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- LESLEY M. HALLICK

Danika Gilbert '94 is helping Afghan girls experience freedom by climbing mountains (page 10).

Mandi Feucht '09, MED '14 is teaching sixth-graders in Beaverton (page 5).

And Nick Blight OD '17 is an artist studying to become an optometrist and care for others (page 12).

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Warmest Regards,

Lesley M. Hallick, President president@pacificu.edu

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#### news & notes

## Score!

#### GENEROUS DONORS HELPED BRING a new video scoreboard

for athletics and other events to Hanson Stadium

#### "Boxers win!"

The words look good. They look even better in 10-foot lights.

Those words lit up the new video scoreboard at Hanson Stadium on Oct. 3, as the Boxers defeated Pacific Lutheran in a 34-7 Homecoming victory.

It was a fitting way to dedicate the new scoreboard, which debuted at the stadium earlier this fall.

At 40- by 38-feet, the new scoreboard is the largest in the Northwest Conference. It's topped with an arched "Pacific" and features a 411-square-foot high-definition video monitor. With multiple new on-field cameras, the video screen displays live action, quick replay and an assortment of exciting animations and videos during each game.

It also can be used for other university and community events at the stadium, such as Commencement.

The addition of the video scoreboard at Hanson Stadium was funded primarily by university donors, most notably the Phillips and Stanich families, whose names appear on the board and who were recognized in a pre-game ceremony at Homecoming.

The Staniches have a long tradition of community support, starting with the restaurant George and Gladys started in 1949. George was a proud supporter of Pacific University football, and his son Steve served as an assistant coach at Pacific in the 1970s. The current generation of Staniches — Steve, Patty and Diana — have continued their parents' dedication to their community. The Stanich Family was inducted into the President's Circle this year for his support of Pacific (page 9).

Current President's Circle members Nancy (Knop) '77, MAT '82 and Paul Phillips '78, meanwhile, met at Pacific, where he played football and she was a cheerleader. They have gone onto success as owners of Pac/West, one of the leading political PR and marketing firms in the region, and they have dedicated themselves to supporting their alma mater. Both have served as university trustees and give their time, leadership and resources to support Pacific students.

The Stanich and Phillips families were joined in supporting the scoreboard by guests at this summer's Legends event, hosted by KISS guitarist and Pacific Trustee Tommy Thayer. 

BY JENNI LUCKETT



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#### news & notes

#### huddle

#### PACIFIC INDUCTS HALL OF FAME ATHLETES

**TONY BEO '93** holds the Boxers' single-season record with 132 three-pointers made and is tied for most long-balls made in a game with eight. Today Tony is an accountant with Gesa Credit Union.

**RICK CARNAROLI '80** earned All-NWC honors in the outfield and behind the plate during his baseball career with Pacific. He also excelled in the classroom, earned a law degree and serves as judge magistrate in Pocatello, Idaho.

**BROOKE (BARKER) MAY '07** still holds four school records earned during a standout track-and-field career that earned her seven NWC titles. Today she is a principal broker with Windermere Pacific West Properties in Salem.

**GUY TAKAHASHI '96** was a two-time NAIA All-American wrestler who also won two west region championships. Today he is a teacher and successful coach in the Hillsboro (Ore.) School District.

**VALLIE (WELLS) TAKAHASHI '99** was a two-time All-West Region softball player who helped the Boxers win the NWC championship. Today she is a coach and educator at Forest Grove High School.

#### lineup



WARNER SHAW '16 FOOTBALL

The senior quarterback helped lead the Boxers to a 6-4 overall record in 2015, the team's third consecutive winning season. He threw 23 touchdown passes, a single-season school record, and also leaves as the most accurate passer in Pacific record books, with a completion percentage of .669.



STEPHENIE
SPENCER '18
CROSS COUNTRY

The sophomore runner earned an at-large spot at the NCAA Division III Cross Country Championships after finishing eighth in a field of 133 at the NCAA West Region Championship. She is the first female Pacific runner to earn a place at the national competition since 2012.



MATT KIMBALL '18 SOCCER

Kimball was named the Northwest Conference Men's Soccer Student-Athlete of the Week for his work during a 2-1 win over Saint Martin's in September. Kimball, a sophomore from Tigard's Southridge High School, deposited a goal early in each half to help lift his team past the Saints, an NCAA Division II team.



CIARA SMITH '19 VOLLEYBALL

The freshman middle blocker was named the NWC Student-Athlete of the Week for volleyball in early October. The 6-foot-2 freshman from Sonoma Valley, Calif., was tabbed for her work when the Boxers were in the midst of a fivematch winning streak.



NATHAN SUYEMATSU '16 FOOTBALL

The senior from Tualatin earned unanimous selection for First Team All-Northwest Conference honors. The wide receiver broke Pacific single-season records for catches and for receiving yards, leading the NWC in both categories.

#### brieflynoted

NATIONAL RECOGNITION | Pacific University's rigorous academic programs continue to receive national attention. This fall, the public affairs magazine Washington Monthly ranked Pacific at 19th in the nation — in the top 3 percent — among similarly classified

universities. The rankings hinge on student mobility, research and service. Meanwhile, Pacific tied for 25th in the West Region of *U.S.News & World Report's* annual college rankings.

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VETERAN HONORS | This fall, Pacific launched a Wall of Honor to recognize members of the Boxer community who serve or have served in the Armed Forces. The online Wall of Honor lists known alumni and employees who are active military, reservists or veterans,

#### question & answer



**MANDI FEUCHT '09, MED '14** teaches third grade at Bethany Elementary School in Beaverton, Ore. Feucht is among the 100-plus students who have received scholarships from the Vandervelden Foundation to support their Pacific University educations. "The only reason I was able to consider Pacific was because of the generous amount of scholarships I received," Feucht said.

#### What brought you to Pacific University?

Originally from Helena, Mont., I was looking for a small school, close to a big city, where I could play soccer, sing, and become a teacher. On a college tour my senior year of high school, I came to the Pacesetters (Scholarship Competition at Pacific). I walked off campus that day and said to my parents, "I'm going to Pacific, I'm going to sing, play soccer, go to Africa and become a teacher." I did each of those things.

## How did scholarships impact your access to Pacific and your educational experience?

I was beyond fortunate to have parents who had saved money for me to go to college. But they hadn't saved enough to pay full tuition for four years at a private liberal arts college. Nearly half of my tuition was paid for through scholarships. Knowing that the generosity of others

— both my own parents and strangers who fund those scholarships — was the reason I could come to Pacific, I was driven to work hard and earned my BA as well as teaching credentials in four years.

## What did you most gain from a Pacific University education?

Going to Pacific University meant I had professors who actually knew me, gave personalized feedback, sat down with me to work out how I would squeeze all the extra credits in, and guided me at some of my most difficult life junctures. It felt like my education mattered, not just to me, but to them. Pacific's reputation for producing quality teachers, and their wide-reaching connections to school districts, helped me get my start in teaching. This is my sixth year of teaching, and I still love it just as much as I did my first year.

THE VANDERVELDEN
FOUNDATION was
established by Joseph B.
Vandervelden '37, a Pacific
University alumnus, successful
real estate professional and
dedicated Forest Grove
community member.

The Vandervelden Foundation has provided scholarships for more than 100 students to attend Pacific.

- "It's a family affair," said George Vandehey '02, Joe's great-nephew and current president of the foundation.
- "Ultimately, for us, it's extremely rewarding because we get to participate in living out what Uncle Joe's request was.
- "Uncle Joe was about the community. He was fortunate to be successful through his dealings and his business in the community."

Joseph Vandervelden & Joy Hammond were posthumously inducted into Pacific University's

> 1849 Society last year, recognizing the university's most generous donors.

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with special designation for those killed in action. We recognize that our records are incomplete, so we welcome you to send additional information to martha@pacificu.edu. pacificu.edu/WallOfHonor

**SPIRITUAL LEADERSHIP** | The Rev. Dr. Chuck Currie, director of the Center for Peace and Spirituality and university chaplain at Pacific, attended the invitation-only arrival ceremony for Pope Francis at the White House in September. Currie is a long-time advocate for social

justice who works at Pacific to create a welcoming environment for students of all faiths. "I have enormous respect for Pope Francis, his welcoming inclusion of all, and his work to bring about peace, economic equality and support for the environment."

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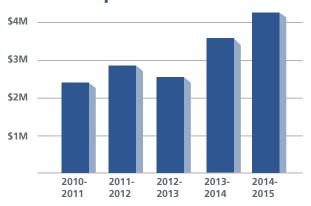
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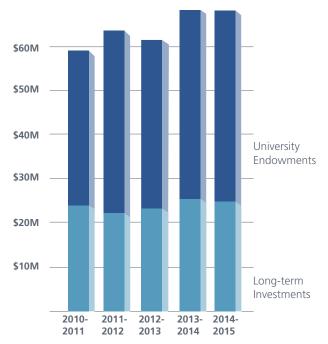
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By Jenni Luckett

## Circle of Friends

A passion for Pacific earns four new members a place in the President's Circle

Doug Weberling '72, OD '74 didn't know what to expect the first time he returned to Pacific University as an alumnus.

"I was afraid to go back. Sometimes you can't put it back in the bottle," he said. "But I was so pleasantly surprised."

The university had grown since his days as an undergraduate, then optometry, student.

There were new buildings in Forest Grove, not to mention entire campuses in Hillsboro and Eugene. The core, though, seemed the same.

"It made me feel at home."

Now a member of the Pacific University Board of Trustees, Weberling has helped Pacific continue to grow, while holding on to the identity he so loved as a student. Since his tenure, the university has added the College of Business, education programs on a new Woodburn Campus, and a

brand new residence hall in Forest Grove.

He and his wife, Eileen, have made financial gifts supporting athletics ("I'm thrilled they brought back football"), the College of Business, and the College of Optometry.

"I do a lot of optometry, that's my main goal. I'm really proud of how well Pacific grads, from the optometry school in particular, have done in our profession," he said.

"But undergrad is just as important to the

Pacific experience. I was fortunate enough to get that experience."

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It's important to me that Pacific continues to be a fine optometry school and university even when I'm gone.





least \$100,000 to Pacific in their lifetimes.

Joining him were Kenneth & Colleen Lewis, the Stanich Family, and Sally Ann Brown.

Lewis, the former president of Lasco Shipping, is a trustee emeritus at Pacific and has been a dedicated supporter of Pacific with ongoing gifts to the Pacific Excellence Fund and College of Arts & Sciences Excellence Fund, as well as to the construction of the Library and Berglund Hall and to several scholarship funds.

The Stanich Family, meanwhile, has been a dedicated supporter of Pacific University athletics, most recently lending their name to the new video scoreboard at Hanson Stadium, which they helped fund (page 3).

And Sally Ann Brown, longtime Forest Grove resident, left a bequest that will fund a rare president's choice full scholarship for an incoming student (page 14).

Such gifts are about creating opportunity for the future, Weberling said.

"It's sort of like my practice. When I retire, I want someone to take it over and continue the practice," Weberling said. "It's important to me that Pacific continues to be a fine optometry school and university even when I'm gone."

#### 1849 Society

The 1849 Society honors those individuals and organizations who have given at least \$1 million over their lifetimes

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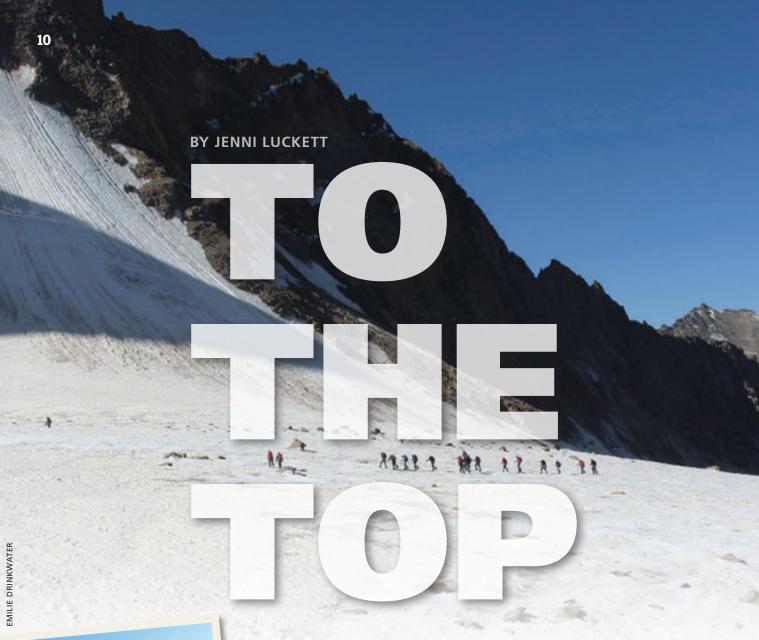
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## Danika Gilbert '94 planned the climbs on Google Earth.

An experienced climber and guide, the Pacific University alumna was nonetheless inexperienced when it came to the peaks of Afghanistan. And she had little chance to explore before guiding 13 girls into the high country in August.

"This is really the most freedom these girls have ever had." Gilbert had spent months working with the nongovernmental agency Ascend:
Leadership Through Athletics. She spent the month of May in Afghanistan, working with the inaugural class of Ascend participants:
13 young Afghan women of diverse backgrounds, all poised to defy stereotype
— and the current political climate — by climbing the highest peak in the country.

When she returned in August for the expedition, though, the circumstances had changed.

"Two weeks prior to leaving, the security situation deteriorated, so we had to re-route and pick a new location," Gilbert said.

"I flew over it, but I hadn't had the chance to get on the ground there yet. It was an interesting challenge, but it worked well."

In the end, they climbed a series of peaks in the country's Panjshir Valley, one at 16,500 feet, marking the highest summit ever made by Afghan women.

"This is really the most freedom these girls have ever had," Gilbert said. "(But) mountaineering is just a venue to help the girls learn leadership. My focus and concern was on the emotional development of the girls, as well as being able to climb the peak."



she said. She was Gilbert grew up in Colorado, loving the

"I absolutely loved the small size and the personal interactions I had. I knew every one of my professors as a friend, as well as a professor," she said. "I felt like Pacific really fostered the idea of, 'If you have a dream, figure out how to make it happen and we'll support you.'

outdoors. She spent the year between

high school and college working as a

ski instructor before finding her way to

Pacific to study biology on a scholarship.

"That's kind of how I've lived my whole life since then, and now I get to do that for other people."

It was in Pacific's outdoors program now called Outdoor Pursuits — that she really learned to guide others.

with the outdoor program really made me realize how much the outdoors is important to me and how much I love sharing it with others,"

reminded of that love while living in Nepal to work on her PhD.

"I decided I wanted to spend more time outdoors and live in a small mountain town," she said, explaining her return to Colorado and new career as a guide.

She focuses now on trips that have the most meaning for her and her clients, such as leading people with adaptive needs into the mountains.

"The guiding is really hard, but it's really, really rewarding, especially when it's somebody it means so much to," she said.

The challenges for the Afghan expedition were not insignificant.

Women in Afghanistan continue to face tremendous oppression and challenge. About 80 percent are illiterate, and violence is a constant threat. Most are relegated to the home, with little to no opportunity to participate in society.

"There are a lot of people who don't support Afghan women doing anything outside the house. It's a small faction, but a very violent faction," Gilbert said. "The girls have gotten threats. They're constantly worried about threats, or acid attacks."

"I felt like Pacific really fostered the idea of, 'If you have a dream, figure out how to make it happen and we'll support you.' That's kind of how I've lived my whole life since then, and now I get to do that for other people."

They are threatened for daring to defy expectation, and for associated with Westerners, like the Ascend leadership or Gilbert. And, the threats won't end with the close of the expedition.

"Having their faces in the media makes them a target for the rest of their lives," Gilbert said.

It's a risk they were willing to take.

"One thing I heard routinely is that they're tired of being told, 'No, you can't do this. No, as a woman, you have no rights," Gilbert said." They are interested in part because of the lure of the mountains, but mostly to show they can do whatever they want and to show that Afghan women are capable of doing whatever they want. To change the model, break the barrier."

Gilbert is happy to help them do so.

"If these girls are willing to risk their lives to do this, I'm willing to help them do whatever they want to do." ■



## **MAD DOG 20/20**

By Jenni Luckett

## James Ogden '72, OD '73 was never much for the party scene – and his classmates knew it.

In his second year of optometry school at Pacific University, Ogden went to a party at a local brewery. He drank a tame two glasses of beer and left.

The next day, he was regaled with tales of his own supposed exploits, how he'd gotten "falling down drunk" and wound up in the hands of a SWAT team. His classmates teasingly gave him the antithetical nickname "Mad Dog."

"It was sort of like calling the bald guy 'Curly,'"
Ogden said. "It stuck."

Thirty years later, those same classmates put the affectionate misnomer to another use: a scholarship fund for future optometry students in Dr. Ogden's name. "I knew nothing about it," Ogden said. "It was a huge surprise."

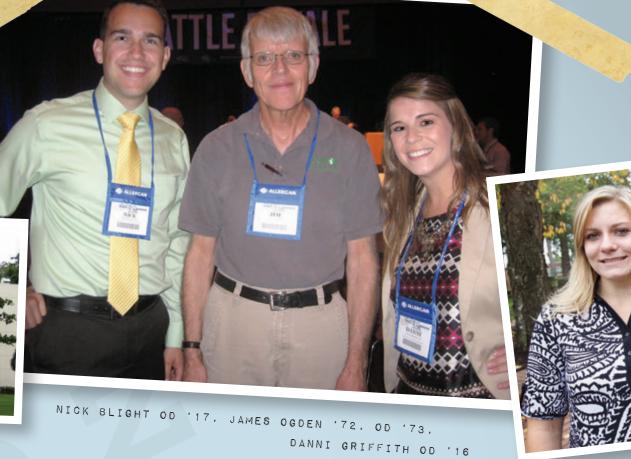
Since graduation, Ogden has been the driving force in keeping his cohort of classmates connected, regardless of where they have journeyed. Each year, he reaches out to his peers for their news, compiles their life milestones, and sends out a class newsletter during the holiday season.

"So we've all stayed together maybe a little better than other classes," he said.

At their 30th class reunion in 2003, his classmates honored his efforts by unveiling the Mad Dog Scholarship Fund. The fund reached the endowment level in 2009 and offered its first scholarship to an optometry student in 2010.

Since then, "Mad Dog" has gone out of his way to connect with the scholarship recipients, just as he has with his classmates.

"I have made it a point to go meet every one of them," Ogden said. "I had a friend who lived to be almost 98, who said, 'If you don't want to be a lonely old person, make lots of young friends.' I like interacting with bright young minds."



JESSICA THORNTON OD'18

For recipient Jessica Thornton OD '18, the connection is even more important than the monetary support.

Thornton did her undergraduate studies at University of California, Davis, and was drawn to Pacific by the small, nurturing environment.

"Mainly the sense of community," she said. "It was like a nice, big supportive family."

Dr. Ogden has continued that family feel, she said. He hosts a dinner for his scholarship recipients and other students he knows from optometry mission trips through the student organization, Amigos.

"Right around finals last year, he sent me a letter, saying he was thinking of me," Thornton said.

"And he sent a gift card to Starbucks. He didn't really even know me, and he has shown me such support."

Nick Blight OD '17 says the personal connection has been a standout of the Mad Dog Scholarship.

"Obviously the monetary contribution is always a good thing," Blight said. "But even beyond that, Dr. Ogden has been such an amazing resource, because he's been so involved."

## "It amazes me that a stupid nickname could make it so that somebody gets a scholarship."

— Dr. James "Mad Dog" Ogden '72, OD '73

Ogden arranged for Blight and others to observe a cataract surgery, and Blight and his wife have even had Ogden over for Sunday dinner.

"He's just been really involved with me on a personal level, as well as a professional level," Blight said.

Ogden says he enjoys getting to know a new generation of students and helping them enter the profession of optometry.

"I'm still practicing after 42 years because I want to," he said. "There's nothing I'd rather be doing right now, and I hope that others can get into the profession and enjoy it as much as I have."

## Leaving a Boxer Legacy



Charlotte Filer

Charlotte
Filer didn't
attend Pacific
University, but
she was part of
the Boxer family
all the same.

For 15 years, Filer served as public information director at Pacific and editor of this magazine, then called Pacific Today.

Like some 60 percent of today's employees, Filer considered Pacific more than a place to work, giving back not only with her time, but with her money. During her years of employment, she made several gifts, little contributions of \$15 or \$30 to the library fund or Old College Hall Museum.

Upon her retirement in 1989, though, she started planning more long-term, establishing the roots of the Charlotte Filer Scholarship Fund. In March, Filer passed away at the age of 83 (See In Memoriam, page 19). Her estate included a bequest to Pacific, endowing the scholarship fund and ensuring that it will benefit students in perpetuity.

Filer was not alone in leaving bequests to Pacific in the past year.

**Ruth Chauncey** Bishop '68 was a lifelong adventurer and passionate genealogist who passed on May 28. Upon her death, the Charles K. **Bishop Memorial Endowment for** Music received a generous gift from her late mother's trust. This family legacy

will provide student scholarships, as well as additional support for the Music Department at Pacific. Meanwhile, longtime Pacific friend Sally Brown, who passed away in August 2014, left an endowment that will create a recurring presidential scholarship — a near-full ride for a meritorious student with financial need — to be awarded at the discretion of the president.

These gifts create perpetual

opportunities for Pacific students and, through them, the legacies of Boxer friends and alumni live on.

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Ruth Chauncey Bishop '68

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#### community







## Im(press)ive Growth

#### As it celebrates its 10-year anniversary this fall,

the Library is still counted among the "new" buildings on Pacific University's Forest Grove Campus.

A decade, after all, is nothing compared to the original campus library, Carnegie Hall, which marked its centennial in 2012, or the recently renovated Scott Hall, which was the library from 1967 to 2010.

But as a repository of information in the high-tech Information Age, the Library is working to keep its image — and services — fresh.

Built in 2005, the Library was the first certified "green" building at Pacific. The brick building features large pictures windows and skylights. Rows of books and journals intermingle with quiet study rooms, computer stations, art exhibits, and leisurely reading spaces.

Art is infused in the design, from the vibrant glass panels by alumnus Walter Gordinier '73 to the furniture handcrafted from campus trees.

Access to information, though, is the main priority. The main collection includes more than 100,000 titles, not counting

videos and music CDs. Then there are government documents, periodicals, and an online catalog of thousands of journals and periodicals.

Alumni are welcome to use the physical and online repository while on campus.

The Library isn't just for storing information, though; Pacific has sought to share it, as well. The university began publishing open-access (free) academic journals in 2010.

This year, it also launched the Pacific University Press, a scholarly publisher of peer-reviewed works.

The Pacific University Press will debut its first book in May 2016. The paperback will be a collection of essays written by faculty in Pacific's Master of Fine Arts In Writing Program and edited by faculty member and award-winning poet Kwame Dawes.

Also this fall, Pacific debuted Bee Tree Books, a cooperative publishing service helping authors publish their books professionally, though without the rigorous academic review process of the formal press. Bee Tree Books will publish its first titles in 2015-2016. ■ BY JENNI LUCKETT

#### **Pacific University Press**

The Pacific University Press joins the ranks of fewer

than 200 university presses in North America. Dedicated to the Pacific mission of discovery, the press will work primarily through openaccess and hybrid publishing models, providing an avenue for rigorously reviewed academic work to reach readers. Publication will be guided by an editorial board.



**Bee Tree Books** Pacific founder Tabitha Brown is said to have

sold honey from a campus tree to support the home for orphans, which would later become Pacific University. Named for that tree, Bee Tree Books is a cooperative publishing service. Authors are responsible for content, while the Bee Tree Books assists with design, printing and distribution.



#### **Student Publishing**

The Libraries partners with the Department of English at Pacific University to offer an

undergraduate minor in editing an publishing. This interdisciplinary program teaches students the publishing process and affords them hands-on learning opportunities, such as internships with the publishing entities at Pacific.

## 

Boxer pride was flying high Oct. 2-4 at Homecoming 2015. Several hundred alumni, students and friends of Pacific returned to Forest Grove to celebrate the weekend's festivities and show their Boxer Spirit. Members of the Class of 1965 dominated the weekend, with their induction into the Golden Guard and some enthusiastic participation

in the Noise Parade. The Class of 2005 brought their families back to their alma mater as they celebrated their 10-year reunion. And everyone had an amazing weekend reconnecting with friends and cheering the Boxers to a 34-7 victory over Pacific Lutheran. Mark your calendars today for Homecoming 2016, Oct. 14-16!

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Clark Peters '65, MSED '70, Golden Guard Parade



Alumni Choir sings the National Anthem, Homecoming Football Game



Fran O'Brien '65 and Lola (Wolfe) Hatfield '65



Harley Kelley '55 and Jerry Millis '55



Rachael Woody '05, Tori Eaton '05, OT '12, OTD '15 and Andi (Journey) Schellinger '05



Guy '97 and Vallie (Wells) Takahashi '99 Athletic Hall of Fame



Len Stroh '65 and Cam Perry '65, Golden Guard Parade



Alumni, friends and family tailgating, Boxer Nation Celebration



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#### class notes & profiles

#### 1941

John Roloff has created a scholarship in memory of his father, Harvey J. Roloff '41.

The elder Roloff competed in football, baseball, basketball and track at Pacific, while earning a bachelor's degree in physical education. He went on to serve in World War II before completing a master's degree and becoming a coach at Pacific. He was inducted into Pacific's Athletic Hall of Fame in 1995. John Roloff created the Harvey J. Roloff Endowed Exercise Science Scholarship Fund for Pedagogy and Coaching in remembrance of his father, mother Eileen Lyons Roloff and sister Judy Lynn Roloff. The fund will provide an annual scholarship to an exercise science major focusing on coaching or teaching. The first award will be granted in Spring 2016.

#### 1967

#### Daniel Livengood is married and enjoying a family of three children

two daughters-in-law and six grandchildren.

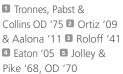
#### 1968

#### [7] 5 Jerry Jolley '68, OD '70, Scott Pike '68,

**OD '70** and Scott's wife Joene visited the northern Line Islands in Kiribati this winter as part of a mission trip with Pacific Islands Medical Aid, or PIMA. They examined 351 patients, dispensed 268 pairs of eyeglasses, as well as 300 pairs of sunglasses, and identified 82 patients in need of eye surgery, which will be performed by PIMA volunteers. It was the Pikes' second mission to the islands with PIMA.







#### 1971

#### **Sydney Verry**

Scarbrough is living outside Fayetteville, Ark., where she has been for the past 10 years. She lost her husband seven years ago, after a 36-year marriage. She is an active member of the Fayetteville Lions Club, having served as president and in other positions. She makes guilts and crochets scarves for the local veterans hospital and is active in her church.

#### 1973

#### Robert H. Meisel OD

was named San Diego County Optometric Society 2014 OD of the Year. A retired Navy Captain, he spent 31 years in active and reserve military service, including duty in

the Pentagon and as a special advisor to the Navy Surgeon General. He has traveled to all 50 states and nearly 60 countries, including more than a dozen vision missions with Lions In Sight. He continues to work two days a month for the Veterans Administration following his semi-retirement in 2007. He and his wife, Lois Carlson RN, MEd, live in Alpine, Calif.

#### 1975

Steven Tronnes OD '75, Roger Pabst OD '75 and Robert Collins **OD '75** reunited June 26,

2015, at the American Optometric Association's 118th Congress in Seattle. The trio celebrated 40 vears since graduating from Pacific University's College of Optometry.



#### Lisa (Walker) Klupenger

had her artwork Magical Landscapes & Other Stories shown at Gallery 135 in Portland this fall.

#### 1998

Blake Timm has spent the last year as co-editor of The Oregon Distance Runner, the quarterly magazine of the Oregon Road Runners Club. It was recognized by the Road Runners Clubs of America as its 2014 Outstanding Club Print Newsletter. Timm spent 16 years as sports

information director at Pacific University and is now assistant commissioner for communications for the Great Northwest Athletic Conference.

**Becky Weaver** received a PhD in American literature from the University of Minnesota in May 2011. She has accepted a tenure-track assistant professorship at Georgia Perimeter College-George State starting in Fall 2015.



#### Niani (Morse) Dunner

received a master in public health from Portland State University, which she completed while also working full time at the Oregon Health Authority.









#### 2005

#### Tori Eaton '05,

OT '12 earned her doctorate in occupational therapy from Pacific University in August. She works in the Pacific School of Occupational Therapy as a clinical instructor focused on communitybased practice.

#### LeRoy Popowski OD and Felicia (Taylor) Popowski OD '05

welcomed twin boys, Luke Taylor and Levi Ashton on April 28, 2015. Both weighed about 5.5 pounds. They join big brothers Jared, 16, and Zack, 15. LeRoy owns Elite Vision, a private practice in Colorado Springs, and Felicia practices with four MDs and three other ODs at Buckley Vision Eye Institute, a surgical and specialty eye care practice.

#### 2006

**lustin Arnold** recently accepted a position as a political reporter for the Yomiuri Shimbun's Washington, D.C., bureau. He will be covering the 2016 election, Congress and the State Department.

#### 2008

#### less (Dunkin) Hamlet

graduated from Mary Baldwin College in Staunton, Va., with a master of letters degree in Shakespeare and performance. Her thesis project, A Deed Without a Name: Macbeth, Richard III, and the Regicidal Fantasies of Civil War Virginia, won the Andrew Gurr Award for Outstanding Thesis. Jess has begun work on a master of fine arts degree in Shakespeare and Performance at MBC and plans to graduate in May 2016.

#### 2009

#### Aubrey Ortiz

and C] Aalona '11 were married June 27, 2015, in Hau'ula, Hawai'i. Instead of a cake cutting, they fed each other pounded poi.

Robert Peake MFA has published a full-length collection of poetry, The Knowledge, through Nine Arches Press in the United Kingdom.

Nina Perard MA turned her final-year practicum in the School of Professional Psychology into a full-time job following graduation. She is now associate chief of psychology at Oregon State Hospital.

#### **Bridgett Pride**

completed a bachelor's degree in history from University of La Verne in August and is now attending Simmons College for a dual master's in history and library information science, with an emphasis in archives.

#### 2010

Lee Moyers graduated with the County of Maui Department of Fire and Public Safety 31st Recruit Class on July 31, 2015. He is now a Maui County firefighter.

Johannah Wong '10, OT '13 married Matthew Senn on June 20, 2015.

#### 2012

#### Kristina Guerrero OT

appeared on ABC's Shark Tank on Jan. 16 and struck a deal for her product, Turbo Pup, to-go nutrition bars for dogs.

Emma Jacobsen and Alex Lawsen married April 8, 2015, at the Oxford Town Hall. They met at the University of Oxford, where he was completing a master in physics and she was working on a master's in social anthropology. Both are teaching high school in London.

#### 2014

#### Shannon (Gusy) Kopp

MFA published her memoir, Pound for Pound, with HarperCollins in October. The book details her recover from an eating disorder, with the help of shelter dogs.

pacificu.edu/kopp

Jordan Kronen was offered a Fulbright U.S. Student Program grant for an English Teaching Assistantship in Malaysia. He is among 1,900 U.S. citizens in the 2015-2016 Fulbright U.S. Student Program.

#### Melissa Nelson MHA

and Corey Scribner were married April 11, 2015, in Maui, Hawai'i. The groom's sister, lenna Scribner '12. was a bridesmaid.

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#### in memoriam

#### **Friends**

#### **Richard Thomas Carter**

died Aug. 7, 2015, at age 79. He taught biology at Pacific for 30 years before retiring in 1998. He enjoyed gardening, fishing and spending time with his family. He is survived by his wife, Gloria; children Michael (and Melissa), Scott (and Lisa), and David (and Cheryl); and nine grandchildren.

Charlotte Filer died March 24, 2015. She was 83. She worked as public information director for Pacific from 1974 to 1989, serving as editor of Pacific Today (now Pacific magazine). She also established an endowed scholarship fund at Pacific. Prior to her work at Pacific, she had a long career as a journalism professor and news director at Linfield College, her alma mater. Memorial contributions in her name may be made to Pacific University.

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Ron Fraedrick died May 17, 2015, at age 83. The founder of the Taco Time franchise, he served on the Pacific University Board of Trustees from 1978 to 1984. Taco Time started as a walk-up restaurant near the University of Oregon and expanded into a Fortune 500-restaurant franchising company. He was one of the earliest members of the International Franchising Association and member of the Young Presidents Organization and was the recipient of countless honors. He was preceded in death by his wife, Marylynn. He is survived by his children Rhonda (and Steve) Fraedrick Earle, Kim (and Lee) Fraedrick

Scheuer, and Joe (and Irina) Fraedrick; 12 grandchildren; and 11 great-grandchildren.

#### Elizabeth "Lid" Miles

died Aug. 14, 2015. The daughter of the purported author of the Yale Whiffenpoof Song, she grew up singing and playing piano before majoring in drama at Mills College and teaching drama. Her first son, Thomas Kirk Miles Jr. '64 attended Pacific University but was killed in a car accident during his senior year. His dedication to theater and acting, like his mothers, led to the naming of Pacific's Tom Miles Theatre. Lid remained active in community affairs throughout her life and always maintained her love of music. She visited Pacific University in June, where she was recognized at Commencement, shortly before her death. She is survived by her son, Richard Miles and his wife, Susan, along with two grandchildren. Donations in her memory may be made to the Tom Miles Endowment for the Performing Arts at Pacific University.

Ruth (Sonnemann) Scheller died May 19, 2015, at age 92. She attended the University of Puget Sound and met Pacific student Fred Scheller '43, MA '54 through speech and debate. He went on to teach at Pacific, where he also opened a campus media studio, established the audiovisual program, media lab and language lab, and helped launch the Hawai'i Club, of which he was an advisor. They were longtime supporters of Pacific. Ruth taught for

many years, the couple traveled extensively, and she was a guiet volunteer and supporter of many. She was preceded in death by her husband Fred; daughter Karen Johnson; and grandson Michael Scheller. She is survived by her son, Terry (and Lynn) Scheller, and son-in-law Paul Johnson; grandchildren Christopher Scheller (and Elizabeth Cho), Dan Johnson, and Lisa (and Neil) Gibson; and great-granddaughters Kimberly Scheller and Karen Johnson

#### 1949

#### Donald Hamm '49,

OD '50 died April 26, 2015, at age 88. He was a World War II veteran, an avid golfer, curler, stained glass artist and reader. He and his wife, Peggy, loved exploring the world. He is survived by his wife; three children, Darcy (and Gordon) Morrison, Wendy (and Rob) Groves, and Dr. Corey (and Angelique) Hamm; and four grandchildren.

John Smock died Feb. 4, 2015, at age 91. He was a World War II veteran who went on to become a teacher and school administrator at several schools in the Roque Valley. He was preceded in death by his daughter Stacey Lynn. He is survived by his wife Alice (Hook) Smock '49; two daughters; five grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

#### 1950

Harry E. Therkelsen Sr. '50, MAED '56 died July 7, 2014, at age 92. He served in the Navy as an aviation navigator in World War II prior to enrolling in Pacific

for his teaching credentials. He spent 34 years in education at Bandon High School, where he taught and coached football. He later taught in Lake View and in California, where he went on to become an administrator. After retirement, he devoted his time to local veterans and charitable organizations and to his family. He is survived by his wife, Helen Therkelsen; children Marlene, Laura and Harry Jr. and five grandchildren.

#### 1951

#### Clifford Wong '51,

**OD '52** died April 12. 2015, at age 86. A Korean War veteran, he was an occupational optometrist with the Navy in California and also headed the Occupational Optometry Branch of the Naval Regional Medical Center in Oakland. Following his military retirement, he worked for Vision Care of California. He enjoyed golf, was a past member of the Vallejo-Napa Chinese Club and was active in the Lions Club. He is survived by his wife, Virginia Wong. Donations in his memory may be made to the Pacific University College of Optometry.

### O.M. "Mike" Krogstrand

**OD** died Aug. 12, 2015, at age 92. An Army rifleman, he was awarded the Combat Infantryman badge, Bronze Star and Purple Heart for his service in Italy during World War II. He was active in the Lions, VFW and Disabled American Veterans, and Gideon Society, and he loved sports of all kinds. He was preceded in death by his wife, Irmagene, four sisters, twin brother, and son Jerry. He is survived by his children Ron (and Kaye) Krogstrand, Mark (and Penny) Krogstrand, and Lori (and Mike) Aman; eight grandchildren; and one great-grandson.

#### 1953

Frank Dobra died March 13, 2015, at age 90. He served in World War II, helped start Forest Grove First Baptist Church and Village Baptist Church in Beaverton, and completed a theological education after graduating from Pacific. He served with the Conservative Baptist Foreign Mission Society in Pakistan, Uganda, and Kenya. He and his wife returned to Hillsboro in 1989. He was preceded in death by five brothers. He is survived by his wife, Alma; children Ruth Carpenter, Lois Ashe, Julia Dobra, and Albert Dobra; 11 grandchildren; 20 great-grandchildren; and two sisters.

Clarence Larry OD died Aug. 2, 2015, at age 85. A veteran of the Korean War, he became was one of the first black optometrists in the region and started working for Boeing in 1958. He contributed to Airplane Windshield Vision Studies and airborne radar, among other research. He also maintained a private practice, where he worked evenings and weekends. He was an avid fisherman and volunteer, a true people person, and a founding member of Mount Zion Baptist Church in Seattle. He is survived by his twin daughters Donna (and Michael) McInnis and

Dedrea (and Val) Danilov; three grandchildren; and many nieces, nephews and cousins.

#### 1960

#### Rosemary (Joubert)

**Bump** died May 9, 2015, at age 94. She majored in literature at Pacific, where she also met her husband, Forrest Bump '42. The couple lived in Denver, then Newberg, before settling in Forest Grove, where her husband practiced medicine. A singer and cellist, she participated in the Forest Grove Community Orchestra and co-founded Vallev Art in Forest Grove. She was preceded in death by her husband in April 2015. She is survived by her children, Mary Spies, Stefan (and Christine) Bump; Rosemary Bradford; grandchildren Cameron Spies (and Lizzy Ellison) and Lillian Bradford; and two great-grandsons.

#### Jack F. Smith OD

died Aug. 13, 2015, at age 78. He served as a doctor of optometry at the U.S. Army Hospital in Fort Hood, Texas, until 1963, then returned to Oregon to start Tigard Vision Center, which remains a thriving practice today. He treated patients until 2012, when he retired to California. He is survived by his wife Gwen (Williston) Smith '62; son Brad Smith OD '87; sister Judy; and two grandsons, Jack and Hayden. Gifts in his memory may be made to the Pacific University College of Optometry.

#### 1967

Bill Forst died Aug. 8, 2015, at age 70. A Vietnam veteran and amateur artist, he spent much of his life dedicated to helping other veterans through his artwork and advocacy. His artwork was featured in the Summer 2015 issue of Pacific magazine. He is survived by his sister Carol, wife Tuyet, son and a granddaughter.

#### 1992

#### John Alan Kumm OD

died June 6, 2013, at age 50. He was an associate and later partner in the Eye Clinic of Great Falls, where he served on the Montana Optometric Association Board from 1998 to 2003. He enjoyed playing sports, coaching his daughters' teams, hunting, fishing and raising dogs. He is survived by his wife, Tracy; daughters Brittany, Brandy and Taylor; and a large extended family.

#### 2003

#### George "Ben" Carlson

died June 14, 2015, at age 36. An art major with a talent for music, he became a respected and sought-after wedding photographer, worked for the Hillsboro Chamber of Commerce and for Rodgers Instruments. He had just started a new job with ALS Association's Oregon Chapter in Portland at the time of his death. He loved the outdoors, good food, good drink and good friends. He is survived by his true love Bridget Larrabee; parents George and Frances Carlson; and an extended family.



LISHAO CHEN '19 is a first-generation college student from China who hopes to become a college counselor. Your gifts to Pacific help students like Chen get a Pacific education. ▶ pacificu.edu/give



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