OPEN ENROLLMENT 2008 IS HERE!

Open Enrollment for Pacific health plans will be November 26 to December 7. The Office of Human Resources is excited about the continuation of Pacific’s great medical plans, the rate reduction in the Voluntary Life coverage and some new features added to the Smart Benefits Program, including:

- Added Dental Implants Coverage
- New MEDEX Travel Assist Program
- New Wellspring Wellness Program

Pacific believes these enhancements will help you and your dependents enjoy life more fully in the New Year! The 2008 Smart Benefit Open Enrollment Highlights brochure, as well as your personalized Summary of Benefits, will arrive at your home in early November.

At Pacific’s Smart Benefits enhanced website www.mypacific.myusi.com (user ID: mypacific, password: benefits) you can review the 2008 Smart Benefits Insider, obtain and complete a Smart Benefits Open Enrollment Form, conduct plan comparisons and review all other benefit information you will need to make an informed decision.

This year, if you are keeping your current plan, you do not need to re-enroll unless you wish to participate in a Health Care and/or Dependent Care Flexible Spending Account for 2008.

Have questions? Come to Smart Benefits Booths/Meetings:

- **Stockton Campus**
  - Pine Room
  - **Tuesday, Nov. 27**
    - 11 am – 1 pm
  - **Thursday, Nov. 29**
    - 2:30 pm – 5:30 pm

- **San Francisco Campus**
  - Executive Conference Room
  - **Wednesday, Nov. 28**
    - 11 am – 2 pm

- **Sacramento Campus**
  - The Pub
  - **Friday, Nov. 30**
    - 11 am – 1 pm
  - **Tuesday, Dec. 4**
    - 11 am – 1 pm

JOINES EYES BEIJING

Jennifer Joines ’03, former Pacific volleyballer, has been selected to the US Women’s National Volleyball Team roster for the FIVB World Cup held November 2-16 in Japan. It is the first of three Olympic qualification steps for Beijing 2008. Joines has been selected to rosters for four of Team USA’s events in 2007.
NOTEWORTHY


Robert Coburn, Conservatory of Music, joined the San Francisco new music group Earplay in a performance of his composition “In Stillness” for violin, computer and video at the Festival of New American Music at California State University, Sacramento.

Dragomir Cosanici, Pacific McGeorge School of Law, had his article, “Bibliometric Study in the Heartland: Comparative and Electronic Citation Practices of the Indiana, Kentucky, Michigan and Ohio Supreme Courts (1994-2004),” published in Legal Information Management.

Arthur A. Dugoni, Dean Emeritus, Arthur A. Dugoni School of Dentistry, received the 2007 Lifetime Achievement Award from the Pacific Coast Society of Orthodontist (PCSO) at the organization’s annual meeting. The award is based on exceptional personal effort to advance the art and science of the orthodontic specialty. Dugoni is only the second person to receive the honor in PCSO history.

Michael Elium and Tracy Catalde, Benerd School of Education, presented the paper “Use of Data-Based Decision Making to Prevent Over-Representation of African American and English Learners: The Application of Brief and Extended Experimental Analysis to Challenging Social and Academic Behaviors” at the Seventh Biennial International Conference of the International Council for Children and Youth with Behavioral Disorders in Irving, Texas.

Frank Gevurtz, Pacific McGeorge School of Law, was a panelist on the subject of “The Internationalization of Legal Education” at the International Bar Association’s 2007 Annual Meeting in Singapore.

Lynn King, Athletics, was inducted as a member of the 2007 class of the Elinor A. Crawford and William R. Thrall Hall of Excellence in the School of Health, Physical Education and Leisure Services at the University of Northern Iowa. The Hall of Excellence was established to recognize former graduates of the School of Health, Physical Education and Leisure Services that have achieved notable distinction in their professional careers.

Robin Imhof and Fred Gertler, University Library, along with Harrison W. Inefuku ’07, College of the Pacific, presented “Libraries as a Place of Transgression” at the 109th Annual California Library Association Conference.

Arturo Giraldez, Modern Languages and Literature and School of International Studies, lectured on “The Spanish Civil War in a Century of Conflicts” at the University of British Columbia in Kelowna, Canada. He was a guest speaker for the Big History Course at Eindhoven University of Technology in the Netherlands and presented the paper, “History and Cristina Rivera Garza’s Novel,” Spanish, at the University of California Mexicanistas Symposium. Giraldez also presented the paper “A Two Year Merchant Strike: The Manila Galleons during the 1630s” at the Second International Workshop on “Monies, Markets and Finance in East Asia, 1600-1900” at the Ruhr University Bochum, Germany and attended the meeting of the International Advisory Board of the research project centered at the University of Tubingen, Germany.

Chris Goff, Mathematics, served as a consultant for the “American Heritage Dictionary,” for which he created new definitions of terms and revised existing definitions.

Bruce La Brack, School of International Studies, delivered the keynote address “Recent Experiences and New Directions” to the Conference on Online International Learning, sponsored by the Collaborative Online International Learning Center at SUNY-Purchase in Westchester, New York. He also delivered a keynote address on “A Century of Punjabi Sikh Contributions to California” at the Community Educational Program held at the Yuba City Sikh Temple as part of the 28th Annual Sikh Parade events in Yuba City, Calif.


George Harris, Pacific McGeorge School of Law, made two panel presentations at the annual conference of the United States District Court, Eastern District of California, in Yosemite, Calif. He spoke on “Attorney/Client Privilege: Erosion of an Absolute?” and on “Attorney/Client Privilege: Crime Fraud Exception.”

Steve McCaffrey, Pacific McGeorge School of Law, received a medal from the Counsel General Frank Hudak of Slovakia. He was awarded the Order of the White Dual Cross earlier this year for his legal service to that country in its long-running Danube River dam dispute with Hungary.

Vietnam Nguyen ’08, English, received the Most Inspirational Award upon completion of his participation in the King Hall Outreach Program at UC Davis School of Law, which offers selectees intensive classes, training and advising in law, along with a stipend of $1,400, a free LSAT prep course and an LSAT fee waiver.

Elizabeth Rindskopf Parker, Pacific McGeorge School of Law, spoke at the International Association of Law Schools’ Conference at the Soochow University, Kenneth Wang School of Law in Suzhou, China. She was a panelist on the subject of “How to Introduce Similarities and Differences and Discuss Common Problems in the Classroom.”

Greg Pingree, Pacific McGeorge School of Law, had his monograph, “Argument, Narrative and Persuasion in American Legal and Cultural Discourse,” accepted for publication by Cambria Press.

Ray Rennard, Philosophy, delivered the paper “Fodor, Frege, Cases and Relevance” and commented on another paper at the 59th Annual Northwest Philosophy Conference hosted by Lewis & Clark College in Portland, Ore.

Joseph Serra, Thomas J. Long School of Pharmacy and Health Sciences, presented “Eradicating Polio from the Planet” at the Commonwealth Club of California.

Michael Vitiello, Pacific McGeorge School of Law, had his article “Liberal Bias in the Legal Academy: Overstated and Undervalued” accepted for publication in the Mississippi Law Journal. He also had his article “Punishing Sex Offenders: When Good Intentions Go Bad” accepted for publication in the Arizona State Law Journal.

Suzanne Walchli, Eberhardt School of Business, published the article “The Effects of Between-Partner Congruity on Consumer Evaluation of Co-Branded Products” in the November 2007 issue of the journal Psychology & Marketing.

Xiaojing Zhou, English and Ethnic Studies, had her article “What Story What Story What Sound? The Nomadic Poetics of Myung Mi Kim’s DURA” published in College Literature.
PACIFIC RECEIVES GRANT TO IMPROVE SCIENCE CURRICULUM IN ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS

Dean Lynn Beck, Benerd School of Education, and James Hetrick, physics, with Judi Wilson of the San Joaquin County Office of Education were awarded funding for a new professional development project to help improve science teaching in kindergarten through second grade. The University was awarded a four-year grant of $991,948 by the California Postsecondary Education Commission (CPEC) in a statewide competition. The project, titled “K-2 STARTS: Science and Technology Assistance for Rural Teachers and Small Districts,” will involve about 35 teachers in 16 districts across four counties in the northern San Joaquin Valley.

K-2 STARTS will bring together faculty from the Benerd School of Education and various science departments and educators from the San Joaquin County Office of Education to provide intensive summer institutes in science content and pedagogy. The focus will be on inquiry-based science education that integrates writing and math through science. It will also focus on training teacher-leaders to help support continuing activities in their schools and districts. “We know that young children are natural scientists, curious and given to experimenting to find answers to questions,” said Dean Beck. “We are thrilled to be able to work with their teachers as they learn to promote deep and powerful learning of science, language and mathematics.”

The grant is part of the federal Improving Teacher Quality Program funded under the No Child Left Behind Act of 2001. It is the latest edition of a long-standing federal program aimed at improving student achievement through professional development for teachers.

“The program has had a long-term impact on helping teachers strengthen their content knowledge and their understanding of effective teaching strategies — key elements of education reform,” said Olivia Singh, chair of CPEC. “University of the Pacific and its partner schools should be proud of the quality of their proposal and its potential for improving teaching and learning in the northern San Joaquin Valley.”

NOTABLE CHANGES

Kim Cose has transferred to Business and Finance as the new business technology training coordinator.

George Carpenter has transferred to the Library as the new technical support specialist II.

Jennifer Ramirez has transferred to the Provost’s Office as the new administrative support specialist.

WELCOME TO PACIFIC

Troy Daniel is a new custodian in Support Services.

Gilbert Molano is a new mail room clerk in Support Services.

Kyle Renke is a technical support specialist I in the Office of Information Technology.

Bernard Vigil is a new custodian Support Services.

Dragomir Cosanici is the new assistant director for Public Services at Pacific McGeorge School of Law.

Jonathan Singer is the new costume technician in Theatre Arts.

Jessica Hartwell is the new production manager in Alumni, Communications, Marketing and Events at Pacific McGeorge School of Law.

David C. James ’84 is the new assistant dean and director of Career Development at Pacific McGeorge School of Law.

Mathew Le is the new assistant director of admissions at Pacific McGeorge School of Law.

Courtney Stutts is the new marketing and communications writer in Alumni, Communications, Marketing and Events at Pacific McGeorge School of Law.

NEW REGENT APPOINTED

The Board of Regents elected Jim Mair ’68 as its newest member at the October Board meeting on the Stockton campus. “I am pleased to welcome Jim to the Board of Regents,” said President DeRosa. “As a Pacific alumnus, he demonstrates the Pacific mission of commitment to public service. In addition, he brings us superior leadership skills and knowledge in land acquisition, financing, architecture, construction and property management.”

Jim Mair is president, chief executive officer and founder of South Bay Development Company, which has developed over 25 million square feet of commercial real estate in Northern California since its founding in 1978. Mair received his bachelor’s degree in business administration from Pacific and holds a master’s degree in business administration from Santa Clara University. He participates with many industry associations as well as community and charitable organizations. Jim and his wife Gretchen ’68 reside in Saratoga, California. Their daughters Meredith ’94 and Carolyn ’97 are also graduates of Pacific.

WILL RUN FOR CANS

Tamsyn Miller ’08, Carlene Laurence ’08, Hilary Norman ’08, Katie Lousy ’08, Lisa Fernandez ’08, Kim Hansen ’08, Jennifer McKee ’08, Alan Cheung ’08, Katie Mitchell ’08, 2nd year Doctor of Physical Therapy Students, organized a 5K campus fun run fundraiser and food drive in celebration of Physical Therapy Month. The event raised funds to help the class attend the Annual American Physical Therapy Association’s Combined Sections Meeting in Nashville, Tenn. and facilitated the donation of over 30 cans of food to the Stockton Food Bank.
WRITING IN THE DISCIPLINES
INITIATIVE FUNDING AWARDED

Nine departments and schools across the University won Writing in the Disciplines Initiative grants to improve writing instruction and enhance student writing skills. Proposals from the following departments in the College of the Pacific were funded: communications, political science, psychology, religious studies, and theatre arts. In addition, the Benerd School of Education, the School of Engineering and Computer Science, and the School of International Studies submitted successful proposals. In total, over $30,000 in grants were awarded by the Office of the Provost and the Writing in the Disciplines Initiative. Funded projects include training for undergraduate and graduate writing mentors, development of precise and nuanced grading rubrics, travel to international conferences on Writing in the Disciplines and stipends for professional discipline-specific writing consultants. A second round of grant funding will be available in spring 2008.

THANKSGIVING HOLIDAY SCHEDULE:

Thanksgiving Holiday — Thursday, November 22
Seasonal Holiday — Friday, November 23
Holiday schedules may vary for essential staff. Confirm with your supervisor.
Classes are out of session Wednesday, November 21 through Friday, November 23.

CLASSIFIEDS

HOUSING
Rooms for Rent: Rooms available for rent in beautiful home in LeBaron Estates. $450-$650. Call Gwendolyn at 209.483.3466.

AUTO
Mazda: 626 LX, automatic, mint, registered until 08/08. Fully loaded, updated, clean title, runs great. 91,210 miles. $4,300. Call 916.944.9917.

VARIOUS ITEMS

SERVICES:
Nanny Needed: Enthusiastic, loving and experienced person to provide in home care for one boy, age 8 months, weekdays full time 8 am–4 pm. Must be non-smoker and able to provide own transportation. Salary negotiable. References required. Home in north Stockton (I-5/Eight Mile). Call Esther at 713.816.4277.

Classified Ads are FREE to Pacific faculty, staff, parents, students and friends. Placement is first-come, first-served based on space availability. All ads will run for one issue only, unless a renewal is requested. Renewal request must include the ad. Send e-mail to bulletin@pacific.edu.

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