BEYOND OUR GATES
Presidential Forums on Community Engagement

On December 3, President Eibeck announced a major new series of community forums, called “Beyond Our Gates... Into the Community.” Organized by Pacific’s Jacoby Center for Public Service and Civic Leadership, the forums are half-day meetings in which University representatives and community leaders discuss critical issues affecting the greater Stockton area and explore how the University can work with the surrounding community to tackle those problems.

Topics of discussion are healthcare; the economy and the social safety net; energy and the environment; education and how to train and retain future citizens; and arts and culture.

“The futures of Stockton and Pacific are intertwined: Stockton’s successes help the University, and Pacific’s strengths benefit the community,” said President Eibeck. “These forums will focus on some of the tough challenges that have dominated dialogue here for decades and help us create a road map to tackle our priority issues with long-term, meaningful partnerships and initiatives.”

The first event on January 13, focused on healthcare concerns. Representatives from Pacific’s health-related programs on all three campuses engaged in discussion with a community panel, with time for questions from the audience. The second event, held in downtown Stockton, focused on economic issues. The remaining forums will be held monthly through May. Feedback received will be compiled into a report that will be presented to the community in fall 2010. To find out more, visit www.BeyondOurgates.org.

DEMYSTIFYING MEDICARE PART D
Pacific Pharmacy Students to the Rescue

In November, Pacific pharmacy students conducted 11 different community outreach events in seven cities to assist individuals on Medicare to enroll into the appropriate Medicare prescription drug plan. They also provided translation services for Vietnamese, Mandarin, Cantonese, Spanish and Korean, among other languages.

Students assisted around 300 Medicare beneficiaries, saving them thousands of dollars on their prescription drug costs and inappropriate premiums. At many of the events, they also offered free health screenings for glucose, cholesterol and bone density, and provided information on various health-related topics.
GLOBAL CITIZENSHIP
Social Entrepreneur Challenges Pacific Students

Dr. Victoria Hale spoke on September 10 to more than 300 students, faculty and staff members at various events throughout the day at the Thomas J. Long School of Pharmacy and Health Sciences. Hale challenged the audience toward “Helping Humanity through Social Entrepreneurship.”

As founder of the nonprofit pharmaceutical company Institute of OneWorld Health, Hale has worked to bring inexpensive medicines to underdeveloped countries, fighting diseases that kill millions of people in impoverished areas. Presently, Dr. Hale is founder and president of Medicines360, a second-generation nonprofit pharmaceutical company.

Hale’s visit was the result of collaboration between the Thomas J. Long School of Pharmacy and Health Sciences and the Global Center for Social Entrepreneurship at the School of International Studies.

INSIDE STORY
Behind the Scenes with Anthony Shafer

School of Engineering and Computer Science alumnus Anthony Shafer ’97 returned to Pacific in January to share a behind-the-scenes look at the production of Disney’s animated “A Christmas Carol,” released last November. Shafer worked for more than two years on the film as the stereoscopic supervisor for Disney’s ImageMovers Digital. He worked extensively on the design and implementation of the film. Always entertaining and informative,

Shafer’s presentation included some raw footage from the film and a demonstration of how the 3D-effects were created.

RAISE YOUR RIGHT HAND...
Citizenship Fair Success Story

Pacific McGeorge’s inaugural Citizenship Fair exceeded all expectations, helping 290 immigrant attendees with a five-hour November program that included one-on-one assistance with paperwork, civics classes, mock interviews and a variety of workshops.

More than 80 students from Pacific McGeorge, UC Davis School of Law, and Pacific’s Stockton campus were joined by immigration attorneys to assist participants seeking to become United States citizens.

With an introduction in Spanish, Associate Dean for Academic Affairs Julie Davies welcomed the 630 people who came, including participants’ family members. State Senate President Pro Temp Darrell Steinberg, Assembly member Dave Jones, and a representative from Congressman Doris Matsui’s office spoke to the gathering.

Professors Raquel Aldana and Blake Nordahl, along with Community Legal Services Director Dorothy Landsberg, were the key organizers of the event, which received advance promotion in five different languages. Institute for Administrative Justice staff attorney Kathleen Benton assisted with the day’s operations. Univision Channel 19, among the event’s many cosponsors, interviewed organizers and participants.
CAMPUS HAPPENINGS

PACIFIC HOSTS CHINESE DELEGATION
Here to Learn about U.S. Higher Education

Twenty-five officials from top universities and central government agencies in China were on campus the first week of December to see examples of teaching, research and economic development being practiced in higher education in the United States. The program was sponsored by the Advanced Leadership Program for University Presidents of China.

While at Pacific the visitors observed classes; talked to faculty, staff and students; visited labs and participated in several group discussions with faculty and administrators. They also were interested in learning about faculty recruitment and development, university fundraising, quality assurance in the classroom and how the university works with local and regional businesses.

Provost Gilbertson and Associate Provost Jin Gong have made three visits to China over the past two years to confer with universities in several cities on increasing recruitment of Chinese students, advancing partnerships in graduate and professional programs and strengthening research partnerships. View summary reports for each trip at www.Pacific.edu/Provost.

SEEN AND HEARD
Dukakis on Healthcare Policy

Michael Dukakis, former governor of Massachusetts and the 1988 Democratic Party nominee for president, discussed the challenges facing the U.S. on reforming the healthcare system and healthcare policy in his lecture at University of the Pacific’s Stockton campus in January. Dukakis spoke candidly about the issues and responded to questions from the audience. Dukakis has spent the last two decades lecturing and writing about political leadership in health care policy in the U.S. and is considered one of the foremost experts in the field.

Dukakis’ visit was sponsored by Pacific’s Legal Scholars Program, an undergraduate course plan for students interested in law. Prior to the public lecture, Dukakis spoke with students in the Legal Scholars program. His wife, Kitty, spoke with psychology students. Kitty’s 2007 book “Shock” deals with her struggles with depression and her experience with electroconvulsive therapy.

ROOM WITH A VIEW
Professor Kasser Installs Mural in Lodi Hospital

When you walk into the lobby of the new wing of Lodi Memorial Hospital, you can’t help but notice the pastoral scene welcoming you into the building. Pacific Visual Arts Professor Lucinda Kasser was commissioned to paint a three-panel mural and two smaller paintings for the facility.

Kasser drew her inspiration for the pastoral scene from the surrounding Central Valley countryside. The mural was installed on October 16. The 5 ½ by 33-foot mural is the largest piece she’s ever done. The new hospital wing opened in January.

Pictured above at the installation: (l. to r.) Professor Lucinda Kasser, Visual Arts; Carol Farron, director of Community Development for Lodi Memorial Hospital (LMH); Robin Knowlton of Lodi’s Knowlton Gallery; and Nancy Reich, construction project manager.
Pacific School of Engineering and Computer Science hosted the 17th Annual San Joaquin Expanding Your Horizons in Science and Mathematics Conference (EYH) on campus on October 10. The event drew 288 middle and high school girls. EYH encourages girls to pursue careers in math and science through hands-on workshops and inspirational speakers.

Donna Djordjevich ’01 of Sandia National Laboratories was the keynote speaker. She shared with attendees how she combined her passion for computer gaming as a young girl with experience in software architecture design and interactive simulation to create an effective method of preparing emergency personnel for dangerous scenarios.

Twenty-four different workshops were offered on different topics and career options. Approximately 200 volunteers made the event possible, including Pacific faculty, staff and students, individuals from the community, and volunteers from co-sponsors Lawrence Livermore and Sandia National Laboratories.
Campus Happenings

Keep It Consensual Event Exceeds Expectations
Tackles Tough Subject of Sexual Assault

The "Keep It Consensual" symposium on October 28, which dealt with consent and sexual assault, drew nearly 1,000 participants. “The day met and exceeded our learning outcomes and high expectations,” says Vice President for Student Life Elizabeth Griego. “I feel very confident that we raised awareness and that we sparked some good thinking on this important issue.” Throughout the day, students, faculty, staff and community members participated in sessions covering sexual assault, the nature of consent, aspects of rape law, bystander empowerment and support of victims, best practices in responding to sexual violence and more. At the powerful keynote session with guest speaker Brett Sokolow, “Drunk Sex or Date Rape,” about 700 students were actively involved in the discussion of an actual sexual assault case.

For the first time, Pacific staff members sent session updates through Twitter for those who could not attend. There were many appreciative responses from both college and high school students and other colleges to the “tweets.” Following the event, organizers posted photos, additional resources and event handouts on the website. Find out more at www.Pacific.edu/Consent.

Pacific students adapted and performed a skit illustrating issues of consent during the symposium.

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“THE REAL GRAN TORINO STORY”
Looking Closely at Gang Violence

Actor Bee Vang, one of the central actors in Clint Eastwood’s film “Gran Torino,” highlighted an October panel discussion, “The Real Gran Torino Story: Stockton’s Secret War on the Streets,” on gang violence in the Southeast Asian-American community. The film “Gran Torino” addresses gang violence in the Hmong community.

The panel discussion, organized by Pacific students, included State Senator Leland Yee, chair of the California Senate Select Committee on Asian Pacific Islander Affairs, as well as officials from the state Office of the Attorney General, the City of Stockton, the Stockton Police Department and Stockton Unified School District. The event was cosponsored by Pacific’s Cambodian, Hmong and Vietnamese student associations, Senator Yee’s office and several community organizations supporting the APIL community. A performance by internationally renowned Khmer-American hip-hop artist PraChy Ly followed the discussion.

ITALIAN FESTIVAL
Celebrates Italian Music and Culture

University of the Pacific, in conjunction with the Italian Institute of Culture in San Francisco and CEMAT, hosted an Italian Festival of Music and Culture the week of October 18–24. The festival featured an art exhibition, movie screenings, a symposium and four concerts.

Works from contemporary Italian artists were featured in “Oggi: Contemporary Art in Italy,” and the Pacific Theatre screened a selection of short movies by emerging Italian filmmakers. Musical performances by both resident and visiting Italian artists included choral and orchestral performances, a string quartet and an intermedia performance. Works ranged from classical composers such as Verdi to premier 20th century artists Sciarrino and Scelsi. The week culminated with a symposium on “Italian Culture in the Inter-War Period” and “Il Treno,” an Italian cabaret.

ONCE UPON A TIME...
New Pacific History Forthcoming

Provost Phil Gilbertson has been selected to write the next history of the University. The book will focus mostly on the first 40 years of Pacific’s history but will also include a narrative of the first 120 years. Gilbertson said he will tap into the memories of alumni, staff and faculty who can recall specific events or use archival documents explaining how events unfolded.

The idea for a new history of Pacific was first explored in 2003, when a committee recommended that a history be published focusing on the post-1970 years. In 2009, former President Don DeRosa appointed a panel to review proposals for the book.

Gilbertson says his book will be a more comprehensive approach to the history of the university that incorporates student life and the university’s overall culture, including major administrative and faculty initiatives.

Plans are to publish it in print and online, with corresponding photos, video and other electronic material placed on a university website, where readers may comment on the history. It is expected to be completed in 2014. “Pacific has such a rich and distinctive identity — I am eager to try to capture the saga of this splendid place over its 160 years,” Gilbertson says.

Previous historical works on University of the Pacific are:

“History of the College of the Pacific,” by Rockwell D. Hunt, a centennial history (1951)
“Pioneer or Perish, A History of the University of the Pacific During the Administration of Dr. Robert E. Burns, 1946–1971,” by Kara Pratt Brewer (1977)
“The Professor Who Changed My Life,” by Charles Clerc, commissioned for the University’s sesquicentennial celebration (2001)
DENTISTRY “TO GO”
With Virtual Dental Home

The Arthur A. Dugoni School of Dentistry’s Pacific Center for Special Care, under the leadership of Dr. Paul Glassman, launched a new teledentistry pilot project called the Virtual Dental Home. The project demonstrates an innovative new way to bring dental care into underserved community settings, including nursing homes, schools and group homes for individuals with developmental disabilities.

Using portable imaging equipment, community-based oral health professionals collect electronic dental records and upload the information to a secure website, where they are reviewed by a collaborating dentist. The hygienists and assistants work with dentists to establish diagnostic services and provide preventive and temporary restorative services directly to people who might otherwise be unable to get dental care.

The project is funded by the California Dental Association Foundation, California HealthCare Foundation, Verizon Foundation and others. Sites in San Mateo, Sacramento, San Jose, National City, Chula Vista, Visalia and Eureka are currently using the system, and three more locations are slated to be added throughout the state.

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PACIFIC PARTNERS WITH VENEZUELA
For Educational Exchange

Provost Gilbertson led a Pacific delegation to Venezuela from January 28 to February 6. The trip was coordinated by a group of about 10 Pacific alumni led by businessman Alberto Yanez ’73. Accompanying the provost and his wife, Carole, were School of International Studies Dean Margee Ensign, Conservatory of Music Dean Giulio Ongaro and Professor Gene Bigler.

The team visited six prominent high schools, two universities, the world-famous Fundación del Estado para el Sistema Nacional de las Orquestas Juveniles e Infantiles de Venezuela (FESNOJIV) — a national system of youth and children’s orchestras — and three other prominent institutions in five regions of Venezuela.

They shared Pacific's Inter-American program and foreign and exchange opportunities with high school students and school officials. They also met with deans and university officials from The Gran Mariscal de Ayacucho University and the Technical University of the Center (UNITEC) about exchange programs and internship opportunities. UNITEC agreed to work with Pacific on internship opportunities at EXTRUDAL, S.A., an aluminum products manufacturer in Valencia. Vice President and COO Beverly Yanez ’77 invited the delegation to tour facilities and discuss internships for Pacific students.

Dean Ensign, Provost Gilbertson and Eduardo Fernandez, former Venezuelan presidential candidate and leader of the Christian Democratic movement, spoke to educators and political and community leaders on the importance of inter-American educational programs at a forum in Caracas organized by The Aristides Calvani Center for International Training, which had broad media coverage. Dean Ensign signed an agreement with the Center to develop faculty and student exchange programs.

Dean Ongaro also signed a collaborative agreement with FESNOJIV. The Conservatory will offer two scholarships for Venezuelan students to specialize in music therapy and music management. FESNOJIV will explore opportunities for Pacific students to learn about its program, which brings musical education to underprivileged areas and serves more than 220,000 young people. The delegation was treated to a series of performances by more than a dozen youth choirs and orchestras, culminating in a performance by the Simon Bolívar Youth Orchestra conducted by Gustavo Dudamel, an alumnus of FESNOJIV and the current music director of the Los Angeles Philharmonic.

The Venezuelans enthusiastically embraced the prospect of student and faculty exchange programs and collaboration on internships and professional education. The success of the trip and warm welcome can be attributed in large part to the efforts of Pacific alumni from Venezuela. Covell College (1963–86) was a unique program where classes were taught in Spanish and half the students came from Latin America. Pacific has close to 1,000 alumni throughout Latin America. Pacific’s investment in educating earlier generations from Latin America has laid a foundation for ongoing cooperation.

Read about the Pacific Inter-American program, based in part on the Covell College experience, in the spring 2010 issue of Pacific Review.