

# HATHOR

This elephant statue, perhaps named after the Egyptian deity, was presented to the freshman class in 1921 by the father of Leonard Alley. It served as mascot for the class until their graduation in 1925. The statue was donated to the museum in the 1960s by Grace Hansen (Trachsel) Vermilyea.

# MASCOTS

How often do you recognize a college or university by the mascot associated with it? These symbols are especially linked to athletic teams such as football or basketball. It is sometimes easier to recall the name of a particular school by associating the emblem with it. The mascots in turn are used in graphic designs for banners or uniforms because these are highly visible. The symbols are usually chosen to portray a unique aspect of the school or geographic area. Animals or historical figures are commonly used: Arkansas Razorbacks, Oregon State Beavers, and Massachusetts Minutemen.

In its early days, Pacific University was no different. Its first official mascot, Badger, was chosen in the 1890s and songs and cheers for the PU Badgers were heard at all the pep rallies. It reigned until 1969 when the student body voted to replace it with the much loved Boxer.