Reunions at Homecoming—Get in on the fun!

Class of 1973
40th Reunion “Lawn Party”

Class of 1983
30th Reunion “Beach Party”

Class of 1988
25th Reunion “80’s Party”

Class of 2003
Saturday Champagne Breakfast
10th Reunion “Lawn Party”

Affinity Reunions

- Conservatory of Music 135th Anniversary
- Elbert Covell College 50th Anniversary
- Pacific Family Camp
- Alpha Phi Alpha 35th Anniversary
- Kappa Alpha Theta/Alpha Theta Tau
- Omega Phi Alpha/Delta Upsilon
- Rhizomia

And that’s not all:

Taste of Pacific • Midnight Mania Basketball
Lip Sync • 5k Tiger Dash • Homecoming Parade

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Everyone has a PACIFIC STORY...

...stories of how we became Tigers and how Pacific made us who we are today.

I am Jim Stavosky, your new 2013–14 Pacific Alumni Association President, and this is my story.

I was introduced to Pacific by one of my high school friends who bragged about how beautiful the campus was. I arrived in spring 1973, a native Californian who fell in love with the “Ivy League campus.” My love affair with Pacific continues to this day.

As a student majoring in biology, I quickly found out that succeeding in college was not as easy as it had been in high school. Living in Grace was an experience I will never forget. I made friends that I’m in contact with to this day. Reminiscing about those early days at UOP still brings a smile to my face and joy to my heart. In spring 1974, I joined Omega Phi Alpha fraternity. Pledging and hell week are memories not quickly forgotten. Fraternity life suited me and allowed me to plan my academic and social life. Too often, social life overshadowed academic life, but I graduated with the Class of ’77 with a degree in biology. I still had to take classes during that summer to complete requirements.

After graduation, I continued at Pacific, taking classes and working as a teaching assistant in biology. I earned a master’s degree in exercise physiology in 1979 and worked as a student trainer in athletics. Because of the flexibility of a Pacific education, during graduate school I also minored in education. In my final years at Pacific, my long-time advisor and mentor, Dr. Anne Funkhouser, suggested I look in the field of podiatry as a possible career choice. I spent time observing local podiatrists and visited the podiatric medical school in San Francisco. After a lot of soul-searching, I decided to pursue podiatry as my chosen career. After four years of medical school, graduating in the top of my class, and after completing my surgical residency, I was asked to stay on at the podiatric medical school and teach. I spent 14 years in academic medicine in San Francisco and in 1998 went into private practice in Daly City.

Today I am practicing podiatry in Daly City, California. I have two associates and continue to rotate podiatric students and residents through my practice. I speak nationally on topics of diabetic foot and wound care. I have a wonderful wife, Andrea Polites, and two children, Luis and Alex. My spare time is filled with family activities, golf and fly fishing. Life is great!

To me, “Lifelong Pacifican” means that once you are a Tiger you are always a Tiger. You never forget your time at University of the Pacific. My Pacific experience is the cornerstone of my professional life and financial success. I was able to be successful in my life because of the guidance and support I received at Pacific. I have been blessed in life and Pacific was a large part of that, so I continue to give back, with my time and financial support, because I will always be a Tiger.

Now, tell us YOUR story

We’d like to hear from you. Through the Alumni Discovery Project, you can share your Pacific experience and what Pacific means to you today. Over the next few years, some of our most talented Pacific students will meet with alumni around the world to hear their stories—their experiences at Pacific, the role the University has played in their lives since graduation and what Pacific means to them. And in turn, these students will share their Pacific experience with alumni so they can hear firsthand about life on campus today. We hope you’ll consider meeting with a Pacific student or—at the very least—telling your story online through our “What’s Your Pacific Story” form.

Find out more:
Pacificalumni.org/TigersforLife
Alumni Discovery Project

A STUDENT-DRIVEN EFFORT TO ENGAGE PACIFIC ALUMNI THROUGH MEANINGFUL FACE-TO-FACE CONVERSATION

Everyone has a Pacific story

Each story paints a picture of what it means to be a Tiger for Life—a Lifelong Pacifican. Through the Alumni Discovery Project, current Pacific students are connecting with alumni to share their Pacific stories and to discover how Pacific shaped the lives of our alumni.

We invite you to share your Pacific story

PacificAlumni.org/TigersForLife

View other alumni stories on the NEW Pacific Alumni Association blog!

PacificAlumni.wordpress.com

Show Off Your Future Tiger!

Send us your birth announcement with your baby’s name and birthdate and we will send you a Future Tiger bib.

Proud parents Jami (Hirsch) Lundgren ’02 COP ’03 EDU and Lars Lundgren show off their Future Tiger.

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Get Connected

Black History Month
The Black Alumni Pacific Club partnered with Pacific’s Black History Month committee to host a full month of events featuring GRAMMY Award-winner Anthony Hamilton, poet Nathaniel Mackey and NBA legend Kareem Abdul-Jabbar. An essay contest on the topic “The March on Washington,” marking the event’s 50th anniversary, brought in more than 100 essay submissions from students in selected California schools. Winners included 6th grader Kyle Matthews, whose uncle is a Pacific alumnus, 4th grader Daesha Arnold, whose teacher, Marcus Atkins ’14 EDU, is a current Pacific graduate student, and Garrett Thomas, a 10th grader and son of alumnus Drew Thomas ’88 BUS.

March

NASPA Reception | 3/19
More than 50 alumni working in student affairs at colleges and universities across the country gathered for a reception during the NASPA conference in Orlando, Fla. Recently retired Vice President for Student Life Elizabeth Griego was honored at the conference for her many years of exemplary service.

Arizona Diamondbacks Spring Training | 3/27
President Eibeck and her husband Bill joined twenty-five alumni gathered to enjoy delicious ballpark food and beautiful weather as they watched the Arizona Diamondbacks play the San Francisco Giants in Scottsdale, Ariz.

Student Alumni Networking Mixer | 4/2
More than 50 students and alumni gathered at the Vereschagin Alumni House to practice speed interviewing skills as part of the Student Alumni Connection mentoring program. Alumni from different career backgrounds alternated interviewing students in 2-minute intervals, followed by informal networking over appetizers.

Legacy Breakfast | 4/6
The Pacific Alumni Association hosted prospective legacy students and their alumni family members at a special breakfast during Pacific Profile Day. Assistant Vice President for Alumni Relations Bill Coen gave a welcome message and reminded the students that they began their journey as “Lifelong Pacificans” the day they were born into a Pacific alumni family.

Pre-Show Reception | 4/8
The PRIDE Alumni Pacific Club hosted a reception prior to the University of the Pacific performance of “8” the Play. Written by award-winning screen writer Dustin Lance Black (Milk), the play featured Pacific students, staff and faculty as real-life plaintiffs and defendants in the case about Proposition 8, California’s legislation banning gay marriage.

Grad Party | 4/24
The annual Pacific Alumni Association Grad Party at the Alex & Jeri Vereschagin Alumni House hosted 500 graduating students. Graduates enjoyed dinner and received a custom T-shirt created by Lamar Gibbs ’10 COP of TheTigerCollection.com.
April

Black Grad Dinner | 4/28

The Black Alumni Pacific Club partnered with the Black Student Union and the Office of Diversity and Community Engagement to host a dinner for black graduates and their families with Robert Thomas ’07 BUS as keynote speaker and Marguerite Hinrichs ’94 COP as mistress of ceremonies. Graduates received a stole made of African kente cloth to wear at Commencement.

May

Lavender Graduation | 5/1

The PRIDE Alumni Pacific Club’s annual celebration honoring graduates from the LGBTQIA community featured Distinguished Alumni Award recipient Paul Kawata ’79 COP as the keynote speaker. Graduates received rainbow tassels and individual recognition by their peers at the event held in the Vereschagin Alumni House.

Multicultural Graduation | 5/2

This year’s Multicultural Graduation, held in the Janet Leigh Theatre, was themed “The Wizard of Oz” and featured keynote speaker Marsha (Jones) Pratt ’93 COP and graduating student speaker Halima Lucas ’13 COP. All graduates received framed certificates and medallions to mark their achievements.

Latino Graduation | 5/3

The Latino Alumni Pacific Club hosted more than 300 family and friends at this annual gathering to celebrate Pacific’s largest ever class of Latino graduates. Pacific alumni Gracie Madrid ’93 EDU, Mary Aguirre ’86 COP, ’89 LAW, and her husband Jerry Ruiz ’85 COP received special recognition. Former Oakland Raiders Head Coach Tom Flores ’58 COP was also in attendance.

Class of 1963 50th Reunion and Half Century Club Luncheon | 5/3-4

More than 100 alumni and their guests attended the Class of 1963 reunion. Charlie Bloom ’43 COP, escorted by his granddaughter Kristen Bloom ’11 COP, ’13 EDU, led the 50th reunion class procession at the Commencement ceremonies. The group was inducted into the Half Century Club at the annual luncheon and celebrated their reunion with a dinner and brunch.

June

Livermore Shakespeare Festival | 6/29

Alumni picnicked under the arbor at Concannon Vineyards in Livermore prior to enjoying an outdoor production of Shakespeare’s Taming of the Shrew. Theatre Arts faculty Lisa Tromovitch and Gary Armagnac were directly involved in the production. Pacific students performed and served as interns behind the scenes.
Roaming Tigers
Showing Pacific Pride Around the World

“Imagine my surprise to be touring Shanghai with my husband and come across a group of UOP students! What fun!” — Melinda McMullen ’79 COP

Melinda ran into business professor Laurie Lichter-Heath and students in the Eberhardt School of Business MBA program in the courtyard of the Jade Buddha Temple in Shanghai this summer.

Pictured l. to r.: Students Biyan Feng, Katrina Fischer, Sophie Hoang, Huanqi Shi, Jamieson Cox, Professor Lichter-Heath, Melinda McMullen ’79, Students Anh Le, Kai Jiang, Yibin Zhang (Students are members of the Class of ’14).

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