

## CAMPUS HAPPENINGS



### RUNAWAY SUCCESS

#### Math Steeplechase the Biggest Yet

More than 900 schoolchildren came from Stockton, Sacramento and Modesto schools to compete in the 7<sup>th</sup> Annual Math Steeplechase on Friday, April 8, at Alex G. Spanos Center. The event was hosted by the Benerd School of Education and Pacific Athletics. During the competition, teams of five and six solved mathematical problems that were then scored by referees. Pacific athletes hosted recreational activities during breaks in the Janssen Lagorio Gymnasium.

The Steeplechase was supported by more than 100 student

volunteers from Benerd School of Education, the Math Club and Pacific Athletics. The Math Steeplechase was established seven years ago by Tara Runnels '07 who remembered a similar event when she was in high school that helped spark her interest in math. Runnels is now an elementary school math teacher. The event is organized by education professor Gregory Potter and has grown every year since its inception. This was the first year that schools outside of Stockton participated.

### CRUZ REYNOSO

#### "Sowing Seeds of Justice"



Pacific collaborated with the Stockton Mexican Heritage Center to present the screening of the documentary film "Cruz Reynoso: Sowing the Seeds of Justice" in

celebration of César Chávez Day. A longtime civil rights advocate, Reynoso is the first Latino to serve on the California Supreme Court. Pacific's Janet Leigh Theatre was packed with turn-away crowds for the film and panel discussion with guest Cruz Reynoso; the film's director, Abby Ginsberg; and Maurice "Mo" Jourdane, who fought to outlaw the "short-handled hoe" in a celebrated court case involving improving working conditions for farm workers.

### SENIOR PROM REPRISÉ

#### Better the Second Time Around

Nearly 100 senior citizens from Stockton-area senior living and community centers came to Pacific on March 4 for "Senior Prom." The event was hosted by Pacific's American Society of Consultant Pharmacists (ASCP).

Guests were escorted into the DeRosa University Center Ballroom where they were welcomed with *hors d'oeuvres* and danced the night away to the music of the Pacific Jazz Ensemble. Ladies received corsages donated by local Stockton florists and each guest received a framed keepsake photo. One attendee said it was better than her first one 59 years ago.

ASCP provides a variety of services to seniors, including screenings for bone mineral density, falls prevention and memory decline.



**“HEROES’ SALUTE”**

**A Musical Tribute to Veterans**

Current student Petra Anderson ’12 presented an inspirational and poignant Veteran’s Day concert with her production of “Heroes’ Salute: A Musical Tribute to Veterans.” The concert featured Anderson’s original compositions and spoken vignettes based on stories and interviews about service members and their families. Anderson raised \$12,000 to fund the performance and recruited an 11-piece orchestra, seven vocalists, two narrators, a conductor and costume designer for the production.

The musical was based on her research on the lives and sacrifices of American heroes and their families, and the inspiration their stories provide.

Proceeds from the event benefited the Fisher House Foundation and Blue Star Families, two organizations that support military men and women and their families.



**INAUGURAL FARADAY LECTURE**

**Children, Don’t Try This at Home**

A British tradition came to Stockton on December 21 when chemistry professors Balint Sztaray and Liang Xue delivered the Faraday Lecture, a reenactment of the Christmas Lecture of the Royal Institution of Great Britain. Founded in 1825 by renowned chemist and physicist Michael Faraday, the fun-filled, demonstration-packed lectures for children

have been held annually in London, except for four years during World War II. Sztaray and Xue, dressed as 19<sup>th</sup>-century scientists, demonstrated the wonders of chemistry to a delighted audience of more than 500 children and family members. With the dubious assistance of Power Cat, the duo made things spontaneously combust, change color and explode.

**CENTER STAGE**

**Barrio Grrrr! Charms Young Audiences**

In February, The Kennedy Center Theatre for Young Audiences on Tour made its seventh appearance at University of the Pacific. More than 6,000 local elementary school children enjoyed the performance of “Barrio Grrrr!” an original musical play by award-winning playwright Quiara Alegría Hudes.

Former Regent Dea Berberian and her husband Ron Berberian ’65, have partnered with the University to bring the Kennedy Center’s world-class performing arts productions to Stockton since 2002, reaching more than 24,000 schoolchildren. Other major sponsors include the Cortopassi Family Foundation and Bank of America. University of the Pacific is the only school in the nation that offers these performances to schoolchildren free of charge.



*Chris Wilson as Oscar, Natascia Diaz as The Amazing Voice, Ana Nogueira as Ana, Erika Rose as Odette and Vishal Vaidya as Sandip in “Barrio Grrrr!” Photo by Carol Pratt.*

**WATER MATTERS**

**Pacific Takes Lead on Delta Plan**

Pacific will lead a team of distinguished economists, planners and engineers in developing an Economic Sustainability Plan for the Delta Protection Commission. The research will review the potential impact of proposed Delta plans on agriculture, recreation, local governments and other aspects of the Delta economy to develop recommendations for flood control, public safety and the sustainability of the Delta’s legacy communities.

Pacific’s Business Forecasting Center will lead the research and development, assisted by Pacific’s Natural Resources Institute and the Jacoby Center. Other partners include Berkeley Economic Consulting; The Dangermond Group; Economic and Planning Systems; Mogavero, Notestine and Associates; and Sapper West. The research will assist in the creation of a comprehensive management plan for the Sacramento San Joaquin Delta currently being developed by the Delta Stewardship Council. The one-year agreement has a maximum award of \$1,162,500.



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### BACK TO THE FEMINIST FUTURE

#### Women's History Month

With the support of Multicultural Affairs, a group of students, faculty and staff brought the National Women's History Project to campus in March and April to showcase women's achievements on campus, across the nation and around the world. Events included films, an art exhibit, discussions and guest speakers, and the annual "Take Back the Night" rally and march. A benefit performance of Eve Ensler's "The Vagina Monologues" raised \$3,500 to support the San Joaquin Women's Center and \$600 for Haitian relief.

A highlight of the month was the panel discussion "Women and the College Presidency: Gender and Leadership in Higher Education." Panelists were Pacific President Pamela A. Eibeck, President Heather J. Knight of Pacific Union College; President Emerita Dale R. Marshall of Wheaton College; and Brenda Barham Hill, former CEO of the Claremont University Consortium. Panelists reflected on different approaches and paths to leadership, challenges for women in positions generally held by men, and balancing career and home life. The event was co-sponsored by Pacific Women's Resource Center, Gender Studies and The Humanities Center.

### REACHING OUT

#### Workshops Target Underserved Youth

More than 3,000 students and families attended the 8<sup>th</sup> Annual Bilingual

Financial Aid and College Awareness Workshop on January 30, cosponsored by Pacific and the San Joaquin County Hispanic Chamber of Commerce. College officials from nearly every university in the region were on hand to assist attendees in applying for college financial aid and provide information on college preparation and high school graduation requirements.

Pacific also hosted its first African-American Financial Aid and College Awareness Day on February 5. The inaugural event drew more than 100 students and family members. The goal of both events was to encourage continued education for underrepresented youth by giving them the tools they need to be successful.



### SMILE SAVERS

#### Dental Students Reach Out

Hundreds of Bay Area families gathered at two University of the Pacific clinics on Saturday, February 5, to participate in Give Kids A Smile, a nationwide event sponsored by the American Dental Association.

At Pacific's Chan Family Health Sciences Learning Center in Stockton, nearly 300 children received treatment and more than \$100,000 in donated dental services. Hosted by Pacific and the San Joaquin Dental Society, the event drew roughly 250 volunteers, including dental students from the San Francisco campus.

Pacific's Union City Dental Care Center treated nearly 50 children through a partnership with dental professionals from the Southern Alameda County Dental Society. They provided screenings and procedures such as fillings, crowns and extractions. Attending families received oral hygiene instructions, free toothbrushes and entertainment. About 75 volunteers collaborated to make the event a success.

### AWARDS AND ACCOLADES

#### Dental School Honored for Vision

The American Dental Education Association Gies Foundation honored Arthur A. Dugoni School of Dentistry in March as the winner of the 2011 Gies Award for Outstanding Vision — Academic Dental Institution. The school was honored for its commitment to vision and excellence, including curriculum enhancements, leadership, community involvement and international partnerships.

The school's American Student Dental Association Chapter recently received an Ideal ASDA Award for Outstanding Membership and Communication during the ASDA Annual Session held in March. Dean Emeritus Arthur A. Dugoni also received ASDA's inaugural Paragon Award. The new award, recognized Dugoni for his advocacy on behalf of students, excellence in clinical practice, innovations in dental education and dedication to organized dentistry.





**SEEN AND HEARD**

**Bart Ehrman**

**Who Wrote the New Testament?**

Best-selling author and New Testament authority Bart Ehrman spoke on the topic of his book “Forged,” surrounding his research into the true identities of the writers of the New Testament, as part of the Colliver Lecture Series on March 24. Currently a professor at University of North Carolina Chapel Hill, Ehrman has written 20 books about the New Testament and early Christianity, including three New York Times Best Sellers: “Jesus Interrupted,” “God’s Problem” and “Misquoting Jesus.” His books have received national attention on “The Colbert Report,” “The Daily Show with Jon Stewart,” and National Public Radio.

The lecture drew a large audience in the DeRosa University Center Ballroom, followed by a lively question-and-answer session. The Colliver Lecture Series, sponsored by the College of the Pacific Religious and Classical Studies Department, brings prominent speakers to campus each year to discuss aspects of religion and society.

**IT TAKES A VILLAGE**

**Black History Month 2011**

The monthlong celebration of African-American heritage and history in February is designed to educate and enrich the campus and local communities. The 2011 theme, “It Takes a Village,” reflects the understanding that it takes an entire community to unite and work together to progress as a people.

Activities included round table discussions; a film series; a heritage fair; and a poetry reading by Camille Dungy, an African-American poet who delves into the historical experiences of blacks, from slavery to the present day.

Author and actor Hill Harper challenged the audience to “Build a Foundation for Your Life,” in his keynote address on February 26. Best known for his role on the CBS television series “CSI: New York,” Harper is the author of inspirational New York Times Best Selling books “Letters to a Young Brother: Manifest Your Destiny” and “Letters to a Young Sister: Define Your Destiny.”



*Camille Dungy and Hill Harper*

**APPEALING SUCCESS**

**Moot Court Teams Shine**

Pacific McGeorge completed its most successful moot court season ever in April with a second-place finish in the ABA National Appellate Advocacy Competition national championship in Chicago. Kim Bowman Jr. ’11, Jeremy Ehrlich ’12 and Conness Thompson ’11 won five straight matches at the prestigious event before suffering a narrow defeat to Duke University School of Law in the championship finals.

The team of Caitlin Urie Christian ’11, Jill Larrabee ’12 and Leo Moniz ’12 received the Best Brief award. McGeorge was the only California law school to make it to the national championship. Brandon Esraelian ’11, Corrie Erickson ’11 and Brad Coutinho ’12 took second place for best oral argument and best brief among state competitors. The team won

the Bernard E. Witkin Award for Excellence in Appellate Advocacy in the Roger J. Traynor California Appellate Moot Court competition.

Other season highlights include a second-place finish in the North American regional of the International Criminal Court competition and a trip to the championship finals in

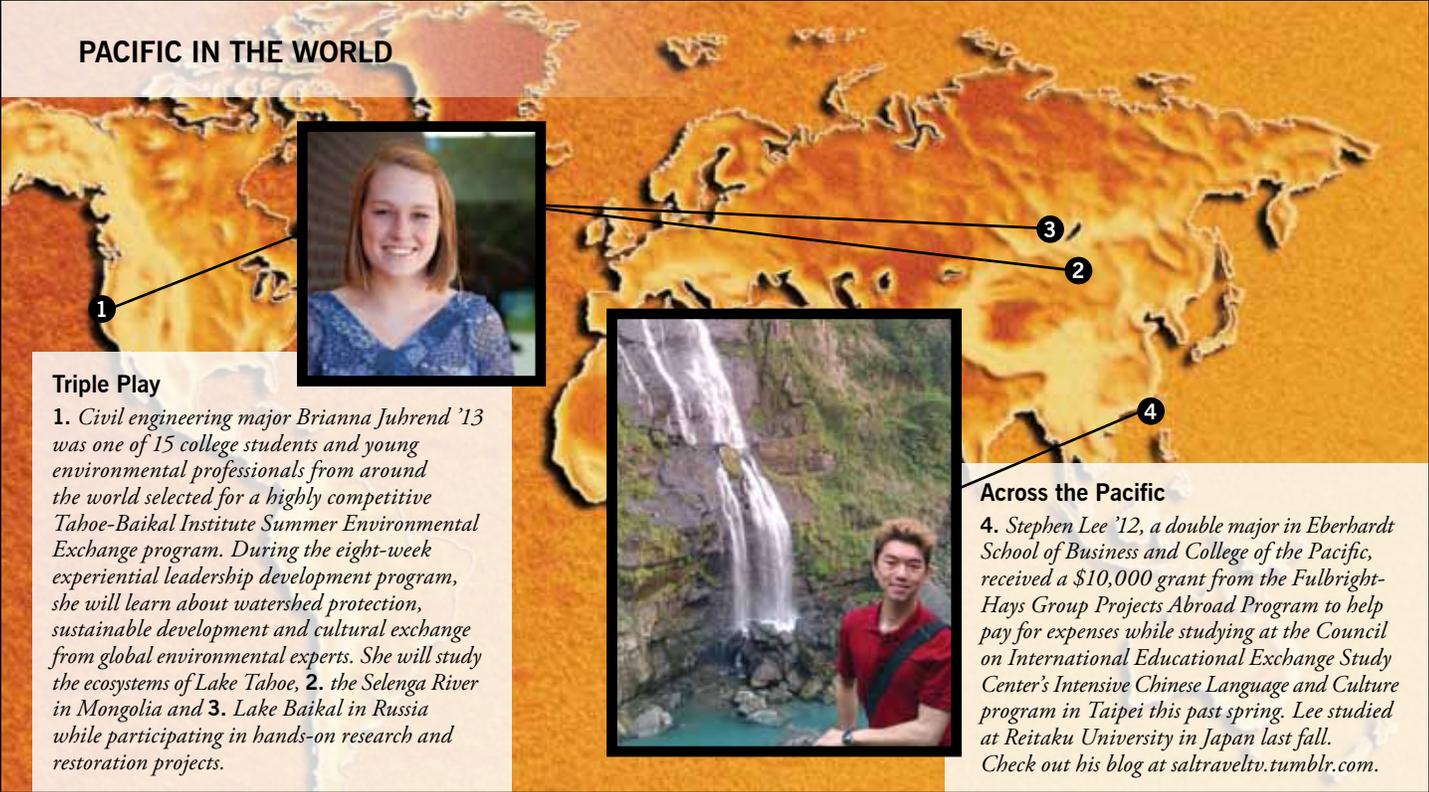
The Hague, Netherlands; a second-place overall in the Saul Lefkowitz IP Moot Court West Regional; a Best Brief award in the National Entertainment Law Moot Court Competition; and a second-place finish in a regional of the Thomas Tang International Moot Court Competition and trip to the national finals.

*(l. to r.) Leo Moniz ’12, Kim Bowman Jr. ’11, Caitlin Urie Christian ’11, Jill Larrabee ’12, Conness Thompson ’11 and Jeremy Ehrlich ’12*



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## PACIFIC IN THE WORLD



### Triple Play

1. Civil engineering major Brianna Jubrend '13 was one of 15 college students and young environmental professionals from around the world selected for a highly competitive Tahoe-Baikal Institute Summer Environmental Exchange program. During the eight-week experiential leadership development program, she will learn about watershed protection, sustainable development and cultural exchange from global environmental experts. She will study the ecosystems of Lake Tahoe, 2. the Selenga River in Mongolia and 3. Lake Baikal in Russia while participating in hands-on research and restoration projects.

### Across the Pacific

4. Stephen Lee '12, a double major in Eberhardt School of Business and College of the Pacific, received a \$10,000 grant from the Fulbright-Hays Group Projects Abroad Program to help pay for expenses while studying at the Council on International Educational Exchange Study Center's Intensive Chinese Language and Culture program in Taipei this past spring. Lee studied at Reitaku University in Japan last fall. Check out his blog at [saltraveltv.tumblr.com](http://saltraveltv.tumblr.com).



### TIGER PRIDE

#### Goes to School

Students in College of the Pacific's Sport Pedagogy program have taken their Tiger PRIDE into the playground. During fall 2010, sport sciences professors Lara Killick and Darrin Kitchen piloted a new after-school physical activity program at nearby El Dorado Elementary School.

The Tiger PRIDE program, (Physical activity, Recreation, Inclusion, Development and Enjoyment,) received a \$25,000 grant from the Health Plan of San Joaquin's Community Wellness Funding Program. The program aims to improve children's physical fitness level, improve their understanding of the importance of leading active lives and promote the enjoyment of physical activities. Killick and Kitchen hope to expand the program to all 42 schools that make up Stockton Unified School District as well as permanently integrate it into the Sport Pedagogy program.

### CREATE!

#### Brubeck Festival 2011

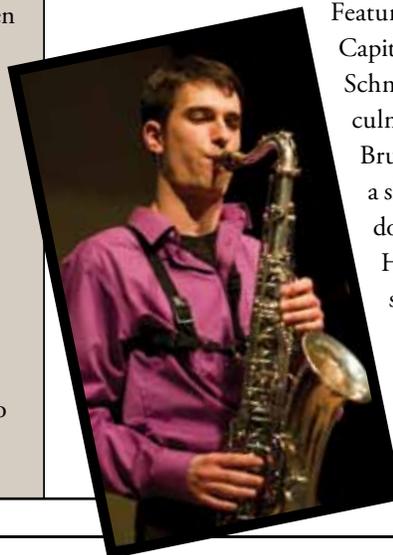
"Create," the theme of the 2011 Brubeck Festival the first weekend in April, recognized creativity as a hallmark of Dave Brubeck, who has created new music for more than six decades and has continually moved musical art forward, challenging himself, his fellow musicians and his audiences to explore new territory.

Concerts showcased contemporary musicians, composers and creative artists that push the boundaries of the art of music.



Maria Schneider

Featured artists included Trio M, the Capital Jazz Project and the Maria Schneider Orchestra. The event culminated with a concert by the Brubeck Institute Jazz Quintet and a showing of Clint Eastwood's new documentary about Brubeck, "In His Own Sweet Way." Pacific film studies professor Patti McCarthy, the film's coproducer, led a discussion following the viewing.



Chad Lefkowitz-Brown, former Brubeck Fellow

**NEW FACES**

**Welcome Four New Regents**

Four Pacific alumni were appointed this spring to the University's Board of Regents: Fawzi M. Al-Saleh '62, Kevin Huber '86, Armando Flores '71 and Noël Ferris '79. They will join the board July 1.



**Fawzi Al-Saleh** is a graduate of Pacific's School of Engineering and Computer Science. He is president of Musaad Al-Saleh & Sons, a holding company involved in investment, banking, real estate development and construction projects, considered to be one of the leading construction companies

in the Middle East. He founded the nonprofit Fawzia Sultan Education Co., owner of Al Bayan Bilingual School and Fawzia Sultan International School for learning disability.

He is a strong supporter of Pacific and has helped recruit many students from the Middle East to Pacific. Al-Saleh has served on the Engineering School's Dean's Council since 2002 and was named the School's Outstanding Alumnus of the Year in 1999.



**Kevin Huber** is president and CEO of the Grupe Company, which has created 10 master-planned communities and more than 50,000 homes in 35 cities nationwide in its 44 years of business. He also is president of Grupe Real Estate, which manages more than 400,000 square feet of

office and retail space. Huber is active in civic and professional organizations, including the San Joaquin Partnership and the Urban Land Institute, and served on the board of the United Way of San Joaquin County from 1989 to 1999.

He is a graduate of Eberhardt School of Business with strong connections to Pacific. His mother is a Pacific graduate, his daughter is a current student and his father-in-law is a former regent. Huber served on the Eberhardt School of Business Advisory Board from 1997–2006.



**Armando Flores** is director of Community Relations and Administration for the Arizona State Baseball Program. Prior to joining Arizona State, he spent nearly 18 years with Arizona Public Service Company, retiring as executive vice president of corporate business services.

Flores serves has been active in more than a dozen civic organizations, including the Children's Action Alliance board, the Phoenix Art Museum board and the Governor's Council on Diversity. He was chair of the BCS Fiesta Bowl Board in 2005–2006

In 2002, Flores received the Pacific Alumni Association's Distinguished Alumni Award for Public Service. He is vice president of the Pacific Alumni Association Board.



**Noël Ferris** a partner in the Sacramento law firm of Noël M. Ferris, representing clients who with serious personal injuries. In 2001, she was the first Sacramento area lawyer to be inducted as a fellow into the International Academy of Trial Lawyers (IATL), an organization that preserves

and promotes of the rule of law internationally. She serves on the IATL Board of Directors and is a trustee of the IATL Foundation. Ferris has been inducted into the American Board of Trial Advocates, the International Society of Barristers and the American College of Trial Lawyers. She has been listed as a "Super Lawyer" of Northern California since 2005, is listed in "Best Lawyers of America," is listed by Martindale-Hubble on their list of Preeminent Women Lawyers.

Ferris has served on the Pacific McGeorge Dean's Council and Pacific McGeorge Alumni Board. She also has volunteered to judge or coach teams in law competitions at the school.



**ALTERNATE SPRING BREAK**

**Athletes Volunteer at Local Schools**

While many students take vacation during the spring academic break, for Pacific softball players, games and practices continue. This spring these athletes also volunteered at Don Riggio School and the Walton Special Center.

At Don Riggio School, they read to the children in several classrooms and joined them at recess. The Walton Special Center, is a school for special education kids ages 3 to 22 with severe disabilities. The Tigers took part in the school's annual Day in the Dirt, a two-mile fun run/walk down the levee, with students from adjacent Kohl Elementary School.