitutionally speaking—and for better or for worse—the Cordoba Initiative, led by Imam Feisal Abdul Rauf, are fully at liberty to pursue the approved project on private property.

Political posturing via media outlets often portray an exaggerated level of anxiety among the electorate, but polls have shown otherwise. Polls conducted by TIME, Rasmussen and NBC show the majority of both New Yorkers and Americans oppose the project. A recent statewide poll by Siena College in New York, as reported by the Associated Press, showed 63 percent of New York voters oppose the project, and 27 percent supporting it. For the respondents who oppose the project, only half of them believe the developers actually have a constitutional right to build it. What we have here is a profound ignorance and solipsism—the extreme preoccupation with and indulgence of one’s feelings and desires; egotistic self-absorption—that fosters a disconnect which is unflattering and averse to a civil society.

Pervading blogs, editorialists and the world of punditry is the delusion that allowing the construction of a mosque in close proximity to ground zero is insensitive and somehow dishonors America, the victims of 9/11 and those left to mourn them. To make this false connection takes a considerable dose of psychopathology and neuroses. It is like saying someone’s grandmother, who was murdered by a group of Hispanics, is dishonored when a Hispanic family buys a house to raise their family next to her gravesite. To say that a toip-story Mosque overlooking ground zero dishonors anyone in anyway is to explicitly endorse the idea that Islamic institutions are “guilty by association,” a standard they do not hold when it pertains to the Inquisition and the Crusades with Christianity.

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Ultimately, this debate has illuminated how insular many Americans are, and the double standard they offer nothing of the sort. A mosque at ground zero is no more “insensitive” to Hispanics, is dishonored when a Hispanic family buys a house to raise their family next to her gravesite. To say that a top-story Mosque overlooks ground zero dishonors anyone in anyway is to explicitly endorse the idea that Islamic institutions are “guilty by association,” a standard they do not hold when it pertains to the Inquisition and the Crusades with Christianity.

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Source: Ipsos Reid Public Affairs.

Average commute from home to work for Americans, according to a Gallup Poll: 23 minutes

Percentage of U.S. workers who spend more than half an hour getting to work: 19

Percentage who commute for more than an hour each way: 3

Postage of employees with a commute of more than 90 minutes who say they have had a neck or back condition that has caused recurrent pain in the past 12 months: 33

Source: Gallup.

Year that Kool-Aid was invented by Edwin Perkins of Hastings, Neb., according to the U.S. Census Bureau: 1937

Number of different flavors that will be dispensed by the world’s largest Kool-Aid festival in Hastings, Neb.: 22

Estimated number of gallons of Kool-Aid that are consumed worldwide each year: 500 million

Source: U.S. Census Bureau.

Average amount that the average American family will spend this year on back-to-school clothes, shoes, supplies and electronics, according to the National Retail Federation’s 2010 Consumer Intentions and Actions Back to School survey, conducted by BillGresearch: $806.40

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Percentage who watch cooking shows regularly: 34

Percentage of respondents who say they try a new flavor at least once a month: 36

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peaceful in her bed," said Lee. Her mother recalls her daughter’s plans for her new home that were never realized. "She was waiting to put blinds up. She had paper in the windows."

A memorial service was held at Hope Lutheran Church on Sunday, June 6. Among those who spoke was Dr. Roberta Asahina, who had Kassie in several MCJ courses. "I was in that when I was young," said Lee. "I gave her really good public speaking. It’s sort of like a soreness in a way, but it’s all service based."

In her articles for IORG, Kassie told of her difficulties in junior high school and being teased by her classmates. "I devoted myself to studying," wrote Kassie Lee, "never made an effort to have any sort of social life and finished 8th grade with few fond memories. Then, I was given a fresh start."

"During her time at Buchanan High School, Kassie involved herself in many things. She served as the editor of the yearbook, as president of her school’s National Honor Society and as a member in a leadership program. She also spoke at her graduation. "She was really too busy, but she’d never admit that," said Lee.

In 2006, during her senior year, Kassie received the title of Grand Worthy Adviser for the California IORG, the highest position in the state organization. Instead of heading directly to college after graduating, she committed to a year of traveling, attending conventions and events as a public speaker to support the organization. "I think it made her appreciate Fresno and what she had at home," said Lee. "I served as a grand officer with her," said friend, Nicole Keadle. "She chose the Teddy Bear Cancer Foundation as our state-wide service project."

"Within a year, the group raised over $85,000 for the foundation, benefiting the families of children who had cancer. In addition, Kassie took on another project, advocating the importance of donating blood. In the end, 809 pints of blood were collected."

"I can say that I am, without a doubt, a better person just for having known Kassie’s generosity and charismatic nature," said Keadle. "She will be truly missed."

Along with her studies at Fresno State, Kassie served as a host of a weekly radio show on KYNO called "Home Matters", a program dedicated to maintaining a home. She co-hosted it with her father, Bryan. "They did it together," said Lee. "My husband stopped doing it after Kassie died. He couldn’t do it by himself and he couldn’t even think about doing it without her."

"Mrs. Lee explained her daughter’s unmistakable enjoyment and natural ability as a radio personality. "She liked it. David Tyckoson probably would have had some point dabbled in that." At Fresno State, she pursued an English major and aspired to be an activities director until she settled on Mass Communication and Journalism. Lee graduated with a BA in advertising in May 2010, receiving honors and awards. "I'm on the end of my couch with my best friend at the other. I can’t help but wonder how much longer I’ll be able to do this," writes Kassie in a 2007 IORG article. "I don’t know what the future holds for the girl at the other end of the couch and me, but I do know that I’ll enjoy every moment of the gift of life I’ve been given."
“W e walked around campus and refreshed our memories about where buildings were.”

— Elizabeth Lopez, WAG Pack team member

From Dog Days and included events such as Convocation, USU Open House, and Student Services Day,” said Edrington. After operating for years in this format we decided to make a change.”

According to Edrington, Welcome Week needed reformatting to make it clear that it was a continuation of Dog Days, the orientation for freshman and transfer students, and not entirely separate events. It also was to streamline the goal of the program.

“We were throwing a lot of information at new and returning students during the first week,” said Edrington. "[We realized] students were more focused on trying to figure out where their classes were located, where they were going to live, where they could find work, etc.”

The program receives funding that goes toward member training, materials and supplies. “[They are] handed out at Fresno State Welcome events, equipment, and WAG Pack T-shirts which help new students identify who WAG Pack members are,” said Edrington.

The WAG Pack team has increased in size this year, from 22 to 35 members in the team and Edrington welcomes the extra amount of members to better serve students.

“This year we would like the WAG Pack to be involved with welcome events throughout the entire 2010-11 academic year.”

There will be Welcome Booths in several locations on campus the first week of classes from Monday, Aug. 23 through Thursday, Aug. 26 from 7:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. Check out the full list of events that WAG pack will take part in this semester online at www.csufresno.edu/studentactivities.

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It was a quiet and hot summer afternoon as 23-year-old Jesse Mendiola stood in front of his computer terminal at the Fresno State bowling alley. He stared at what appeared to be a blank screen. Three young women took turns sliding bowling balls down the third lane and into the gutter. Salt-N-Pepa’s “Push It” blasted on the jukebox. Nobody was playing pool. Nobody was in the arcade. Nobody was watching television or playing X-box. The Fresno State campus had fewer courses during this past summer’s intersession, according to course catalogs. With limited financial aid and the Central Valley heat, there wasn’t much incentive for students to be on campus during the summer.

The bowling alley is one of the amenities that Fresno State offers during the summer. Located downstairs in the University Student Union, the bowling alley is available to students, faculty, staff, alumni and the general public. Mendiola has been working at the front desk of the bowling alley for over a year. The junior recently returned to Fresno State after leaving his freshman year and spending three years at Fresno City College. Mendiola said working at the bowling alley is a “chill” job, especially during the summer. Mendiola said he has at least two years left at Fresno State and plans to continue working at the bowling alley. He says that everybody at Fresno State should have an on-campus job.

Chelsi Craig, a senior graphic design major, went bowling this summer on a Friday night. “There were only three other lanes being used,” Craig said. “It was still a lot of fun though.” Craig, who lives a few blocks from campus, was among the few people who took advantage of the bowling alley during the summer. Students can show their valid student identification card during business hours to take advantage of the student discount. Students pay $2.25 per person, per game or $12 per hour for one lane. That is $1.60 less per game and $8 less per hour than the general public pays. Faculty, staff and alumni receive a discount, too.

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— Chelsi Craig, Senior graphic design major

Summer strike-out
Library provides new seating for guests

"This furniture was part of the original design of the building. It just hadn't arrived yet."

— Susan Christensen, Coordinator of Facilities and Event Management

By Jannexa Tyler
The Collegian

Out with the old, in with the new.

The Henry Madden Library has some new additions this semester, in addition to the new food policy recently introduced. New furniture was delivered to the building over the summer to give a students a place of comfort. The new furniture is spread throughout the building, and on each level.

“This furniture was part of the original design of the building, it just hadn’t arrived yet,” said Susan Christensen, Coordinator of Facilities and Event Management.

“We try to provide a variety of seating options for students,” said Christensen. “I think everyone will notice the new furniture and be jazzed.”

English major Erik Reed, who works as a student assistant at the information desk, described his furniture as part of the original design of the building, "It just hadn't arrived yet.

The building has a total of 72 different fabrics used. Each level has a specific color scheme designed to help guests find their way around the building. The building is 340,000 square feet with four floors plus a lower level, and another floor coming this fall.

“A student visiting the building for the first time may think it looks familiar,” said Reed. “A student who is a returning visitor to the building could become more familiar with the layout of the building, and more; it’s a place to enjoy yourself.

Stars Coffee is located, are on the second floor, where guests find their way around the building. The building architect and the furniture selection committee chose the fabrics because they can be easily repaired or replaced.

“Modular construction means that items were made up from individual pieces that, by design, can be more easily repaired and replaced because damaged or worn out parts can be replaced individually,” said Hoffman.

Furniture selection goes beyond what meets the eye. The library is not only a place for students to study and do research, it is a social place to hang out. The library barista, Victoria Strain, said, “It’s a place to enjoy your self.

By Michael Kirchsholm
The Collegian

Student writing skills these days at California universities are a far cry from what they were in previous decades. This has led to the question: Why?

One suggestion is that a reduced value has been placed on conventional subjects such as English before the student ever arrives at the university. "If you graduate every year, but are unable to find a job, virtually every business employee must have the ability to write well," said Dr. Weston.

"At a time when employers need employees with good writing skills, those who have substandard skills can make their employer look less professional and are often turned away after interviewing for a position."

"An increasing number of new students are children who learned English as a second language (ESL). Some of these students immigrated to the United States while they were in elementary school, and others were born in this country but grew up speaking a language other than English at home."

“ ‘They spoke one language at home and another language at school,’ said Kirk Stone, Assistant Director of the Fresno State Writing Center. Stone also said that writing assignments, such as essays, are often taught differently in high school than they are at the university level, which only adds to the uncertainty that ESL students face.”

"Fresno State English Professor Chris Henson said that certain students have difficulty to learn to write well, but their backgrounds make it much more difficult."

"These things were not stressed at home," Dr. Henson said. "A student whose inac- curate grammar was never cor- rected at home can cause him or her to be a step behind other students."

Dr. Henson added that, "Different kinds of advertising programs and video games could teach young people a language, but not one that will help them at Fresno State. People might have language skills, but not academic lan- guage skills.

Reading literature often has the effect of enhancing the teaching of composition skills by giving students access to the precision and capaci- tation of well-written English.

"Dr. Weston is in complete agreement. They never get to experience simply reading for plea- sure. Language has its own rhythm, which helps you as you develop your own writing skills. You don’t get that when you’re just reading a text-

Upcoming Events

Fun stuff going on this week to welcome you back to school

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Wed, Aug 26 at 8 p.m. Iron Man 2 Showing at S. Gym Field

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The dance team, now in its second season, is under the joint direction of the music and athletic departments after a successful first year under band director Tim Anderson. Anderson’s idea to bring the dance team back to Fresno State stirred up skepticism in the athletics department, bringing about memories of the old dance team.

“I wasn’t here at that time, but I heard that some of the old routines weren’t the most appropriate, and the uniforms were somewhat skimpy,” Anderson said. “But when we restarted the team last year, we made sure the dances stayed clean and classy.”

Despite the athletic department’s reluctance to bring back the dance team, Anderson’s pilot program proved that the new and improved team was a more appropriate version than the team the school eliminated.

“Tim ran a nice program last year, and we are very pleased with their spirit and enthusiasm,” said band secretary Sindi McGuire. “It fits in well with the scheme of what athletics wanted to do.”

Clarence Chiong, a sports licenser for athletics, took over as the athletic advisor for the dance team in April.

“Our goal is for the dance team to perform with cheer to provide more entertainment for the fans,” Chiong said. “We want to provide the best possible experience for the girls.”

The dance team rehearsed new choreography for basketball season at dance camp in July, and learned new material for football season alongside the marching band in August.

“Let’s DANCE
Athletics and music partner up to share dance team
By Kellcie Mullaney and Maddie Shannon
The Collegian
The dance team, pictured at a home football game last season, is now being shared by the music and athletic departments. They are still a division of the marching band, but now receive the same athletic support as the cheer squad.
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Word of the Day
OMJ
As known to Jonas Brothers fans, this expression stands for “Oh my Jonas!”

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MWC: Conference switch comes with extra incentives

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will improve the overall competition of the program. Competition between sports would be at a higher level in the MWC as opposed to the WAC. The conference is stacked from top to bottom. Just last year alone, the MWC had five schools participate in bowl games and four were invited to the NCAA tournament in men’s basketball.

On top of that, the MWC had six schools finish in the Top 100 of the Learfield Sports Directors’ Cup standings, which is a program that honors the success of each school’s athletic programs. In comparison, the WAC only had two universities finish in the Top 100.

“If you look at the overall strength of the conference, [it] provides us greater access for our teams [and] our student-athletes to the NCAA tournament, postseason play and bowl games,” Boeh said. “It really galvanizes our strength of schedule.”

The prospect of generating more revenue while simultaneously cutting costs also played a role in the university’s decision to join the conference. Travel will be less in the MWC than it was in the WAC. The farthest trip the university would have to make for a conference match is to TCU at 1,300 miles as compared to Hawaii where it was more than a 2,500 mile one-way trip.

“If you take a look at some of the travel that’s involved in the Mountain West versus the WAC, there’s some cost-savings there,” Boeh said. “There is going to be some opportunities for savings.”

The chance to increase revenue is also there. By being a member of the MWC, Fresno State officials said that it can possibly generate more revenue through richer TV contracts, postseason games and increased ticket sales. “Essentially as we enter the Mountain West, we are going to realize additional revenue,” Welty said. “We believe we will also realize additional attendance at our events that will generate revenue.”

The move to the MWC isn’t expected to be completed soon, so Fresno State athletics will be stuck in the WAC until the issues are resolved.

“The WAC has allowed us to grow [and] has allowed our program to become known nationally,” Welty said.

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The 14-year-head-coach of the 'Dogs extended his contract through 2013 this summer, but took a pay cut in the process. He will make nearly 28 percent less in an attempt to salvage the athletic department finances.

With the tenth overall draft pick in the 2010 NBA Draft in June the Indiana Pacers selected former Fresno State swingman Paul George. He has since signed a four-year contract worth up to $3.9 million in his first two years.

Record-setting former Fresno State running back Ryan Mathews signed a five-year contract worth $25.65 million, $15 million guaranteed. Mathews signed on Aug. 1 allowing him to report to training camp on time.

Despite going undrafted in the 2010 MLB Draft, Ribera (left) took second place at the inaugural TD Ameritrade College Baseball Home Run Derby on July 7 at legendary Rosenblatt Stadium in Omaha.

After falling to Hawaii in the Western Athletic Conference Tournament championship in mid May, the Fresno State softball team (right) advanced to the NCAA Regional Championship. The team’s season ended there in a 7-2 loss to eventual national champion UCLA.
Volleyball seeks improvement again with young squad

By Ben Ingersoll
The Collegian

After making huge strides last season under third-year head coach Lauren Netherby-Sewell, Fresno State volleyball has been working around the clock to once again improve the win-loss column.

The ‘Dogs finished 2009 one game under .500 with a 15-16 (7-9) record and took third in the Western Athletic Conference tournament. The 15-16 record was a significant improvement from the Netherby-Sewell’s inaugural season leading the Bulldogs when they finished a mere 7-20 and second-to-last in conference play.

Returning from 2009 are seniors Kelly Mason and Kasey Van Grouw along with junior middle blocker Brianna Clarke, who is a preseason All-WAC selection. All together Fresno State is equipped with a fairly young roster with half the roster either being freshman or sophomores compared to just four seniors.

Mason, who plays libero, saw action in all 31 matches last season. She ranked high on the conference leader boards in digs while leading the team in that category with 471.

The Bulldogs also will be faced with a challenging schedule, facing three Pac-10 foes in Oregon, Cal-Berkeley and USC, including four squads that reached the 2009 NCAA Tournament.

In all, Fresno State will face 11 out-of-conference opponents in three separate tournaments before taking on WAC competition on Sept. 23 when they host Idaho.

Fresno State has never won a WAC title in regular-season play or tournament play.

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Senior Kelly Mason averaged 3.87 digs per set in 2009, good enough for third in the WAC.
**MWC benefits at Benson’s expense**

It’s safe to say Western Athletic Conference commissioner Karl Benson probably hasn’t slept well for much of this summer.

After all, how could he sleep in peace after the one thing holding together the conference he runs bolted for bigger and better things nearly ten weeks ago? Yes, that “thing” is two-time BCS Bowl champ and WAC dominion Boise State.

But as if the WAC wasn’t already shaping up to be another Sun Belt Conference, this week’s news has really thrown Benson for a loop.

Upon learning of our beloved Bulldogs and neighbor state rival Nevada’s sudden Mountain West invitation, Benson now finds himself head-scratching over Oklahoma, it has compiled a perfect resume worthy of stiffer conference competition.

Neither Fresno State nor Nevada has won a WAC title in recent years, or even come close for that matter.

Your sympathy should go out to Benson, even after he went all Dan Gilbert on the ‘Dogs and Wolf Pack, calling the programs “selfish” and hinged the WAC’s certain downfall on them.

Although blaming the conference’s demise solely on this summer’s events is a little extreme, I still can’t help but think Benson was left at the altar on his wedding day.

Prior to June 11, the WAC was in deep trouble, with a perennial national contender at its forefront, and able to see what’s going on. With Revel in goal, she has the best chance to guide the team.

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**Soccer kicks off 2010**

‘Dogs play home-opener today against Long Beach State

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