PREVIEW DAY BREAKS RECORDS

On November 15, the staff of the Office of Admission welcomed more than 2,000 prospective students and their families for the second fall Preview Day event. The opening session was moved to the Alex G. Spanos Center from Faye Spanos Concert Hall to accommodate the crowd. Around 800 people attended the first Preview Day in October.

The response this year more than doubles previous attendance for Preview Day, an annual event that gives prospective students and their families a chance to come to campus to explore attending University of the Pacific. These numbers represent a significant increase in interest by prospective students. The Office of Admission is already processing over 3,500 applications for fall 2009. At this time last year the number of applications submitted was less than 2,000.

HOLIDAY GIVING OPPORTUNITIES

The Pacific Community generously gives to those in need every holiday season and throughout the year. A number of holiday giving opportunities will be closing this next week. For those participating or planning to participate, following are the deadlines for these activities:

Adopt-a-Family — Gifts for adopted families are to be delivered to a designated area on campus by the end of the work day on December 15. Contact Faye Snowden at 209.946.3968 for the drop-off location.

Food for Fines Canned Food Drive — The last day to bring in canned food items to the Library is December 17.

Coats 4 Kids — The last day to bring new or gently used coats for needy children and youth is December 18. Collection box in Bannister Hall Room 100 or call 209.946.3221 for pick-up.

Thank you for your generosity to these outreaches and the many other ways you give of your time and resources.
Alison Hope Alkon, Sociology, will have her article, “From Value to Values: Sustainable Consumption at Farmers Markets” appear in Agriculture and Human Values, a leading interdisciplinary journal devoted to the study of food and agriculture.

Diane M. Borden, English, had her article “Six Symptoms in Search of a Search Committee” published in ADE: Bulletin of the Associated Department of English and her article “VOLVER and the Archaic Mother” published in FORT DA (Journal of the Northern California Society for Psychoanalytic Psychology).

Teresa Bergman, Communication, presented “Lessons in Symbolism in the Lincoln Memorial’s Orientation Film,” and Kathleen Bruce and Jeff Toney, graduate students in the Communication Department, presented their paper, “Political Symbols: An Examination of Egyptian Political Cartoons Pre and Post Recent U.S. Involvement in the Middle East,” at the National Communication Association Conference in San Diego.


Abel A. Fernandez, School of Engineering and Computer Science, was a panelist in the 2009 Northern California Forum for Diversity in Graduate Education at the University of California, Berkeley.

Kieran Holland, Physics, spoke on “Dirac eigenvalues in early conformal gauge theories” at the “Terra Incognita: From LHC to Cosmology” conference at Brookhaven National Laboratory, New York.

Feilin Hsiao, Conservatory of Music, presented “Teaching and Supervision of International Music Therapy Students” and “Successes and Challenges of Establishing a Music Therapy Career in the Home Country” at the 10th anniversary conference of the American Music Therapy Association in St. Louis, Missouri.

Staci Stevens, director of the Pacific Fatigue Lab, and J. Mark VanNess, Sport Sciences, presented the paper “Using Cardiopulmonary Exercise Testing to Determine Metabolic Dysfunction and Disability” at the Alberta Research Conference on Disabling Fatigue held in Calgary, Canada.


Joseph V. Levy, Arthur A. Dugoni School of Dentistry, presented “Pharmacology Update: Controversies, Recommendations and Guidelines Relating to Dental Practice” to 450 attendees at the monthly meeting of the Santa Clara County Dental Society in Los Gatos.

Matt Normand, Psychology, was named to the editorial board of the journal The Behavior Analyst, the official journal of the Society for the Advancement of Behavior Analysis, published by the Association for Behavior Analysis, International.

Caroline T. Schroeder, Religious and Classical Studies, had her article, “Queer Eye for the Ascetic Guy? Homoeroticism, Children, and the Making of Monks in Late Antique Egypt” accepted for publication in the Journal of the American Academy of Religion. She also presented, “From Triage to Trauma: Stories of Children Healed and Harmed in Monastic Texts,” at the annual meeting of the Society of Biblical Literature in Boston.

Donald Shirachi, Thomas J. Long School of Pharmacy and Health Sciences, coauthored “The Effect of Hyperbaric Oxygen on Regional Brain and Spinal Cord Levels of Nitric Oxide Metabolites” published in Brain Research Bulletin.

Harnoor Singh, ’07, Sport Sciences, presented the paper “A Scoring System to Aid in the Interpretation of Cardiopulmonary Test Results” at the Southwest Regional meeting for the American College of Sports Medicine in San Diego.

Lisa Tromovitch, Theatre Arts, directed, and Randall Enlow, Theatre Arts, did scenic and lighting design for Anton Chekhov’s “The Seagull” with Shakespeare’s Associates at the Bankhead Theater in Livermore. Emeritus Professor William J. Wolak, Conservatory of Music, performed as State Counselor Sorin.

J. Mark VanNess, Sport Sciences, Staci Stevens, director of the Pacific Fatigue Lab, and Kylie Kumasaka ’03 presented the symposium “Therapeutic Exercise and Energy Conservation Therapy in CFS/ME” at the Alberta Research Conference on Disabling Fatigue held in Calgary, Canada.

Bruce La Brack, Emeritus, School of International Studies, delivered a workshop for the faculty and staff of the Division of Professional Practice and the Office of International Education at Georgia Institute of Technology in Atlanta on “Components of Cultural Competency Required for Engineers Working Abroad.” He also delivered “Practicing Science Internationally: Where Technology and Culture Intersect” to their International Plan students, discussing how the hidden dimensions of culture can impact laboratory work and research cross-culturally.

Admissions Materials Earn Awards
The Admission Web recruitment feature won a silver award in the 2008 W3 Awards. Receiving over 3,000 entries, The W3 Awards honors outstanding Websites, Web Marketing, and Web Video created by some of the best interactive agencies, designers, and creators worldwide. W3 Awards honors creative excellence on the Web and is sanctioned and judged by the International Academy of the Visual Arts. Both the Pacific Admissions Recruitment campaign and Recruitment Web site received silver awards from The Davey Awards, an international creative award focused exclusively on honoring outstanding creative work from the best small firms worldwide. The Davey is judged and overseen by the International Academy of the Visual Arts (IAVA), and underwritten by Advertising Age Small Business Network. The 2008 Davey Awards received over 4,000 entries. The Admission Recruitment campaign materials were developed through collaboration between the Office of Admission, Marketing and University Communications and Zehno Cross Media Communications.

Four Tigers Earn All-Big West Honors
The 2008 women’s volleyball All-Big West awards were announced on Tuesday, November 25 and Pacific captured four spots on the teams. Mallori Gibson ’10 received First-Team All-Big West honors, while seniors Alexia Anderson ’09 and Natalia Tomaszewska ’09 and Svenja Engelhardt ’11 all received All-Big West Honorable Mention.
PHYSICAL THERAPY MONTH ACTIVITIES KEEP STUDENTS BUSY

During the month of October, designated as Physical Therapy Month, second-year physical therapy students engaged in a number of assessments and activities aimed at promoting knowledge of careers in physical therapy. Physical therapy students performed on-site ergonomic assessments of dental students at Arthur A. Dugoni School of Dentistry. Brandon Nan, Naheel Nabhan and Brittany Yates observed the dental students working with their clients and provided individual feedback about ways to reduce musculoskeletal strain and provided them with materials describing exercises designed for the dental practitioner. The students used photos and observations during their visit to create a presentation for the dental students with suggested postural adjustments.

At the Expanding Your Horizons Career Fair held at Pacific, students provided information and activities for 6th-12th grade girls about careers in physical therapy. Students assessed over 150 attendees for balance disturbances at the Stanislaus County Summit on Falls in Modesto. Approximately 100 people participated in the third annual 5K Tiger Dash & ½ Mile Cub Run, and students offered lower extremity screening assessments at the event. The month’s activities concluded with the annual Physical Therapy Open House.

DAVE BRUBECK
TO BE INDUCTED INTO CALIFORNIA HALL OF FAME

Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger and First Lady Maria Shriver will induct 12 leaders, trailblazers and legends into the California Museum’s California Hall of Fame, a program created by Shriver in 2006 celebrating those Californians who embody the state’s spirit of inspiration and innovation.

Pacific alumnus Dave Brubeck ’42 will be among the 2008 inductees, along with Jane Fonda, Robert Graham, Quincy Jones, Jack LaLanne, Dorothea Lange, Julia Morgan, Jack Nicholson, Linus Pauling, “Dr. Seuss” author Theodor Geisel, Leland Stanford and Alice Waters. The induction ceremony will be held at the California Museum on Monday, December 15 at 7 pm, at which the Governor and First Lady will present inductees with the Spirit of California medal. The Brubeck Institute Jazz Quintet will play for a reception at the event.

HOLIDAY STRESS?
DON’T FORGET EAP

We all experience times when we need a little help with life’s challenges. HorizonCare employee assistance program (EAP) offers support, guidance and resources to help you and your family resolve personal issues. Free and confidential services include information and resources regarding difficulties in relationships, stress and anxiety, financial and legal concerns, and many other areas.

Contact them at www.horizoneap.com. The login ID is standard and the password is eap4, or call 888.293.6948. Services are available 24 hours a day 365 days a year.

SEXUAL HARASSMENT TRAINING DEADLINE

University of the Pacific is committed to fostering and maintaining a respectful and positive campus climate. Our policies, including those that prohibit sexual and other unlawful harassment and discrimination, reflect our dedication to this commitment.

The University has designated 2008 as a training year for all Stockton Campus employees in sexual harassment prevention. Participation in this education is important for all faculty and staff of the University as sexual harassment and other unlawful harassment affects the well-being of our entire Pacific community.

If you have not completed the online sexual harassment prevention training since January 1, 2008, you are requested and required to do so no later than December 31, 2008. This training, along with the University policy on the Prevention of Sexual and Other Unlawful Harassment, can be accessed at web.pacific.edu/x8662.xml.

Contact Sally Coleman in Human Resources at 209.946.3907 with any questions regarding this training.

YOUR INPUT REQUESTED ON WASC SELF-REVIEW

The Western Association of School and Colleges (WASC) is conducting an accreditation review of University of the Pacific. WASC accreditation is the fundamental external affirmation of the quality of the University’s structures, processes and especially our academic programs. Three inquiry teams of faculty, administrators and staff are working to provide evidence and analysis for the University’s Capacity self-review (a WASC visiting team will conduct a Capacity and Preparatory Review visit in February 2010).

It is important that the University community have adequate opportunities to contribute to the self-review. The inquiry teams in coordination with Pacific’s WASC Core Steering Committee created a survey to solicit community input relevant to the review. The survey can be accessed online at iris.pacific.edu/survey/wasc.htm and takes about 15 minutes to complete.

If you have questions about the survey or about the WASC review process, please contact Brian Klink, WASC Review Chair, at bklunk@pacific.edu.
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**Student Accomplishments**

Marco Stefani ’09, Conservatory of Music tenor and vocal performance major, has been accepted with a full fellowship to the Music Academy of the West in Santa Barbara, recognized as one of the world’s preeminent summer music programs for gifted pre-professional classical musicians. In the eight-week program, Academy Fellows refine and enhance their skills with each other and with the outstanding faculty and guest artists who join them. Together they participate in over 180 musical events, including master classes, chamber music performances, individual lessons, orchestra concerts and a fully staged opera. Stefani was one of 22 people accepted out of the 500 singers that auditioned in New York and Santa Barbara.

Pacific’s Society of Women Engineers (SWE) Student Section, working with United Cerebral Palsy, took first place in this year’s national Boeing Team Tech Competition at the society’s national convention in Baltimore, earning a prize of $5,000. Made up of 10 undergraduate students (8 women and 2 men), Pacific’s team presented a year-long project, “Developing a Cost-Effective Augmentative Communication Device.” They developed speech-generating software for the device, allowing the user to select buttons from a grid to build sentences and output speech.

Phillip Yun, a Junior in Mechanical Engineering, claimed 1st place out of 20 competitors at the Western Collegiate Taekwondo Championships of the Pac-West Taekwondo Conference held at UCLA in November. The tournament was attended by the majority of universities on the West Coast possessing a taekwondo program, including Stanford, UCLA, and UCSD.

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