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A summary of events and news at Pacific University

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Activist Cleve Jones Speaks at Pacific

Jones worked with Harvey Milk, created the concept for the AIDS Quilt and speaks for gender equality

Cleve Jones will present a “Personal Struggle for Gay Rights and Gender Equity” in the Taylor-Meade Performing Arts Center on Oct. 26 at 7 p.m. in Forest Grove. Tickets are \$10 for the public. Contact the Box Office at 503-352-2918.

MFA Faculty Member Wins an Emmy

Kwane Dawes receives an Emmy for News & Documentary

Kwame Dawes, a poetry faculty member in the Master of Fine Arts in Writing program, has won an Emmy Award for News and Documentary for a multimedia website showing the human face of HIV/AIDS in Jamaica. LiveHopeLove.com, an interactive site based on Dawes’s Pulitzer Center on Crisis Reporting project, HOPE: Living and loving with AIDS in Jamaica, has won other accolades including a People’s Voice Webby Award, and was the inspiration for the music/spoken word performance Wisteria & HOPE which premiered at the National Black Theatre Festival in North Carolina on Aug. 6-7.

Born in Ghana in 1962, Kwame Dawes spent most of his childhood in Jamaica. As a poet, he is profoundly influenced by the rhythms and textures of that lush place, citing in a recent interview his “spiritual, intellectual, and emotional engagement with reggae music.” His book *Bob Marley: Lyrical Genius* remains the most authoritative study of the lyrics of Bob Marley. Kwame Dawes is the author of twelve collections of poetry.

To learn more about Dawes and the project, go to the Pulitzer Center Web site: <http://www.pulitzercenter.org>. For Dawes’ Pacific faculty profile, visit: <http://www.pacificu.edu/as/mfa/faculty/index.cfm>.



Speech Team Talks to the Top

The Pacific speech team continued its successes at the first Northwest Forensics Conference

The Pacific speech team continued its successes with a dominating performance at the first Northwest Forensics Conference tournament held October 9–11 at Lewis and Clark College. Senior Jennifer Conner placed first in Persuasive speaking and third in Program Oral Interpretation. Senior David Maile won second in both Prose Interpretation and Poetry Interpretation. Sophomore Lindsey McLaughlin placed fourth in Persuasive speaking, which was a combined event with open and junior speakers. McLaughlin won second in junior Persuasive and first in junior Prose. Senior Vanessa Whalen, sophomore Lilly Huynh, and freshman Blaise Holden also attended the tournament. The team placed fifth overall among four-year schools.

Mike McCabe Joins Pacific Football Staff


Former Forest Grove High School head coach joins the Pacific football staff

Pacific University Head Football Coach Keith Buckley looked locally for his first hire as he has announced the hiring of former Forest Grove High School headman Mike McCabe as the program's first assistant coach. A 1977 graduate of Pacific and a veteran of high school coaching circles, McCabe will provide valuable knowledge and assistance in local recruiting as the Boxers work on building their program for a Fall 2010 kickoff. In addition to recruiting, McCabe will be involved as an offensive assistant.

Animation Artist Joanna Priestley Screens Films at Pacific

Priestley will present her new, animated film "Missed Aches" and other short animation films

Joanna Priestley, dubbed "the queen of independent animation" by Bill Plympton, will present her new, animated film "Missed Aches" (2009, 4



min.), a humorous rant about how the shortcomings of spell check can result in unexpected double entendres. She will also screen a groups of films that represent the range of her techniques on Oct. 21, 2009, 4 p.m. in Marsh Hall's Taylor Auditorium (Forest Grove).

Graphic Novelist Daniel Duford to Present

Pacific University's Writer's Series welcomes artist Daniel Duford

Daniel Duford creates site-specific wall drawings, paintings, and comics that explore American myths. Hear and see work from his novels and comics "Naked Boy" and the "Green Man of Portland" on Oct. 22, at 7:30 p.m. in Marsh Hall's Taylor Auditorium (Forest Grove). Duford's sculptures and drawings have been shown at The Museum of Contemporary Art in Chicago, Contemporary Craft Gallery and the Portland Institute for Contemporary Art. He teaches at the Pacific Northwest College of Art.

Hillsboro's Young & Innovative Group Gets Educated

A networking opportunity for Alumni, students, faculty and staff involved in the health professions

Young professionals from the Hillsboro Chamber's Young & Innovative group will join members of the Pacific University community on Wednesday, October 28, 5:30- 7:30 p.m. in celebration of Washington County's healthcare community. Featured speaker, Hillsboro City Councilor Doug Johnson will be sharing with attendees his experiences as a small business owner and efforts as a city councilor.

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