

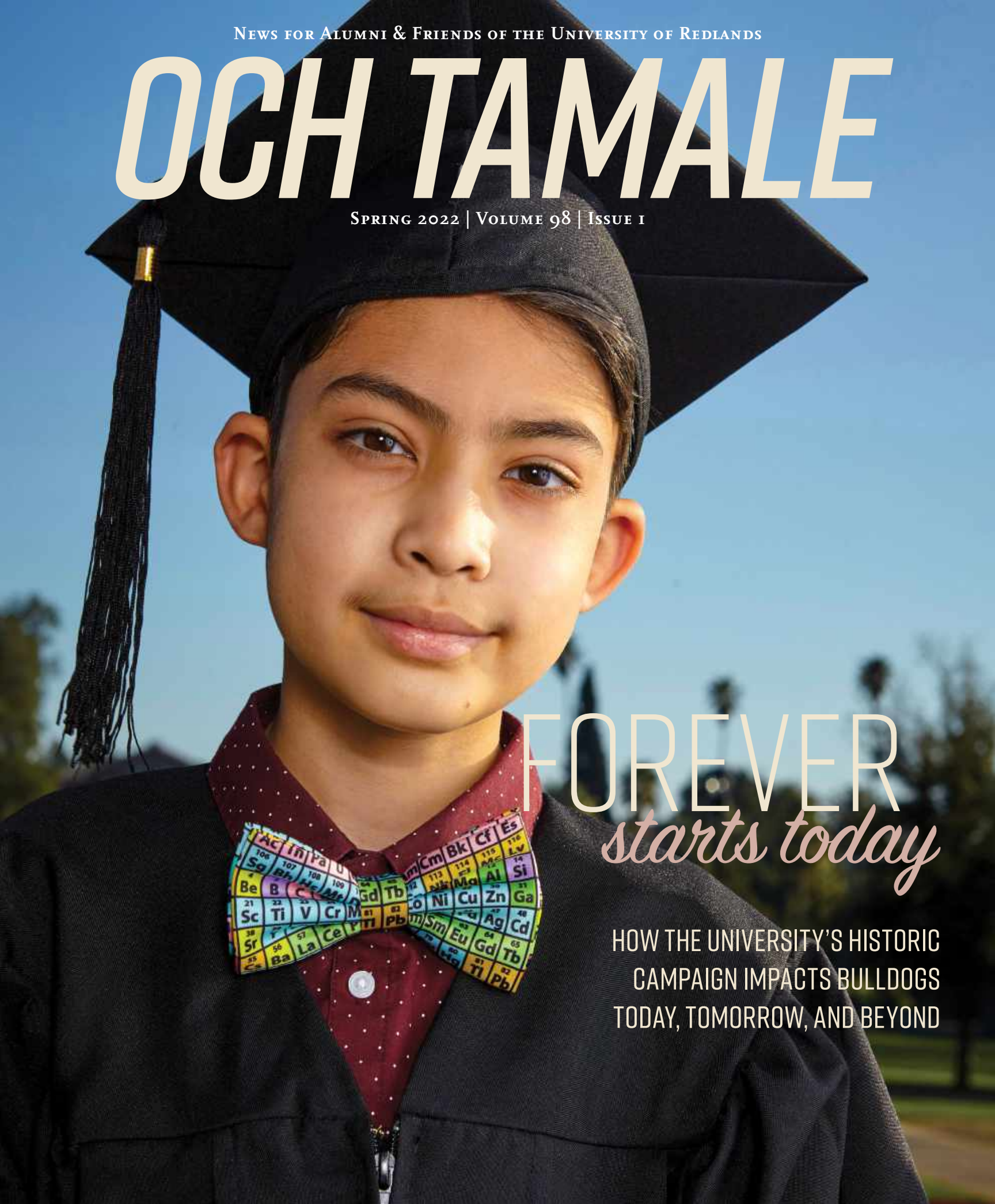
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Originally called the "Psalm of Collegiate Thanksgiving," the "Och Tamale" cheer was written by cheerleader C. Merle Waterman '20 and classmates Walter J. Richards '21 and Jack Slutsk '22. The "Och Tamale" is recited when the Bulldogs score a touchdown, at pep rallies, Homecoming, alumni events, or as a greeting to fellow alumni.

Och Tamale Gazolly Gazump
 Deyump Dayadee* Yahoo
 Ink Damink Dayadee Gazink
 Deyump, Deray, Yahoo
 Wing Wang Tricky Trackey Poo Foo
 Joozy Woozy Skizzle Wazzle
 Wang Tang Orky Porky Dominorky
 Redlands! Rah, Rah, Redlands!

*also spelled Deyatty

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Sixth grader Robin Singh, son of Dave Singh '96, '14 and Associate Vice President of University Advancement Gabrielle Singh '96, '01, is looking forward to continuing the Bulldog legacy.

Photograph by Ralph Palumbo.

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Our future looks brighter than ever

On February 23, the University of Redlands celebrated the *Forever Yours* campaign's record-breaking \$207.2 million completion—exceeding our \$200 million goal. What a perfect way to wrap up the celebration of the University during the inauguration events, as we considered its past, present, and with this campaign, its bright future.

While the campaign's financial results are impressive, the real power of this campaign is that it brought people together and reminded them of their love for our great University. The collective generosity of 15,573 donors set an example for the next generation that leaves a tremendous legacy for our institution today, tomorrow, and forever.

The aim of our *Forever Yours* campaign was simple—to preserve and enhance every significant aspect of the Redlands experience. These aspects include the personalized education for which our University is known, the experiential learning outside the classroom, the global perspectives our students gain around the globe, and the educational innovation that creates new ways of learning. Above all, this campaign has enhanced our ability to make the Redlands experience accessible and affordable through the scholarship promise, the largest of our campaign priorities.

This July will mark my first year as your president, and during my tenure, I have seen the theme of *Forever Yours* truly come to life. Through a series of stories in this issue (page 26), you will see a glimpse of the immense impact this campaign has already had on our University community. I have seen how Redlands unites all of us—alumni, parents, faculty, staff, students, and friends—in a common bond that lasts a lifetime. Now that we have completed this ambitious campaign, we can confidently



look to the future. And because of all of you, that future looks brighter than ever.

I am sincerely grateful to everyone who participated in the campaign and extend a warm personal thanks to the volunteer leaders and team members whose hard work and involvement made this significant feat possible. While I never had the pleasure of meeting our honorary campaign chairs, Rich Hunsaker '52 and Ginnie Moses Hunsaker '52, their historic gift of \$35 million to establish the Hunsaker Scholarship Prize was the foundation for this campaign. I also wish to recognize our campaign chair, Alice Mozley '70, our co-chairs, Ken Hall '60 and Lynn Hall, and the entire campaign leadership committee for their exceptional volunteerism that greatly contributed to our success. I also wish to recognize the invaluable service and support of our Board of Trustees, as well as our hard-working and dedicated Advancement team.

Each of you who contributed made a meaningful difference to at least one student during this *Forever Yours* campaign. Celebrating the success of *Forever Yours* was the perfect way to top off Inauguration Day (page 4), which through REDtalks and the engagement of our community, demonstrated the very best of our University. I am grateful for the trust you have bestowed on me, and I am excited to work with you as we design the future of our University.

We are one University, and your belief in our mission has proven that this University is indeed *Forever Ours*. And, my friends, forever starts today.

Go Bulldogs!

Krista L. Newkirk



CAREER & PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT /

Students helping students

Fireside Chats, an event series geared toward answering student questions about all things professional, were hosted weekly this spring by the Office of Career and Professional Development (OCPD). Peer Career Educators Ray Pitale '23 and Sofia Mier '22 met Monday afternoons with students at the East Hall fire pit to discuss topics ranging from finding internships and job openings to quelling concerns about résumé formats and upcoming interviews.

Each week focused on a different topic, and Mier says students may have seen the environment

as less intimidating than coming into the OCPD office. The students discussed majors, internships, interviews, information to include on résumés, what employers wanted to see, and how to write a cover letter.

"We guide students to our website if they don't necessarily want to come in because it has a lot of valuable information," Mier says.

In general, Pitale adds, "we just wanted them to have some peace of mind and know that we're here to help them, and they're not alone in this process of career searching." **OT**



Associate Director for Career Strategy & Integration Lauren Wooster (third right), Ray Pitale '23 (second right), and Sofia Mier '22 (right) offer advice to career seekers during a Fireside Chat.

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DIVERSITY, EQUITY, INCLUSION /

University of Redlands welcomes inaugural Diversity in Action resident

In 2020, University of Redlands leadership established the weeklong Diversity in Action residency to introduce ideas, perspectives, and experiences that challenge and inspire the University community. Scholar and activist Abdur-Rahman Muhammad was chosen as the inaugural resident to visit the Redlands campus the week of March 7.

"We wanted to bring someone who demonstrates action and the way in which you can make change," says Senior Diversity and Inclusion Officer Christopher Jones, who, along with University Dean of Student Affairs Donna Eddleman and Vice President for Advancement Tamara Josserand, spearheaded the selection committee. Before Muhammad's visit, Jones said his hope was that Muhammad would inspire the campus community to create change in their own ways.

Based in Washington, D.C., Muhammad is a scholar, historian, journalist, writer, and activist. He is widely regarded as one of the most respected



Abdur-Rahman Muhammad (right) accepts a plaque from Associate Director of Corporate and Foundation Relations Anuradha Diekmann '19, '24.

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authorities on the life and legacy of civil rights leader Malcolm X.

During his residency, he met with students, faculty, and staff members to present lectures and engage the campus community in conversation. Josserand says the visit was an opportunity to broaden the activities U of R offers students and facilitate more diverse programming for alumni and community members.

An alumnus of Howard University, Muhammad's

scholarly contributions have directly impacted biographies, documentaries, and research about Malcolm X. Muhammad is featured in the Netflix *Who Killed Malcolm X?* documentary miniseries, which historians and commentators say is largely responsible for the reinvestigation of the activist's assassination and exoneration of two men convicted of the murder. Muhammad also played an integral role in facilitating interviews that contributed to the publication of Manning Marable's Pulitzer Prize-winning biography, *Malcolm X, A Life of Reinvention*. While at Redlands, Muhammad hosted educational sessions examining the assassination of Malcolm X and a book club-style discussion of *Malcolm X Speaks: Selected Speeches and Statements*.

Eddleman says Muhammad's residency set a high bar for future Diversity in Action residents. "His personal story, his journey down the road of activism, his passion, and his commitment to educating others will have a lasting impact on the U of R." **OT**

INAUGURATION /

Krista L. Newkirk inaugurated as U of R's 12th president

February 23 began as most celebratory events at the University of Redlands: with pomp and circumstance, celebrated by students, faculty, alumni, trustees, and community members. But President Krista L. Newkirk's inauguration also had intelligent discourse, dancing, a drone show ... and a rare snowfall!

Newkirk assumed the role as 12th president of the U of R in July 2021. The first woman to be selected for the post, this historic fact was referenced throughout the Inauguration ceremony.

Trustee and Inauguration Committee Co-chair Larry Burgess '67 welcomed guests with this statement: "We point to a future that emboldens us to press forward with our mission and our stewardship of students of all ages, now committed to the leadership of a new energy and light, named 'Krista.'"

Several speakers from the U of R community offered reflections and congratulations to Newkirk, including Board of Trustees Chair Jamison J. Ashby '82; Associated Students of the University of Redlands President Chloe Levine '22; University of Redlands Staff and Administrators Assembly President Kay Thomas '20; Academic Assembly Chair, Faculty Senate President, Physical Education Professor, and Head Women's Lacrosse and Soccer Coach Suzette Soboti; and Congressional Representative Pete Aguilar '01, who welcomed Newkirk and her family to Redlands from his office in Washington, D.C., via video.

Newkirk's former colleagues, such as University of North Carolina at Charlotte Chancellor Emeritus Philip L. Dubois and



Newkirk poses for a selfie with students after the ceremony.

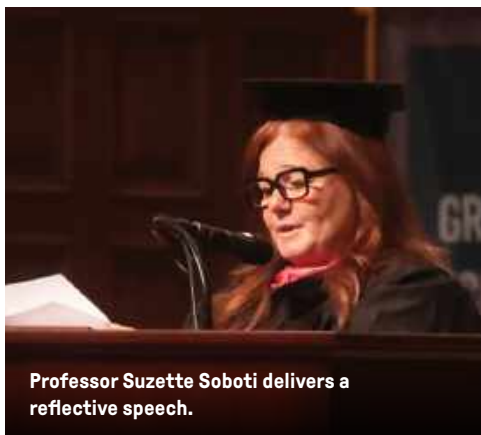
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former Converse University Board of Trustees Chair Kimberly Kent, also spoke about their experiences working alongside her, noting her knack for leadership, sense of humility, and relentless drive.

The ceremony paid homage to Newkirk's past and future. One musical interlude highlighted "12 and Change," a choral composition written by students Jamison Stevens '22 and Timothy Cunningham '22 with lyrics by David Boies Professor of Government Art Svenson, performed by the Chapel Singers.

In her presidential address, Newkirk focused on her vision for the U of R. While referencing the challenges of the COVID-19 pandemic, climate change, decades of war, and other current events, she outlined a path forward that takes the University's history into account while considering aspects of community and inclusion.

Newkirk touched on recent initiatives and plans to enhance the student experience and boost the University's reputation, highlighting its recent designation as a Hispanic Serving



Professor Suzette Soboti delivers a reflective speech.

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The Chapel Singers perform "12 and Change."

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Institution; detailing the Redlands Promise campaign, which guarantees an in-state tuition cost of \$22,000 or less for admitted College of Arts and Sciences students with a 3.5 GPA or higher; strengthening partnerships with local businesses and organizations; authoring a student-focused strategic plan; modifying curricula to ensure its relevance; expanding opportunities for students; creating an Anti-Racism Committee; and other initiatives.

Newkirk expressed gratitude for the Redlands community and excitement for the work that lies ahead. “I cherish the trust you have bestowed upon me as the 12th president of the University of Redlands,” she said. “I look forward to rolling up my sleeves and working alongside you as we build our future together.”



Student-athletes process to the Memorial Chapel.

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Pamela Allen-Coleman '16, '20 and Professor Sean W. McHenry-Acosta '07, '09 host a conversation at REDtalks.

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REDtalks

A highlight of Inauguration Day was REDtalks—a series of 12-minute conversations—which showcased University of Redlands faculty, staff, students, alumni, and special guests. The event was hosted by Evan Sanford '17, executive director of the Redlands Chamber of Commerce.

How good ideas bubble up from the local level. Writer **James Fallows** and linguist **Deborah Fallows** are authors of *Our Towns: A 100,000 Mile Journey into the Heart of America*.

Four strategies to personal branding and marketing yourself. Author **Mike Barker '15 (MBA)** has worked professionally in the entertainment industry for 16 years.

My story: First but no primera! **Elsa Luna '04 (MBA)** is Southern California Public Radio's chief operations officer and chief financial officer.

Stress is inevitable; the struggle is optional. **Dr. Patrick Lillard '61** is an addiction psychiatrist in Georgia who has practiced and taught in various neurology and psychiatry specialties throughout his 50-year career.

The power of representation: If they see it, they can achieve it. **Sean W. McHenry-Acosta '07 (BSBM), '09 (MBA), Ph.D.**, an adjunct professor in the School of Business & Society, and **Pamela Allen-Coleman '16 (MBA), '20 (MSOL)**, the senior associate director of enrollment at the U of R, host a conversation about identity, leadership, and the power of representation.

Moving from algorithmic bias to algorithmic fairness. **Sonal Patel '24 (Ed.D.)** is a coordinator in the San Bernardino County Superintendent of Schools Digital Learning Innovation Department. She is also a Computer Science Teachers Association equity fellow and a research partner for the UCLAx SCALE-CA Computer Science Equity project.

Math ... it ain't that bad. **Gavi Dhariwal '22** is an international student from Mumbai, India, majoring in mathematics and computer science.

Leadership in all of us. **Norv Turner** has served as head coach and offensive coordinator in the National Football League for nearly 30 years.

12 minutes on a good life. **Peter Kaufman** is chairman and CEO of Glenair Inc., and is actively involved in a variety of local and national nonprofit organizations.

Local problems/local solutions. This panel was moderated by **James Fallows** and featured Professors of Communication Sciences and Disorders **Julia Shuler** and **Lisa LaSalle**, Professor of Political Science **Renee Van Vechten**, and Director of Community Service Learning **Tony Mueller '90, '19 (Ed.D.)**.

To view these conversations or read more about the presenters, visit www.redlands.edu/REDtalks.

SCHOOL OF EDUCATION /

School of Education dean: ‘Find the others!’

On Nov. 30, 2021, Mario Martinez was installed as the Robert A. and Mildred Peronia Naslund School of Education Dean after arriving at the University of Redlands in July 2020.

In his remarks, Martinez reflected upon the question, “How do we achieve both individual and collective fulfillment?”

It was a quote from Professor Douglas Rushkoff, an award-winning author and broadcaster, who Martinez said, “has a similar answer to resolve the tension between self and others that applies to the School of Education at the University of Redlands: find the others. As we find others to serve, we find fulfillment within ourselves.”

Martinez said the reason he came to Redlands was to find the others. “Finding the others—serving others, with a focus on justice—is part of who we are. Service to others is inherent in all our programs: leadership and higher education, teaching and learning, and counseling and human services. It is the motivation of our students, faculty, and staff to find the others.”

He described the common guideposts in the School of Education as vision, mission, and social and educational justice principles, all of which were collaboratively reconstructed during his first year as dean.

These guideposts, he said, serve as the



Naslund Endowed Dean Mario Martinez and family enjoy the reception after his installation.

strategic framework for the operation and goals of the School of Education.

“The value of belonging to the School of Education is that our collective endeavor to find the others informs my own journey as the person entrusted with leadership responsibility,” Martinez concluded. **OT**

“As we find others to serve, we find fulfillment within ourselves.”

—Mario Martinez



Student testimonials call Philosophy Professor James Krueger a “light on campus” and a valued advisor and professor who helps students find their places in the health world.

COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES /

James Krueger named Professor of the Year

The University of Redlands Mortar Board Honor Society named James Krueger as Professor of the Year. Krueger, a philosophy professor and director of the health, medicine, and society program in the College of Arts and Sciences, has been teaching at the University of Redlands since 2004.

“It is really humbling to be nominated with such exceptional teachers and to be recognized by students for the work that we all do. We all know how challenging the last two years have been. I am grateful for the dedication of Redlands students who continued to show up, to work hard, and to find ways to excel despite those challenges,” Krueger says.

The Professor of the Year distinction recognizes faculty members’ outstanding teaching abilities and important contributions to the University community. This year’s finalists included Susan Goldstein (psychology), Sawa Kurotani (anthropology), Keith Osajima (race and ethnic studies), and Shellie Zias-Roe (environmental studies).

Introducing Krueger, Natalie Keegan ’22 said, “James never fails to inspire his students. He is passionate in the discipline of philosophy and creates a positive class environment full of thoughtful discussion. Students find that he motivates them to pursue their dreams, and he is always there to help them along their academic journeys.”

Mortar Board undergraduates began the Professor of the Year award 64 years ago to honor distinguished faculty members who embody the group’s scholarship, leadership, and service ideals. While the Mortar Board Honor Society facilitates the voting process, any student can nominate a professor for the award. **OT**



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"Our participation in this program further solidifies our commitment to preparing U of R students for global service work," says Steve Wuhs, interim dean of the College of Arts and Sciences and senior international officer.

COMMUNITY SERVICE /

University of Redlands launches Peace Corps Prep program

The University of Redlands and the Peace Corps have launched Peace Corps Prep, an undergraduate certificate program that combines targeted coursework with hands-on experience, building the competencies needed for students to be Peace Corps volunteers or other intercultural fieldworkers. University of Redlands is one of only 11 institutions across the country partnering with the Peace Corps on such a certificate.

"Our participation in this program further solidifies our commitment to preparing U of R students for global service work," says Steve Wuhs, interim dean of the College of Arts and Sciences and senior international officer at the U of R. "Given our long history as a top producer of Peace Corps volunteers, we welcome the opportunity to offer a new pathway for our students to develop skills and gain experience and help them make meaningful contributions to communities overseas."

Volunteers develop sustainable solutions to address challenges in education, health, community economic development, agriculture, environment, and youth development.

Peace Corps Acting Director Carol Spahn says, "Today's students are passionate about service and leaving their mark on the world. Through the Peace Corps Prep program at University of Redlands, students can develop skills specifically targeted to Peace Corps service and careers in the international development and service communities."

Almost 300 Bulldogs have volunteered with the Peace Corps to support projects in more than 60 countries around the world, and the University was named a top producer of Peace Corps volunteers in 2018, 2019, and 2020.

The Peace Corps Prep program is structured as an interdisciplinary certificate program housed in the University's Office of Career and Professional Development. **OT**

FIRST-GENERATION STUDENTS /

STEP celebrates students' first semester

U of R's First-Generation Student Programs hosted the Students Together Empowering Peers (STEP) Banquet on Dec. 9 acknowledging first-generation students completing their first semester at the University. The event was held in person for the first time since December 2019.

More than 80 students from STEP were in attendance, along with first-generation faculty and staff, who gathered to celebrate what it means to be first-generation and the resiliency carrying them through.

"As first-gen students, we're running into this new chapter head-on, without any clue of how to do it, without any knowledge from our families," alumni speaker Anthony Castellon '21 told the crowd. "I gave my heart and soul to this community from day one because they gave it right back. They praised me when I was at my highest and offered a hand when at my lowest. In truth, this community is what glued me to this campus."

The banquet ended with a celebratory first-generation student pinning, a symbol of the community's resilience and talent, honoring a long legacy of first-generation graduates at the U of R. **OT**



Students at the First-Generation Student Banquet at Orton Center on Dec. 9, 2021.

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Diana Flores '22 and Jackson Keene '22 both saw the internship at nonprofit organization Project Horseshoe Farm as a great solution to satisfying the University of Redlands Health, Medicine, and Society (HMS) program's graduation requirement.

HEALTH, MEDICINE, AND SOCIETY /

Project Horseshoe Farm internships provide hands-on learning

With their senior year and senior capstone project quickly approaching, then-juniors Diana Flores '22 and Jackson Keene '22 both saw the internship at nonprofit organization Project Horseshoe Farm as a great solution to satisfying the University of Redlands Health, Medicine, and Society (HMS) program's graduation requirement. Unbeknownst to them, this organization fosters a dynamic health-oriented environment that would challenge their understanding of how health care and its management affects the lives of diverse community members.

"It was nothing at all what I expected, and that was important for me in many ways," says Keene, an HMS major and race and ethnic studies minor.

The primary goal of Project Horseshoe Farm is to support vulnerable members of the

community through service, concentrated on helping with social facets of life that can and do affect health. Horseshoe Farm works on prioritizing the community member directly with a relationship-oriented approach when offering resources.

"We helped them with their life and asked, 'What do you need from us?'" says Flores, an HMS major and Spanish minor.

Both Bulldogs participated in Horseshoe Farm's three main programs designed to help community members navigate areas of life unaddressed by the current health-care system.

The Health Partners Program connects vulnerable community members with interns who can help. Flores believes she was able to guide her health partner to more realistic and helpful solutions through friendship. Alongside the organization God's Pantry, Flores

and Keene also delivered cooked meals and grocery care packages throughout Pomona, supporting those unable to acquire food due to COVID-19 vulnerability.

The Youth Program addresses the individual academic needs of students through small-group tutoring and advising. Keene's collaborative work with Pomona Hope was a transformative experience, he says, changing his perception of what health and health care encompasses.

The Community Center Program positions interns in leadership roles to help organize and facilitate actions designed to improve the wellbeing of seniors and adults living with mental illness. Flores and Keene collaborated to produce a booklet of various recipes, games, and activities to entertain those who faced boredom during a COVID-19 quarantine. **01**



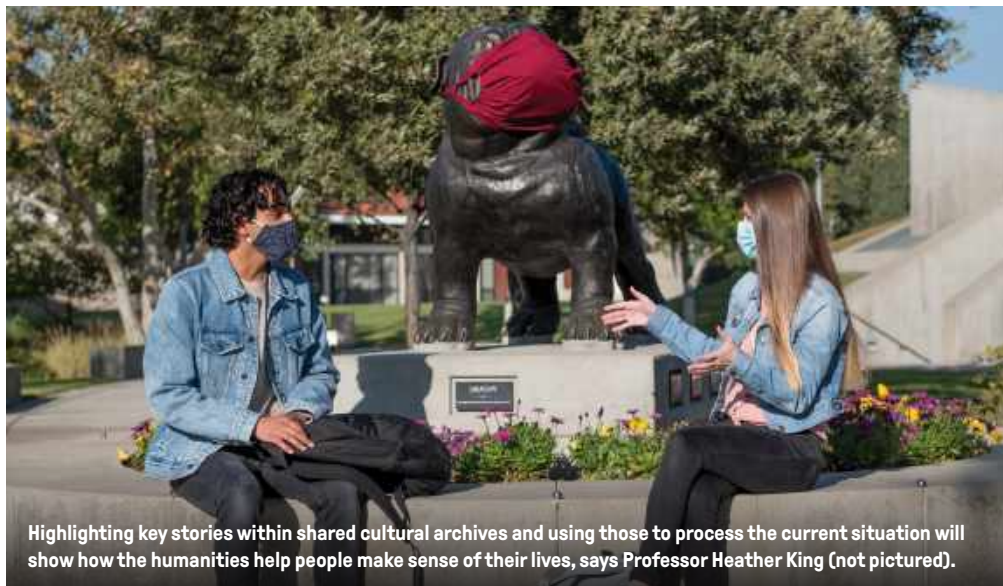
HUMANITIES /

Project aims to collect and tell pandemic stories

University of Redlands Professors Heather King and Youna Kwak have always known the value of reading, writing, and examining stories. The COVID-19 pandemic, however, added a sense of urgency to their interest. King, who teaches English, and Kwak, who teaches French as the Ronald D. and Cheryl N. Lossett Endowed Visiting Professor, received a \$5,000 California Humanities grant to create *Plague Stories*, an event series that facilitated conversations on how the public health crisis has impacted lives.

King says *Plague Stories* is a “cheeky title” to use, “but we’re trying to get at what we’ve all been calling ‘unprecedented’ in the last two years. Pandemics like this are, in fact, preceded—in history, literature, and other cultural records. We have a lot of experience as a species: about the questions, fears, problems, solutions, comforts, and glimmers of hope that come with this territory.”

The event series launched in February and it has three parts. The first is a series of roundtable discussions among humanities faculty, students, and alumni talking about the pandemic from their particular perspectives. Other events include a One City One Book discussion at A.K. Smiley Public Library of



Highlighting key stories within shared cultural archives and using those to process the current situation will show how the humanities help people make sense of their lives, says Professor Heather King (not pictured).

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the book *Station Eleven*. For young readers, a discussion of the novel *Fever 1793* will be held at the Frugal Frigate bookstore. King and Kwak also created a Flipgrid account so that community members can record their own “plague stories” in hopes of creating a video archive for generations to come.

Highlighting key stories within shared cultural

archives and using those to process the current situation will show how the humanities help people make sense of their lives, King says.

Kwak adds, “I am eager to hear the stories of our neighbors, as well as revitalize the University’s role as a conversational partner with the community, specifically around the humanities.” **OT**

FACULTY AND STAFF /

New Conflict Resolution Center emphasizes restorative justice practices

On Nov. 10, 2021, members of the University community celebrated the grand opening of the Conflict Resolution Center, whose mission is to support students, faculty, and staff in successfully navigating conflict.

Noting that conflict does not always mean a policy violation or broken law, organizers say discord can arise from many different types of situations and create tension in communities. The campus community is encouraged to ask for help in a conflict—to receive resources, support, and services to move forward.

The Center was made possible through a collaboration of the Title IX Office and the Community Standards and Wellbeing

Office. Trained facilitators from offices and departments across the University will implement restorative justice practices and alternative resolutions to conflicts that arise.

Through participatory learning and improved decision-making skills, the restorative justice approach emphasizes the repairing of harm, healing of trauma, reconciliation of interpersonal conflict, and reintegration of people who have been marginalized.

Rather than focusing on what policies have been violated, restorative justice processes instead identify the people who have been harmed and the actions necessary to repair the harm. **OT**



Associate Dean of Community Standards and Wellbeing Jared Rodrigues speaks at the Conflict Resolution Center Grand Opening on Nov. 10, 2021.

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SCIENCE /

Club promotes space exploration and development

Physics student TJ Carson '22 was drawn to the University's rocket propulsion club because he sees space exploration as one of the more exciting parts of his field. Soon after attending his first meeting, Carson became vice president and was charged with navigating the rocket propulsion club into an established chapter of Students for the Exploration and Development of Space (SEDS).

SEDS is an international student organization promoting space exploration and development through educational and engineering projects. The SEDS Redlands group meets twice a month to discuss and develop projects and outreach opportunities. Today, it has more than a dozen members and Carson is now the club's president.

"After becoming SEDS Redlands, the club became a lot more than just launching rockets," Carson says. "Every NASA (National Aeronautics and Space Administration) control center is its own world, and they need



TJ Carson '22 (right) and a colleague at the Stauffer Complex on Dec. 8, 2021.

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people with all different kinds of skillsets to run them—from finance and management to engineering, and even designers and communications professionals. At Redlands, we have an interdisciplinary advantage because of the diversity of majors, whereas most SEDS chapters are at engineering schools."

One of the club's overarching goals is to encourage members to envision and prepare

for a career in space exploration. According to Carson, members give presentations about space and STEM (science, technology, engineering, and math) to break down common falsehoods about involvement in space exploration to make the industry more accessible. **OT**

SPATIAL /

U of R GeoWeek: 'A celebration of possibilities'

Each year, the University celebrates GIS (geographic information systems) Day, part of the worldwide Geographic Awareness Week (GeoWeek).

From Nov. 15 through Nov. 19, 2021, campus organizations hosted events encouraging the exploration of the importance of place—one of many opportunities for students interested in geography and spatial technologies to use GIS, data science and visualization, and remote sensing to engage with the field at the U of R. Topics included global warming, racial equity, public health, and leveraging maps and data to respond to crises.

On Nov. 18, 2021, students participated in the annual humanitarian mapathon, logging onto the Humanitarian OpenStreetMap Team website to map roads, trails, and paths in central



GIS Department Chair and Professor Ruijin Ma (left) speaks to students at Hunsaker Plaza on GIS Day.

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guided the mapping process.

Students learned about the spatial studies minor, pathways into the Master of Science in geographic information systems program, and careers in the field, while also gaining hands-on experience with Esri (a Redlands-based technology company) software and geospatial tools. The Center for Spatial Business hosted Esri's Yolanda Richards, who spoke about GIS-centered racial justice work in Chicago. Current GIS master's students presented their research projects during a colloquium. As a drone lifted off from the roof of Duke Hall and flew

over the main Redlands campus, viewers of the livestreamed flight had a bird's-eye view of the new U of R Arrow line train station before the drone flew over Colton Avenue. **OT**

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U of R reflects on legacy of Martin Luther King Jr.

“Our nation continues to struggle with what Dr. King asked of America throughout his public life,” says Senior Diversity and Inclusion Officer Christopher Jones. “America continues to struggle with creating true equality in its society, or, as Dr. King said, with living out the true meaning of its creed.”

Throughout the third week in January, University of Redlands students, staff, and

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we take on the challenges that rise to meet us each day.”

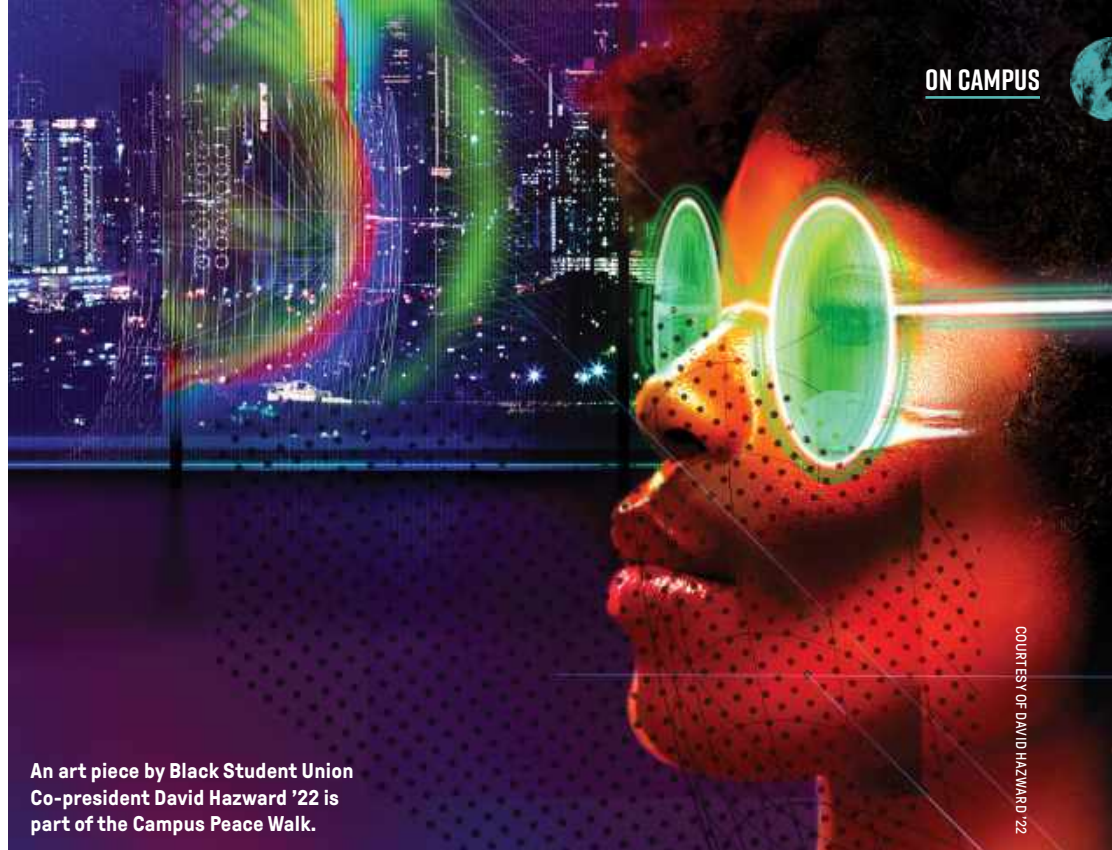
The week’s events, which were held both in person and online, included:

- The annual Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Service, which was hosted by the Chaplain’s Office and the School of Music. Students Magaly Vargas ’23, Carlos Chavez ’23, and Jay Arroyo ’24 read excerpts from King’s speeches,

faculty celebrated King’s legacy by investigating the American struggle through today’s lens via an array of events organized by U of R’s MLK Steering Committee.

This year’s theme was based on King’s final book, *Where Do We Go from Here: Chaos or Community?*

“As an institution of higher education, we must continue to teach our students to think critically to take on the inequities that continue to exist in our society,” Jones adds. “The lessons of the Civil Rights Movement are still meaningful today. We must not only continue to study those lessons and take time to remember Dr. King, but also continue to apply those lessons as



An art piece by Black Student Union Co-president David Hazward '22 is part of the Campus Peace Walk.

COURTESY OF DAVID HAZWARD '22



The annual Martin Luther King Jr. Week luminarias light up with Bulldogs’ hopes for the future written on the lanterns. The annual event held in January is part of a week of programming dedicated to the life and work of civil rights leader and activist Martin Luther King Jr.

COURTESY OF MCKOWN '04, '10

which were followed by virtual performances from the U of R Chapel Singers, encouraging participants to reflect and prepare to spend the week studying and discussing King’s work.

- The School of Education’s Center for Educational Justice also hosted the Day of Dialogue, featuring three different panel discussions about racism and white backlash. At the event, President Krista L. Newkirk announced the creation of the University’s Anti-Racism Commission, a group that will continue to advance the goals and objectives outlined in the University’s anti-racism statement released in November 2020.
- Throughout the week, University community members were encouraged to participate independently in a campus peace walk. At three of the five stopping points along the

route, participants scanned QR codes to experience contributions from the campus community. These contributions included retrospectives from School of Education Associate Dean and Professor Nicol Howard and an art piece by Black Student Union Co-president David Hazward '22.

Student Ayesha Morrishaw-Ashley '23 says it was important to her as a Black person to participate in the walk to spend time thinking about King, because she was influenced by and often reaps the benefits of his work. “[The walk] made me think about the future,” says Morrishaw-Ashley. “The fight for equality and equity in this country is not done. ... It makes me think about what is left in our future, how we can advance toward progress, and who will be the next influential person in our country.” **OT**

Redlands voices in the news



“The present global pandemic has made apparent that historical links between inequality and health care persist.”

– **Jennifer Nelson, professor of women, gender, and sexuality studies** in *The Academic Minute*, as part of a week-long takeover with five podcasts featuring U of R faculty, including *Jessie Hewitt, professor of history; Tim Seiber, professor of science and media studies; Kathy Feeley, associate dean, College of Arts and Sciences; and Kelly Hankin, professor of film studies.* “*University of Redlands week-long takeover of The Academic Minute,*” Feb. 22 to 26, 2021



“An explicit statement that the University of Redlands is a Hispanic-Serving Institution tells students with Latin American heritage that this is a place where they belong, especially for the students who come from neighborhoods or towns where people with Latin American heritage are the majority if not all the people they interact with prior to coming to campus.”

– **Martín Hoecker-Martínez, assistant professor of physics** in *Redlands Daily Facts*, “*University of Redlands’ federal Hispanic designation promotes ‘belonging,’*” Aug. 3, 2021



“Public service and civic engagement are key pillars to the University of Redlands mission. ... We have the opportunity to create a local program that will not only benefit our community but may also become a model for other communities as well.”

– **Tony Mueller, director of community service learning** on *KABC 7*, “*University of Redlands volunteers researching different types of trees to increase shade in the Inland Empire,*” April 15, 2021



“But over the course of centuries, Hopi farmers developed techniques and seeds adapted to the dry climate. Forgoing pesticides, they focused on oasis-like mesas with farmable floodplains, moisture-retaining soils and springs, what Hopi call *qatsi suphelawta*, or the ‘perfect location for life.’”

– **Wesley Bernardini, Farquhar Professor of the American Southwest** in *The New York Times*, “*In Arizona, drought ignites tensions and threatens traditions among the Hopi,*” Oct. 2, 2021



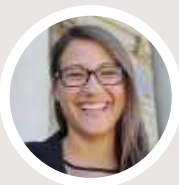
“The fact that we allow warehouses to operate without any regulations is an injustice. ... About 86 percent of the people who live within a quarter mile of a warehouse in the Inland Empire belong to a minority population.”

– **Rosario Cardenas '23, double major in English and environmental studies** in *Los Angeles Times*, “*As ‘diesel death zones’ spread, pollution regulators place new rules on warehouse industry,*” May 7, 2021



“The issues that businesses are facing now always involve broader societal considerations. Therefore, it is incumbent upon business schools like ours to prepare students to be those new business leaders.”

– **Tom Horan, Senecal Endowed Dean of the School of Business & Society** in *The Associated Press*, “*University of Redlands launches School of Business & Society,*” Oct. 28, 2021



“By clearly communicating the connection between learning and careers, we’re helping students better prepare for their future.”

– **Kelly Dries, assistant provost of professional development and engaged learning and executive director of the Office of Career and Professional Development** in *Workshift*, “*Bringing career counseling into the classroom,*” Sept. 1, 2021



“The moment is a very optimistic one for us, and we feel that we’re perfectly positioned to continue the best of our traditions from the last 150 years, but also to approach our work in really new ways.”

– **Christopher Ocker, assistant provost and interim dean, Graduate School of Theology** in *The Marin Independent Journal*, “*San Anselmo Seminary reaches 150-year mark,*” Dec. 4, 2021



WORTH 1,000 WORDS

Tristen Sherley '22 exudes joy as she processes into her commencement ceremony. From April 22-23, the University celebrated over 1,500 graduates from the College of Arts and Sciences, School of Business & Society, and School of Education. The weekend was a testament to how the University community has overcome many challenges over the past two years.



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COCO MCKOWN '04-'10

The past few months were busy at the University of Redlands, and students had multiple opportunities to engage with a variety of speakers, artists, and writers.

1 “With the name change comes a commitment to further expand our mission. ... We are deliberating evolving the programs around several pillars, including purposeful and inclusive management, ethical decision-making, socially responsible practices, data-informed decision-making, innovation and entrepreneurship, global and cultural perspectives, and environmental sustainability.”
– Senecal Endowed Dean Thomas Horan speaking at the launch of the U of R’s School of Business & Society on Nov. 11, 2021

2 “COVID-19 and Black Lives Matter was a tremendous upheaval in society, which influenced the work that I made [in *Colecciones*] a lot.”
– Professor Emeritus Raúl Acero on his exhibition *Colecciones*, which opened Nov. 16, 2021, at the University Art Gallery, which showcased his Latinx experience and ancestral history as an immigrant artist

3 “Personal journeys are affected by individual circumstances, so everyone is going to be different. Becoming more empathetic is an incremental step towards making our community and the world a more just place.”
– Graduate School of Theology Professor Marcia McFee on the Week of Remembrance, which held



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contemplative exercises, such as walking the labyrinths on the Redlands or Marin campuses in December 2021 to help thoughts and feelings accumulated during the COVID-19 pandemic move through and out of the body and consciousness.

- 4 On Dec. 12, 2021, brass quintet Canadian Brass holds a master class before an exciting holiday performance at the Memorial Chapel, which includes songs from *A Charlie Brown Christmas* by Vince Guaraldi and Baroque selections with seasonal classics.
- 5 “[It is] an important opportunity for the University of Redlands community to learn about modern-day Native

scientific and cultural advances from across the United States.”
 – Assistant Director for Native Student Programs Elizabeth Shulterbrandt on the traveling exhibition *Roots of Wisdom: Native Knowledge, Shared Science*, which examines how Indigenous knowledge and cutting-edge science can be used together to address environmental and health challenges. The show opened on Dec. 17, 2021, at the Armacost Library.

- 6 “[The show] relates to the kind of experiences you have when you’re dreaming. I’m a lucid dreamer, and I tend to remember my dreams. Although I don’t try to illustrate them, they’re inspiring to me.”
 – Professor of Art Penny McElroy on

her work using Photoshop, video, rice paper, and other materials in the exhibit *Dreamland*, which opened Jan. 18 at the University Gallery.

- 7 “I have done 69 paintings of biblical stories. ... I have donated my paintings where I think they should be because they tell a story; they should be seen.”
 – Artist Lucy Janjigian, whose works interpret the stories within Scripture, donated two series, “Creation” and “The Story of Eve,” to San Francisco Theological Seminary at the Graduate School of Theology. The works are permanently installed above the student lounge in Scott Hall.

GO, REDLANDS!

Bulldog coaches and scholar-athletes were out in full force this year, breaking records and winning awards throughout conferences.

By Lilledeshan Bose '22

CARLOS PUMA



Peter Yellico

Yellico named head tennis coach

Peter Yellico began his tenure as head men's and women's tennis coach on Feb. 14.

Before joining Redlands, Yellico served for five years as the head men's tennis coach at Pacific University in Oregon, where he compiled an impressive 95-41 overall record and a 63-12 mark in the Northwest Conference.

"The tennis program at the University of Redlands has an extremely rich history," says Yellico. "I am incredibly grateful to lead the next chapter."

A native of Crystal River, Florida, Yellico was also a teacher and clinician at the adult and junior levels of tennis. He served five years in the U.S. Navy and was awarded the Navy Achievement Medal while serving in Operation Enduring Freedom and Operation Iraqi Freedom. He earned a bachelor's degree in business administration with a minor in finance at Pacific University.



Rich Murphy



Jim Good

Bulldog coaching staff recognized

University of Redlands coaching staff are earning national accolades.

In January, the men's soccer coaching staff—Head Coach Ralph Perez and assistants Cody Carlson, Gio Napoletano, and Claudio Rivas—were selected by the United Soccer Coaches as the Region X Division III Coaching Staff of the Year for 2021. The National Soccer Coaches Association of America also named Perez and his staff the Division III West Region Coaching Staff of the Year in 2015 and 2016.

This year, the men's soccer team posted a 17-3-1, 9-2-1 Southern California Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (SCIAC) record, earned Division III national rankings by United Soccer Coaches (No. 5, No. 19, No. 23) and d3soccer.com, won the SCIAC post-season tournament, and earned a berth in the National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) Division III National Championships.

The basketball and football coaching staffs were recognized with Coaching Staff of the Year honors during the 2021 All-Southern California Intercollegiate Athletic Conference.

The U of R Head Women's Basketball Coach Rich Murphy and his staff, Ashley Lona, Kaden Norton, and Mario Trutanic Jr., were named the SCIAC Coaching Staff of the Year after leading the Bulldogs to the 2021-2022 SCIAC regular season championship title, which secured the No. 1 seed in the SCIAC tournament.



Ralph Perez



Dominic Lopez

COURTESY OF BULLDOG ATHLETICS



ADRIAN WILLIAMS

In his 15 seasons at the helm of the women's basketball program, Murphy has made the SCIAC tournament 14 times and is the only program within SCIAC to make the tournament every year since its inception (SCIAC tournament was not held in 2021 due to COVID-19). Across those 14 appearances, he has combined for three regular-season conference championships and two SCIAC tournament titles. The team's coaching personnel has been selected as the SCIAC Coaching Staff of the Year three times.

SCIAC also recognized Head Football Coach Jim Good and his staff, Joey Mariani, David Lord, Brent Baier, Angela Baker (who was recently named the New York Giants offensive quality control coach in the National Football League), Terrell Davis, Tommy Garcia, Bai Kabba, Ric Lucore Jr., Matt Moore, Craig Robbins, and Charlie Yaeger IV.

In his first season at the helm, Good and his assistant coaches guided the Bulldogs to an 8-1 overall ledger and a 6-0 mark in SCIAC play. The Maroon and Grey won the 2021 SCIAC Championship title, the 32nd in the program's history, and qualified for the NCAA Division III National Championships.

This year, Good saw 12 student-athletes earn All-SCIAC recognition, 11 players picked for SCIAC Athlete of the Week honors, three players named Academic All-District by College Sports Information Directors of America, and player Scott Tinsley '23 selected to the d3football.com Team of the Week. Quarterback Nathan Martinez '22 was named the SCIAC Offensive Athlete of the Year.

Dominic Lopez was honored as the U.S. Track & Field and Cross Country Coaches Association West Region Assistant Coach of the Year for his work with indoor track and field, earning this recognition for the second time in his career. He has coached the nation's second-fastest miler in Tucker Cargile '21, '23.

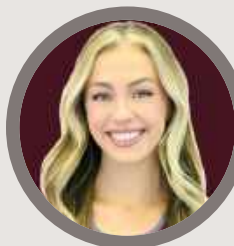


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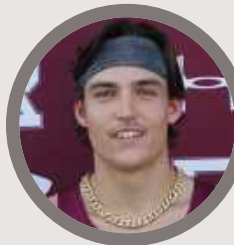
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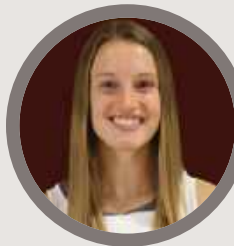
Go, go, Redlands! Quick hits to celebrate



Andrea Lyon '21, '22 was named the U.S. Track & Field and Cross Country Coaches Association (USTFCCCA) West Region Track Athlete of the Year for the first time in her career. She posted the sixth-fastest time in the National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) Division III Indoor Track & Field National Championships in the 400-meter, where she finished 11th overall with a time of 57.90.



USTFCCCA also named **Tucker Cargile '21, '23** an All-American for the fourth time in his career and second this school year: He earned the honor for cross country in 2021 and indoor track and field in 2022. He was also named All-American in 2019 for cross country and outdoor track and field.



The Bulldog women's basketball team won the 2022 Southern California Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (SCIAC) regular-season championship with a 19-5 overall record and a 14-2 mark in conference. Forward **Hannah Jerrier '22** was selected as the SCIAC Defensive Athlete of the Year and landed on the d3hoops.com All-West Region Team.



The Bulldog swimming teams produced solid results with record-breaking times at the SCIAC Championships, and **Sydney Patterson '24** made her first appearance in the postseason by representing the Maroon and Grey at the NCAA Regional Diving Championships in San Antonio, Texas.



The Redlands men's basketball team completed its first full year of competition under Head Coach Eric Bridgeland, and forward **Romeo Mays '23** (M.S.O.L.) earned All-SCIAC honors.

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GRACE, GRIT, AND SURVIVAL AT REDLANDS

Siblings John Zepeda '18, '20 and Jazmin Zepeda '22 completed their degrees despite challenges related to Jazmin's cancer diagnosis—a journey their family and caring professors traveled together. Today, they look forward to what the future will bring.

By Lilledeshan Bose '22



CARLOS PUMA



John Zepeda '18, '20 and Jazmin Zepeda '22 as children

Standing in the Greek Theatre in April, Jazmin Zepeda '22 could barely believe she was graduating. She looked out to the audience, knowing her family—her parents, her 5-year-old daughter, her siblings, including John Zepeda '18, '20—were all cheering for her.

It was a challenging two-year journey for the College of the Desert transfer student: She navigated COVID-19 anxiety and online classes and home-schooled her daughter, but she was undaunted. She was applying to the Master's in Teaching and Learning program at U of R's School of Education, and she was ready for the next part of her life to begin.

AUGUST 2017

John was in the last semester of his senior year at the University of Redlands in 2017 when his family received devastating news: Jazmin—older by five years—was diagnosed with two different types of cancer: T-cell lymphoma and acute lymphoblastic leukemia with the Philadelphia chromosome.

Singularly, T-cell lymphoma has a survival rate of 66 percent, but acute lymphoblastic leukemia? That has a 6 percent survival rate in adults.

Still, the Zepedas did everything they could to ensure that

Jazmin survived; she had a 1-year-old daughter, and she was only 27. Apart from the two types of cancer, Jazmin was healthy—there was no reason she couldn't fight it.

John, then 22 and a first-generation student, transferred into Redlands the year prior from the College of the Desert, majoring in environmental studies and Spanish. He became a teaching assistant for Professor of Spanish and Latin American Literature Ivonne Gordon-Vailakis, who mentored him through his transition to a four-year university. He planned to earn his MBA after graduation.

JANUARY 2018

Fortunately, John was a 50 percent match for a bone marrow transplant that would significantly raise Jazmin's chances of survival. "When I found out that I would be her donor and that she would need more intensive care, I dropped my classes," he says. Apart from being her caregiver, John was willing to risk the transplant so Jazmin would live, even though that meant withdrawing from the University of Redlands.

His own graduation, he thought, could wait.

But Gordon-Vailakis and Professor of Environmental Studies Tim Krantz wouldn't let that happen.

Once they found out why John needed to withdraw, both worked on their own time ensuring he could obtain both bachelor's degrees. "It broke my heart. But if you have to choose between finishing your degree and saving your sister's life" Gordon-Vailakis trails off. "John became my hero, a model of what we want everyone to achieve."

APRIL 2018

"My odds of beating cancer were not very good," Jazmin says. "[Doctors and nurses] basically said my chances of surviving were pretty much zero." Even before the transplant, there were Neupogen shots, pills, and various medical treatments. "I had to go through all these x-rays—brain, chest—to make sure I could handle it." And it hurt, she says: "It was a deep, deep bone pain, where I couldn't even stand. It felt like little needles stabbing me on my bones."

City of Hope extracted John's bone marrow on January 25; Jazmin received the transplant the next day. The bone marrow transplant worked, and Jazmin did get better. Within weeks, she was in recovery and preparing for chemotherapy.

Jazmin's daughter didn't understand what was happening, but she knew her mom was in pain. "When my hair started falling off, I was afraid my daughter wouldn't recognize me or be scared, but she just touched my head and gave me a kiss," she says.

"The chances were against her in every way, and she still persevered," John says.

Meanwhile, he kept Gordon-Vailakis abreast of Jazmin's status and recovery—and the professor urged him to re-enroll and finish his degrees. There was extra administrative work to do, Gordon-Vailakis says, but it was just part of her mission at U of R:

“I take advising very seriously,” she says. “It’s an important task that needs to be done efficiently and with the heart, and John absolutely deserved to graduate.”

She sought to do everything in her power to help him graduate, including an independent study class. Transfer students are especially important to her because they only have two years on campus. “Because they come from a different experience, they really appreciate that personal attention at U of R,” she says.

Miraculously, Jazmin was released from the hospital on April 20, 2018. It was the same day as John’s undergraduate Commencement ceremony.

OCTOBER 2019

When Jazmin recovered from cancer, she decided to go back to school and finish her degree.

John advised her to consider Redlands, despite the fact that they were both nontraditional students who were outside of Redlands’ typical age range. “I knew that she could get a master’s in just a year after finishing her bachelor’s, so it would save time,” he says. “Why not? She’d already gone through so much, so what’s a little bit more of a challenge, right?”

When Jazmin came to Redlands, it made sense for her to ask Gordon-Vailakis to be her advisor as well, even though she started

the school year during the pandemic. She also became Gordon-Vailakis’ teaching assistant. “I helped her with everything on Zoom, looked up poems, shared materials for class—anything she needed.” She adds, “I got to read her poems first!”


“For me, teaching online [during the pandemic] became a more intimate way to interact with students because I saw their environments,” Gordon-Vailakis explains. “In Jazmin’s case, I saw her daughter who would sometimes come to our classroom; I knew Jazmin had health challenges. ... I was able to see more of her home environment and be a more effective advisor.”

Some Latino students in difficult situations don’t always ask for help. Gordon-Vailakis adds. “I was very keen to create an environment where Jazmin felt comfortable asking for help and advice.

“To me, it’s a privilege to be part of such an important process here at the University, where we can touch people’s lives and help them be successful. As educators, what is more valuable than this?”

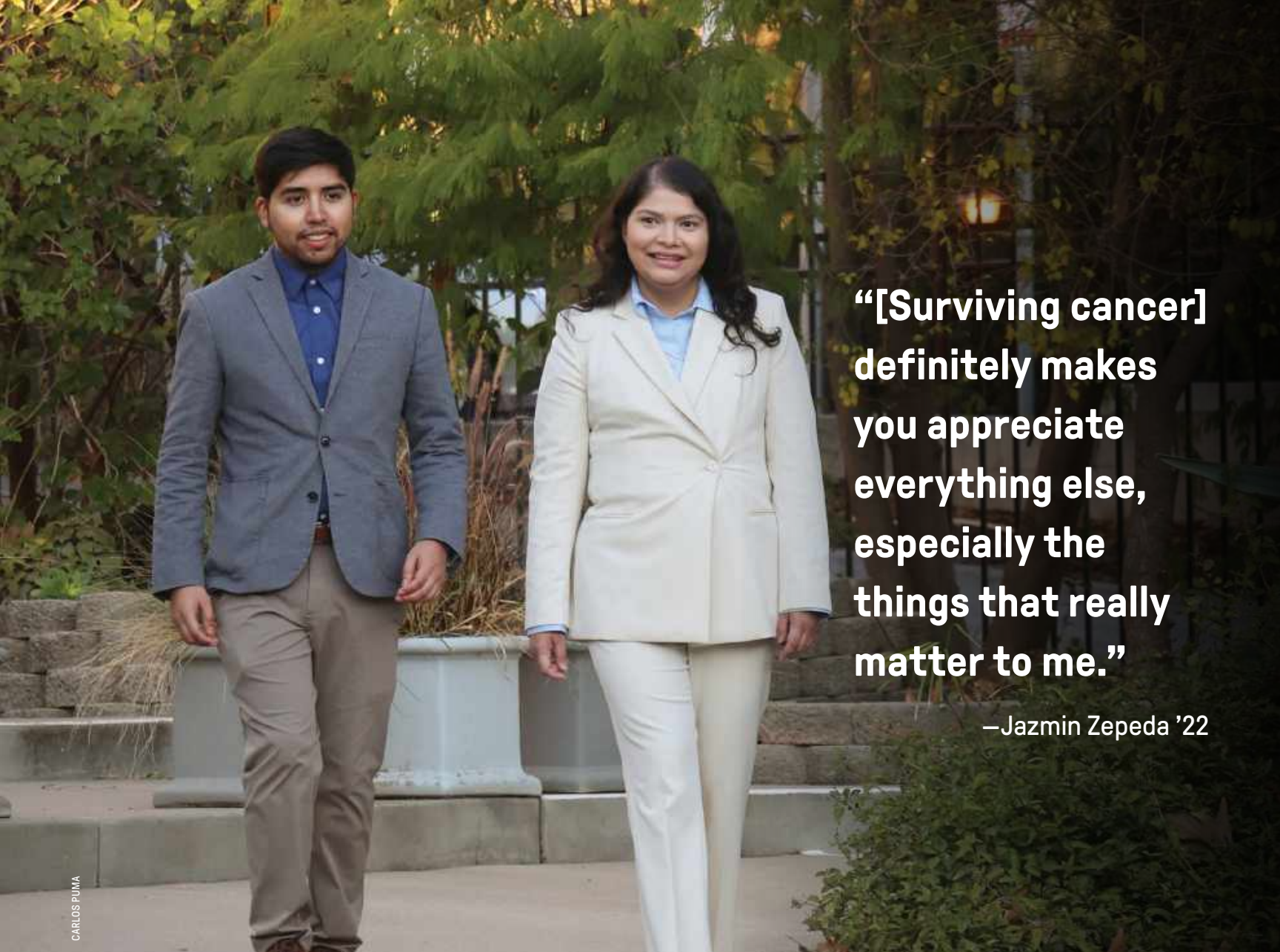
APRIL 2022

Long before Jazmin’s cancer diagnosis, she’d dreamed of becoming a teacher. As a child, she would volunteer to help her kindergarten teacher organize, clean, and work in the classroom each day. “I did that from elementary school all the way through high school; I’d



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— Professor Ivonne Gordon-Vailakis, pictured in her office with John Zepeda ’18, ’20



CARLOS PUMA

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—Jazmin Zepeda '22

even help her organize her classroom on the weekends,” she adds.

Her teacher gave Jazmin books and school supplies ... and a desire to teach children herself. “When I played pretend as a child, I’d always be a schoolteacher, print out work sheets and pass out homework. I’d grade them for my brothers and cousins, and pretend to give out candy and stickers,” she says, smiling.

Because her parents migrated to the United States from Mexico, she didn’t learn to start writing and speaking in English “technically, until sixth grade,” she says.

Reading—“especially Harry Potter books!”—became Jazmin’s path to English fluency and her safe space, helping her become a lifelong learner. “I would look at the dictionary and learn words until [I got to a point where] I didn’t feel embarrassed talking in English,” she says. “That’s why I love reading books.”

This love of learning spurred her to apply to the School of Education. For now, she’s unsure of what she’ll do with her future master’s degree. She could become a teacher in her district, open a daycare, or a charter school.

What she knows for sure is that she wants to help people: “Where we’re from, people don’t have a lot of money, or a lot of help. I want to be the best teacher I can for them so [my community] can have a positive view of education and want to learn.”

After receiving his bachelor’s degree, John went on to earn his MBA with a concentration in location analytics at the U of R School of Business. Today, he works as a consultant for Esri, the global leader in geographic information systems (GIS).

“Our parents didn’t have much when they came here from Mexico, so I don’t think they expected us to get as far as we have,” says John. “So it’s nice for our family to see both of us succeed.”

And whatever challenges come her way, Jazmin is ready. “[Surviving cancer] definitely makes you appreciate everything else, especially the things that really matter to me,” she says, recalling how she joked about life and death situations with her nurses at the hospital. “I mean, If I can’t laugh about it now, when will I be able to laugh about it? I’m alive. I’m here, I beat all the odds.” **OT**

San Francisco Theological Seminary commemorates 150 years

“In welcoming San Francisco Theological Seminary as part of our University community, we are proud to more fully realize a vision to contextualize theology within a broad, inclusive, and socially engaged educational enterprise,” says President Krista L. Newkirk on the 150th anniversary of the Seminary’s founding.

By Laurie McLaughlin

STEVE CARROLL

Rooted in a deep history since its founding in 1871, the San Francisco Theological Seminary (SFTS) has experienced periods of forming, reforming, and transforming itself and its students, including the merger with the University of Redlands and the creation of the Graduate School of Theology in 2019. Each era brought with it the unique currents of “modern times,” answering the demands of the day with progressive programs and educating students from around the world.

One hundred and fifty years ago, several students and three professors met in spaces offered by San Francisco churches to create a west coast Presbyterian seminary. The move to the Seminary’s own campus in Marin County 20 years later was supported by benefactors who offered the San Anselmo hilltop site and underwrote the erection of the stately buildings that stand today.

The West—particularly California—was different from congregations back East. Authors of *San Francisco Theological Seminary: The Shaping of a Western School of the Church* wrote, “It was best to have ... ‘a race of ministers brought up and trained here on the field.’ Such men would be less

likely to become discouraged with the strangeness of the West.”

From the start, there were intermittent struggles at SFTS, including differences within the Presbyterian Church. There were hard times—earthquake-damaged buildings and drastic budget reductions due to the Depression and Great



Montgomery Hall (left) and Scott Hall, 1896

COURTESY OF SFTS ARCHIVES



A photo from spring 1943 shows Edward Arthur Wicher, Gurdon Corning Oxtoby, John Aaron Ungersma, J. Hudson Ballard, Lynn T. White, John Milton Kelly, Jesse H. Baird, Clifford M. Drury, and Margaret Tappan, the first woman faculty member at SFTS.

Recession, and there were boom times—aggressive fundraising campaigns and financial solvency in the 1940s; increased enrollment and expansion in the 1950s; and burgeoning Master of Divinity interest was so great in the 1980s, there was talk of capping enrollment.

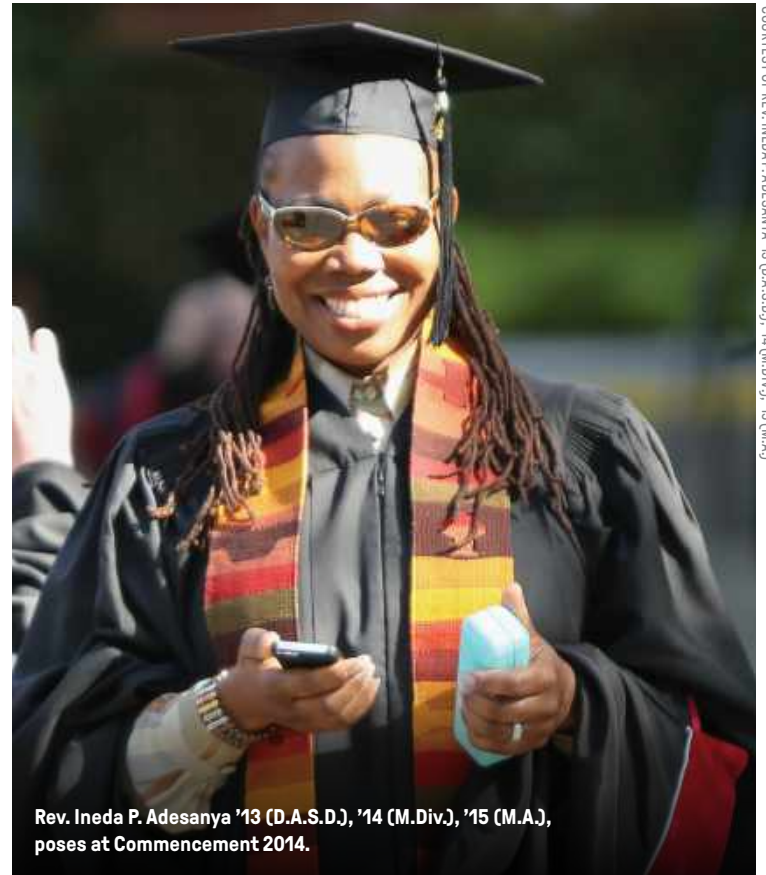
Answering the demands of the day

In 1911, women were admitted to SFTS, and the era's feminism encouraged them to consider ministry. But feminism ebbed in the 1920s, and the ordination of women to ministry failed to be adopted in the denomination. However, the renewed 1970s feminist movement would cause the female student population to grow by 45 percent in the early 1980s.

"I had never met an ordained Presbyterian clergywoman, and no one had mentioned to me that ordination to the ministry became open to women [in the Presbyterian Church] in 1956," says former Southern California Dean of Students Rev. Bear Ride '78 (M.Div.), '91 (D.Min.). "So I was delighted to discover my first day at SFTS that nearly half of the entering class were women and that many had the ambition to become ordained ministers. That immediately became my goal as well."

The political, social, and economic upheavals of the 1960s, 1970s, and 1980s roiled the campus just as it did the rest of the world. Students and faculty debated and organized actions on civil rights, resistance to the war in Vietnam, sanctuary for Central American refugees, nuclear disarmament, and more. Also during the 1970s, organizations supporting gays and lesbians and their families were well-supported at SFTS in response to the United Presbyterian Church (USA) resolution to deny ordination to this community. While SFTS enjoyed a reputation for leading the charge for equality, the present-day Presbyterian Church (USA) did not allow openly gay people in same-sex relationships to be ordained until 2011.

"I had one preaching professor who opened our class, letting us know that he was not in support of the Presbyterian Church affirming the ordination and full inclusion of LGBT people. Everyone in class looked at me, so I knew I was ordained to respond," says Rev. Yvette Flunder '97 (D.Min.), founder and



Rev. Ineda P. Adesanya '13 (D.A.S.D.), '14 (M.Div.), '15 (M.A.), poses at Commencement 2014.

senior pastor of City of Refuge United Church of Christ in Oakland and the presiding bishop of the Fellowship of Affirming Ministries. "I realized then I had to come up with a clear, cogent theology of radical inclusivity, extravagant grace, and relentless hospitality, which in some ways is very anti-church."

SFTS has since cultivated a reputation as one of the most LGBTQ-friendly environments among the PCUSA seminaries, says Rev. Donald L. Smith '77 (M.Div.), who worked with the Synod of Southern California and Hawaii, PCUSA, and is now retired. "This is among the strongest selling points for SFTS today."



At Commencement 1981 are (from left) Jean Richardson '81 (M.Div.), '92 (D.Min.), former Assistant Professor of Ministry Cal Chinn '66 (M.Div.), Sue Fleenor '81 (M.Div.), and Lynn Jones '79 (M.Div.).



The University of Redlands String Quartet performs “Wade in the Water” during the SFTS worship service on Nov. 13, 2021.

CAL GODLEY

Shaping the future at SFTS

On Nov. 12 and 13, 2021, hundreds from San Francisco Theological Seminary’s community, past and present, came together in a series of weekend events to celebrate the Seminary’s 150th anniversary—both reveling in long-ago experiences and heralding the future shaped by the 2019 merger with University of Redlands, a merger necessitated by the need to establish SFTS’s future financial security.

During the weekend’s Worship Service led by Marcia McFee, Ford Fellow Visiting Professor in the U of R Graduate School of Theology, and Rev. Jana Childers, former dean of SFTS and the Graduate School of Theology, the gathering sang “Wade in the Water” with thematic stories woven by SFTS alumni.

“It’s an African American spiritual that reminds us of the stirring up of waters that we are called to do to make this world a better place,” says McFee, who chose the gospel song “because the struggle belongs to us all and because delight happens when we create something together.”

McFee goes on to say, “The possibilities brought about by the collaboration with other parts of our U of R family are important in a time when we need leaders versed in entrepreneurship, environment, racial justice, interfaith dialogue, conflict resolution, and trauma care.”

At the end of the service, a candlelight ritual of remembrance was held on the campus’s labyrinth for those who had passed but were once part of SFTS.



The candlelight ritual of remembrance on the campus’s labyrinth.

CAL GODLEY



Rev. James Noel ’75 (M.Div.), ’99 (Ph.D.) is pictured (left) in 1983 with Rev. Cornel Barnett ’85 (M.Div.), ’05 (D.Min.). Noel was the first occupant of the Seminary’s H. Eugene Farlough Jr. Chair of African American Christianity.

COURTESY OF SFTS ARCHIVES

‘Serving as a prophetic voice’

Examining the vitality of the campus in his student days in the 1960s, “SFTS was at the forefront of serving as a prophetic voice, addressing the challenges of the day—racism, civil rights, the Vietnam War, and homophobia,” says Rev. Calvin Chinn ’66 (M.Div.) retired SFTS assistant professor of ministry.

Back in 1945, the first Black student graduated from SFTS. “An examination of its annals would reveal the fact that SFTS has been and remains a predominantly white institution. That is reflective of its history in the Presbyterian Church (USA),” says Rev. Mark S. Jones Sr. ’12 (M.Div.), pastor for mission and outreach and pastoral care at Westwood Presbyterian Church in Los Angeles and National Black Presbyterian Caucus West Region representative. “That, I believe, is important because ... it has equipped a significant number of racial ethnic graduates from all of its various degree programs. They have made incredible contributions to the church of Jesus Christ and society. That is to its undeniable credit.”

While studying for her Master of Divinity degree at SFTS, Rev. Ineda P. Adesanya ’13 (D.A.S.D.), ’14 (M.Div.), ’15 (M.A.) was the founding president of the Students of the African Diaspora (StAD) association, offering cultural and social activities for all students of African descent. “It is a space of welcome, comfort, support, and advocacy for students,” says Adesanya, the university chaplain and director of Spiritual and Religious Life at Willamette University and president and CEO of The Chaplaincy Institute in Berkeley, California. Today, StAD endures as part of student life within the University of Redlands Graduate School of Theology.

More recently, programs addressing contemporary issues also shaped students' course of study: "I was drawn to the progressive nature of SFTS and its academics," says Rev. Douglas Olds '10 (M.Div.), '20 (D.Min.), teaching elder in Redwoods Presbytery (PCUSA) and independent researcher in theology and eco-ecclesiology. "I joined the nascent Green Seminary Initiative during my first years at SFTS, which led to auditing the Seminary's carbon emissions, the first such audit undertaken by a Presbyterian seminary."

Looking forward as we celebrate 150 years

In 2019, when the University of Redlands merged with SFTS, it ensured the financial stability of the Seminary. During the Seminary's 150th anniversary celebration in November, U of R President Krista L. Newkirk recognized the value and promise of SFTS as part of the U of R Graduate School of Theology (GST). "In welcoming San Francisco Theological Seminary as part of our University community, we are proud to more fully realize a vision to contextualize theology within a broad, inclusive, and socially engaged educational enterprise," she said. "Our [GST] enrollment continues to grow—this fall, we welcomed 41 percent more students than originally projected, with 109 students throughout all degree and certificate programs.

"Aligned in this vision, SFTS and the University share a deep synergy of values that include a commitment to education for justice and social transformation, critical thinking, and respect for spiritual foundations. As we look back and celebrate the past 150 years, there is much about the Seminary that remains the same. ... Other elements have changed and will continue to change, but this evolution is based on that shared vision."

While perhaps now very different than how the founders understood it, "SFTS is distinctly 'West Coast,'" says Ride. "The atmosphere is fairly casual and extraordinarily kind and friendly, especially for a competitive graduate school. Justice issues have always mattered to SFTS faculty and students."

Chinn underscores this sentiment: "When I was a student in the 1960s, it was no different than today. The world was in an uproar. Churches were challenged to be relevant and prophetic.



CALIGODLEY

Members of the SFTS family—past and present—came together for the Seminary's anniversary. The grand Geneva Hall, built in 1952, stands in welcome.

"Thanks to my education and biblical/theological formation at SFTS, I was given the tools to lead my congregations in trying times. This is the legacy of SFTS. And, it will continue providing the training for leaders in today's world." **OT**

Polly Coote, Ph.D., retired associate professor of biblical Greek, registrar, and associate dean of student life at SFTS, contributed to this story.

Historical facts within this story are culled from San Francisco Theological Seminary: The Shaping of a Western School of the Church, 1871-1998, by Professor Emeritus of Old Testament Robert B. Coote and the late Professor Emeritus of Continuing Education John S. Hadsell '54 (B.D.).



STEVE CARROLL

The impact of giving at SFTS

From July 1, 2019, to the end of the *Forever Yours* campaign on Dec. 31, 2021, \$4.18 million was raised to support the Graduate School of Theology, home of San Francisco Theological Seminary. This support came from nearly 700 donors, and the impact of their collective generosity has been significant. "I am grateful for the support of our alumni and friends," says Assistant Provost, Interim Dean, and Professor of the History of Christianity Christopher Ocker. "We know the transformative work they do every day as pastors, teachers, chaplains, spiritual directors, entrepreneurs, and community leaders. Our arms remain wide open to students from all over the world because their hearts are open to us."



COCO MCKOWN '04, '10

FOREVER

starts today

HOW THE UNIVERSITY'S HISTORIC CAMPAIGN IMPACTS BULLDOGS TODAY, TOMORROW, AND BEYOND

By Laura Gallardo '03, '22

On the evening of Feb. 23, just hours after her inauguration as the 12th president of the University of Redlands, President Krista L. Newkirk beamed with pride as she looked across the Quad.

Facing hundreds of students, alumni, faculty, staff, and friends, Newkirk shared an exciting announcement—the *Forever Yours* campaign, the most ambitious and far-reaching fundraising effort in the University's history, had exceeded its original fundraising goal of \$200 million. With a record \$207,159,850 in gifts and commitments, *Forever Yours* marks a significant philanthropic milestone for the

institution, and Bulldogs will feel the ripple effects for years to come.

"This monumental support will benefit our University today, tomorrow, and forever, ensuring life-changing opportunities for our current and future students," says Newkirk. "For all of those who gave, I want to sincerely and personally thank you. You have left a legacy of love and support that will positively impact future generations."

The stories in this issue of *Och Tamale* honor the many ways these generous contributions directly benefit our students, our alumni, and our future—making it *Forever Ours*.

"The larger the endowment, the healthier the University. Closing out this campaign gives us the confidence to continue to enlist our donors in this great cause to make quality education affordable and accessible."

—BOARD OF TRUSTEES CHAIR JIM ASHBY '82



U.S. Bank's Rockette Ewell
and Jeffrey Lewis

MATT REITER

SCHOLARSHIP PROMISE

"I didn't have the burden of worrying about a job while attending school. Without my scholarship, I don't think that would have been possible. Scholarships allow students' goals to be attainable, and they make dreams come true."

— STEPHEN KREDEL '22, LAURA DANGERMOND ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENT

» 'The moment I knew I was going to attain my goal'

When Stephen Kredel '22 completed his service in the U.S. Army, he set his sights on a college education—and already had the University of Redlands in mind. "One of the reasons I joined the military was so I could attain a debt-free college degree," says Kredel, who transferred to the University from Crafton Hills College, a community college in Yucaipa, California.

Growing up locally, Kredel remembers driving through campus and attending the University's Fourth of July fireworks. "At first, the U of R felt out of reach, but I applied anyway." When he received his acceptance letter, Kredel learned he had received generous financial aid from the University, including the Laura Dangermond Endowed Scholarship. He was ecstatic. "[Paired with the GI Bill], I knew then I was going to achieve my goal of attending Redlands, a top-tier university."

As a student, Kredel appreciated the Office of Military and Veteran Services, which helped him communicate with the United States Department of Veterans Affairs. "Whenever I had a question, they always had the answer or pointed me in the right direction."

In mid-January, he began his new career as a technical writer at Esri, the geographical information systems company founded by his scholarship donors, Jack and Laura Dangermond. "I am taking my love and passion for writing and turning it into a profession," says Kredel, who dreams of writing historical fiction or science fiction. "My life had humble beginnings, and I didn't know if attending a university of this caliber was a realistic dream. But I achieved it because of the donors who provided scholarships like mine."



Stephen Kredel '22

'This support is core to our company's culture'

When Rockette Ewell started in banking 35 years ago, she only knew one thing for certain—she wanted to make the world a better place. Luckily, a supervisor set her on a path in community reinvestment and corporate social responsibility early in her career—and it changed her life. Ewell is now the vice president and community affairs manager for Southern California at U.S. Bank, and she says, "I recognized this is what I should be doing, and I've been doing it ever since."

Ewell is proud of U.S. Bank's commitment to serving the military and veterans through their foundation giving and hiring practices. "This support is core to our company's culture," she adds. "A key component is being able to invest in spaces that help underwrite access to education, particularly for those communities that might have barriers to getting there."

U.S. Bank has been supporting scholarships and programming for military and veteran students

at the U of R since 2017, and Ewell appreciates the University's thoughtful approach to their partnership. "The collaboration has been an ongoing conversation. It takes into account where we can have an impact and where the University sees a need we can meet. You can't ask for a better relationship than that."

Jeffrey Lewis, senior vice president of consumer and business banking for the Inland Empire, says U.S. Bank's community involvement through employee volunteerism and foundation grantmaking is one of the best parts of his job. "I was born and raised in the Inland Empire, so I'm passionate about making sure that our communities thrive."

U.S. Bank also partners with the University to offer the popular Money Matters financial education series that resumes this spring (visit www.redlands.edu/moneymatters for details).

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BY THE NUMBERS

\$126M+

RAISED FOR SCHOLARSHIP PROMISE (GIFTS AND COMMITMENTS)

\$207M+

TOTAL RAISED DURING THE FOREVER YOURS CAMPAIGN (GIFTS AND COMMITMENTS)

72

NEW ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIPS DURING THE LIFE OF THE CAMPAIGN

\$35M

FROM THE LATE RICH HUNSAKER '52 AND GINNIE HUNSAKER '52 TO ESTABLISH THE HUNSAKER SCHOLARSHIP PRIZE, THE LARGEST GIFT IN THE CAMPAIGN

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Doug Chaffee '65 and
Paulette Marshall Chaffee '71

MATT REITER

PERSONALIZED EDUCATION

“Personalized education means every student who comes to Redlands can choose their own path, and faculty play a central role in that discovery process.”

– BRYCE RYAN, JOHN STAUFFER DIRECTOR OF THE CENTER FOR SCIENCE AND MATHEMATICS

» » ‘Can’t help but give 100 percent’

As an undergraduate, Professor Bryce Ryan originally planned to attend medical school, but a volunteer opportunity at a local hospital changed his mind. “I realized I did not want to be in a clinical setting, but rather, in a classroom, and I was not on the right path,” says Ryan, who joined the University’s faculty in 2008. “I started making career choices to end up at a place like Redlands.”

Ryan recalls a student who, like him, entered the University on the pre-med track, but took an ecology course and discovered he wanted to be a field biologist. “At another school, he would have been pushed down his initial pathway,” says Ryan, who holds a Ph.D. in zoology from North Carolina State University. “But at Redlands, he learned he had a true passion.”

Assuming the Stauffer directorship in 2020 has led Ryan to interact with a broader range of individuals on campus. “I saw on my first day that our students were amazing,” says Ryan, “but now I also see how incredibly dedicated to our students the faculty and staff are. They put in so much extra work and love.” Ryan says it’s this close interaction with students that draws a special type of person to Redlands faculty in the first place. “In this environment, you can’t help but give 100 percent.”

In addition to developing hands-on research opportunities for undergraduate students, Ryan wants to better serve the University’s growing diverse student population in the sciences. Ultimately, he hopes to recruit faculty from similarly diverse backgrounds and life experiences.

When reflecting on his time at Redlands, Ryan says he never gets tired of teaching, even after 14 years. “How lucky I am to still feel this way about my job.”

‘People who care about their communities’

When Doug Chaffee ’65 and Paulette Marshall Chaffee ’71 attended the University, several faculty

members made a significant impact on their lives, including Professors Bob Morlan, Judson “Sandy” Sanderson, and Maury Durall.

“There was a great opportunity to explore the liberal arts,” says Doug, who volunteered in the Peace Corps after law school and now chairs the Orange County Board of Supervisors (representing the fourth district). “These experiences prepared me to pursue different avenues and created an awareness of the world.”

After U of R, Doug and Paulette were set up by their mothers, who both attended Fullerton Methodist Church. “Our mothers knew best,” says Doug with a smile. “The smartest thing I ever did was marry a Redlands graduate.”

When their son, Marshall Chaffee ’10, selected U of R, the couple was excited to see the Redlands experience through his eyes. “Marshall’s experience was wonderful,” says Paulette, who served on the University’s parent advisory group. Doug recalls his son’s love of Outdoor Programs and his distinction as the outstanding senior in the

sciences. “He was able to participate in research at Redlands,” Paulette recalls, “and his work on the mass spectrometer distinguished him among his graduate school classmates at University of Virginia.”

Doug and Paulette feel strongly about the need for environmental sciences in today’s world, while acknowledging the contributions of related fields to this area. “Such a discipline requires important policy conversations and science-based decisions,” says Doug. The couple has established an endowed chair, which they hope will not only inspire more students to pursue this field but also help the University recruit outstanding talent.

Says Doug, “We need people who care about their communities and want to make the world a better and safer place.”



Professor
Bryce
Ryan

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BY THE NUMBERS

\$42.4M

RAISED FOR PERSONALIZED EDUCATION (GIFTS AND COMMITMENTS)

36

ENDOWED FACULTY POSITIONS, INCLUDING FOUR NEW CHAIRS GAINED DURING THE FOREVER YOURS CAMPAIGN THAT HAVE YET TO BE FILLED

234

STUDENT SCIENCE RESEARCHERS FUNDED DURING THE FOREVER YOURS CAMPAIGN

15,573

FOREVER YOURS CAMPAIGN DONORS*

▶ **7,690** ALUMNI AND STUDENTS

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▶ **58** TRUSTEES

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Brian Murphy '04 and
Kerri Hatfield '04

EXPERIENTIAL LEARNING

“Experiential learning [outside the classroom] includes learning about myself ... the meaning of hard work, dedication, and personal growth. ... This type of learning has helped me in ways I couldn’t imagine.”

– GABBY ROCKWOOD '24, BULLDOG TENNIS STUDENT-ATHLETE

Part of something bigger

While on a road trip to look at colleges, Gabby Rockwood '24 knew tennis would be a significant consideration in her decision.

“I wanted to play for a Division III school. It’s very fun and allows me to appreciate the sport more.” Her parents, Richard Rockwood '92 and Lesley Kearney-Rockwood '94, attended the University, so Redlands already felt like home. But the handwritten letters she received from former Head Tennis Coach Geoff Roche '96 ultimately made up her mind. “I knew he wanted me to play at Redlands.”

A studio art major, Gabby considers her experience with Bulldog tennis among the best times of her life. The exhilarating tournaments and matches make her feel part of something bigger, but she knows the influence of her relationships will last long after graduation: “Teammates, coaches, alumni, and even those I am playing against have helped me become a better person.”

Attending Tennis Alumni Day also brought home this perspective, she says, “Seeing those who came before reminded me that it’s not just about winning or losing.”

Gabby is also excited for the construction of the University’s new tennis center, which will be named after U of R tennis coach Jim Verdieck. “The Center combines our shared love of tennis,” she says of Verdieck’s legacy, adding, “I can’t wait to share it with our community, says Gabby, and knows the Center will be a huge draw for recruiting new students. “I feel so lucky to be playing during the facility’s first years.”

‘Providing opportunities as fulfilling as ours’

Husband and wife Brian Murphy '04 and Kerri Hatfield '04 know firsthand the lasting impact of Bulldog tennis, as well as the opportunities provided

by traditions, such as Community Service Learning (CSL), Greek life, and student government. As first-year student-athletes, their connection blossomed during courtside conversations and over smoothies and chicken tenders at the Plaza Café.

“We both share this feeling that the University provides opportunities that encourage leadership and holistic experiences,” says Murphy, president and managing director at Meridian Capital, a

Seattle-based investment firm.

Hatfield, who pursued a career in higher education, recalls “incredibly eye-opening” CSL classes that included building homes with Habitat for Humanity and an overnight stay at Union Rescue Mission, inspiring the couple’s desire to give back. “U of R fosters a balance between academics and experiential learning,” says Hatfield. “It helped me connect the dots, whether by navigating challenging situations or compromising with peers.”

Murphy, now a U of R trustee and member of the Tennis

Campaign Committee, adds, “I have found that the ability to work with and learn from people of different backgrounds is as important as any skill in the real world. Experiences outside the classroom and the leadership opportunities I had at Redlands made such a difference in learning how to do that.”

During the campaign, the couple supported the Verdieck Tennis Center and CSL. “Athletic facilities are important, especially since 25 percent of incoming students are recruited student-athletes,” says Murphy. Hatfield notes that CSL programs are not just valuable for students but for the entire community. “They build skills and professional experiences while also doing good.”

Ultimately, according to Murphy, “We want to continue providing opportunities as fulfilling as ours.”



Gabby Rockwood '24

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BY THE NUMBERS

\$17.1M

RAISED FOR EXPERIENTIAL LEARNING (GIFTS AND COMMITMENTS)

\$1,616,955

CASH-IN-HAND FOR THE COACH JIM VERDIECK TENNIS CENTER DURING THE FOREVER YOURS CAMPAIGN, WITH AN ADDITIONAL \$800K IN COMMITMENTS TOWARD THE \$3 MILLION GOAL

4 & 18

FOUR TENNIS COURTS AND 18 TENNIS BENCHES NAMED DURING THE FOREVER YOURS CAMPAIGN

100,000+

SERVICE HOURS FROM U OF R STUDENTS ANNUALLY, RESULTING IN \$2.4 MILLION IN SOCIAL VALUE TO THE LOCAL COMMUNITY

3

GIVING DAYS DURING THE FOREVER YOURS CAMPAIGN, RAISING NEARLY \$750,000

▶ TO HEAR MORE FROM GABBY, BRIAN, AND KERRI, VISIT WWW.REDLANDS.EDU/EXPERIENCELEARNING.



Darrell Daugherty, Alumni Board
President Mary Vivanco '88, and
Kate Daugherty '23

GLOBAL PERSPECTIVES

“A global perspective means having an open mind, being open to new experiences, challenging yourself to adapt, and immersing yourself in an environment so you can take different approaches to problem-solving.”

– MONTSERRAT PINEDA '21, INAUGURAL VIVANCO-DAUGHERTY FAMILY STUDY ABROAD TRAVEL GRANT RECIPIENT



‘Bringing the knowledge back home’

When Montserrat Pineda '22 learned she had been selected as the inaugural recipient of the Vivanco-Daugherty Family Study Abroad Travel Grant, she was “honored beyond words.” Pineda, a first-generation student from Long Beach, California, felt supported by the U of R community in her decision to study away in London. “As the first recipient, I knew I was beginning a legacy.”

From the moment she exited Heathrow Airport, Pineda gained a new perspective from the vibrant city. As a student at Queen Mary University, she took classes on British feminist activism (alongside 50 other female students) and learned about the country’s policies, including its national health-care system. A political science major, Pineda selected this program to align with her professional goals, which include providing resources to marginalized groups through policy. “It was important to me to be able to bring the knowledge back home,” says Pineda.

Navigating a new city also helped Pineda learn about herself, as she gained independence and stepped outside her comfort zone. In addition to Poland and Italy, her travel highlights included visiting her namesake mountain monastery in Spain: “When I was younger, I learned about the origin of my name, and it was the place in the world I had dreamed of visiting.”

Pineda now continues her legacy by overseeing the first-gen ambassador program for the University’s Study Away Office. “I want students from backgrounds similar to mine to know that study away is possible,” she says. “I think being more inclusive in the way that we promote these programs can help us make other spaces on campus more inclusive as well.”

‘Creating global citizens’

Alumni Board President Mary Vivanco '88 describes her abroad semester as “transformative” because it cultivated her love of travel. While living

at Salzburg’s Haus Wartenberg in spring 1987, she recalls a saying scratched into an interior door that read, “The last day here is sooner than you think.”

“That sentiment and experience changed my philosophical view of life,” says Vivanco, also a University trustee. “I was following the footsteps of history, and a whole new world opened up that has had a long-lasting effect.” But her individual experience, including an interim travel class in

English art and architecture, was not the only positive outcome she sees in studying away. “You come back a different person, and that increases the consciousness of the collective, creating global citizens.”

Travel is a value that Vivanco and her husband, Darrell Daugherty, have integrated into their family’s culture. Their daughter, Kate Daugherty '23, a psychology major, says, “Sitting around the dinner table, we discussed where we wanted to go, and I could express my interests.” She remembers the family’s trip to Southeast Asia as growing her

confidence and opening her eyes.

When Vivanco and Daugherty considered their campaign leadership gift, they included Kate and their son, Brendan Daugherty '19, in the conversation. “They will be the ones to carry on the legacy,” says Vivanco. Daugherty’s sister, Kerrigan Daugherty '04, also attended Redlands, and he is proud to be associated with the school. “We wanted our family’s gift to create unique travel experiences, especially for first-gen students.”

The family recently met Pineda, an experience that reaffirmed their decision to establish the Vivanco-Daugherty Family Student Abroad Travel Grant Endowment, which helps students with expenses related to study away, such as airfare and visas. “We knew we made the right decision,” says Daugherty.

Vivanco agrees. “We feel very lucky to participate, and meeting Montserrat propels us into more excitement for future recipients.”



Montserrat Pineda '22

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\$7.5M

RAISED FOR GLOBAL PERSPECTIVES (GIFTS AND COMMITMENTS)

81

TRAVEL GRANTS AWARDED TO STUDENTS DURING THE *FOREVER YOURS* CAMPAIGN

7,533


NEW DONORS DURING THE *FOREVER YOURS* CAMPAIGN

\$4,925

AVERAGE GIFT FOR THE *FOREVER YOURS* CAMPAIGN

37

CROWDFUNDING PROJECTS FOR SPECIFIC UNIVERSITY NEEDS DURING THE *FOREVER YOURS* CAMPAIGN

 TO HEAR MORE FROM MONTSERRAT, MARY, DARRELL, AND KATE, VISIT WWW.REDLANDS.EDU/GLOBAL.



Professor Yasuyuki "Yash" Owada
and Professor Bill McDonald

EDUCATIONAL INNOVATION

“The source of Johnston’s educational innovation is that it changed the relationship between faculty and students ... both are engaged in active learning as co-learners.”

– PROFESSOR YASUYUKI “YASH” OWADA, FOUNDING FACULTY MEMBER OF JOHNSTON COLLEGE

»» ‘Where change takes place’

Professor Yasuyuki “Yash” Owada was in Tokyo, Japan, when he received the invitation from Johnston College Chancellor Pressley McCoy to join the faculty in 1969. “I didn’t fully understand all of it at the time,” says Owada, who retired in 1999 after three decades of service to Johnston, “but it was a delightful invitation.”

Professor Bill McDonald, who continues to teach at Redlands today, joined Owada as one of 17 charter faculty members whom McCoy hired that year. “Johnston was founded to be experimental,” says McDonald, “and from the beginning, we asked both students and faculty to bring their full individual selves, thought, and feeling together, to every class, every community meeting. ... There are not many chances to build an institution, but we did, and that’s where change takes place.”

Owada adds, “Students are the teachers as well, and that is part of the pleasure of being connected to Johnston.”

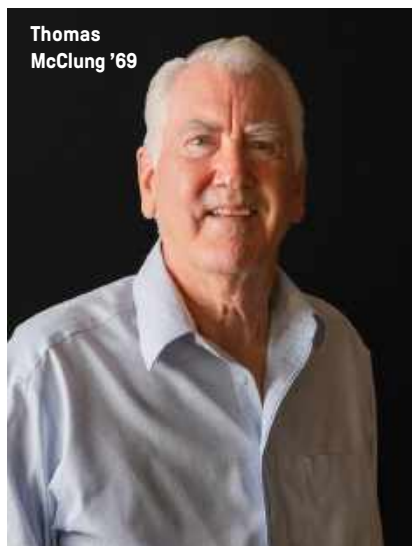
Both professors stay connected to alumni from the Johnston community. Owada participates in weekly Zoom calls with about a dozen Johnston College graduates from the late 1970s and early 1980s. One of McDonald’s favorite Johnston practices of lifelong learning is the alumni seminars, funded in part by the late Kathryn Green ’76, “where we are reading, writing, and thinking together.”

Owada and McDonald have both included a provision in their estate plans for the Johnston Founders’ Chair in Alternative Education, which will add a faculty member to help continue the Center’s innovative approach.

Owada notes, “The chair will be very important to carrying the Johnston mission throughout the University.”

‘Students can truly direct their education’

When Thomas McClung ’69 attended Redlands, the Johnston Center for Integrative Studies was just beginning. Ten years ago, while serving on the Alumni Association Board of Directors, he received a campus tour that stopped at the Bekins/Holt complex. After that, McClung was “assigned” to Johnston, which he says was “the best thing that ever happened.”



Over the last decade, McClung has formed great memories with Johnston, including three different May Term travel courses to Cuba, England, and Greece. “Johnston students were intently listening to the tour guides and asked terrific questions,” recalls McClung. “I was very impressed.”

As a regular participant in Johnston activities, including the 50th anniversary renewal in 2018, he has had the opportunity to meet new students and see the “huge difference” four years later. McClung believes students who didn’t thrive in traditional

learning environments, such as his older brother, would have thrived at Johnston. “Students can truly direct their education,” says McClung, “and it would have been a place for someone like him to fit in.”

McClung serves as chair of the George P. Cortner Heritage Society, which honors individuals who have included the University as part of their estate plans or other deferred gifts. His own legacy commitments include a provision for the Johnston Founders’ Chair in Alternative Education and a cross-cultural travel grant endowment for Johnston students, named after his parents, Charles E. and Frances B. McClung.

“Endowments are the most important way to make sure funding will be there in the future,” says McClung. “Johnston is very important, and this ensures it will continue as a shining example of excellence and innovation at the University.” **OT**

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\$13.8M

RAISED FOR EDUCATIONAL INNOVATION (GIFTS AND COMMITMENTS)

221


NEW CORTNER SOCIETY MEMBERS DURING THE FOREVER YOURS CAMPAIGN

185

JOHNSTON STUDENT PROJECTS FUNDED DURING THE FOREVER YOURS CAMPAIGN

\$274.6M

FAIR MARKET VALUE OF THE UNIVERSITY’S ENDOWMENT AT THE END OF THE FOREVER YOURS CAMPAIGN

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‘Taps’ on the Mississippi

Last August, Scott Armacost '82 and daughter Samantha Armacost '16 (Johnston) began a three-month canoe trip down the length of the Mississippi River.

By Laurie McLaughlin

Folks silently removed their hats and put their hands over their hearts as Scott Armacost '82 played “Taps” on his trumpet at dusk. “No one exchanged words before or after,” says Scott’s daughter, Samantha Armacost '16 (Johnston), of the short ceremony at Lover’s Leap overlooking the Mississippi River in Hannibal, Missouri, this last fall. “It was moving because everyone knew what it meant.”

This solemn reaction was not a surprise to the father-daughter duo. Each evening, Scott, a U.S. Navy veteran, played the traditional military funeral hymn in memory of those whose deaths were related to COVID-19. The commemoration gave extraordinary purpose to the Armacosts’ multi-month paddling trip down the Mississippi in a 17-foot canoe, an adventure they named “A River Eulogy.”

To accommodate the excursion, Scott worked remotely as a financial advisor. Samantha is a professional outdoor guide with the skills to navigate the trip, and she had completed the year’s seasonal employment. The 2,300-mile southerly journey began on Aug. 16, 2021, at Lake Itasca, Minnesota, and ended on Nov. 23, 2021, at the Gulf of Mexico.

The long-planned adventure was originally a way to celebrate Scott’s September birthday, “but we also wanted to make the trip about more than just ourselves,” says Samantha. “COVID-19 is a universal experience, and so many people weren’t able to have or attend in-person memorials or funerals.”

Scott and Samantha are the grandson and great-granddaughter of George Henry



Samantha Armacost '16 (left) and dad Scott Armacost '82

Armacost, U of R’s president from 1945 to 1970, and his wife, First Lady Verda Armacost. On their trip, the two are realizing a goal that so many Bulldogs hope to achieve: helping others in need.

So, at each day’s end, no matter where they docked, Samantha livestreamed as Scott played, and she included the names of people who died with the post. “I wanted to bring it back to the people and not just the number of lives

lost,” she says. Sometimes at sundown, Scott and Samantha were alone on a sandbar, with fellow trekkers at a campground, or staying at a host’s home. “People usually cheered or clapped or cried,” says Samantha.

It was also “fun being partners in this,” she says of the sometimes-daunting days paddling against the elements in a drought-lowered river and the ever-changing weather, including what Samantha and Scott joked was “their old friend the southeast wind.”

The voyage was documented on Instagram (@a.river.eulogy) with help from Scott’s wife and Samantha’s mom, Miho Armacost, in Oakland, California. Friends followed their progression down the river as they raised money for two charities through GoFundMe: Tragedy Assistance Program Fund for Survivors (coincidentally known as T.A.P.S.) and Direct Relief, which provides medical support to those in need.

Samantha and Scott were honored to share the names and remember loved ones lost at each evening’s bugle call. “We knew this was a rare experience,” she says of being able to take time off for such an ambitious trip with her dad. “It was amazing.” **OT**



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Class notes

Class notes reflect submissions from
Sept. 8, 2021, to Jan. 19, 2022.

The College

▾ 1954

Elvin Bartel '54 and his wife, Jayne, are still enjoying the desert life in Rancho Mirage, California. Elvin retired from the Bonita Unified School District and Jayne from the Covina-Valley Unified School District and Foothill Christian School in 1991. They are enjoying time with their four children and eight grandchildren living in Chino Hills, Goleta, and Los Osos, as well as traveling in the summer. Additional travel plans for 2022 include Big Bear and Solvang. They said they are very thankful for God's blessings of good health.

Jim Crow '54 retired after four years as the associate superintendent of the Morgan Hill Unified School District in 1996. He and his wife, Laraine Roberts, moved to Pacifica, California, where he came out of retirement in 1997 to become the interim superintendent of the Laguna Salada School District. In 1998, he taught English classes, consulted, and copyedited at the area community college. Laraine died in 2012, and in 2020, Jim lost his son, Warne, from complications from melanoma. His three other children, two stepsons, and numerous grandchildren are all doing fine. He is staying busy and "always learning" but has not traveled out of the Bay Area since March 2020.

Ron Davis '54 and his wife, Dionne, are still living in the desert community of La Quinta, California, and staying as active and healthy as they can during these pandemic years. While not able to have "normal" visits with friends, they are doing a good job of communicating via email and always trying to keep things on the lighter side.

Don Ruh '54 (your "old" Class of '54 reporter) and **Sandra Luchsinger Ruh '57** are still "hanging in there," while wondering how they ever made it when they were once working. Time spent visiting doctors consumes more time than they wish, but they remain active at Mt. San Antonio College and its various events, including the new and almost unbelievable athletic complex and Hall of Fame building, soon to be completed for the April Mt. SAC relays. They wish all classmates and U of R's new president a happy and healthy new year.

George Russell '54 and **Mary Rector Russell '54** will be heading to Alaska again in June, accompanied by their two daughters and son-in-law. It is a Holland America Cruise they have fallen in love with (they've also fallen in love with the lobster served on board). In March, they also stayed at the La Posada Hotel in Winslow, Arizona, but otherwise, they are "staying put" in their Sun Lakes, California, home.

▾ 1958

Rod Stephens '58, his wife, Shirley, and son, Jim, stay in their homes and wear their N95 masks when going out. Rod enjoys keeping in touch with

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Wayne Mitchell '60 and his wife, Marie, donate the commissioned piece, "Honor The Treaties," to the Heard Art Museum in Phoenix, Arizona.



Joe Cortez '64, Bill Carney '64, and Chuck Sorrells '64 during their annual golf outing in Death Valley.

old friends via computer; so isolation is not quite so bad. He continues to upload the University of Redlands Choir masters to his YouTube channel. Watch the videos at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-jxGksdr0Bc>.

↘ 1959

Janet Gregory Fletcher '59 had a wonderful Christmas celebration in Colorado with children, grands, and 2-year-old great-grandson, Dylan! California seems to have the weather as the Denver area had no snow.

Sue Blackwell Hurlbut '59 was invited by the University to the Endowment Luncheon held in October. She was seated with **Ayled Zazueta '23**, the inaugural recipient of the Howard Hurlbut Memorial Endowed Scholarship established in memory of her late husband, **Howard Hurlbut '59**. Howard taught Russian Studies and English at the U of R from 1959 to 2001. Also in attendance were two of Howard's students from the 1960s, **Bill Bruns '64** and **Bob Levy '64**, who were among the organizers of the campaign to raise funds for the scholarship. In early October, Sue traveled to Costa Rica on a birding trip.

Ron Johnson '59 continues judging part time when needed by the courts. He spends his time riding his horse, Belle, walking Rusty the dog, watching grandchildren, and taking care of his house in Palm Springs and condo in San Diego!

Marilyn Kerr Solter '59 finds a common theme among all the messages from the **Class of 1959**: the hope that COVID-19 will soon be over! With that in mind, stay safe, and wishing you all a happy new year!

↘ 1960

Wayne Mitchell '60 and his wife, Marie, donated the sculpture, *Honor The Treaties*, to the Heard Museum in Phoenix, Arizona. It was dedicated in November 2021 with 70 people in attendance.

↘ 1961

Gail Mungen Burnett '61 keeps up with her various groups—partly through Zoom and partly in person (masked services)—but nothing noteworthy. Gail found that one of her American Association of University Women friends, **Ellen Beans '62**, also graduated from the U of R. She found Ellen's name right under her listing in the last *Och Tamale*. Neither had realized that the other was a U of R grad. When Gail called to tell her, she opened with "Och Tamale, etc." Ellen was REALLY surprised. Fun!

Nylah Ebersole Chilton '61 and her husband, Gary, continue to be happily retired and live in a retirement community in McMinnville, Oregon. They celebrated their 60th anniversary last year, and while they don't travel as much as they have in the past, they are healthy, vaccinated, and boosted. Campus activities have been somewhat curtailed, but it is good to be living in a community with interesting friends and neighbors. They were happy to hear a U of R advertisement on their local NPR station ... a first, as far as they know. This was especially interesting since McMinnville is home to Linfield University, considered a sister campus to the U of R back in the 1960s.

James Gibbs '61 and partner, Catherine, recently visited his Redlands roommate and close friend, **Dennis Davies '61**, and his wife, Sheila, in Glendora, California. They all enjoyed attending their 60th class reunion dinner. And, of course, it's always

fun to see new parts of the campus and the older parts with which they are so familiar. James hasn't reported all these years, so he is summarizing his post-Redlands days. He received a doctorate in sociology from the University of Washington; taught at Emory University in Atlanta and Loyola University of Chicago; and then went on to a career in health services research at Blue Cross and Blue Shield Association in Chicago, Veterans Affairs, and Northwestern University. For 48 years, he has lived in Evanston, Illinois, where he and his wife, Phyllis, raised two children and were privileged to spend a lot of time with their six grandchildren when they were young. They were married 50 years when Phyllis died in 2014, and Catherine and James have been together for six years. They are very involved in volunteer work in climate, peace, and justice, and they travel. Prior to the pandemic, they traveled to Madrid and Barcelona. Several times a year, they spend time at property James co-owns in the Redwoods, south of San Francisco, where they visit and hike with Bay Area family and friends.

Jim Jordan '61 and **Carol Gustafson Jordan '61** celebrated a trip around Greece for three weeks in September and October, then attended their 60th reunion, seeing many people they had not seen or heard from in a long time. They spent a week in Bamberg, Germany, where they served in the U.S. Army 50 years ago. They met several former friends who served with them. The mayor of Bamberg gave them an official reception in the town hall, thanking them for their service 50 years ago. They also celebrated their 61st anniversary of marriage and are looking forward to another 61 years! Jim received the Federal Aviation Administration's highest honor, the Master Pilot Award, for more than 50 years of accident-free flying.

Lindsay Nielson '61 is still practicing law in Ventura, California. He never got the memo regarding retirement. Although he has been a real estate lawyer forever, he seems to be a receiver for the courts and judges now. It never gets boring, as he has run a movie distribution company, a hotel, a grocery store, a dog breeder, a medical billing company, and a manufacturing company, among other things. He does not know what he will be asked to do from week to week. A lot of the work entails selling properties that are involved in litigation. He is involved with all the usual community things: hospital board, grand jury, the advisory board for the Auto Club of Southern California, law school trustee, and tons of community commissions. U of R memories are great. He is grateful.

Deanna Dechert Passchier '61 and her husband, Arie, are getting ready for her long-awaited Salzburg alumni trip in June. They enjoyed the 1961 class reunion and meeting new University President Krista Newkirk at her beautiful Tudor home. It was a great three-day event. She was really happy to see some members from the Class of 1961 whom she recognized, and several classmates remembered her. Sadly, she found out that two of her five Redlands roommates died in recent years. At 82, Deanna is happy to be a survivor of the pandemic. She has much to be thankful for in 2022. She is attending an Osher Lifelong Learning Institutes class, Poetry for Pleasure. They published a new collection of original poems, *Grey Matters*, in 2021. This class has been meeting on Zoom during most of the pandemic. Och Tamale!

Judy May Sisk '61 had a fun experience with a U of R grad: At one of Judy's El Palo Alto Chapter Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR) meetings, a member came over and whispered, "Did you graduate from the U of R?" Judy's reply was, "Yes. How did you know?" **Andrea Wikle Kirjassoff '79** replied, "I saw your email listed under class notes reporters in the *Och Tamale*." Since then, Judy and Andrea have been regularly greeting each other at DAR meetings with "Och Tamale."

↘ 1962

Save the date for the **Class of 1962 60th Reunion** on the weekend of Oct. 21-23, 2022! If you would like to join your reunion committee, please email mary_littlejohn@redlands.edu.

Dan Armstrong '62, Judy Sundahl Armstrong '63, Mike Amsbry '62, Tom Gilmer '62, Judy Smith Gilmer '62, Joyce Hull Mattox '62, Jerry Redman '62, Bill Smith '62, Terri Fitzgerald Smith '64, and Rose Tarkanian '89 came together at a recent birthday party in Belmont Shores, California. An unexpected but successful surgery prevented **Fred Niedermeyer '62, '67** (and his wife **Donna Griffin Niedermeyer '62**) from attending this enjoyable mini-reunion.

↘ 1963

Susan Whitlo Clasen '63 lost her husband of 54 years this past fall.



Pete Peterson '64, Vicki Peterson, Bill Carney '64, and Marlene Carney (left to right) enjoy a tasting at the Whalebone Winery in Paso Robles.

Norm Naylor '63 was on a cruise up the Mississippi River when he met two U of R graduates, enjoying the cruise and sharing memories of the University.

↘ 1964

Bill Carney '64, Joe Cortez '64, and Chuck Sorrells '64 enjoyed their annual golf outing in Death Valley in November 2021.

Pete Peterson '64 and his wife, Vicki, still live in Monument, Colorado, where Pete is active in Kiwanis and plays Santa a few times every Christmas. "I'm goofing around at retirement," he says. This past year they met **Bill Carney '64** and his wife, Marlene, in California "for a fun stay at Cambria, where we bored the wives with the same old stories." The Carneys live in La Verne, California, and are docents at the Huntington Gardens. Pete adds, "We drove to California (our fourth road trip of 2021), traveling 4,211.3 miles in three weeks." Highlights included Pocatello (Flaming Gorge); Bodega Bay ("The Birds" schoolhouse); Lone Pine (Western Movie Museum); Longstreet Inn via Death Valley (lunch with a motorcycle gang); Mesquite (where Vicki won \$440,000 on the slots 10 years ago); Montrose (Museum of the West); "and home to Monument over a very icy Monarch Pass!"

Chuck Wilke '64 and **John Hintz '64** are part of an annual bike trip. They will visit Peloponnese in Greece at the end of April for seven days of pretty challenging terrain. This year, they are missing **Tony Taylor '63** and **Dave Shikles '64** due to various rehab challenges but expect them back in 2023. Meanwhile, John, Chuck, **Bill Ruehr '64**, and **Jim McElvany '63** are planning their second "Rumble in the Desert" golf outing in early March. They would welcome any alumni participants next year. High handicaps preferred!

↘ 1965

Jim Allen '65, wife Karen, and six other family members spent a fun-filled week whitewater rafting and kayaking on the Main Salmon River through the Frank Church Wilderness of No Return in Idaho last July. A month later, Jim flew to Lake Iliamna, north of Katmai National Park in Alaska, to join a small group photographing Alaskan brown bears (grizzlies). Each morning for four days, they flew on old bush float planes to small lakes in the surrounding tundra wilderness. The group spent the day hiking along—and across and through—streams and rivers looking for bears. Fortunately, the bears were more impressed with the abundant salmon spawning runs than with the photographers. The group had ample opportunities to observe and photograph adult bears and cubs fishing, eating, playing, and resting. In September, Jim and his oldest son took an eight-day camping trip to Northern Arizona and Southwest Utah. Toroweap Overlook in the western Grand Canyon was the first stop to view and photograph the magnificent Colorado River flowing through the inner canyon 3,000 feet below. They then drove to Bryce and Zion National Parks for more hiking and photography. The highlight was hiking the Virgin River Narrows to Big Spring and back. The river was mostly knee to thigh deep, but they did traverse several areas that were waist deep and one sketchy spot that was chest deep. Overall, Jim reports it was a fabulous summer!

Sherry Netzley Engberg '65 sold her Julian, California, home of 22 years and bought a home in the East Bay city of Pinole, California, in April 2021. She loves being close to family and attending her grandchildren's activities. She took her old VW van camping several times last year, including three

trips to Yosemite. Classmate **Gordon Glass '65** and family were also in Yosemite in September. Another trip took her to Tahoe to see friends, including John and **Nancy Wheeler Durein '65**, at their Echo Lake cabin. The U of R reunion in October touched her deeply, especially as her beloved husband, **Bob Engberg '64**, who passed in 2019, was honored with a special award. Her goals in her new neighborhood include finding ways of working toward a more sustainable future.

Judy Merlin Ross '65 and family gathered for Christmas in Hawaii for their first-ever visit. The

weather was beautiful, and they returned home to snow in Portland. Their senior living community is locked down again. She wonders when it will ever end.

↘ 1966

Sandy Logue Alaux '66 has been married to her husband, John, for more than 50 years. She has seven grandchildren and is retired from Cal State University Fullerton. She has done lots of traveling but is slowing down now.

Tom Bandy '66 has wanted to share a Redlands

memory since COVID-19 has limited his activities. In the last *Och Tamale*, Tom noted the passing of **Sarah Stevenson Helt '66** and remembered inviting her to a party at the family home of **Tom Hoover '66** on Balboa Island. Tom wanted to impress her with his sailing skills, so he borrowed Hoover's tiny Sabot sailboat. All was fine going down the main channel with the wind at their backs. However, the little boat didn't want to tack without a keel or centerboard. As it grew dark, they abandoned the boat on the shore and walked many blocks back to the party. So much for showing Sarah his nautical skills!

Sylvia Marcinko Chai '66 responded to Yo-Yo Ma's call on the *PBS News Hour* for "Songs of Comfort" to help us get through the COVID-19 crises. Sylvia played "Praise to the Lord the Almighty" by Wayne Jerome Kerr on a Kilgen pipe organ in Tampa, Florida, in anticipation of the way we will all feel when the pandemic is over. You may view her performance at <https://youtu.be/FLBHScyiJZM>. Sylvia also played the organ and sang on a video she made at Sacred Heart Church in Tampa. You may view this video at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=egcpvHmS9Vs&t=164s>. Sylvia still keeps in contact with **Gladys Rowland Balleaux '67**.

Harriet Clough '66 lives in Scott Valley, California, the small rural valley of her youth, described in her book, *Hello Myrmidon*. She and her sister have waited 70 years to return to "this little piece of heaven." She expects to live out her days there in a house she designed with a view of the valley and Mount Shasta.

Ann Stacy Coppin '66 moved into her remodeled Riverside, California, home a year ago. She enjoys living next door to her daughter's family and having grandkids visit. Because of COVID-19, Ann is very slow in getting acquainted with Riverside.

HISTORY MYSTERY

U of R has always had world-class athletes on campus. Can anyone give us the name of this pole vaulter flying high in this photo?

In response to our photo from the archives on page 48 of the fall 2021 issue, **Cathy Bleecker '77** writes, "I can't help you [name the students] in the 1996 photo, but I can tell you it's not the first time this has been done! I'm not sure who this is, but I'm fairly certain it was taken in North Hall. (It fits the North vibe of the late '70s!) This picture was in one of my yearbooks [between 1973 to 1977]." Now we have a double mystery, and we really want to know: Who are these acrobatic Bulldogs?



Chuck Balleaux, Gladys Rowland Balleaux '67, and Sylvia Marcinko Chai '66 (left to right) celebrate Halloween.

Send information to *Och Tamale*, University of Redlands, 1200 E. Colton Ave., P.O. Box 3080, Redlands, CA 92373-0999 or email ochtamale@redlands.edu.

Jerilynn Smith-Crivello '66 has lived in Monterey, California, for 25 years. She also has a small place in Santa Monica, California, one block from her daughter's family (**Catherine Mahmoudi '96** and **Naysan Mahmoudi '96**), where she enjoys her three grandsons. Jerilynn keeps busy with local historical organizations. She is a commissioner for the City of Monterey's Historic Preservation Commission and a board member of Los Amigos de La Casa Serrano, Native Daughters, and La Merienda, a colorful celebration of the founding of Monterey 252 years ago. She also helps with San Carlos Cathedral's food pantry. After a career of 37 years in education, she enjoys the time she donates in one of California's most historic cities.

Anne Wickett Cross '66 is making it through COVID-19 by organizing safe outdoor gatherings for her neighborhood. Before 2020, she and her husband of 53 years were traveling a lot with **Carol Cordell Ramsperger '66**, **Joyce Collins Landsverk '66**, and their husbands. She is working on a third book, *My Ordinary Extraordinary Life*, paddle boarding, and her grandkid count is up to 12—10 of them are boys!

Wendell Johnson '66 retired in 2013 after 43 years teaching at the U.S. Navy Base school in Sasebo, Japan. He then moved to Siem Reap, Cambodia, home of the Angkor Wat temple complex. He has a volunteer position keeping a website of the unexploded ordnance (also known as unexploded military bombs). A local Cambodian group disposes of them daily. One highlight of his retirement has been helping to build a school in an area cleared and declared safe. Three hundred students now attend. In response to the lack of food for families, Wendell and others donated money to provide lunches for 19 months to 92 people. Wendell could not attend our 50th reunion but hopes to visit the campus and his grandson, **Riley Johnson '25**, soon.

Carleton Macy '66 would like to invite classmates to watch, listen, and enjoy his latest composition for solo violin at carletonmacy.com/work/sunkissed-partita.

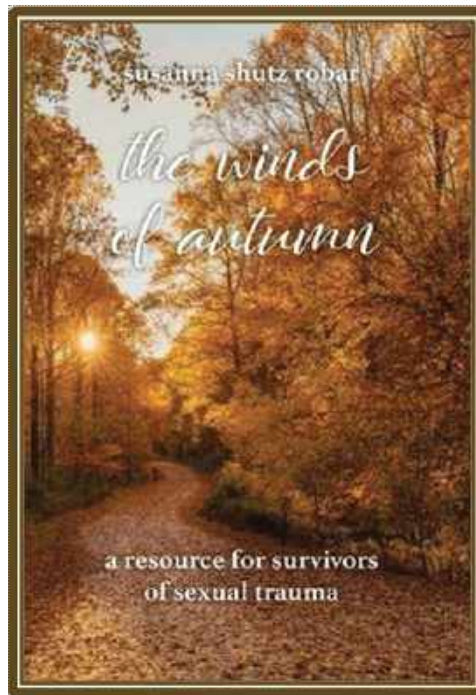
Dave Partie '66 will publish *Voices in the Silent Night*, a collection of Christmas poems later this year by Covenant Books. The collection includes a poem about every character mentioned in the Christmas story in Matthew 1-2 and Luke 1-2. Some of the poems are written as dramatic monologues in which the characters speak for themselves.

Susanna Shutz Robar '66 has written *The Winds of Autumn: A Resource for Survivors of Sexual Trauma*. "The resource book is to be a help for the survivor, for family and friends of the survivor, and for professionals who walk alongside the survivor."

Bill Schoen '66 won the USA Pickleball National 75-plus Mixed Doubles Championship, held at Indian Wells in California in December 2021. He was second in the 4.0 skill bracket for 75-plus singles.

John Yeomans '66 made a donation to the planned Coach Jim Verdick Tennis Center. Contact John to learn more about how you can help.

Sharon Uzzel Young '66 and **Randy Young '66** joined **Mike Nice '66** and his wife, Jackie, for a pre-Christmas dinner near their homes in Washington.



The Winds of Autumn: A Resource for Survivors of Sexual Trauma is authored by Susanna Shutz Robar '66.

Snow and rain have prevented them from getting together for golf this winter, but they're hoping for good weather this spring.

↘ 1967

Save the date for the **Class of 1967 55th Reunion** on the weekend of Oct. 21-23, 2022! If you would like to join your reunion committee, please email mary_littlejohn@redlands.edu.

Russ Livingston '67 and **Connie Moxon Livingston '67** realized 55 years as a married couple in June 2021. They first saw each other on the second day of Freshman Orientation in 1963 in the basement of Cal Hall during a scheduled discussion of, oddly, *Lord of the Flies*. Significant mutual interest was generated, despite the beanies. Connie had the nerve to sit next to Russ at registration the next day, so it's been 58 years together! Connie was the planner, program and stage manager, and co-producer of the 2021 Miss California Pageant, which was very successful after a year off due to COVID-19. The program administration was very pleased with her efforts. Russ continues his lifelong hobby creating and marketing bonsai.

↘ 1968

David Martin '68 retired as a professor of political science at Auburn University in Alabama, where he lives with his wife of 47 years, Catherine, a professor emerita of foreign languages at Auburn University and Lafayette College. David wrote a book, *Drafted to Vietnam*, about his experiences as a conscripted soldier.

Drafted to Vietnam



David L. Martin

David Martin '68 publishes his book, *Drafted to Vietnam*, about his experiences as a conscripted soldier.

Mike Poynor '68 went to Southern Methodist University School of Law in Dallas, Texas, acquired a Texas accent, and became student body president in his third year. Passing the California Bar in January 1972, he moved to San Diego to become a deputy city attorney for the city of San Diego from 1972 to 1979, was appointed a deputy county counsel for San Diego County for three years, and has been in private practice (business and real estate litigation) for 39 years; January marked 50 years of continuous legal practice. In 2018, Mike and his wife, Kathy, sold their longtime San Diego home and moved to Rancho Mirage, California, with their two chow chow dogs. Mike plans to stop practicing law this year and attempt to act like a normal retired 75-year-old. He enjoys dog-walking, drinking coffee poolside, cultivating his bonsai tree collection, and does his best to retell to his friends the few jokes he is able to remember. Still in good health, Mike is COVID-19 vaccinated and boosted; so far, so good. He says he is not afraid of dying; he just doesn't want to be there when it happens.

Bob Swartz '68 and his wife, Kay, split their time between their home in Laconia, New Hampshire, and their lake house in nearby New Hampton. They often see fellow classmates and Vermont residents, **Nancy Bell Roskam '68** and **Craig Roskam '68**. After Zooming with their grandchildren for most of the pandemic, the Roskams traveled to Australia in January to visit their daughter and her family.

↘ 1971

Camille Churchfield '71 is halfway into retirement. She has completed her performing career as an



Greg Stanfield '79, Tom Harsham '80, Debbie Sauder David '78, and David David '78 dine on a recent trip to San Diego.



Melissa "Lisa" Emenhiser Westerfield '82 is a National Collegiate Athletic Association compliance officer at California State University, Long Beach.



Jackie Harris-Groeber '80, Robert Groeber '81, Kelli Hawley Adams '82, Kevin Rosenberger '03, Leila Rosenberger, and Captain Craig Adams '81 (left to right) took second place in the Channel Islands Harbor Parade of Lights in the electric boat division.

orchestral flutist but is still teaching. When her current performance students complete their undergraduate and graduate degrees, she will be fully retired.

↘ 1972

Akiko Dohi '72 is passionate about sharing her knowledge with the world about her years of research on classical music based on eight types of pentatonic modes and harmonies through numerous lecture recitals, such as a recent presentation at the Music Teachers' Association of California Convention, and her CD, *East Meets West—Pentatonic Music for Piano*.

↘ 1973

Cristy Sanborn Maxey '73, '75 celebrated the marriage of her daughter, **Cristina Maxey '12**, to Jordan Smith. Many U of R alumni were guests, including three of the bridesmaids. At one point during the reception, the alumni gathered for a rousing rendition of the "Och Tamale" as only Bulldogs can cheer!

↘ 1976

Su Jorgenson Peake '76 is celebrating retirement by living in Hawaii after 30 years of teaching music and other subjects in California, Arizona, and Guam. She stays in touch with **Kirk Ryder '74**, **Rod MacAlister '76, '77**, **Ron Rolph '76**, **Chris Acton-Prime '76**, **Corey Nordal '77**, and **John Perdue '76**. Her three children and four grandchildren bring her immeasurable joy. She would like to hear from her U of R "DAWGS" through text at 909-528-9469. Och Tamale!

↘ 1978

David David '78 and **Debbie Sauder David '78** were surprised when both **Tom Harshman '80** from Palm Springs and **Greg Stanfield '79** from Walnut Creek were in San Diego for business. They enjoyed cocktails on their balcony and went to dinner together.

Brian DeRoo '78 was inducted into the National Association of International Athletics Hall of Fame for his football and track and field excellence. Former Redlands High School alumnus and NFL coach Brian Billick was in attendance. (See page 52).

↘ 1979

Steve Arnold '79 and **Joanne Resnick Arnold '80** have become grandparents and are very proud of grandson Bruce Arnold born in December 2021. Steve has continued as an active scouter, starting as a volunteer in 1991, then becoming the district commissioner of his local district in 2021, and serving as the advancement chair of the Western Los Angeles Council since 2018.

Cindy Cantrell '79 retired in July 2018 after 37 years of working as a speech pathologist in the schools. She spent six years in Kern County and then 31 years in Lucia Mar School District on the central coast. She recently had a great phone conversation with **Donna Ambrose '79**, her college roommate. Donna called to wish her a happy birthday and sang the birthday song in Spanish. Redlands was a great start to Cindy's career.



Cristy Sanborn Maxey '73 celebrates the marriage of her daughter, Cristina Maxey '12, with many Bulldog alumni in attendance. Front (left to right): Karrie Shiba Morlan '73, Dee St. John Perry '73, Alyssa Brown '13, Cristina, and Nandy Shanahan Beauchamp '74; middle (left to right): Barbara Burrow Mahoney '75, '77, Christy Wilson Fisher '73, Sharon Kubacki Stiles '73, Lyndy Barcus Dye '73, Libby MacLeod Casper '73, LeeAnn Sonke '12, Danielle Miklos Skorupa '12, Cristy, and Tom Beauchamp '74; back (left to right): Bruce Morlan '72, Paul Dye '73, and Lauren Turner '12.

↘ 1981

Mary Ellen Azada '81 is self-employed during retirement as a spiritual director and consultant.

Doug DeWitt '81 lost his wife, Lori, to cancer in 2021. She was a professor at Salisbury University, where Doug works. They have two grown sons, Parker and Morgan.

↘ 1982

Kelli Hawley Adams '82 and her husband, **Craig Adams '81**, entered their boat in the Channel Islands Holiday Boat Parade, and the Habeas Porpoise (Kelli is a lawyer) took second place in the electric boat division. The crew included fellow alumni **Jackie Harris-Groeber '80**, **Robert Groeber '81**, and **Kevin Rosenberger '03**.

Scott Armacost '82 and daughter **Samantha Armacost '16** spent nearly four months paddling the Mississippi River by canoe in summer 2021. Every night at sunset, they played "Taps" for the people who have passed from COVID-19. (See page 38.)

Cheryl Boag Cates '82 and her husband, Bill, started their nonprofit, Volunteer Network Orange County, in 2015. Through the pandemic, they have continued to support organizations in the shelter community and provide food and other essentials to those in need in Orange County, California, by publishing events on their app to make volunteering easy. If you are looking for opportunities, this is the

app for you. It is free to both the volunteers and the organizations they support. They invite you to join them for their First Annual Charity Golf Challenge on July 2!

Melissa "Lisa" Emenhiser Westerfield '82 is an National Collegiate Athletic Association compliance officer at California State University, Long Beach. She was honored employee of the month for December 2021.

↘ 1984

Jon Baker '84 and **Denise McLaughlin Baker '84** both retired in June 2021! Jon, an elementary school principal in the Saugus Union School District, and Denise, a middle school math and Spanish teacher in the William S. Hart High School District, spent more than 60 years combined in education. Although they enjoyed their careers, they are excited about their new adventure. In August 2021, they moved from Santa Clarita, California, to Eagle, Idaho. Jon is starting a business called Snap Lights and working part-time at 3 Horse Ranch winery. Denise is involved with church activities and loves the change of seasons in southwest Idaho. They have two sons: Dusty, 26, is a sports reporter and anchor for the NBC station in San Luis Obispo; Cody, 24, works at a law firm during the week and a winery on the weekends in the Seattle area.

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Writer's Room opens doors for creativity and connections

By Laura Gallardo '03, '22

When Leslie Sernaque Falcon '22 signed up for her first Writer's Room event at the University in 2021, she knew she would network with seasoned professionals and other aspiring authors. What she didn't know was that it would open doors to a career path she'd only ever imagined.

A chance encounter

A double major in creative writing and media and visual culture studies with a Spanish minor, Sernaque Falcon writes nonfiction and dabbles in screenwriting. Her passion for writing prompted her to register for the Writer's Room query letter workshop, led by authors Marjetta Geerling '95, Kimberly Gordon Biddle '87, and Cory Eckert '06. The session provided tips on how to write a compelling query letter, which authors compose to excite editors, literary agents, or publishing houses about their work.

At the workshop's end, participants were entered into a raffle. The prize? A one-on-one session with one of the author panelists to review their draft query letters. Sernaque Falcon was selected to meet with Geerling. "When my name was called, I was horrified! I had just learned what a query letter was and hadn't written one yet," says Sernaque Falcon, who serves as a Maroon and Grey Student Ambassador and is a Bulldog track and field student-athlete.

Geerling gave Sernaque Falcon helpful feedback when they met on Zoom. During their conversation, Geerling (who writes under the pen name Mara Wells) encouraged her to apply for a virtual summer internship at The Seymour



Leslie Sernaque Falcon '22 and Marjetta Geerling '95

Agency, a premier literary agency.

Sernaque Falcon was accepted into the program a week after she applied; last summer, she worked with agents in New York City reviewing query letters and young adult fiction manuscripts. "[The manuscripts] were different from what I would normally read, but it was a great experience," she says. "I applied all I learned in my creative writing classes."

Reconnecting with Redlands

"It is humbling to realize that I am at the point in my career where I can help a student," says Geerling. "For someone like Leslie, who is new in the field, that kind of incidental knowledge can be life-changing." Sernaque Falcon, who met Geerling in person at last year's Homecoming, says her impact was monumental: "Her encouragement meant so much."

"It's been an extraordinary experience," says Geerling. "I was unaware of how many U of R writers I was connected to, and I have enjoyed

watching the Writer's Room grow and building these connections."

A Johnston alumna, whose emphasis integrated women's culture and creative expression, Geerling earned her teaching credential at the School of Education and taught elementary school for 12 years before becoming an associate professor of English at Broward College in Florida. She holds an MFA in writing from Kentucky's Spalding University, and in addition to her first novel, *Fancy White Trash*, Geerling has published three books in a romantic fiction series.

"I was not connected to the U of R community for many years," says Geerling. "But the Writer's Room was my way back, and I am so glad to be here." To Bulldog alumni, including those who are not currently engaged with their alma mater, she offers the following: "You are always welcome back. It's not too late, and it hasn't been too long." **01**

Yolie Flores '84 recently joined the TMW Center for Early Learning + Public Health as national campaign director of Parent Nation at the University of Chicago. Parent Nation is an exciting mobilization effort rooted in science to help push for a society that better supports parents in their role as children's first and most important teachers. While serving as an elected member of the Los Angeles Unified School District Board of Education, Yolie authored the Parents as Equal Partners in the Education of Their Children board resolution. As CEO of the Los Angeles County Children's Planning Council, she launched Abriendo Puertas/Opening Doors, a nationally recognized parent leadership program for Latino parents with children ages 5 years and younger.

Charles Ray '84 is now the chief financial officer and compliance officer for the nonprofit Marine Conservation Network (MCN), based in Santa Barbara, California. Charles and his wife, Kimberly, are opening a new corporate office in Tampa, Florida, and have opened an affiliate office in Sri Lanka, where a youth ambassador promotes MCN. Charles finished his law degree and is an attorney specializing in entertainment law. He also published a book, *Three Dimensional Music*.

David Ruiz '84 announced his eldest son, Nicolas, was married on June 13, 2021. They had a wonderful outdoor celebration.

Linda Schulman Uithoven '84 and her husband, **Criss Uithoven '86**, have been married for more than 35 years. They are blessed with two daughters, Jessica, 29, and Jennifer, 26. Criss had the pleasure of retiring from education, where he was a middle school teacher for more than 30 years. Linda plans to retire in June 2024, unless her district offers a golden handshake, and then she will most likely say, "I'm retiring." For the last 35 years, she has been teaching mathematics at the high school level, and in the last 10 years, she has taught math for the good old U of R's School of Business as an adjunct professor. U of R has always been a place to make lifelong friends, such as **Mary Coughlin Loss '83**, **Barbie Gilson '85**, **Margaret Morgan Bouche '85**, **Debbie Paddison '85**, and **Patrese Anderson Otero '86**, and they still meet up, on Zoom, at least once a month. If you have news you want to update, please notify Lindau5@yahoo.com or the U of R.

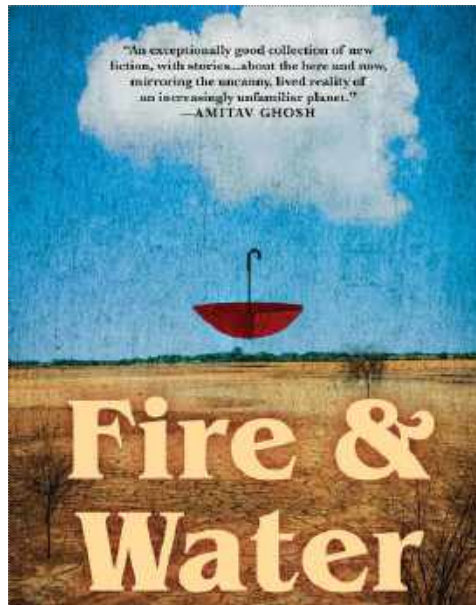
↘ 1987

Cindy Gonzalez Broadbent '87 went back to school and earned a special education credential. She is currently a resource teacher at a middle school in Lancaster, California, and loving life with her family in Santa Clarita, California.

John Gillen '87 moved his consulting business from Southern California to Scottsdale, Arizona, and added a recruiting franchise to his business. If you are ever in town, John loves connecting with Bulldog alumni!

Jeffrey Leon '87 and his wife, Michelle, had their twin boys bar mitzvahed in Highland Park, Illinois, in May 2021, and this coming April, their youngest boy will be getting bar mitzvahed.

Mike Mattos '87 is an internationally recognized



Mary Fifield '92 co-edits a new anthology of literary fiction on the climate crisis, *Fire & Water: Stories from the Anthropocene*.

author, presenter, and practitioner specializing in uniting teachers, administrators, and support staff to transform schools by implementing response to intervention and professional learning communities.

↘ 1990

Daniel Frymire '90 retired in March 2021 as a deputy chief probation officer for San Bernardino County, California. He traveled for six months following retirement and is currently back home in Beaumont, California, planning and preparing for another long-term adventure.

↘ 1992

Mary Fifield '92 co-edited a new anthology of literary fiction on the climate crisis, *Fire & Water: Stories from the Anthropocene*. The collection features 17 stories from authors around the world (including one of her own), representing diverse backgrounds, styles, and perspectives on how climate change affects humans and other species here and now.

↘ 1993

Lisa Cano Burkhead '93 became Nevada's 36th lieutenant governor in December 2021. Lisa taught high school English and Spanish for 10 years in Clark County, Nevada, before becoming a school administrator.

↘ 1994

Travis Martinez '94 is now the deputy chief of police for the Redlands Police Department. He also consults for various police technology companies. One is a GPS tracking vendor whose equipment was used to apprehend more than 60 bike thieves at the University. Another is an automated license

plate reader company whose technology was used to apprehend a suspect who assaulted a female jogger near the U of R, and a suspect who broke into a home to molest a 10-year-old boy. Travis serves on the Bulldog Bench Hall of Fame Committee, is a Town & Gown board member, and recently served on the search committee for the University's senior diversity and inclusion officer.

↘ 1995

Tim Barouch '95 announces his book, *The Child before the Court: Judgment, Citizenship, and the Constitution*. He is an assistant professor of communication and director of graduate studies at Georgia State University.

Leslie Ferguson '95 published her debut memoir, *When I Was Her Daughter*, with Acorn Publishing. Summary: Seven-year-old Leslie has a serious problem. Someone is trying to kill her. She and her little brother must confront the stark reality of living with their mother's raging psychosis. Other family members try to help, but they are no match for the violence and unpredictability that comes with mental illness. Once in foster care, Leslie learns that life doesn't improve just because she's free of her mom. All seems lost ... until one simple and unexpected question changes Leslie's world forever. *When I Was Her Daughter* is a found-family story of compassion and forgiveness. With raw honesty, Ferguson depicts her journey through madness, loss, and a broken child welfare system, where only the lucky and most resilient succeed. It is available in hardcover, paperback, and e-book from Amazon, Barnes & Noble, and other e-book retailers, as well as her website lesliefergusonauthor.com.

David "Jamey" Heiss '95 traveled back "home" to Maine over the summer and was able to catch up with fellow alumni, **Neil Sattin '96** and **Emily Drinkwine Fitzgerald '06**. It was the first time he had seen Neil in New England since running into him at a regional college interview for Redlands with **Nate Buddington '79** a year before college at a hotel in Boston.

T.D. Mayer '95 has two daughters; one is a junior, and the other a freshman in high school. The freshman plays on one of the top softball teams in the country, Wildcats Weil Kingery Terrones.

Lily Narvaez '95 and her children had the pleasure of visiting former U of R President James R. Appleton and his family in December. She is currently president of the Alpha Sigma Pi Alumni Association. The association hosted a Homecoming luncheon at the Sigma house and can be reached at www.alphasigmapialum.org.

↘ 1996

Hadyn Stone Ingvaldstad '96 worked as a child and family counselor and is currently a stay-at-home mother. She has a small business making wire art and jewelry, as well as painting shoes, bags, signs, and rocks.



MaryPat Hosler '08, Kim Gerhardt Quintana '08, Katie Kayrell '08, Stefanie Hasten '08, Natalie Souders Corey '08, Colin Corey '10, Kate Hanley Fahey '08, and Lindsay Young Bressant '08 gather with their families in Durango, Colorado.

↘ 1997

Save the date for the **Class of 1997 25th Reunion** on the weekend of Oct. 21-23, 2022! If you would like to join your reunion committee, please email mary_littlejohn@redlands.edu.

↘ 2003

Mary Littlejohn '03, '12 is a recipient of the 2021 President's Award for the University of Redlands for her work as an assistant director of alumni and community relations and as the handler to the University's beloved mascot, Addie. You can follow her antics on Instagram @ur mascot.

Brianne Webb Lucero '03 and **Paul Lucero '01, '07** welcomed a son, Benjamin, on Aug. 28, 2021. He joins his brother, Thomas, and sister, Madelyn, as future Bulldogs.

Neil Morrison '03 and his band, The Joy Reunion, auditioned for *The Voice* and received chair turns from Blake Shelton and John Legend.

↘ 2005

Sherry Manning '05 received the Sargent Shriver Award for Distinguished Humanitarian Service from the National Peace Corps Association. Sherry is the founder and U.S. executive director of Global Seed Savers.

↘ 2006

Julio Carrillo Batta '06, '09 is married to **Victoria Jones Batta '12**. Julio recently completed his teaching credential and is now employed as a music teacher in the Fontana Unified School District at Almeria Middle School. This year, Victoria has also moved into a new position as a music teacher in the Redlands Unified School District, directing the elementary orchestra program in partnership with **Becky Long '93**. They are happily living in the Redlands community and hope to do so for many years to come!

Meenal Champaneri '06 married Neil Martin in Atlanta, Georgia, in November 2021. Fellow alumnae **Monique Chubbs-Dozier '06**, **Evon Ailabouni Chamberlen '06, '08**, **Russ Chamberlen '06**, and **Sneha Subramanian '06** were present.

Nicole Kelly '06, '21 completed her second master's degree through the online MBA program at U of R.

↘ 2008

MaryPat Hosler '08, **Kim Gerhardt Quintana '08**, **Katie Kayrell '08**, **Stefanie Hasten '08**, **Natalie Souders Corey '08**, **Colin Corey '10**, **Kate Hanley Fahey '08**, and **Lindsay Young Bressant '08** gathered with their families for a weekend of fun in Durango, Colorado!

Louisa Riccobono Rocque '08 works in suicide

prevention as an area director for The American Foundation for Suicide Prevention. On Dec. 4, 2021, she gave her first TED Talk about how we look for mental health and suicide warning signs in the digital space. You can view her talk at youtu.be/nV9Q3TZaSlk.

↘ 2009

Jenna Shaffer Stewart '09 and her husband, Travis, welcomed son Evander in December 2019.

↘ 2010

Megan Gilpin Blake '10 and **Nic Blake '10** welcomed daughter Bailey in January 2021.

↘ 2012

Cristina Maxey '12 married Jordan Smith in October 2021 in Mission Viejo, California. Cristina was an environmental science major and has worked for eight years as a GIS analyst for T&B Planning in Irvine, California.

↘ 2014

Aubrie Kendall '14 was married in June 2018 and is currently pursuing her master's in public administration with a concentration in cybersecurity at California State University, San Bernardino.

Jake Lee '14 and **Rachel Phillips '14** were married on April 24, 2021, after meeting 11 years prior in Merriam Hall. They had many fellow Redlands



Louisa Riccobono Rocque '08 gives a TED Talk on suicide prevention.



Bulldog alumni celebrate the wedding of Meenal Champaneri '06: (left to right) Byron Dozier, Monique Chubbs-Dozier '06, groom Neil Martin, Champaneri, Sneha Subramanian '06, Evon Ailabouni Chamberlen '06, and Russ Chamberlen '05.



Cristina Maxey '12 marries Jordan Smith in Mission Viejo, California.



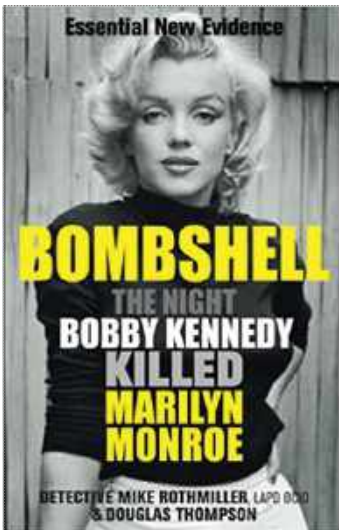
Megan Gilpin Blake '10 and Nic Blake '10 introduce their baby Bulldog, Bailey.



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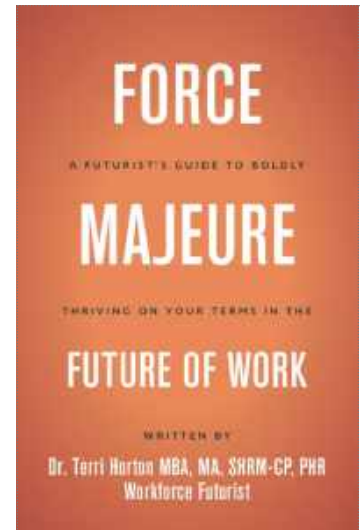
Nicole Kelly '06, '21 earns an MBA at the University of Redlands.



Mike Rothmiller '78 publishes his new book, *Bombshell: The Night Bobby Kennedy Killed Marilyn Monroe*.



Many Bulldogs attend the wedding of Jake Lee '14 and Rachel Phillips '14: front row (left to right) Tyler Vasquez '14, Chau Calvin '14, Danielle Hindi-Goodman '14, Sara Greenberg Hughes '11, Tomas Kneppers '14, and Rob Turk '14; back row (left to right) Ashley Pimental Ahearn '14, Aarica Briseno '14, Brooke Vera Tierney '14, Andrew Perez '13, Liz Westmoreland '13, Carrie Jo Caffrey '14, Phillips, A.J. Ahearn '14, Lee, Nick Hughes '13, Ned O'Hanlan '14, Sam Goerss '11, and Nathan Haag '14.



Force Majeure: A Futurist's Guide to Boldly Thriving on Your Terms in The Future of Work is the first book published by Terri Horton '02.

alumni in—and at—their wedding! It was so great to finally reunite after such a long year of social distancing. Jake is a Gamma Nu, along with many of his groomsmen and other wedding guests. Many of the friends in attendance became friends during freshman year living in Merriam Hall. They became the Merriam Family!

Colleen Mahoney '14 moved to Brooklyn to get her master's in business analytics at New York University Stern School of Business.

↘ 2016

Jessica Mayuga-Allen '16 married Jacob Mayuga-Allen in May 2021.

Taylor Moore '16 obtained a certified financial planner designation in 2021. He and **Krystal Verdugo Moore '15** make their home in Pasadena, California.

Victoria Wells '16 has applied to University of California, San Francisco for the Medical Science Training Program. She plans to study what will help the most people or save our planet the quickest.

Johnston

↘ 1979

Laramie Trevino '79 has started the new year helping fellow members of the California Rare Fruit Growers, Monterey Bay chapter prep for the annual scion exchange. High hopes for luscious figs, exotic citrus, stone fruit, subtropicals, and other treasures start here. A master gardener with the University of California Cooperative Extension since 1996, Laramie specializes in chiles and heirloom tomatoes and is a member of the orchard planning team.

↘ 1987

Cathy Ransom '87 filed her paperwork with the Arizona secretary of state and is officially

a candidate for the Arizona state house. She is running on a Democratic slate using the Arizona Clean Campaign funding system. As of this publishing, the campaign is hot and heavy, so she asks all her Redlands and Johnston friends to pray to all the angels and saints for the best outcome for all!

Schools of Business & Society and Education

↘ 1978

Mike Rothmiller '78 has published his new book, *Bombshell: The Night Bobby Kennedy Killed Marilyn Monroe*. The television and movie rights have been optioned, and it was nominated for the Pulitzer Prize in history.

↘ 2002

Terri Horton '02 has published her first book, *Force Majeure: A Futurist's Guide to Boldly Thriving on Your Terms in the Future of Work*.

↘ 2004

Abraham Khoureis '04, '06 shared his second virtual global thought leader symposium. President Newkirk was a panel participant and presented on the purpose of education. You can listen to it at youtu.be/gTs4C95CWfo.

↘ 2021

Christina Sturgill '21 finished her U of R Master of Arts in learning and teaching in August 2021 and was hired to teach first- and second-grade mild-moderate special education at Victoria Elementary in Riverside the same month. Riverside Unified School District has always been her dream workplace.

Graduate School of Theology and San Francisco Theological Seminary

↘ 1960

J. Keith Cook '60 (M.Div.), '79 (D.Min.) lost his wife, Ruth, in 2019 and wrote a loving tribute entitled, *My Spouse Died, What Do I Do Now?* Cook now shares his story of grief to comfort others dealing with loss.

↘ 1975

Steve Knowles '75 (M.Div.), '83 (M.A.T.S.) has pastored Presbyterian churches in Inglewood and Templeton in California; Cedar City, Utah; Bothell, Washington; and Klamath Falls and Florence, Oregon (interim). He currently serves at Gonzales Community Presbyterian Church in California.

↘ 1977

Rodger Mattson '77 (M.Div.) retired in June 2021 after 17 years as a pastor of Presbyterian churches in Gold Beach, Oregon; Southern California; Wood River, Illinois; and Jenks, Oklahoma. After graduating from Oklahoma State University College of osteopathic medicine, he opened a private practice in rural Oklahoma. Mattson and his wife, Beth, reside in Riner, Virginia.

↘ 1980

Roger Gallacci '80 (M.Div.) worked at Community Congregational Church Tiburon for a few years and retired in St. Helens, Oregon.

Kent Philpott '80 (D.Min.) is senior pastor of Miller Avenue Baptist Church in Mill Valley, California. He is in his 38th year as pastor and is now looking for someone to replace him in the coming years. He encourages interested individuals to visit

www.milleravenuechurch.org to learn more about this upcoming ministry.

↘ 1983

Malcolm McQueen '83 (M.Div.), '93 (D.Min.) has served in Presbyterian congregations in El Cajon, California; Cortez, Colorado; San Antonio; and now Horseshoe Bay, Texas. The Church at Horseshoe Bay is an intentional interdenominational congregation by design, modeling ecumenicism in the community. He and his wife have two grown sons.

↘ 1985

Terry McBride '85 (M.Div.) retired at the end of 2021 after leading hundreds of retreats and camps for high school and college students. Ordained in 1985, he served as associate pastor at Goleta Presbyterian Church near Santa Barbara, California, and First Presbyterian Church in South Bend, Indiana.

↘ 1988

Charles Dennis Alger '88 (M.Div.) served as interim pastor for 18 months at Waiola Church in Maui. He and his wife MaryAnn now live in Oceanside, California.

Heather Hennessey '88 (M.Div.) retired from hospice chaplaincy in 2020 and is now a happy, healthy, active member of Pilgrim Congregational Church UCC in Redding, California, where she and her husband, Randy Haynes, a former maintenance man at SFTS, reside.

↘ 1991

Phyllis Kline '91 (M.Div.) retired from active ministry in April 2021, having served as a chaplain in various settings in St. Louis, Missouri, and Boulder, Colorado for the past 27 years. She is writing a book entitled *Tending the Fire* about her years as a chaplain. Kline and her partner of 26 years, Susan, travel the country in their camper van. Kline sings with a women's a cappella group called Sound Circle.

↘ 1992

Patricia Pearce '92 (M.Div.) published a book, *Beyond Jesus: My Spiritual Odyssey*, following the death of a dear friend, Tricia Dietrich, whom she met at SFTS. In the book, she explores how deeply Christianity had been shaped by the egoic consciousness of separateness—the consciousness that Jesus had transcended.

↘ 1995

Jose Olagues '95 (M.Div.) took early retirement in December 1991 from the corporate world to attend SFTS. After serving the Presbytery of Grand Canyon,



Elizabeth Zupp Ergun '18 (M.Div.) weds Davin Ergun in November 2021.

Nevada, as associate executive for 11 years, he retired a second time. Now, Olagues facilitates healing of memories and building strength workshops.

↘ 1996

Robert Gram '96 (D.Min.) has written *Christ and COVID-19: Meditations for Peace in Times of Turmoil*.

publishing, landing agents and publishers, self-publishing successfully, and writing for Hollywood, as well as M.F.A.-level workshops on fiction craft, book publishing of all kinds, and book promotion. His newest novel, *The Village Sang to the Sea: A Memoir of Magic*, a Cybils and Locus award nominee, was dubbed a “magnificent reading experience” by the Locus Symbolism project. **OT**

↘ 2002

John Newton Hickox '02 (M.Div.) is director of Americans Committed to Justice and Truth, an educational nonprofit focusing on climate change, the war industry, and the conflict in the Middle East.

Ricardo Moreno '02 (M.Div.) has held many positions within the denomination. He authored a chapter about his experience lobbying within the Presbyterian Church USA on behalf of immigrants in the book *Vivir y Servir en el Exilio*, a series of theological lectures on the Latino experience in the United States.

↘ 2018

Elizabeth Zupp Ergun '18 (M.Div.) supports Golden Gate University's undergraduate and graduate schools and serves as program manager for the Doctor of Business Administration program. She married Davin Ergun in November 2021.


Former Faculty


Bruce McAllister left the U of R faculty for medical reasons in 1997 and established his writing coaching and consulting business, and he continues to write fiction. His coaching and consulting website is www.mcallistercoaching.com, or he may be contacted at bruce@mcallistercoaching.com or 909-730-1238. His 2021 activities included holding workshops and talks on memoir, self-help, professional, creative nonfiction, and other nonfiction-book genres and fiction writing of all genres (both literary and commercial). Other topics included strategies writers need to know in 2021 for book and magazine

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From ‘most improved’ to the Hall of Fame

Brian DeRoo '78 is inducted into the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics Hall of Fame

By Katie Olson

Brian DeRoo '78 doesn't believe in coincidences. “[Life] is all part of a grand plan,” he says. Take his years at Redlands as a dual student-athlete, which planted the seeds for his careers in both professional football and education. They also led to his December 2021 induction to the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics (NAIA) Hall of Fame.

It was a “plan” that began with his enrollment at the University of Redlands despite planning to attend a different college and major in landscape architecture. After playing varsity football at Redlands High School, where he was named “most improved” in 1973, DeRoo received a phone call from Frank Serrao, the late U of R football coach.

“He wanted to take me to dinner and talk about playing football at Redlands. No one had ever done that [for me],” DeRoo recalls. “So, I changed horses midstream.”

It turned out to be the right decision. At Redlands, DeRoo found success on the football and track and field teams. He gained three All-Southern California Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (SCIAC) First-Team awards while contributing to the conference football title each year and the team's 19-0-1 four-year record. He was named Outstanding Player of the Game at the NAIA Division II National Football Championship in 1976 and became a two-time NAIA All-American in football.

In track and field, he won the SCIAC



PHOTOS COURTESY OF BRIAN DEROO '78



Above: Brian DeRoo '78, daughter Shianne DeRoo, and former Redlands High alumnus and NFL Coach Brian Billick (left to right) pose at Brian's induction to the National Association of International Athletics Hall of Fame. **Left:** DeRoo's twins Nicholas and Shianne

triple jump title and captured three district championships in the decathlon. He was named an NAIA All-American twice, finishing as high as third in the decathlon at the national championships.

Off the field, DeRoo's teammates served as de facto friends in the classroom. As a first-year commuter student, he relied on them and members of his fraternity, Chi Sigma Chi, for camaraderie on campus. After moving to campus as a sophomore, he spent more time with athletic department faculty and staff members, learning from Physical Education Department Head Lee Fulmer, Tennis Coach Jim Verdick, and Serrao.

“If you were a P.E. major, which I was, you were fortunate to have them all as your instructors as well,” he says. “It was a good time to be an athlete in Redlands.”

During DeRoo's four-year career at Redlands, the Bulldogs competed in the NAIA before joining NCAA Division III in 1983. The recent NAIA induction marks his fourth nod into a Hall of Fame; he was inducted into the Bulldog Bench Intercollegiate Athletics Hall of Fame at the U of R twice—individually in 1984 and

as a member of the 1976 football team in 1997—and entered the Redlands High School Hall of Fame in 2005.

DeRoo's football jersey, No. 2, is the only number to be retired at Redlands; it has been displayed in the Fieldhouse since 1978, the same year he was drafted as a fifth-round pick by the New York Giants. He enjoyed seven seasons of professional football between playing for the Giants and Baltimore Colts in the National Football League and the Montreal Concorde in the Canadian Football League.

After retiring from football, DeRoo launched a career in physical education that spanned more than 30 years.

Currently, DeRoo is a full-time parent to twins Shianne and Nicholas. He spends his days assisting Nicholas, who has cerebral palsy, and driving Shianne, a level 7 gymnast, to practices and competitions.

Looking back on his success, DeRoo noted that the common thread that runs through it all is Redlands. When asked what the Bulldog spirit means to him, he points to his son's U of R T-shirt, the footballs on display in his office, his Chi Sigma Chi mug, and says: “It's what you surround yourself with—it doesn't leave you.” **01**

CLASS NOTES REPORTERS

COURTESY OF STEVE CARMICHAEL '67



Let us celebrate you

After graduating as a business administration major, I wanted to continue my activities with the University of Redlands, but the Navy had something to say about what I would do next. I later served on the Alumni Board for a few years, after which I learned my class needed a reporter. Evidently, the list of candidates looking for the job was limited, and I got the position! That was so long ago I can't remember when I started.

Since then, it has been great receiving submissions from classmates about what they have been doing since graduation. Class reunions also have helped us reconnect with the University and renew friendships. It would be great to see a big turnout at the next reunion (we're not getting any younger!).

In addition to being a class reporter, I have always felt supporting the University financially was important so those who follow us have the same opportunity to experience Redlands, and any amount given was significant. I have been lucky to be able to continue giving each year.

Since I have been a class reporter so long, I certainly would not be offended if someone else would like to give it a shot since new input is always good. But if no takers, I will march on and be the class reporter you have seen in the *Och Tamale* for decades.

—Steve Carmichael '67

To volunteer as a class notes reporter or to send contact information updates, please email ochtamale@redlands.edu.

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Passings

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The College

Sue Grider Bell '41, Feb. 1, 2021

Virginia Strong Garth '43, Aug. 27, 2021

Mary Jo Gotham Wirht '43, Jan. 2, 2021. Family members include sons Brad Wirht '75 and Bill Wirht '70.

Rhoda McMillan Voyles '44, Sept. 1, 2021. Family members include sister Florence McMillan Buckman '51.

Sandy Smith '45, Aug. 16, 2021

Betty Clement '48, Dec. 5, 2021

Barbara Jury '48, Nov. 16, 2021. Family members include sister Carolyn Jury Jessop '51.

William Kerwin '48, Nov. 19, 2021

Carl Bender '50, Aug. 10, 2021

Beverly Paschke Benjamin '50, Sept. 23, 2021

Dave Levering '50, July 11, 2021

Ginny Lieberg Stevens '50, July 27, 2021

Janet Butler Lee '51, Aug. 30, 2021

Cynthia Ditwiler Mann '51, July 10, 2021. Family members include granddaughter Shelby Mann '12.

David Thorsen '51, Oct. 10, 2021

Greg Welton '51, Jan. 24, 2021

Ruth Schmidt Wilkerson '51, Dec. 12, 2021. Family members include Eran Wilkerson '06.

Paula Schaefer Fowler '52, May 29, 2021

Evelyn Torpey George '52, Sept. 17, 2021

Aina Strandberg Oscarsson '52, June 26, 2021

Renee Perrenoud Clements '53, Sept. 25, 2021

Ruth Karlen '53, July 14, 2021

Merna Smith Wilson '53, Aug. 23, 2021. Family members include sister Gail Smith Reed '57.

Lota Hodge Guynes '54, Oct. 30, 2021

Jack Holt '55, Nov. 3, 2021. Family members include grandson Shawn James '16.

Hal Boring '56, July 1, 2021

Hershel Green '56, Aug. 24, 2021

Wilma Larsen Lutz '56, Jan. 7

John Stubbs '56, Oct. 7, 2021. Family members include wife Carol Sauders Stubbs '56.

Harold Kough '58, Aug. 28, 2021. Family members include wife Doran Suess Kough '57.

Ed Losee '58, Sept. 7, 2021. Family members include wife Bettie Flanders Losee '72.

Jim Richardson '58, Oct. 21, 2021. Family members include grandsons Keith Richardson '07 and Kristopher Richardson '08.

Art Palmer '59, Oct. 3, 2021. Family members include wife Martha Abbott Palmer '61.

Jean Montgomery Simonsen '59, Jan. 1, 2021

John Parrott '60, Nov. 13, 2021

Mary Moss Rose '60, Aug. 7, 2021

Lucy Belt Smyth '62, Dec. 7, 2021. Family members include Cynthia Smyth Parker '77.

Gary Mittag '63, Nov. 19, 2021

Joyce Andersen Esbensen '64, Sept. 24, 2021

Fred Emmert '65, Dec. 8, 2021

Gordon Glass '65, Jan. 22

Carolyn Lewis Moore '65, Oct. 12, 2021

Butch Knodel '66, Nov. 15, 2021. Family members include sister Karlyn Knodel Plass '66.

Nancy White '66, Nov. 15, 2021

Sharon Meeks Gaal '68, Aug. 3, 2021

Christopher Gruys '68, April 15, 2021

Lewis Hastings '68, Oct. 24, 2021. Family members include wife Julia Garoutte Hastings '70.

Nancy Daum Johnson '68, July 21, 2021

Beverlee Lance Linn '68, Dec. 28, 2021

John Sargent '68, Aug. 24, 2021

Richard Nelson '69, Dec. 9, 2021

Loren Schutz '69, Sept. 24, 2021

Robert Smitter '69, Oct. 13, 2021

John Watson '71, Aug. 29, 2021

Bruce Wise '73, June 29, 2021

Anthony Tricoli '79, Jan. 22, 2021

Tom Walker '91, Aug. 7, 2021. Family members include wife Jane Maischoss Walker '92.

Terri Lantis Friefeld '92, Nov. 12, 2021. Family members include husband Brian Friefeld '91 and sister Sabrina Lantis '01.

Angela Morgan '93, Nov. 12, 2021

Felicia Davis Steffenson '94, Nov. 10, 2020

Woody Melcic '95, Dec. 12, 2021

Otis Harrison '97, Nov. 6, 2021

Rebecca French '04, Oct. 1, 2021

Johnston

Bea Smith '74, Sept. 25, 2021. Family members include son Reginald Smith '17.

Schools of Education and Business & Society

Charles Rodriguez '77, Oct. 17, 2021

Albert Dani '78, Nov. 20, 2021

James Harris '79, Dec. 7, 2021

Gregory Karpf '79, Sept. 27, 2021

Hector Ocampo '79, Nov. 1, 2021

Menelaos Trigonis '80, Oct. 5, 2021

August Weitzel '80, Oct. 16, 2021

Robert Hausmann '81, Oct. 30, 2021

Sue Waldron '81, Nov. 13, 2021. Family members include granddaughter Suzanne Silva '11.

Zelma Rogers '82, Nov. 5, 2021

Hank Hunnel '85, Sept. 14, 2021

Peggy York '85, Oct. 17, 2021

Thomas Keres '87, Nov. 17, 2021

Rick Lytle '87, June 24, 2021

Martha Reiman '90, Dec. 15, 2021

Ray Horner '93, Oct. 29, 2021

Linda Luna '96, Feb. 28, 2021

Frances McTighe Dorsey '97, Oct. 7, 2021

Dale McLean '97, Nov. 15, 2021

Craig Child '98, '01, Aug. 20, 2021

Rebecca Boatright '00, Nov. 2, 2021

Nathaniel Spinks '05, Oct. 23, 2021

Graduate School of Theology and San Francisco Theological Seminary

Donald C. McHenry '54, Oct. 29, 2021

William Taylor '60, Oct. 19, 2021

Paul Westberg '62, Oct. 4, 2021

Theodore C. Sperduto II '71, Dec. 3, 2021

Frank S. Hamilton '72, Dec. 31, 2021

Bruce O. Inglis '76, Aug. 10, 2021

David B. Castrodale '77, Aug. 18, 2021

James Vanderholt '87, Aug. 11, 2021

Judith O'Neill '90, Dec. 2, 2021

Stuart Wood '90, Jan. 13, 2021

Lynn Penny '93, Aug. 11, 2021

Anna Mosey '03, Sept. 10, 2021

Friends

Wayne Hoffmann, Sept. 1, 2021. Former SFTS trustee.

Arline Taylor, July 24, 2021. Wife of former SFTS president Randy Taylor.

In memoriam

Nelson "Nels" Burdett '47, '54 passed away Oct. 28, 2021, at the age of 98. Burdett grew up in Alhambra, California. While a student at University of Redlands, he was a member of Alpha Gamma Nu fraternity and the Men's Glee

Club, which performed at Carnegie Hall. On campus, he met the love of his life, Mary Carol Walberg '46. As an alumnus, he was an Alumni Association Board member, reunion committee volunteer, class notes reporter, Redlands Admissions Assistance Program (RAAP) volunteer, and Cortner Society member. During the war years, Nelson participated in the V-12 military education program at Redlands and attended Officer Candidates School in Quantico, Virginia; when he returned, the couple married in 1945. During the war, he served in Guam, Okinawa, and north China, where he established a school and library program. He returned to civilian life and completed his bachelor's and master's in education at U of R. His distinguished career in education began as a teacher and vice principal in Redlands. He went on to serve the San Carlos School District as director of education, assistant superintendent, and superintendent until 1981. He supported future elementary and secondary teachers in the University's School of Education through the Burdett Endowed Scholarship. The couple raised their three daughters—Carol Lorraine '70, Ann Leonard '73, and Bonnie Burdett Walker—in Northern California, where they were active in their church and local community, and throughout his life, Nelson traveled to 73 countries. He is survived by Mary Carol, his daughters, three grandchildren, and six great-grandchildren.

Clara Clem '48 passed away Nov. 25, 2021, at age 94. A lifelong resident of Redlands and graduate of Redlands High, she served on the U of R Executive Fellows Board, Alumni Association Board, was a Redlands Admissions Assistance Program (RAAP) volunteer, and a member of Town & Gown, where she was a 1988 Woman of Distinction. In 2019, her generosity to the University was honored with the dedication of the Clara Mae Clem Lounge within the School of Education. A Beta Lambda Mu sorority member, she earned a degree in education at U of R and taught at McKinley Elementary School in Redlands for 40 years. She was a notable supporter of numerous charities, including the Redlands Symphony, Family Service Association, and the First United Methodist Church. She was a leadership donor to the University of Redlands, the Museum of Redlands, and the Mission Gables Bowl House; she also served as a Redlands Historical and Scenic Preservation

commissioner and sponsored many Redlands Bowl Summer Music Festival performances. Among her many awards, were the 2015 Redlands Chamber of Commerce Woman of the Year designation and 2018 Hero of the Arts Award from the Redlands Bowl. She traveled the world—often on bicycle—with her decades-long best friend, Florence Fainbarg. Her late father, Chauncey H. Clem, was the Chevrolet and Dodge-Plymouth dealer in Redlands, and their family also operated an import gift shop, Travel Treasures. Clara was predeceased by her brothers, Don C. and Chauncey Jr., and nephew, Philip W. Clem. She is survived by her nephew, David Clem, and wife Sandy; niece, Linda Crump, and husband Andy; and their many grandchildren.

Joyce Blayney Crawford '45 passed away on Nov. 25, 2021, she was 96. She was born in Selma, California. While studying psychology at Redlands, she was a member of Delta Kappa Psi sorority, SPURS honors society, and participated in Bulldog tennis and swimming and diving. As an alumna, Crawford was a class notes reporter and served on the Alumni Association Board and the Centennial Celebration Committee. She was a YWCA director in Northern California and Long Beach and worked part-time in Redlands as an adult education teacher. She lived in Redlands for about 70 years, and she was married to Paul Crawford for 61 years. The couple were founders of the Redlands Dance Club and charter members of the Redlands Racquet Club. An active volunteer and board member for many organizations, she served the Redlands YMCA and YWCA, Redlands First Presbyterian Church, Redlands Community Hospital, and The House of Neighborly Service. She gardened, played tennis, traveled, and was an avid reader. Joyce is survived by her daughter, Janis Kreps, and husband Rudolf; son, David, and wife Karen; and five grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

Marilyn Dale died Nov. 18, 2021, at the age of 91. She was a member of the Cortner Society, and along with her late husband of 53 years, Alan Dale '50, established the Alan and Marilyn Dale Endowed Scholarship in 1993. Born March 26, 1930, in Los Angeles, Marilyn graduated from Eagle Rock High School and Occidental College, and she was a teacher for 10 years. Later, Marilyn and Alan owned and operated Alan Dale's Baby News children's stores in San Bernardino and Riverside for three decades. A

lifelong Christian Scientist, she served the church in many capacities for more than 60 years and was active in many community organizations in San Bernardino and Redlands. Alan passed away in 2005, and he previously served on the University's Board of Trustees and Alumni Association Board of Directors. Marilyn is survived by her son, Roger, and wife Cathy; her daughter, Stacy, and husband Dan Brunell; and five grandchildren: Wesley and Austin Dale, and Joshua, Tyler, and Abigail Brunell. In her memory, contributions may be made to her endowed scholarship at the University of Redlands, P.O. Box 3080, Redlands, CA 92373.

Bill Garnett passed away Dec. 20, 2021, at the age of 77. A member of the Cortner Society, he was married to Becky Campbell '69, a member of the University's Board of Trustees, for 50 years. He became a Redlands "convert" 30 years ago and considered himself a Bulldog for Life. His family says, "He was our Timex watch that 'took a licking and kept on ticking.'" Bill was born March 2, 1944, in Buffalo, New York, and moved to San Diego, where his family lived in a Quonset hut during the war years. He graduated from Notre Dame High School and Loyola University and had a career in finance specializing in equipment leasing for 55 years at Garnett & Co. and National City Bank. He served as a board member of the Equipment Lessors Association and frequently served as a speaker and panelist at association functions. He started CARE Funding, specializing in large renewable energy projects. The couple had a daughter, Cameron, and they called themselves "The Three Musketeers"—the family traveled, and Bill taught Cameron to ski and ride horses, and he coached T-ball, softball, and watched her play soccer on Saturdays. He loved being "Grumpa" to his granddaughter, Makenna Campbell Johnson, and enjoyed playing his favored sport, golf, with his son-in-law, Justin Johnson. Bill is survived by Becky—his best friend, soulmate, and dance partner—and Cameron, Justin, Makenna, extended family, and friends he loved like family.

Bob Lage '53 died Nov. 26, 2021, at age 91. Born in Tracy, Minnesota, he moved to Redlands as an infant and graduated from Redlands High in 1948. While attending U of R as a sociology major, he was a member of the Alpha Gamma Nu fraternity and met his wife, Alice Cooper '53;

they married in 1954. The couple established the Bob and Alice Lage Endowed Scholarship at the University, and Bob was a member of the Cortner Society. He earned a master's degree at the Naval Postgraduate School in Monterey and attended the National War College in Washington, D.C. Bob served in the U.S. Navy for nearly 30 years and was awarded a Silver Star, two Legion of Merits, three Meritorious Service Medals, and a Navy Unit Commendation. His commands included the Fleet Anti-Submarine Warfare Training Center Pacific, the guided missile destroyer *USS Robison*, and the destroyer escort *USS Bronstein*. Bob and Alice retired to San Marcos and raised avocados and rooted for the Padres baseball team. He was active with the First United Methodist Church of Escondido, the Senior Anglers of Escondido, Oakmont Residents Council, and was past president of Point Loma Kiwanis. He was laid to rest at the Arlington National Cemetery in Washington, D.C., and is survived by Alice and their three children: Gene Lage '77 and wife Pam, Patty Kolb '80 and husband Gary, and Bruce and wife Sue; his brother, Jerry Lage '55 and wife Joanie; seven grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren. Memorial donations may be made to the University of Redlands Scholarship Fund.

Robert (Bob) Leonard '46 passed away Sept. 10, 2021, at the age of 99. A lifelong resident of Redlands, he graduated from Redlands High School and the University of Redlands, where he was a proud member of Kappa Sigma Sigma, and his father, James S. Leonard, a 1917 alumnus, was a founding fraternity member. Bob lettered in both basketball and tennis (a sport he played into his 80s, and he was ranked in California's senior circuit). Later, he and U of R Tennis Coach Jim Verdieck started the Tennis Junior Development Program. He also was a member of the Cortner Society, President's Circle Leadership Committee, Reunion Committee, and Alumni Association Board of Directors. He enlisted in the U.S. Marine Corps in 1942 and was enrolled in the University's V-12 officer program. He was awarded the Purple Heart and Presidential Unit Citation for his exemplary service. An early and short insurance career was interrupted when he was called back into the Marine Corps during the Korean War. Ultimately, he had a long and successful career as a chartered life

underwriter with Manulife Insurance Co. He was president of both Orange Belt Life Underwriters and Arrowhead Life Underwriters. He was married to his wife, Arlene, for 62 years, and the couple traveled internationally to tennis tournaments—he played recreational tennis in 10 countries. He was involved with the YMCA, Optimist Club, Redlands Community Hospital, and Redlands Chamber of Commerce. He established an endowed scholarship at the University, and during his life, was a member of the First Presbyterian Church and later the First Baptist Church, both in Redlands. He is survived by his two children: Larry and wife Ann Leonard '73, '75, and Susan, one grandchild, two great-grandchildren, and nephew Jack Leonard '72.

Daniel Murphy, U of R School of Music professor emeritus, passed away Oct. 25, 2021, at age 69. Murphy joined the University faculty in 1993, and he was an accomplished artist who gave tirelessly to the School of Music and the University of Redlands for more than 25 years. He was a member of Town & Gown and the Faculty Club, and also supported Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia brotherhood in music. He taught courses in jazz history, improvisation, studio big band, experiencing music, and many other areas. His external performance career brought high-profile artists to the University community. Murphy performed extensively on the East Coast and throughout Southern California, including local appearances at the Redlands Bowl, Blue Jay Jazz Festival, The Performance Loft, the Jazz at Redlands concert series, and many Southern California jazz clubs. Performances included concerts with jazz/swing musicians Don Stratton, Herb Pomeroy, Jim Walker, Milt Hinton, Herb Jeffries, Frankie Laine, Beryl Davis, and Julius La Rosa. His University of Redlands bands performed with many well-known jazz artists, including Dave Brubeck, Bill Watrous, John Clayton, Bobby Shew, Jimmy Smith, Gerald Wilson, Bob Mintzer, Jim Walker, Anthony Wilson, Bobby Rodriguez, Denny Zeitlin, and Peter Erskine. While focused primarily on jazz styles, Murphy was active in regional musical theater orchestras, performed live shows, and recorded PBS television specials as a keyboardist/accompanist in backup bands for The Fifth Dimension, B.J. Thomas, Lulu, Lenny Welch, The Four Aces, The Ink Spots, Patti Page, Joan Rivers, and many others. **OT**

ON SCHEDULE

Friday, May 20 and Saturday, May 21

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Los Angeles Angels Baseball Game

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Saturday, Sept. 3

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Friday, Oct. 21–Sunday, Oct. 23

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Passing on traditions and values of the Carmichael family

By Laura Gallardo '03, '22

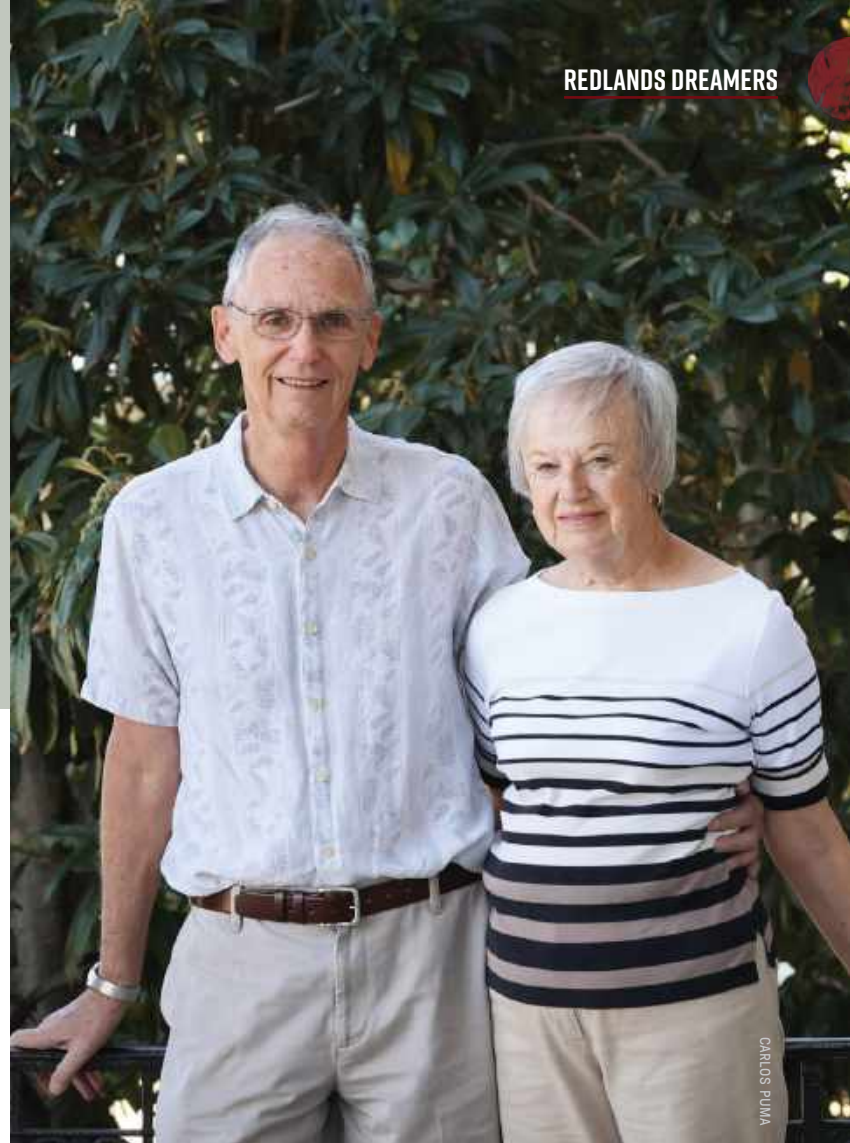
Steve Carmichael '67 heard many stories about the University of Redlands from his father, Dan Carmichael '39. That included living in Melrose Hall with singer and actor John Raitt '39 (singer Bonnie Raitt's father). "They had a close connection and shared an interest in music and football," says Steve. Given his Bulldog family connections (including aunt Maudene "Marty" Hoppin '51 and uncle Harold "Pete" Petersen '50) and his familiarity with the campus and its traditions, it was a "no brainer" to attend the University. "I even knew the 'Och Tamale' before my orientation," remembers Steve.

A member of Alpha Gamma Nu fraternity, Steve studied business administration and enjoyed close relationships with faculty, including Business Law Professor Harold Kirchner. "The professors had a personal interest in me," says Steve. "Their encouragement and the ability to talk to me one-on-one gave me a sense of purpose, and that carried through everything I did."

After serving in the U.S. Navy after U of R graduation, Steve began working in insurance and spent much of his career with Allstate and Northbrook. "When I began working, I realized the value of the education I received," notes Steve. "Redlands expanded my ability to grow in my career." He credits content from his U of R classes to helping him bring together people from different backgrounds to build his team.

While she did not attend the University, Steve's wife, Jane, was already connected to Redlands before they met. After graduating from Columbia Nursing School, she lived on College Avenue and attended the Feast of Lights with a friend in 1963. "I always loved choral music," says Jane. The couple married in 1972, and they continue to attend the Feast of Lights every holiday season. It's a tradition that was also beloved by Steve's parents, Dan and Beverly. "Dad always talked about the Feast, and it was just another example of how Redlands allows you to expand your horizons," notes Steve.

Steve previously served on the Alumni Association Board of Directors and volunteers as his class notes reporter (see page



53). He was recognized in 1991 by the Alumni Association with the Distinguished Service Award for his commitment to the University, which also included service on his class reunion committee and the Orange County chapter. Jane, too, has enjoyed all the Redlands people she has met over the years. "Everyone is so friendly and very committed. Redlands is connected to its students, and a small school makes a difference."

Among the top leadership donors during the *Forever Yours* campaign, Steve and Jane's generous support includes an endowed scholarship, an endowed student science research fund, and an endowed chair in business. As members of the Cortner Society, they also have included a bequest for the University. "We want to strengthen the University and open opportunities that would not otherwise be there," says Steve. "We also want to make sure the best educators will come to Redlands so they can help students explore new avenues in a wide breadth of experiences."

For information on how you can create an endowment at the University to support scholarships or faculty, please contact Gabrielle Singh, associate vice president for advancement, at 909-748-8349 or gabrielle_singh@redlands.edu.



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