

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

A Bright New Year

By Pamela A. Eibeck, President

Happy New Year! I hope you enjoyed a wonderful holiday with family and friends.

Here at Pacific, we celebrated a remarkable year. Highlights included the return of Homecoming, rejoining the West Coast Conference and continued construction on our brand-new campus in San Francisco. Most thrilling, we received a transformational \$125 million gift from the estate of Robert and Jeannette Powell. The Powells' generosity will impact our University in perpetuity, helping generations of students attain a superior education. We will soon

announce an exciting matching opportunity that will give more Pacificans a chance to make a difference.

As we begin 2014, we are poised for an incredible future. Our vision for University of the Pacific is to become known as the best teaching-focused university in California—the first choice for talented students who want excellent programs, close working relationships with faculty, a challenging but supportive learning environment and an exciting future after graduation.

We're making great progress toward this vision by following our bold strategic plan, *Pacific 2020*. This year we are working internally to focus and align our programs. We are launching new academic programs

and leveraging our three campuses. We are working hard to improve our students' success. And we are building on the Powells' legacy to enhance our culture of philanthropy.

As we celebrate our current successes and work to shape Pacific's future, there is no better time to be part of the Pacific family and to call yourself a Tiger for Life. This is our moment!

Visit my website at Pacific.edu/President or find me on Facebook.  I welcome your ideas at president@pacific.edu.

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The Excitement Continues: President Eibeck led the applause when the men's water polo team returned home after finishing a historic season.

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Letters & Reflections

Mascot Memories

The article in the *Pacific Review* fall 2013 reminded me of fall '53. There was no Tommie or Tillie Tiger, so Barbara Baglini '53 and I became the offspring, "Fluffy and Tuffy Tiger." What fun at football games and parades, and the highlight was entering the Cal Berkeley stadium through the tunnel with their mascot. Most everyone thought we were boys, so we got some very interesting comments. Some 30 years later, my son Bill McCarty '82 created "Super Tiger" —families that "play together." Go Tigers! Barbara Baglini and I were Epsilon Lambda Sigma. Sadly she is no longer with us.

—Barbara (Andress) McCarty '52 COP

On Bob Thomason

When I wanted to get out of my dorm room and study in the evening, I would escape to the lounge area of old South Hall. It was usually sparsely populated and quiet. But in the fall of 1967, a new phenomenon hit that sometimes disrupted my plans. It was an ongoing series of big, noisy poker games played with the enthusiasm and competitiveness of the athletes participating. What was remarkable, and I made a mental note of it, was that the games were run and seemingly dominated by a young freshman. He exhibited the confidence of a born leader. With that memory, I wasn't surprised by the later success Bob Thomason had as a player and coach.

What does surprise me is that Pacific had an incredible 25-year run of good luck keeping him.

—Cliff Mathis '68 COP



Bob Thomason '71

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Social Media Moment



You've been connecting with us in the social media realm! On Facebook, Twitter and Instagram, you've been sharing photos, videos and memories about your life as a Tiger.

This issue's Social Media Moment comes from our question:

With classes starting in just a few days, we want to hear from you about the professors who have impacted your life at Pacific and beyond. Who are the professors who have changed your life, and what is the most important lesson you learned from them?

[#ProfessorsKnowYourName](https://twitter.com/ProfessorsKnowYourName)

Keep them coming, and keep following us for ways to engage with your Pacific family.



Tye Davis Professor Sacha Joseph-Mathews, takes pride in her instruction, interest in her students success, and creates an environment in which her students can excel
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Zoie Oberg Oh also, Professor Andrew Lutz from the engineering department. I have never met a man so committed to his students success.
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Zishan Hashtam Professor Ray Rennard is so easy to talk to and always willing to go the extra mile for his students. He's one of those professors that you'll stay in touch with throughout your life!
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Ted Robb Dan Kasser and Diane Borden pushed me in all the best ways. They not only took the time to get to know me personally, but influenced me creatively and ultimately professionally. I can't imagine where I would be now if not for their influence.
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