upcoming...

The Stockton Garden Club will donate scrapbooks chronicling the group's activities and Stockton history to Pacific's Library during a reception on Thursday, May 15 at 2:30 p.m. The campus community is invited to attend the event at the Library.

Commencement ceremonies will be held May 17-18. For a full schedule, see page 3.

All Pacific staff on the Stockton campus are invited to celebrate and honor over 55 colleagues for their service to the University at the Staff Years of Service Luncheon on H and H all Lawn, Thursday, May 29 from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

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Veatch and Ehrlich to speak at Pacific Convocation

The 2002-2003 National Teacher of the Year Chauncey Veatch, '70, and Thomas Ehrlich, a senior scholar at the Carnegie Foundation and former president of Indiana University, will speak at the University's Convocation ceremony. Both will be awarded honorary doctor of law degrees. Convocation, which serves as a kick-off to the University's Commencement weekend activities, takes place at 5:30 p.m. on Friday, May 16. The event is free and open to the public.

“We're pleased to have two such outstanding leaders in the educational field join us as we celebrate the accomplishments of this year's graduating class,” said Pacific President Donald V. DeRosa. “Chauncey's dedication to the civic mission of education and Tom's work focusing on the moral and civic development of undergraduates underscore the important roles our graduates will play in their communities.”

Veatch graduated from College of the Pacific in 1970. He served as student body president his senior year and was also active in the Stockton community assisting United Farm Workers. In 1975, he graduated with a doctorate in jurisprudence from the University of Notre Dame.

A 22-year veteran of the U.S. Army, Veatch entered the Defense Language Institute in Monterey to learn Spanish after the 1991 Gulf War. In the jungles of Panama, he led a task force that built schools, repaired bridges, constructed medical clinics, paved roads and provided basic medical care.

Veatch was also named California Teacher of the Year in 2002. He now teaches at Coachella Valley High School in Southern California where he requests students who haven't enjoyed academic success in the past. He incorporates students' cultures and lives in classroom lessons to give meaning to their education.

“I find out what interests students. I want to know about their backgrounds and their families and I do that by being able to speak their language, Spanish, and understand their culture,” Veatch said during a fall 2002 visit to Stockton.
CPCE offering health education course this month

The Center for Professional & Continuing Education (CPCE) is offering the following course in May.

Health Education for Teachers/CPR
Fridays, May 30 & June 6, 4-9 p.m., and Saturdays, May 31 & June 7, 8 a.m.-6 p.m., 2 extended education units, $300, Instructors: Margaret Ciccolella, Ed.D., J.D., and Christopher Snell, Ph.D.

The deadline for Fall 2003 Extension course proposals to be submitted to the Center for Professional & Continuing Education is July 1. To request a course proposal form, to register for a class or for other information contact CPCE at x6-2424.

Chris Staley wins Library drawing

Library staff congratulate Chris Staley, the winner of a recent drawing for a Fuji digital camera. Chris was one of 200 student respondents who received and returned a survey asking their opinion of the Information Commons and services it provides. The Library regularly surveys students in an effort to improve its effectiveness.

Correction

In the last issue of the Bulletin, Barbara A. Garcia’s name was spelled incorrectly in the Years of Service listing. We regret any confusion this may have caused.

noteworthy...

Andreas Franz, Paul Gross and Vyacheslav Samoshin, professors of Chemistry, wrote a paper titled “C-H-D protonation mediated by a remote syn-axial acetoxy group – an unprecedented double bond formation upon cyanation of the dimer from L-fucal”, which appeared in the journal Carbohydrate Research. The article describes a new approach to the synthesis of C-oligosaccharides – potential precursors for pharmaceuticals.

George Condon, research scholar and adjunct professor, Jacoby Center for Community and Regional Studies, has been appointed by the State of Washington’s Secretary of State to serve as research associate and program advisor for an oral history of former Governor and U.S. Senator Daniel J. Evans.

Thomas Nelson, professor, Benerd School of Education, co-chaired the annual California Council on Teacher Education Conference in San Jose, March 26-29. The conference theme was “Honoring Wisdom, Judgment, and Trust Through Reflective Inquiry.”

Robert Botto, Nga Lann, Dianna Padilla and Cecilia Rodriguez were invited to participate in an applied research poster session at the annual Anthropology and Sociology Undergraduate Research Conference held April 12 at Santa Clara University. Their poster summarized the Jacoby Center’s Midtown Revitalization Project.

David Wilder, professor of Psychology, along with Psychology graduate students Paige Wilson and Paul Heering and Psychology undergraduate student Carrie Ellsworth, had a manuscript accepted for publication in the journal Behavioral Interventions.

Thomas Nelson, Benerd School of Education, and Editor, Teacher Education Quarterly, has been invited to deliver the keynote address to the International Conference on Teaching and Teacher Education in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia on Sept. 16. The conference is sponsored by the Centre for Education and Human Development at the International Islamic University Malaysia.

Robert F. Halliwell, professor, Thomas J. Long School of Pharmacy and Health Sciences, chaired a Symposium on “Subtype selective ion channel modulators” at the recent British Neuroscience Association National meeting in Harrogate, England, April 13-16.

Roy Childs and Harvey Williams, professors of Sociology, co-moderated a roundtable discussion on community building and applied social research at the annual meetings of the Pacific Sociological Association, in Pasadena, April 3-5.

Ken Albala, professor of History, recently presented a paper “Terroir in Culinary Texts of Early Modern Europe” at the International Association of Culinary Professionals Meeting in Montreal.

Edward Cetto, director of Choral activities, and Gabrielle Dietrich, a recent Pacific graduate and student at the University of Colorado, Boulder, recently had their article, “Aural Theory Training in the Choral Warm-Up,” published in the May edition of the Choral Journal of the American Choral Director’s Association.
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Undergraduate researchers awarded at conference

The third annual Pacific Undergraduate Research Conference (PURC) was held on April 26. There were 48 posters by undergraduates displaying the results of their research.

Four Michael J. Minch Awards for Excellence in Undergraduate Research were awarded. This year’s award winners were Peter Torres (Engineering Physics): “Optical fiber-fed spectroscopy of pulsating variable stars;” Miguel Alvarez, Marshall Haueter and Stephanie Kong (Civil Engineering): “When aquatic life can’t breathe in the San Joaquin River, nothing else matters;” Paul Geurts (Biological Sciences): “Isolation of Lactodectus Hesperus spider silk genes;” and Ananda Case (SIS and French): “Interaction and integration in the mental lexicon.” The awards are given in memory of Minch, a chemistry professor who was a strong advocate for undergraduate research at Pacific.

The award-winning posters are on display in the lobby of the library.

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