Happy New Year!

I hope 2014 has been good to you so far. We’ve got a lot of exciting events coming up and I hope you’ve marked your calendars for Homecoming 2014 (October 17–19)!

It was such an honor for me to be involved in last year’s celebration, which marked the return of Homecoming to the Pacific campus for the first time in nearly two decades. Riding in the parade and seeing local community members among our students and alumni on the sidelines was a proud moment for me. I also had the privilege of attending many of the reunion events, where I had a great time meeting alumni and sharing remarks about all of the great things Pacific is doing today.

A special thank you to the students, staff, faculty and alumni volunteers who helped make the event a huge success. I can’t wait to see what’s in store for us this October!

In other news from the Pacific Alumni Association, congratulations to Bill Coen and Kelli Page on their promotions. We appreciate everything you do for the Board and all of the alumni constituents we represent. 

Go Tigers!

Bill Coen, Assistant Vice President of Alumni Relations

Bill has worked in the alumni relations field for 30 years and joined Pacific 14 years ago. Since arriving at Pacific, Bill has been a key leader in the development and ongoing success of the Pacific Alumni Association. He oversaw the reorganization of the Alumni Association Board in 2002 and championed the recent addition of the Alex and Jeri Vereschagin Alumni House, completed in 2011. In the role of AVP, Bill provides leadership in the development of new programming, enhancing the relationship between Alumni and Development. He continues to provide leadership and guidance to the Pacific Alumni Association.

Kelli (Williams) Page ’87, Executive Director of Alumni Relations

Kelli has 17 years of Alumni Relations experience, all with Pacific. As an alumna, Kelli is deeply passionate and committed to the University, our students and her fellow alumni. In this new role, Kelli provides leadership for the Pacific Alumni Association Board of Directors and the Alumni Relations staff. Her responsibilities include guidance and support of Alumni Relations programs for Pacific’s schools and colleges and budgetary oversight for program operations. Kelli is committed to continuing to develop creative programs that engage alumni in support of the University’s mission.
2014 Trips

Italian Lake District • April 22–30
Waterways of Russia • June 13–23
Black Sea Odyssey • July 16–30
(Turkey, Ukraine, Georgia, Bulgaria)

Oregon Shakespeare Festival • August 1–4
(with Professor Courtney Lehmann)

Scotland • August 6–14
Danube River • September 1–13
Old-Fashioned Holidays • December 11–25
(Tennessee, Mississippi, Louisiana)

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2014 Trips
Celebrating 100 years!
November 19–30

2014 REUNIONS
OCTOBER 17–19, 2014

Don’t miss these specials reunions and exciting Homecoming events—Taste of Pacific, Midnight Mania, reunion receptions and the Homecoming parade.

Reunions:
Class of 1974 • 40th
Class of 1984 • 30th
Class of 1989 • 25th
Class of 2004 • 10th
MEChA
Sigma Alpha Epsilon
InterVarsity Christian Fellowship
Black Student Union
Archania

Anniversaries:
Pacific Ambassadors • 10th
Student Advisors • 40th
Student Affairs Graduate Program • 10th
Delta Sigma Pi • 30th
Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. • 40th
Gladys L. Benerd School of Education • 90th

Calling All Volunteers!
We are looking for passionate alumni to serve on reunion committees. The No. 1 reason alumni return to campus for Homecoming and reunions is because of a personal invitation from a fellow classmate. Committee members invite their former classmates to spread the word about reunion events and initiatives, help plan reunion events and serve as ambassadors of the reunion giving campaign.

Join your reunion committee today — make new friends and reconnect with old ones. To find out more or volunteer, contact Quentin Graeber ’08 at 209.946.2391 or Melisa Caminata at 209.946.2359.

Other upcoming reunions
PacificAlumni.org/Reunions
Class of 1964 • 50th Reunion
May 9–10
Moose Myers Men Annual Gathering
May 29–30
Alex and Jeri Vereschagin Alumni House
Rhizomia Annual Gathering
October 25
Alex and Jeri Vereschagin Alumni House
Each year, the Pacific Alumni Association Faculty Mentor Awards honor faculty members who, through their personal and professional relationships, mentor students and alumni and encourage alumni to be mentors to students. Professors Jeffrey Becker, Camilla Saviz and Robert Benedetti (l. to r.) received the 2013 Golden Apple Award at an awards luncheon on Sunday, Nov. 10.

**Jeffrey Becker**

Associate Professor Jeffrey Becker has taught American political thought and political theory in the College of the Pacific since 2006 and has taught Pacific Seminars I, II and III. He was nominated by Maria Klingenfuss ’11, who said, “Dr. Becker is an outstanding and exceptional educator; he goes above and beyond any university professor that I have encountered.”

**Robert Benedetti**

Emeritus Professor Robert Benedetti came to Pacific in 1989 and has served as dean of College of the Pacific, professor of political science and director of the Jacoby Center for Public Service and Civic Leadership. He was nominated for the award by Sylvana Ho ’12, who was impressed by how he took a personal interest in her goals and aspirations from their first advising meeting. Ho says that he was always available to listen and encourage her and that his encouragement gave her the confidence to pursue a Washington, D.C., internship.

**Camilla Saviz**

Associate Professor of Civil Engineering Camilla Saviz has taught at Pacific since 1999. She was nominated by Matthew Ward ’06 who says, “she has an unparalleled commitment to the students and allocates a great deal of time to student needs—far beyond what is required.” Ward says Saviz is still a mentor to him today.

For a list of previous award winners or to nominate a professor for next year’s award, visit PacificAlumni.org/Awards.
Sacramento

The Sacramento Alumni Club celebrated Pacific’s 162nd birthday by bringing friends and family to a Sacramento Rivercats baseball game.

Los Angeles

Alumni gathered at the Tompkins Square Bar and Grill after they watched the Women’s Volleyball team play at Loyola Marymount University.

San Joaquin

Alumni and their family members enjoyed a two-hour cruise through the Monterey Bay National Marine Sanctuary.

Club Collaboration

The 3rd Annual Intergenerational Tea, designed to inspire students to seek positions of leadership in government and beyond, was held in the DeRosa University Center Ballroom. The event was sponsored by organizations including the PRIDE Alumni, Black Alumni, Kilusan Alumni and Latino Alumni. The American Association of University Women (AAUW)—San Joaquin Chapter, the National Council for Negro Women (NCNW)—Sacramento Valley Section underwrote a portion of the event to allow students to attend for free. Speakers included Provost Maria Pallavicini, Danielle Procope ’14 COP and Rayven Williams ’13 COP.

San Diego

In celebration of Pacific’s 162nd birthday in July, San Diego alumni met for dinner and then watched the San Diego Padres play the San Francisco Giants at Petco Park.

In honor of the second annual “Giving Tuesday” in December, alumni collected gift cards to help clients served by Survivors of Torture International (SOTI). Kathi Anderson ’81 ECC, Executive Director of SOTI, hosted the event. After a tour of the SOTI headquarters, alumni celebrated the start of the holiday season at Casa Guadalajara in Old Town.