Five alumni were honored for their professional achievements and service to the community and the University at the annual awards dinner last November.

Marshall H. “Pete” Wallace ’59 ENG
Distinguished Alumni Award for University Service

Pete has been actively involved with Pacific from early in his career. He has served on the School of Engineering and Computer Science Dean’s Advisory Council for more than 20 years. Since 2004, students build their projects in the M.H. “Pete” and Judy Wallace Student Design Laboratory.

Bob Moorefield ’68, ’85, MUS
Distinguished Alumni Award for Professional Service

Bob has been inspiring young musicians for more than 40 years. He built an award-winning music program at Pleasanton’s Foothill High School, winning numerous first-place and sweepstakes trophies and garnering appearances at the Monterey Jazz Festival and five Tournament of Roses parades. He also directed the pre-game ceremonies for Super Bowl XIX.

Mitsu Kumagai ’75 EDU
Distinguished Alumni Award for Volunteer Service

Beyond his successful career in educational administration, Mitsu has volunteered many hours to educational and service organizations over the past 25 plus years. In 2010, he was recognized as a Champion of Arts Education by the City of San Jose.

Paul Kawata ’79 COP
Distinguished Alumni Award for Public Service

Paul Kawata has been an impassioned force in the fight against AIDS since 1985. He directed the National AIDS Network from 1985 to 1989 and went on to found the National Minority AIDS Council. Under his leadership as executive director, the NMAC has become a powerful voice for more than 3,000 HIV/AIDS organizations nationwide, implementing education programs and an annual conference and helping pass significant legislation.

Becky Straw ’03 COP
Outstanding Young Alumni Award

Through her nonprofit organization, The Adventure Project, cofounded with Jody Landers in 2010, Becky has raised more than $400,000 and helped create 500 jobs through investment in micro-entrepreneurship projects in Haiti, India, Uganda and Kenya.

Read more about alumni awards and award winners at PacificAlumni.org/Awards.
Class of 1963

50-Year Reunion
May 3–5, 2013
Commencement Weekend

The Class of 1963 was at Pacific when construction began on the Robert E. Burns Tower. Once the tallest building in Stockton, this campus icon was unique among bell towers, also housing office space and a water storage tank. Named after the first alumnus to serve as Pacific president, it was completed in 1964, the year shown in the photo above.
George Druliner ’47 BUS, Scottsdale, AZ, celebrated his 90th birthday and his 40th wedding anniversary with wife Virginia in fall 2012.

Edward J. Garcia ’58 LAW, Sacramento, CA, was the subject of a lengthy profile in the Sacramento Bee. He is retiring after 25 years of service as a judge for the U.S. District Court, Eastern District of California.

Bruce Brown ’63 MUS, Beaverton, OR, is an emeritus professor at Portland State University. In 2012 he was awarded the NW American Choral Directors Leadership and Service Award.

Greg Stikes ’63 COP, Gardnerville, NV, retired from teaching in 2002 and keeps busy skiing, golfing, kayaking and fishing. He also stays involved in church activities, monitors his personal stocks and rental properties, and volunteers at the Food Closet. He and his wife Madelyn (Jarvis) ’65 enjoy traveling to see their two sons and their families.

Anthony Ishii ’70 PHS, Fresno, CA, recently took “senior status,” stepping down from his role as federal judge in Fresno Superior Court and his post as chief judge for the Eastern District of California. Ishii plans to maintain a full caseload but will transition his duties to U.S. District Judge Morrison C. England Jr. ’77 COP, ’83 LAW, who is next in line in seniority.

Claire (Priestly) LeFlore ’80 LAW, Davis, CA, was appointed chief counsel at the California Department of Parks and Recreation by Governor Jerry Brown. She has been a deputy attorney at the California Department of Transportation since 2007.

Donald Wood ’81 BUS, Warren, MI, retired after 28 years of federal civil service in logistics management at the Army Tank-Auto Command. He was recently honored with the prestigious Bronze Order of the DeFleury medal for significant contributions to the Army Engineer Regiment and for inspirational leadership for the Army Corps of Engineers, as well as the Army Achievement medal for civilian service. He’s moving west to retire in Reno, NV.

Daniel Dooley ’82 LAW, Sacramento, CA, was reappointed to the California State Board of Food and Agriculture by Governor Jerry Brown. He is the senior vice president for external relations for the University of California system.

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Kenneth Cooley ’84 LAW, Gold River, CA, was elected to the California State Assembly 8th District, which comprises the eastern suburbs of Sacramento.

Linda Seifert ’84 LAW, Fairfield, CA, was re-elected to the Solano County Board of Supervisors where she represents District 2, which includes Benicia, Cordelia, Green Valley and portions of Vallejo.

Kurt Anagnostou ’85 LAW, Longview, WA, was elected commissioner of the Cowlitz Public Utility District. The longtime Longview City Council member and former mayor is a principal in the law firm of Daggy & Anagnostou.

Class of 1988
25th Reunion Committee
Norm Allen
Deborah (Formby) Burdick
Nancy (Piochchini) Stenzler
Stacy (Welin) Erickson
Kendra (Palmer) Anderson

Jeff Starksy ’89 LAW, McClellan, CA, recently won his fourth term on the Folsom City Council. He is general counsel for the Beurlter Corporation.

Herb Santos ’91 LAW, Reno, NV, was appointed to the Nevada Commission on Tourism by Nevada Governor Brian Sandoval. He is the managing partner of the NBA D-League Reno Bighorns and the owner of the Law Firm of Herb Santos Jr. in Reno.

Amy Glad ’91 LAW, Los Angeles, CA, has been elected chair of the board of directors of the California Building Industry Association. She is the senior vice president of governmental affairs for Los Angeles-based Pardee Homes, one of the country’s leading homebuilders.

Steven Lloyd ’91 COP, Livermore, CA, organized a fundraising project with his Rotary club and NBA stars Vlade Divac and Peja Stojakovic to benefit HRH Princess Katherine of Yugoslavia’s Lifeline Organization in Serbia. His family is from Montenegro, and Steven had an opportunity to attend the formal distribution of wheelchairs with his mother at the Royal Palace in Belgrade, Serbia, with their Royal Highnesses Prince Alexander and Princess Katherine.
Renee Nash ‘92 LAW, Granite Bay, CA, won election to the Eureka Union School District Board of Trustees. The former Pacific McGeorge adjunct professor, a longtime community activist in the Roseville area, operates the Law Offices of Renee C. Nash in Granite Bay.

Dell Dumps ‘92 BUS, Westwego, LA, had his contract extended as the general manager of the New Orleans Hornets.

Vanessa (Higgins) Fox ‘93 COP, Seattle, WA, is founder and CEO of Nine by Blue, consulting and speaking on search engine optimization and data analysis.

Wendy (DuShane) Enloe ‘95 COP and Greg Enloe ‘89 COP, Silver Spring, MD, show their love for their alma mater with new vanity plates for their vehicles. Wendy is in her 12th year as a special agent with the United States Secret Service, working as a supervisor in Washington, D.C. Greg is currently the director of alumni relations and annual giving at Montgomery College in Rockville, MD. They have three children: LJ, 13, Addison, 10, and Dayton, 7.

Andrew Sackheim ‘95 LAW, Sacramento, CA, has been named to the Sacramento Children’s Home Board of Directors. He is an attorney with the Real Estate Law Group LLP.

David Kauffman ‘96 LAW, Placerville, CA, was appointed the inspector general at the California Military Department by Governor Jerry Brown. A lieutenant colonel, he has served with the California Army National Guard and U.S. Army Reserve for nearly 20 years, including tours of duty in Guantanamo Bay, Kosovo and Afghanistan.

Michael Babikian ‘97 LAW, Glendale, CA, was named president and CEO of Transamerica Brokerage, a distribution unit of Transamerica Life Insurance’s Los Angeles-based Life and Protection Division. He previously held the position of executive vice president and chief marketing officer for the division.

Lee Neves ‘97 COP, ‘00 LAW, Stockton, CA, formed the public affairs and political consulting firm CrossCurrents LLC. He assisted in 2012 election victories for Stockton’s mayor, the Stockton City Council, the Turlock City Council and the City of Lathrop Measure C.

Kresta Nora Daly, ’98 LAW, Sacramento, CA, a partner at Barth Tozer & Daly LLP and one of the few female private defense attorneys in Sacramento, was selected for the Sacramento Business Journal’s 40 under 40 list of most accomplished, talented and influential young professionals in Sacramento.

Becca Moench ’99 MUS, Salt Lake City, UT, earned her master’s in music from the San Francisco Conservatory; surfed the Hawaiian Pacific while playing “A’s” in the Hawaiian Symphony; climbed “14-ers” during summers with the Boulder, CO, Chautauqua Orchestra; was concertmaster of the Ballet West Orchestra in Salt Lake City; and now plays her heart out from a tenured chair in the violin section of the Utah Symphony while thinking fondly of University of the Pacific.

Sarah Heckman ’99 LAW, Yuba City, CA, won a seat on the Sutter County Superior Court bench. She has served as managing attorney of the Sutter Courts Law Center self-help programs since 2002.

William Brelsford ’99 LAW, El Dorado Hills, CA, was named a Top 40 under 40 Attorney by the National Trial Lawyers and inducted into the American Board of Trial Advocates. He is a personal injury attorney and partner at the Sacramento firm of Poswall, White & Cutler.

Christine Jacob, ’01, LAW, Roseville, CA, was sworn in as president of the Women Lawyers of Sacramento. She is a partner at the Roseville office of Hansen Kohls Jones Sommer & Jacob LLP where her civil litigation practice focuses on professional liability defense and business litigation.

Emily (Davidson) Peters ’02 COP, San Francisco, CA, has been promoted to vice president of marketing at Practice Fusion and appeared on the “Dr. Oz” show last fall.
Anne O’Donnell ’02 LAW, Foster City, CA, recently accepted a position as senior writer for legal professional content with Findlaw, a Thomson Reuters company. Previously a civil litigator in San Francisco, she continues to serve on the board of directors for the Queen’s Bench Bar Association of the Bay Area.

Kimberly Mullen ’02 COP, Lodi, CA, is editor-in-chief of HERLIFE of the Central Valley, a women’s lifestyle magazine in San Joaquin County.

Anthony Bernal ’02 EDU, San Diego, CA, was honored by the Urban League of San Diego County as one of its 40 under 40 awardees. He plays critical roles in the community and professional arenas within San Diego County.

Matthew Olson ’04 COP, ’09 LAW, San Francisco, CA, has joined the San Francisco bankruptcy litigation firm of Macdonald Fernandez as an associate. Olson previously served as a law clerk to the U.S. Bankruptcy Judge Ronald Sargs of the Eastern District of California. He is also the 2012–2013 President of the Pacific Alumni Association Board of Directors.

Paul L. Lanning Jr. ’07 EDU, Elk Grove, CA, has stepped down from his role as president and CEO of the Foundation for California Community Colleges to launch a consulting practice. He is the managing partner for RPR Fundraising LLC, a full-service consulting group specializing in both hands-on and strategic council to nonprofit CEOs responsible for organizational financial health.

Morgan Martinez ’07 COP, Salinas, CA, was invited to be a guest panelist at the Institute of Politics at the Harvard Kennedy School event Campaign for President: The Managers Look at 2012. She has worked in politics since 2007 and was director of digital strategy for Louisiana Governor Buddy Roemer’s presidential bid. She is vice president of the board at Notre Dame Salinas High School.

Adrian Clarke ’03 ENG, San Francisco, CA, is a service group manager for GHD, the engineering firm responsible for the San Francisco 49ers’ new stadium in Santa Clara.

Moses Zapien ’03 COP, Stockton, CA, was recently elected to the Stockton City Council. Currently he is a practicing attorney with the Law Office of James M. Morris and sits on the board of the San Joaquin County Bar Association.

Tiger Cubs

Jami (Hirsch) Lundgren ’02 COP, ’03 EDU and Lars Lundgren, a daughter, Mia Jordyn, 1/4/12, Lodi, CA — 3

Laura Holland ’08 PHS and Wesley Miles Holland ’06 COP, a son, Weston, 8/25/12, San Diego, CA — 4

Julie (Anton) Webb ’99 EDU and Jeremy Webb, a daughter, Natalie Mae, 10/23/12, Sacramento, CA — 5

Amber Overgard ’12 COP and Jason Overgard, a daughter, Aurelia Isis, 12/12/12, Ellicott City, MD — 6

Jonathan Kim ’99 PHS and Deanna Kim identical twin sons, Samuel and Justin, 9/22/12, Castro Valley, CA — 7

Kali (Kuehn) Fama ’04 PHS & COP, ’06 PHS and Tom Fama ’04 BUS, ’08 LAW, a daughter, Luciana Beatrice, 3/25/12, Danville, CA — 8

Erin (Murray) Gilbert ’01 SIS and Jason Gilbert, daughters Miriam, 8/23/12, and Elisa, 2/07/10, Sacramento, CA — 9

Paula (Ransom) Robertson ’01 EDU and Nicolas Robertson ’03 ENG, a son, Henry Paul, 9/27/12, Portland, OR — 10

Tim Nordahl ’97 BUS and Stacy Nordahl, twins, a daughter, Harper, and a son, Logan, 12/3/12, Petaluma, CA — 11

Katherine Harper ’05 MUS and Robert Harper ’05 COP, a son, Samuel Robert, 6/10/12, Galt, CA — 12

Jennifer (Ortega) Ryan ’04, ’05 EDU and Jason Ryan ’01, ’03 MUS, a son, Joshua Anthony, 10/4/12, Stockton, CA — 14

Heidi Goettl ’08 EDU, a daughter, Adelaide Clara, 8/4/11, St. Paul, MN

Jennifer (Smith) Mantei ’98 COP and Dominic Mantei, a son, Nathaniel, 6/18/12, Somerset, CA — 15
What's New?

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Send us your baby's name and birthdate and get your “Future Tiger” baby bib.
Jeannette Powell, Regent
March 5, 1932 – December 2, 2012

Regent and University of the Pacific benefactor Jeannette Powell passed away in early December at the age of 80. She had served on the Pacific Board of Regents since 1999 and was elected to lifetime regent status in 2009, the only regent to be so recognized.

A professional interior designer, Mrs. Powell brought her design prowess to landmark development projects built by her late husband, Sacramento developer Robert C. Powell. Among their many successful ventures were the Gold River and Selby Ranch communities and the award-winning Pavilions shopping center. Mr. Powell, a Pacific Regent from 1989 to 1993, died in 2007.

The Powells achieved great success in the professional realm but were most proud of the impact of their civic and philanthropic work. Private and unassuming people who eschewed publicity, the Powells were passionate patrons of the arts and energetic supporters of higher education. Introduced to Pacific by former Regent Ed Westgate, who also passed away in 2012, the Powells’ contribution of time, talent and treasure has had a transformative impact on the entire University.

Their many contributions include establishing the Robert C. Powell Merit Scholarship program to support students with financial need, and making the lead gift to fund the creation of the Visual Arts Center, which is named for Mrs. Powell. In 2007, they announced the establishment of a $100 million estate gift to Pacific—the largest gift in the University’s history—and founded the Powell Scholars Program, the University’s premier merit scholarship program.

Since her husband’s death, Mrs. Powell continued to be actively involved at Pacific in a variety of ways and took great interest in the Powell Scholars. In particular, she loved to speak with students, always encouraging them to pursue their passions.

At a tribute event held in Reynolds Art Gallery in February honoring Mrs. Powell, faculty, staff, alumni and students expressed the tremendous impact Mrs. Powell had on them personally and on the University.
Passings

Edward William Westgate ’33 COP
May 15, 1912 – October 18, 2012

Former Regent Edward “Ed” Westgate passed away last October, just five months past his 100th birthday. A successful farmer, U.S. Army officer, developer, vintner and community leader, Mr. Westgate was also a longtime friend and supporter of the University. He served on the Board of Regents for 29 years (1967–1996) and was named an honorary Regent, Emeritus.

Mr. Westgate grew up on his family’s Rio Vista farm. He attended University of the Pacific and then transferred to Stanford, where he graduated with a degree in economics. Following the death of his father, he took over the family farm. In World War II, he was an army officer with the Economic Warfare branch in Northern Africa, the Middle East and Brazil.

After the war, Mr. Westgate became a developer. He built the first major hotel on an outer island in Hawaii—the Sheraton Maui—and the first condominiums in the United States in San Francisco and Hawaii.

In 1991, in recognition of his support of the University, the Eberhardt School of Business named its Center for Leadership and Management Development in Westgate’s honor. In 1991 he and his wife established the Ed and Joan Westgate Endowed Scholarship to benefit middle-income students. Since 1993, more than a dozen men and women have benefitted in their Pacific education by the endowment’s scholarships, which continue as an enduring legacy.

This past May, many of the Pacific community joined nearly 100 family and friends to celebrate his 100th birthday at the Silverado Resort, which he had reconstructed in the 1960s.

Inez (Sheldon) Holt ’37 COP
November 28, 1914 – January 5, 2013

Inez Sheldon Holt ’37 passed away peacefully in Stockton at the age of 98. Born in Vermillion, Kansas, Ms. Holt grew up in Stockton and Fresno, Calif. She graduated from the College of the Pacific and from the University of Southern California. Following her graduation from Pacific, Ms. Holt taught grade school in Lodi and then dedicated 38 years of her life to the Los Angeles Unified School District, where she served as a teacher and an administrator.

Throughout her career, she was a member of many professional organizations, including Delta Kappa Gamma, Gamma Phi Beta, the National Education Assn., the California Teachers’ Assn., and the National Parent Teacher Assn. She married C. Stewart Holt in 1942. They spent many years traveling the world together until he passed away in 1976.

Returning to Stockton in 2008, Ms. Holt was an active member of the University of the Pacific community, participating in the Alumni Association, the Osher Lifelong Learning Institute and the Associates of the University of the Pacific Library. She was a dedicated supporter of the Gladys L. Benerd School of Education and the University Library. She delighted her many Pacific friends with stories of growing up on Knoles Drive, riding horses with Tully Knoles and working as a student assistant in the library, then located in Baun Hall. These and more about her lifelong relationship with Pacific were recorded by former Provost Phil Gilbertson as part of the Pacific History Project.

Kimberly Pinto ’04 COP
July 13, 1973 – December 20, 2012

Kimberly Pinto ’04, a former officer with the University’s Public Safety Department, was killed in a car accident last December while traveling to work in Lodi from her home in Sacramento. She was 39 years old. Ms. Pinto had been with the Stockton Unified School District police force since 2008 and was promoted to sergeant last year, the first female sergeant in the history of the Stockton Unified police force. During her tenure with the district, she had been assigned to Chavez High School as a resource officer, served as a patrol officer and was part of the department’s community policing effort.

She was described by colleagues at Stockton Unified as a natural and talented leader who brought humor, drive and competence to everything she undertook. She was said to have had a unique way of communicating with understanding when reaching out to students and parents, and was credited with helping reduce gang tensions during her time at Chavez.

Ms. Pinto served as a field training officer with the Public Safety Department for nine years, before being hired by the school district. Members of the Pacific and Stockton communities gathered for a memorial service in Morris Chapel on January 5 to honor her life and contributions to the community.