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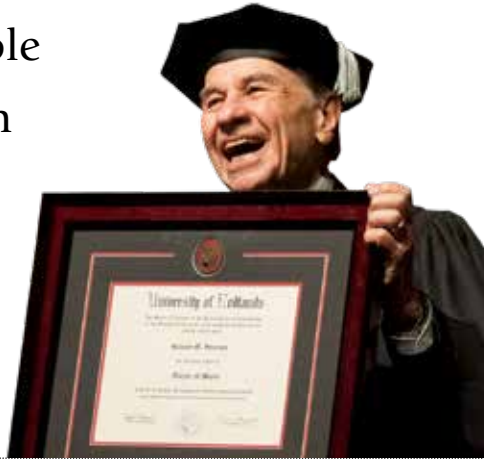
Up for the challenge!

by Michele Nielsen '99

Spartan Racing may just be the next big thing in extreme sports. And these two alumnae are ready.

“My father always said,
‘Make it simple, singable
and sincere ... and then
make it unique.’”

Richard Sherman



New *Och Tamale* editor

WILLIAM VASTA



Judy Hill began in October 2015 as editorial director and editor of *Och Tamale*.

Coming to Redlands from Philadelphia,

where she spent 25 years as a writer and editor, Hill has significant experience in the education arena having edited publications at both the University of Pennsylvania and a K-12 Quaker independent school. She also has written extensively for regional and national publications including the *Philadelphia Inquirer*.

“I am thrilled to be here,” says Hill, “and now that I’m finally getting used to the shock of waking up to sunny skies almost every day of the week, and my craving for tacos is at a manageable level, I’m turning my full attention to helping create excellent publications and editorial content for the University.

“I’ve already had fascinating conversations with alumni, current students and faculty, and I look forward to many more. I also eagerly anticipate getting to know more of the readers of *Och Tamale*. Please be in touch. Let me know what you’re doing, what you’re thinking and what you want to see in these pages.”

Contact Judy Hill at judy_hill@redlands.edu.

Letters

The recent *Och Tamale* article about liberal arts education was so well done! I’m passing it on to two high school granddaughters, and for their parents to read. Excellent writing. So clear and concise!

—Martha Lance ‘64

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THE PRESIDENT'S VIEW

The classroom all around us



WILLIAM VASTA

President Ralph W. Kuncl at the Dec. 3 installation of Provost Kathy Ogren.

As I sit down to write this letter, we are well into our third day of the current round of El Niño-influenced rainfall throughout our region. Radio announcements warn of mudslides and flash floods. The Zanja, typically a dusty creek bed, has swelled into a roaring torrent of brown water. Earlier this week, an earthquake—albeit a small one—rattled nearby Banning causing momentary disorientation as we sat at our breakfast tables.

Nature has a way of asserting itself in Southern California, reminding us that the wild beauty of our surroundings, with those breathtaking mountains that soar in every direction and the unspoiled canyon lands almost on our doorstep, is fragile, precious and subject to change. Drought, pollution and the effects of climate change are not abstract concepts here. They are our daily reality. They persist.

And here at the University of Redlands, so close to mountain, desert and ocean, we are the academic home to faculty actively researching the ecology, climate, flora and marine life of our area, from the San Bernardino Mountains to Santa Monica Bay. Where we live impacts us powerfully, and where our campus sits directly influences the questions we ponder as thinkers, innovators and scholars. Where we are matters.

The creative and scholarly work these faculty members have committed themselves to, be it tracking whales off Newport Beach or studying the hydrology of Lodgepole Meadow at Big Bear, is making a significant contribution to our understanding of Southern California's

unique challenges. Our science faculty are creating an invaluable body of knowledge about how our landscape came to be, what factors have affected its development over time, and how human intervention has compromised the health of our environment and will continue to do so if we pay no heed.

As acknowledged experts in their fields, our faculty are also participants on the national stage lending their voices and knowledge to a wider dialogue on environmental issues. Environmental Studies Professor Tim Krantz is a recognized authority on the Salton Sea, and his opinion is sought out frequently on the environmental impacts of hydraulic fracturing on California's groundwater supplies. His colleague Hillary Jenkins's work on spatio-temporal patterns of water distribution, quality and scarcity in Southern California is currently informing a new restoration plan for the National Forest Service to preserve the meadow ecosystem.

When we talk about environmental challenges, of course, there are those that are cyclically recurrent and those that can be defined as prevailing "megatrends." The cyclical we are well acquainted with in Southern California. Living in a semi-arid desert region, we expect droughts, and we know that El Niño can usher in some mighty, flood-inducing storms. In the megatrend category is the behemoth of climate change. Whether one argues the significance of the human contribution to global warming, it is nevertheless the only factor likely to be in

our control. Slowing or reversing its progress may only likely happen if all the world's major greenhouse gas emitters strenuously commit to those goals of the Paris agreement that require global collaboration on an unprecedented scale.

When it comes to cyclical climate challenges, though, we as scientists and thought leaders in Southern California have an important role to play. By applying ourselves to the rigorous study of our surroundings and the cause and effect of phenomena—both climate- and human-induced—we can influence public policy in matters of pressing importance to the Southland and beyond.

For our students, the inland region offers a vibrant living laboratory where, inspired and guided by their professors, they can dig in and do actual hands-on research out in the field. These out-of-the-classroom experiences not only make learning real and tangible, they also encourage students to see themselves as agents of change in the stewardship of our environment. Careers in environmental sciences and policy begin to seem possible.

And indeed we know that many of our graduates are doing terrific work with organizations in our area addressing Southern California's chronic water shortage, educating the community on drought tolerant landscaping, monitoring ocean water pollution, and becoming active leaders in ensuring a more sustainable future for the region.

While California has its share of environmental and ecological challenges, we are not alone in facing threats to our natural resources. The problems we tackle and the solutions we develop here have broader relevance. And the University of Redlands is playing its own part in finding some of those solutions and influencing future decisions for our state and beyond.

I, for one, feel encouraged and inspired to know we are contributing to this vital work for our times.

With warmest regards,

Ralph W. Kuncl, PhD MD
President
University of Redlands



Disney songwriting legend honored during Redlands visit

A magical night unfolded in Memorial Chapel Jan. 16 as Disney songwriting legend Richard Sherman shared the stage with Disney Creative Director Marilyn Magness '75 for a musical conversation touching on some of the highlights of Sherman's extraordinary six-decade career.

Sherman talked about working with *Mary Poppins* author P.L. Travers, coming up with "It's a Small World" (his "prayer for peace") and following his father's advice to always keep it simple and singable. University of Redlands students honored Sherman with renditions of some of his most beloved songs, including "You're 16" and "Chim Chim Cher-ee," while the Redlands Youth Choir delighted the audience and Sherman alike with their performance of "It's a Small World."

At the end of the evening, to honor Sherman's influence, inspiration and creative genius, the University of Redlands conferred upon him the honorary degree of Doctor of Music.

"We honor a man whose songs have reached beyond our minds and into our hearts—whose lyrics and melodies have not only touched and uplifted the soul and spirit of this generation, but will do so for generations to come," the degree proclamation states.

The degree was conferred by University President Ralph Kuncl, who welcomed Sherman as honorary alumnus of the University and offered a musical tribute on the piano of his own.



View more photos of
Richard Sherman's visit at
OchTamaleMagazine.net



WILLIAM YASTA

At Kathy Ogren's Dec. 3, 2015 installation, she took to the stage as vocalist with her ensemble, the Buffalo Blues Band.

'You, who are on the road'

New Provost Kathy Ogren invoked words from the Crosby, Stills, Nash & Young classic "Teach Your Children" at her Dec. 3, 2015, installation.

"It is a mantra of mine," explained Kathy Ogren to the audience assembled to celebrate her installation as provost in Orton Center. She was referring to the lyrics "Teach Your Children," from the Crosby, Stills, Nash & Young song that provided the title to her speech. "A mantra that inspires my work as a teacher, scholar, a contributor to many living-learning communities and now, as a university administrator with this most curious of titles, a provost."

"You, who are on the road," Ogren sang (yes, sang), "must have a code that you can live by." Though there is no single code to live by on the road to educational advancement, she noted it is our teachers who empower us and "decode" the "knowledge, skills, sensibilities and experiences valuable to our journeys."

Ogren, who served as dean of the College of Arts and Sciences from 2011 to 2015, was also

a faculty member in the history department for many years and served as director of the Johnston Center for Integrative Studies from 1999 to 2007. Her new role as provost began this past June.

In the many courses she has taught in American and African-American history, women's history, jazz and blues studies, and the modern American West, Ogren has often combined history, literature and music. Ogren performs in her spare time as a vocalist with the Buffalo Blues Band, which she started in 2006 as part of a Johnston Center class project.

At her installation, several speakers shared memories of a born leader who has always worn her intellect and wisdom lightly and led by example.

"Kathy Ogren in college was the person that you know today—bright and lively, hardworking and hardplaying, serious but

with a ready smile, engaging, kind, tough when necessary," said Helen Horowitz, the Sydenham Clark Parson Professor Emerita of History at Smith College and an important early mentor for Ogren.

Bill McDonald, professor emeritus of English at the Johnston Center for Integrative Studies, spoke of how on her arrival at the University, in addition to her intellectual credentials, "she had plenty of streetwise experience as a socialist organizer, political activist and a feminist." From the beginning, he said, she was "a hit" with her students and with her colleagues.

As provost, said Ogren, "I will ask this always: Have we challenged students to achieve their best work in what they do best and in what is least comfortable for them?"

Engaging the head and the heart

At his Oct. 7, 2015, installation as the Robert A. and Mildred Peronia Naslund Dean's Chair of the School of Education, Andrew Wall spoke about using the power of education to lift students up and work for the public good.

"It is a fundamental belief that I've always held. It's been what's driven my career selection, that I might be in spaces where I would have an opportunity to make the world better.

"When we only speak of education as job preparation, we have lost the fundamental idea that education is, in fact, about the improvement of society to create citizens not simply of America but of a global world where we solve our problems together.

"We have to prepare educators for this commitment, not simply the commitment to have someone prepared to work, but truly to become better citizens of a world that I want to live in, that I want to leave to my kids, and that they'll want to leave to theirs."



Dr. Andrew Wall at his installation.

WILLIAM YASTA



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A forum on race and inclusion

More than 500 Redlands community members—undergraduate and graduate students, faculty, staff and administrators, trustees, alumni and the media—came together in Orton Center on Nov. 18, 2015, to talk about issues around race, language and inclusion that some have been experiencing on our campus and that are reflected in our larger society.

Many students spoke, and many more listened respectfully as challenging issues were raised and painful experiences were shared.

Following the forum, students submitted a list of actions to improve the University's overall climate for students of color. With community input, President Ralph Kundl convened a council made up of students, faculty and staff to address items on the list and to communicate about decisions and progress made.

ON CAMPUS

Healing after San Bernardino

A KPCC panel discussion at the University of Redlands

Following the Dec. 2, 2015, terrorist attack in San Bernardino, Southern California Public Radio station KPCC held a panel discussion on the Redlands campus, hosted by the University and featuring our chaplain, John Walsh.

Planned in conjunction with the 30th anniversary celebration of Larry Mantle's show, "AirTalk," the Dec. 9 discussion brought together a varied group of panelists with a range of perspectives on the tragedy and how we can heal and move forward as a community.

Joining Walsh were San Bernardino Police Chief Jarrod Burguan '07, '10, Larry Humphreys, who directs Behavioral Autism Therapies; Amjad Khan, director of public affairs for the Ahmadiyya Muslim Community, Brian Levin; director of the Center for the Study of Hate & Extremism at California State University, San Bernardino; Riverside *Press Enterprise* columnist Cassie MacDuff and Sandy Tice, pastor at the First Presbyterian Church of San Bernardino.

Aiming to "shed light, not just heat," Mantle led a powerful conversation among the panelists, who talked about resilience, radicalization and even hope. For Redlands students, noted Walsh, this was "truly a teachable moment."

The juxtaposition of the horrific events that unfolded and life on this peaceful campus, he said, was surreal, though our students have an unusually wide consciousness of the world and immediately wanted to get to grips with fully understanding the situation and pondering what could be done to make things better. "Our students are used to giving of themselves," said Walsh.



San Bernardino Police Chief Jarrod Burguan '07, '10 with Larry Mantle and a panel of experts.

CARLOS PUMA



Watch the entire KPCC panel discussion at OchTamaleMagazine.net



View more photos of the KPCC panel discussion at OchTamaleMagazine.net



WILLIAM VASTA

American success stories

*A*tantic journalist James Fallows and wife, Deborah Fallows, who were Distinguished Fellows in Residence at the University last year, returned to campus Jan. 29-30, 2016 for American Futures 2016, a conference about the people, organizations and ideas reshaping the country at the local level.

For the last two years, crisscrossing the country in their Cirrus SR-22 airplane, the Fallows have been working on a project to explore mid sized towns between the coasts that have overcome economic adversity by developing innovative solutions to their challenges. The Fallows see these cities as examples of hope in the midst of the dysfunction often reported on the national level.

The mayors of Duluth, Minn., Riverside, Calif., Greenville, S.C., Dayton, Ohio and Fresno, Calif., were on hand to talk about their success stories and ponder what lessons could be applied to our national-level institutions.

The conference was the first project of the Ken '60 and Lynn Hall Network for Innovation in Public Policy.

Wise women

Last fall, Redlands played host to three extraordinary women who visited campus to talk about their inspiring individual journeys.

Eat, Pray, Love author Elizabeth Gilbert spoke at Homecoming and Parents' Weekend in late October. In November, we welcomed Cassandra Manuelito Kerkvliet, the first Native American woman to become president of a nontribal U.S. university. Also that month, an enthusiastic crowd cheered for Laverne Cox, the first transgender woman of color to have a leading role on a mainstream scripted television show ("Orange is the New Black").



"What would it be like if we allowed people to express their gender in the way that felt most authentic to them? What a wonderful world that would be."

Laverne Cox

WILLIAM VASTA

"We need fear. Your fear is your great big stupid moral bodyguard ... but all it wants to do is save your life. You just have to find a way to work with it."

Elizabeth Gilbert



WILLIAM VASTA



"It's not all about the career or the money or the status. It's about how you are deeply, deeply connected to your ancestors and the ceremonies that bring you along."

Cassandra Manuelito Kerkvliet

COURTESY CASSANDRA MANUELITO KERKVLIEI

ARTS & CULTURE

A tradition of excellence

School of Music Chapel Singers chosen to perform at two major national conventions



COCO MCKOWN

Under the direction of Nicholle Andrews, the University of Redlands Chapel Singers was one of only nine top university choirs to perform at the Sixth National Collegiate Choral Organization Convention, hosted at Portland State University last November.

"It humbles me that every day I make music with some of the finest young musicians in the country," says Andrews. "Every rehearsal and performance is a new adventure."

In January, the Chapel Singers performed the

work of songwriter Richard Sherman during a special evening with Sherman in Memorial Chapel. In February, the ensemble traveled to San Jose, Calif. where they performed with the top high school choral and instrumental students in the state at the California All State Music Educators Conference.

"The current success of the choral program is really a product of the whole curriculum coming to a sharp focus on core musical skills," Dean of the School of Music Andrew

Glendening says. "With faculty working together to closely coordinate music theory, history, musicianship and performance training, our students are now equipped to do ensemble work at the highest level. We are achieving our goal of educating the whole musician."



Watch the Chapel Singers perform at OchTamaleMagazine.net



CHARLES CONVIS

Feed me, Seymour!

The comedy/horror rock musical *Little Shop of Horrors* opened for a limited, two-weekend run at the Glenn Wallichs Theatre in November. Inspired by the popular low-budget, science fiction satire musical and film about a nerdy florist and a giant, man-eating plant, the well received production was the capstone endeavor for several theatre arts seniors.



View more photos of *Little Shop of Horrors* at OchTamaleMagazine.net

Portfolio

In case you missed last fall's Faculty Art Show at the University of Redlands, here's a glimpse of some of the artwork that graced the walls of the Gallery Building.

- 1 Penny McElroy, Art Professor**
"Sheltered in a Ghostly Heart"
vintage wallpaper sample, acrylic paint, photocopy, colored pencil, thread, fabric, vintage letter labels
- 2 Angela Willcocks, Visiting Assistant Art Professor**
"Landscape"
oil on board
- 3 Raul Acero, Art Professor**
"Adentro y Afuera (Within and Without)"
digital drawing
- 4 Tommy Cahill, Assistant Art Professor**
"Bunny Museum"
Ink jet print
- 5 Anna M. Gaitan, Adjunct Art Professor**
"Come and Get Us (Vamos)"
color digital print
- 6 Renée Azenaro, Senior Art Lecturer**
"Wanting/Longing"
wall Installation: paint on board, steel wire sculpture
- 7 Terry Long, Adjunct Art Professor**
"Flowering Light"
LED lights and time-lapse photography



ON CAMPUS

Redlands welcomes Freedom Rider Diane Nash



COCO MCKOWN

Civil rights activist Diane Nash visited campus on Jan. 27, 2016, as part of a weeklong celebration of the legacy of Martin Luther King, Jr.

Nash, who worked with King in her 20s, was one of the most respected student leaders of the civil rights movement. A co-founder of the Student Nonviolent Coordinating Committee, she campaigned successfully to integrate lunch counters in Nashville and was one of the Freedom Riders who desegregated interstate travel.

At Redlands, Nash explained the basic principles of nonviolence in which, “we used the energy produced by love to help heal the opponent.”

“People are never the enemy, she said. “Unjust political systems are the enemy. Unjust economic systems. Racism, sexism, ignorance ... You can love and respect the person but attack the attitude.”

Laying out the steps involved in nonviolent strategy, Nash stressed the importance of agreeing on an objective, teaching your followers, negotiating face to face with the opponent and ultimately withdrawing participation in the oppression.

“Nonviolence is not easy,” she said. “You shouldn’t expect it to be. Freedom fighters made many sacrifices, suffering violence and time in jail.”

Talking directly to the students in Memorial Chapel, Nash spoke of freedom as a never-ending struggle that each individual and every generation must stand up for. “Even though we had not met you then. We did what we did for you. We loved you.”

FACULTY FILES



CARLOS PUMA

Involving students in real-world projects is a priority for Business Professor Mara Winick.

Theory into practice

Mara Winick, a business administration professor, creates valuable opportunities for students to put into practice what they learn in her classroom. For this work, she was honored last fall as one of four national finalists for the Thomas Ehrlich Civically Engaged Faculty Award.

Winick works with community organizations to envision team projects that use and develop writing and speaking skills; analytical skills including accounting, modeling and GIS; knowledge of nonprofit or government entities and language skills.

“Students must understand and practice communication, group decision-making and critical thinking that is characteristic of high-performing teams. We work on these skills in class through self-assessment, practice and comparison of our behaviors and attitudes to that of high performing teams.” Winick says.

On campus, teams have worked with Community Service Learning to plant a community garden that serves as a classroom and produces food for Bon Appetit to use in the Commons. Teams also completed a plan for a University vineyard,

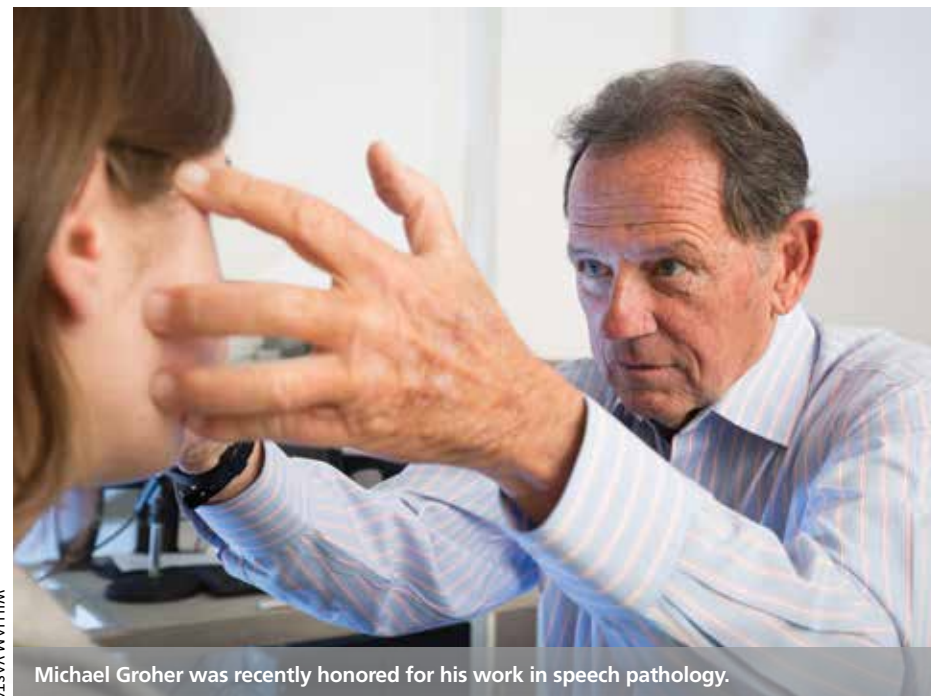
now in progress, and a reusable Christmas tree farm where trees can be leased from the University and returned for use the following year.

Off campus, teams have worked with Loma Linda University Health, the Banning Police Department, Inland Harvest, The Children’s Fund and the City of Redlands. For the city, students monitored and tracked public parking use, researched paid parking systems in other communities and projected revenue scenarios from which the city manager and city council could make an informed decision about whether to charge for public parking.

Organizations are excited to work with the student teams, and Winick now has more requests for teams than she can fill.

As a business professor, says Winick, being a national finalist is especially meaningful. “I am delighted that a larger community will know that business faculty too are working to produce students who are more thoughtful and knowing of their actions; these students will be the decision-makers and leaders of tomorrow.”

Transforming the role of speech pathologists



WILLIAM VASTA

Michael Groher was recently honored for his work in speech pathology.

Professor of Communicative Disorders Michael Groher was recently awarded Honors of the Association, the highest distinction from the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association (ASHA)—the national professional, scientific and credentialing association in the field.

Through leading international research, teaching and publications, Groher has influenced a transformation of the role speech pathologists play in patient care and how the medical community evaluates, diagnoses and treats patients with swallowing impairments (dysphagia). By helping to establish a multidisciplinary intervention that includes speech pathology as a standard approach, Groher's work has significantly expanded the scope of treatment options for dysphagia patients.

"Before 1983, if you had a swallowing problem in the hospital, you got a feeding tube," says Groher. "Now we know how to evaluate patients better and that sometimes the feeding tube might not be needed. If you have a swallowing problem, we now know it is a symptom of an underlying disorder. Now, when a new resident gets a patient who

is coughing or choking, they know to call a speech pathologist."

Groher says the multidisciplinary approach has also opened up the conversation about end-of-life care. "There are options now. A patient who has been diagnosed with multiple sclerosis or amyotrophic lateral sclerosis or a similar condition knows they will eventually experience swallowing impairments. We can have the conversation early on, so the patient can make the decision his- or herself about whether they will want a feeding tube or if they want the impairment to be managed with the techniques available.

"It is so gratifying to have a career where I made a contribution and changed the way things are done," Groher says. "And it is gratifying to have my peers recognize and value this work. It is really an honor."

Groher also oversees the University's Truesdail Center for Communicative Disorders, the nonprofit agency where, under the supervision of clinically certified faculty, graduate students in the department provide speech-language and hearing services to those with communication disorders.

Grant news

MATHEMATICS ACHIEVEMENT

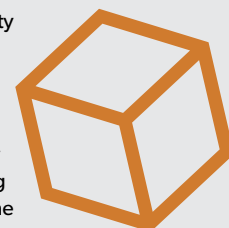
The University of Redlands has been awarded a \$500,000 grant to increase mathematics achievement among elementary students in Moreno Valley Unified School District, with a particular focus on students who are of color, are English learners or are from low-income families.



A collaborative project of the University and the district, the "Transforming Lives through Mathematics Leadership Institute" will develop professional learning communities where elementary school teachers and principals work together to develop their knowledge in math-focused content, pedagogy and technology-infused instruction.

STEM SUCCESS

Researchers at the University of Redlands have received a grant of almost \$700,000 to educate and empower students for success in STEM courses and careers by improving their spatial thinking and computational skills at the elementary level.



The National Science Foundation awarded the highly competitive grant, the University's largest-ever NSF award, to Redlands as leader of a two-year pilot program to develop and test spatial STEM+C (science, technology, engineering, mathematics plus computing) activities in K-5 classrooms.

MAPPING RELIGION

Supported by a grant from the Wabash Center for Teaching and Learning in Theology and Religion, Associate Professor of Religion Lillian Larsen and Associate Librarian Shana Higgins have embarked on a project to research, re-construct and re-draw the map of world religion.



"In defining religion, maps can be both powerful and misrepresentative," says Larsen. "For example, simply noting which traditions are included, emphasized and/or 'left off' a given map can help students think about religion as a cultural, economic and political force in both positive and negative ways."

Three workshops this spring will delve into the key issues of mapping, researching and re-presenting religion. Ultimately, the goal is to develop a full curriculum.

OFFICE HOURS

For these University of Redlands professors, the office is a home away from home.



Bill Southworth
Speech and Debate Professor
Gannett Center

Former use: A store room.

Major drawback: NO windows.

Design solution: I had murals put on two of the walls, one of New England fall, the other a golf hole. I've also moved stuff from my home to my office, including a wine cave (it holds about 300 bottles, and I use it for my May Term History of Wine course), a recliner and rocking chair.

Home away from home: My dog loves coming here and sitting in the recliner or on his bed.

What would you change? Nothing. They offered to put a window in, but I said, "It's perfect so leave it alone."



Louanne Long
Artist Professor, Piano
School of Music

Inhabitant for: 53 years.

Favorite items: My two Steinway grand pianos! They are 6-foot twins! Serial numbers 264078 and 79, the pianos were hand built side-by-side in 1928 during Steinway's golden decade.

Getting comfortable: In the early '90s, Char Burgess donated the beautiful tan leather sofa.

Most personal meaning: Three Chopin items—a bronze bust, a facsimile edition of the autographed manuscript of his *24 Preludes, Opus 28*, and his death mask—all gifts from Halina Jasiak, a cultural ambassador to the U.S. whom I met during my sabbatical in Poland in 2006.



Bill Huntley
Religion Professor
Larsen Hall

Inhabitant since: 1998 but from 1974-98 I was down the hall gathering up other supplies with which to decorate.

Favorite features: I like the big warm window and the extra book shelves.

Treasured items: The masks I bought in Indonesia and Japan.

How do students react? They seem to like the relaxed feeling. They ask sometimes, "Do you ever get to sleep here?"

What would you change? Maybe a skylight?





Art Svenson
Government Professor
Hall of Letters

Favorite features: The two large windows facing east. The office has the feel of one of those apartments overlooking Chicago's Wrigley Field: It's a good seat to watch the Bulldogs women's team do their magic on the softball field. Go Dawgs!

Putting his stamp on it: The paint was the interior color of the Administration Building when orange was the new beige. I call it positive-energy orange. When I asked for paint, Facilities gave me the last two gallons of that color and off I went. I painted the office by myself in the summer of 1985.



Julie Townsend
Professor, Director,
Johnston Center for
Integrative Studies
Bekins-Holt Hall

Favorite feature: The view of the trees and the bunny that plays in the grass right outside!

Memories: This office has been home to Kathy Ogren and Kelly Hankin, so I have great memories of meetings in this office.

Favorite item: The bust of Jimmy Johnston and my poster from the 1987 AIDS fundraiser "Dancing for Life," which I attended the day before my 18th birthday. Also drawings from my 4-year-old twins!

What would you change? Bekins would be made earthquake safe.



Hongwei Lu
Asian Studies Professor
Hall of Letters

Favorite item: The faded blue-and-white indigo cloth that covers my calligraphy table was my paternal grandmother's package cloth. Every time I touch it, I feel a sense of connection with her, even though I never met her. She was illiterate and foot-bound and never went more than 10 miles beyond her mountain village in her life.

How does your office make students feel?

My first-year seminar advisees said it gave them a feeling of "peaceful serenity."

If you could change anything? I would turn my office into a classic Chinese scholar's studio.







1,000 WORDS

On November 18, 2015, more than 500 students, staff, faculty and administrators gathered in Orton Center for a forum on issues around race, language and inclusion.



Environmental Studies Assistant Professor Hillary Jenkins follows behind a group of students setting out to do field work at Big Bear's Lodgepole Meadow.



NATURE'S CLASSROOM: IN OUR OWN BACKYARD

By Judy Hill

Within easy reach of mountain, ocean and desert, the University of Redlands sits in a geographic sweet spot. Beyond the pleasures each milieu offers, all three ecosystems are also beset by the environmental challenges currently dogging much of California, including drought, land degradation, pollution and the myriad types of havoc an overabundance of humans can wreak.

Opportunities also abound in our Southern California setting for Redlands faculty to get to grips with these challenges up close and to work to find lasting solutions.

Their expertise about our natural resources—the flora of the San Bernardino Mountains, the trees at Big Bear, marine life in the waters off Catalina Island, the night sky as viewed from Joshua Tree—and their passionate commitment to helping to preserve them, in turn inspires legions of Redlands students who, as alumni, are motivated to carry on this vital work.



Hillary Jenkins, right, and her students are studying the hydrology of mountain meadows to predict the effects of the current drought on California.

THE PALEOCLIMATOLOGIST

by Catherine Garcia '06

In a mountain meadow at Big Bear, Hillary Jenkins and her students are working to predict the long term effects of California's drought.

While California officials and agencies discuss how to tackle the drought, Hillary Jenkins and her students are conducting important hands-on research that could influence future decisions on everything from water rationing to conservation policy.

Jenkins, an assistant professor of environmental studies, and several students spent the summer studying the hydrology of Lodgepole Meadow in Big Bear to predict the effects of the current drought on California. Another student worked in conjunction with the School of Business to study the economic impact of the drought on agriculture in the state. While many participated through the Science Student Research program, others are

continuing their work during the academic year.

Jenkins has always been interested in patterns of precipitation and is a paleoclimatologist studying climates of the past. In Big Bear, the team used tree rings to reconstruct the drought. When a ring has a narrow width, that was a low water year; when there's more water, the rings are much thicker. "You can look at these year-to-year variations in tree rings and see what has happened in the past," she says.

Mountain meadows serve as important hydrologic reservoirs, and knowing some meadows are dying means forests are going to suffer as well, says Jenkins. Emma Romack '16 worked closely on the project with Jenkins, developing the research plan and measuring

change in depth of the meadow's groundwater levels over time. Using Excel and GIS, she built a computer model and plugged in multiple variables to predict the future health of the meadow. She found the subject and research so fascinating that she turned it into her senior capstone project.

"This is new and groundbreaking, something we've never seen before," Romack says. "At no time in recorded climatic history do we see temperatures rising so fast while precipitation is decreasing so quickly. We are jumping into unknown territory, and being the people who get to glimpse into the future because of this research is exciting."

Moving forward, the team will put together a meadow assessment and restoration plan for the National Forest Service that will recommend what to do to preserve the meadow ecosystem and deal with river incisement. As students graduate, the research will continue, giving new undergrads the opportunity to participate.

"This is a serious problem we have, but it does provide us with a unique opportunity to capture real time change," Jenkins says. "There is no better way to teach students about the importance of what's happening than having them be actively involved in researching it. It is so powerful to really give them ownership of the learning that happens through these types of research projects."

For Romack, conducting research has been one of the most valuable experiences she's had at Redlands.

"It allows you to get a feel for a certain field that you could go into after school," she adds. "It also lets you apply everything you've learned in your classes to a real-life situation that you have total control over. It tests your abilities and knowledge accumulated throughout college, making you take complete responsibility for its success. But it's also exciting because for the first time, you get to choose what to learn and can take your experiment any way you want to."

Scout Dahms-May '17 (Taylor Family Student Science Researcher), an environmental science major and Jenkins' research assistant, has also benefited from fieldwork. She has studied the impact of air pollutants like ozone and nitrogen oxide on tree growth by examining the rings of Ponderosa pines in the San Bernardino National Forest. Dahms-May was able to determine a correlation between low tree growth and high ozone and NOx concentrations from 1981 to 1999, research that shows how vegetation is affected by human-related impacts.

"I would love to make a difference on this planet," Dahms-May says. "By doing research and determining how we are affecting the natural environment, we have the knowledge and research to change policies and our own actions." **OT**

STUDENT SCIENCE RESEARCH

The Student Science Research program at Redlands has provided hundreds of students the opportunity to work with faculty on research projects in a variety of fields. To find out more about how we make student research possible and how you can add your support, go to page 46.



RETURNING WATER TO THE AQUIFER

Damilola Eyelade '12 MS GIS

"Water impacts us a lot," says Damilola Eyelade '12 MS GIS. "It's all around us, but sometimes we neglect to think about it."

Growing up in Nigeria, Eyelade saw firsthand what happens when you ignore the power of water. He remembers a small lake behind his house that supplied the community. "A mile down the road they built a road over one of its tributaries, without even a bridge over it. So, it kept getting washed out, and they kept resurfacing it. Water is really important. If you don't take cognizance of it, it can cost you a lot down the line."

Eyelade spent two years post college working in GIS (geographic information systems)-related jobs in Nigeria before pursuing his master's in GIS in the United States. After considering several schools, he chose the University of Redlands, partly because the professors were so enthusiastic and welcoming. "It feels like one huge family," says Eyelade, who also appreciated the proximity to Esri, the world's leading GIS company. An additional factor was the major individual project that replaces the thesis and engages students with real-life problems to solve.

"The purpose is for students to learn practical applications and at the same time help with the local community," says Associate GIS Professor Ruijin Ma. "Every student has a different interest."

For Eyelade, who is now pursuing a Ph.D. in hydrology at UC Santa Barbara, a project proposed by Fort Irwin U.S. Army base in the Mojave Desert piqued his interest. As part of the Army's Net Zero initiative—aimed at creating sustainable solutions to reduce their impact on the environment—leaders at Fort Irwin were interested in increasing the amount of rainwater they could return to the aquifers.

Traveling out to the desert 40 miles northwest of Barstow, Eyelade marveled at the aridity of the desert landscape. "When it actually rains, though, it feels like it's raining on concrete. Very little percolates into the ground, and you suddenly have flash floods."

To ascertain the best locations for potential water capture in percolation/evaporation ponds, Eyelade examined such factors as amount of annual rainfall, rainfall per event, peak amount, amount of runoff and soil quality. Using GIS tools and some of his own programming, Eyelade assembled and analyzed multiple layers of data on geology, elevation, slope, precipitation and land use, coming up with a recommendation for the optimal places to capture and store water from rainfall. Those turned out to be about a mile upstream and some yards away from the washes that feed the dry lake beds where storm water pools up after rainstorms.

"I had fun working on this project," says Eyelade, who was a Morrison Fellow (made possible by the Marvin R. Morrison Family Trust) while at Redlands. "It enabled me to pick up new technical skills as well as a deeper understanding of water in arid areas. I have been able to apply some of this new expertise to other projects back home in Nigeria, and doing this project led to me starting my Ph.D. looking at more water management issues."

THE BOTANIST

Nobody knows the plants of the San Bernardino Mountains better than Tim Krantz, and he's committed to their conservation.

Q&A with Tim Krantz

A Redlands native (since the age of 2) and a 1977 graduate of the Johnston Center for Integrative Studies, Tim Krantz knows this area better than most. A professor of environmental studies at the University, Krantz graduated from Redlands with a degree in ethnobotany ("Kind of a double major between anthropology and botany," he says), before going on to earn his master's in Latin American studies at Stanford University and his Ph.D. in geography at UC Berkeley.

As Krantz tells it, he got "hooked on botany" during his undergraduate days here at Redlands, where he parlayed that interest into a job working for the San Bernardino National Forest and later wrote his Ph.D. dissertation on the phytogeography (geography of the plants) of the San Bernardino Mountains based on a comprehensive review of more than 15,000 collection records of plants in the range. Recently, he became the first director of the Southern California Montane Botanic Garden at The Wildlands Conservancy's Oak Glen Preserve in the foothills of the San Bernardino Mountains.

Krantz isn't just an expert on the flora and fauna of Southern California, though. He is also a recognized authority on the Salton Sea, California's largest lake; a Fulbright Ambassador and Scholar to Austria; and frequent speaker and featured media expert on environmental issues ranging from the California drought to the impacts of "fracking" on California's groundwater supplies.

Tell me about the Botanic Garden at Oak Glen you've been working on.

It's a spectacular spot. The core of the Oak Glen Preserve is comprised of about 200 acres of native chaparral, oak and riparian woodlands, and mixed conifer forest, with two perennial streams, several ponds. Several miles of trails provide access to these habitats, with more than 100 species signed and fully interpreted.

Thanks to several generous grants, we completed the first phase of the Botanic Garden—Hummingbird Hill—just last year. It features more than 25 species of native

plants chosen to attract hummingbirds and butterflies. The hardscape for the second phase is completed and will feature a series of waterfalls and ponds with native fish and a living collection of manzanitas, buckwheats and other native flora of the Southern California mountains.

Ultimately, I see this as a demonstration garden where people can come and see how the natives look and then go home and rip out their lawns. We have Parish's woolly blue curls, a local Oak Glen native, named for the pioneer botanist in this region—Sam Parrish. There's also pearly everlasting, which has straw-colored flowers and makes a beautiful, fragrant tea.

"Ultimately, I see this as a demonstration garden where people can come and see how the natives look and then go home and rip out their lawns."

We have two native roses, the California rose and the woods rose, clusters of quaking aspen, the southernmost aspen on the Pacific coast. They are limited in our mountains to two tiny groves that have persisted since the Ice Age.

Right now, we're covering one bank with aspen, which will be gorgeous next fall alongside yellow-flowering buckwheat. We're using the garden like an artist's palette, with the plants as our paint.

Do your students get involved with your work here?

The Wildlands Conservancy is one of the most popular community service opportunities for the University with many students working at Oak Glen or other preserves in the SoCal area. Student projects range from removal of non-

native species to outdoor education program assistance and curriculum development.

I teach ornithology and botany classes and take my students up here on field trips. I feed them the edible plants—rose hips, salvia stems—while we're out on a trip. They're trusting me with their lives!

What did your earlier job for the Forest Service entail?

At the time, the Endangered Species Act was brand new and hadn't been applied to plants. My task was to relocate some of these rare plants based on their historical collections. Some of them had not been described or located for many decades, so I'd be reading through labels for these collections at UC Riverside or Rancho Santa Ana Botanic Garden in Claremont trying to decipher where they'd been collected.

Samuel Bonsall Parrish was the first botanist to explore these mountains in the late 1800s. He was a gentleman Mormon rancher, and he would collect samples and send them back to Asa Gray, the renowned Harvard botanist. Gold had been discovered in 1859 or so, and there were these ramshackle towns up in Big Bear comprised of 20 or so cabins, half of which were bars and houses of ill repute, and here was this gentleman botanist exploring and collecting wild flowers! It so happened that many things he collected only occurred in Big Bear.

There were no place names then, so he'd just say San Bernardino Mountains or Bear Lake. It was kind of a detective game to actually find where he was and what the particular habitats were for these rare species.

So there is something pretty special about the flora in these mountains.

The San Bernardino Mountains host about 1,600 species of flowering plants. That's more than a quarter of the flora of California in just 0.7 percent of its area. We have 32 species that are strictly endemic—found nowhere else in the world except the San Bernardino Mountains—and another 88 with but one or two populations outside of the San Bernardino Mountains. About 15 are restricted only to

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Environmental Studies Professor Tim Krantz directs the botanic garden at the Wildlands Conservancy's Oak Glen Preserve in the foothills of the San Bernardino Mountains.



ALEXIA WU/UTD

CONNECTING STUDENTS WITH CONSERVATION

Torrie Brandon '16

Though she grew up in nearby Yucaipa, Torrie Brandon '16 only discovered the preserve at Oak Glen while volunteering as a student at the University. An environmental studies and business major, Brandon knew she wanted to fulfill her community service requirement outdoors, and since her sophomore year she's been doing just that, starting out with trail maintenance at Oak Glen and now as the student ambassador for the Wildlands Conservancy.

In this role, Brandon connects students with volunteer projects at Oak Glen and the Wildlands Conservancy's other nearby preserves at Bluff Lake and Whitewater. "I've had the pleasure of working with a lot of outdoor education programs," says Brandon, who currently has students busy creating a new curriculum at Oak Glen and another group using GIS to map all of the Wildlands Conservancy's locations throughout Southern California.

"There are a lot of opportunities to be involved," says Brandon, "from pulling weeds to putting together a garden." The Wildlands Conservancy has two main goals, she says: nature conservation, because this area is particularly environmentally sensitive, and outdoor education, especially with low income schools. "A lot of kids really haven't been to places like this," says Brandon. "You see them there, and it's just the coolest thing ever."

For her senior capstone project, Brandon is working on a detailed log of her work with the Wildlands Conservancy, as well as an evaluation of the environmentally sustainable practices of locally owned Goose Coffee Roasters. As if that weren't enough, she's also putting together an environmental impact assessment of a proposed large scale tourist resort in the Galapagos, which she visited last year on a study abroad program.

Brandon wants to use her degree (her minor is public policy) to go into consulting with companies on sustainability. "You can't get rid of business, and you wouldn't want to. The key is to make everything work together in an efficient and sustainable way."

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Big Bear and the adjacent Holcomb Valleys. The San Bernardinos have the highest degree of floral endemism or uniqueness of any mountain range in the U.S. and one of the highest in the world. It's truly remarkable.

Part of the biodiversity of the San Bernardino Mountains comes from the fact that it combines everything from desert floor to alpine summits in just the space of about 25 kilometers as the crow flies. Another unique factor is that the San Bernardino, San Gabriel and Santa Ynez mountains comprise the only transverse mountain range in the continental U.S., meaning they run east to west. All the others run north-south. That's important because each ridge then has a north aspect and a south aspect slope.

With each wave of ice ages you get cold-loving plants pushed southward, and if they established themselves here they could survive the intervening warm climate periods on the north aspect slope; whereas warm-loving species from Mexico, like the California fan palm, could survive the cold climate periods on the lower south-facing slopes. Each wave of the ice ages and warm inter-glacials added more species to the flora.

And are they endangered? If so, how?

Two million people visit these mountains every year, which is as many as visit the state of Hawaii. Before it was a lake, Big Bear Valley comprised several thousand acres of montane meadows with open clay soils called pebble plains. With the filling of the Big Bear reservoir, much of the meadow habitat was inundated. And then there was the development that occurred around the lake—a golf course, runways and ski areas—that further eliminated probably 50 percent of the total distribution of many of those plants.

Altogether there are 36 species that are considered rare, threatened or endangered under the federal and state Endangered Species Acts. These endemic species are like fingerprints, uniquely representing the natural history of the San Bernardino Mountains. By conserving them, we protect hundreds of other species of flora and fauna that comprise the amazing biodiversity of the San Bernardino Mountains. **OT**

LAKE PERRIS POLLUTION

Assistant Professor of
Chemistry Rebecca Lyons

Assistant Professor of Chemistry Rebecca Lyons and her students have used mapping and modeling to locate endocrine disrupting compounds in nearby Lake Perris. The man-made compounds, which act like a hormone in biological systems, have been linked to everything from hermaphroditism in amphibians to breast cancer in humans.

Lyons has identified these compounds in the waters of Lake Perris as well as a few other Southern California lakes. She continues to monitor local lakes while also looking at the distribution of these compounds in the Sierra Nevada.



Katie Heer '10 helps school campuses create drought-tolerant gardens.

WILLIAM VASTA

PROTECTING THE INLAND EMPIRE'S NATURAL RESOURCES

Katie Heer '10

"People don't understand how much to water," says Katie Heer '10. "Even when we're not in a drought people overwater their lawns." And Heer knows what she's talking about. As the natural resources manager with the Inland Empire Resource Conservation District (IERCD), and with a B.S. in environmental science from Redlands, she spends many of her working hours educating people about how to conserve water.

Heer became fascinated with environmental science at Redlands after taking a freshman introductory class with Environmental Studies Professor Wendy McIntyre. Her interest deepened over the next three years, and for her capstone project she took part in a comprehensive survey of campus trees.

"This position is a perfect fit for me," she says, "since I realized while I was still in school that I was interested in the environment but more in the management side rather than being out in the field all day surveying species. I'm interested in seeing the big picture."

The mission of IERCD, which is a public agency based in Redlands, is to carry out environmental protection, restoration and education in a service area that incorporates much of southwestern San Bernardino County and a portion of Riverside County. "We get to really hone in on one area," says Heer.

To encourage better stewardship of the watershed, Heer makes frequent presentations to community groups on water conservation. For a recent workshop, she co-presented with Molly Bogh, the author of *Life After Lawns: 8 Steps from Grass to a Waterwise Garden*, who is a Highlands resident. She also came up with a program to create small, drought-tolerant gardens on school campuses. After explaining the project to the students, she rolls up her sleeves and helps them plant the garden.

Currently, Heer is working on a program to train lawn-care professionals on water conservation, "since many people just pay a landscaper to come."

Having gone to high school in Arizona—"where everyone has rocks and cacti in their yard"—Heer is dismayed at how attached people in Southern California are to their lawns. "We're trying to explain that you can still have a lush, colorful yard but that doesn't need to be grass."

Heer also works with developers required to restore an area of habitat as mitigation for damage caused by a development project. Sometimes the restoration will be built into the plan and the restoration area located within a gated area in the community. Other times, it could be offsite, and Heer is currently overseeing several restoration projects in nearby San Timoteo Canyon, where areas overtaken with invasive species or degraded by years of agriculture are being restored. "We figure out what plants should be there, plant them and irrigate them, and then move into the maintaining stage."

Lately Heer and the IERCD have been working closely with Environmental Studies Professor Tim Krantz in Big Bear on the vulnerable flora in the pebble plains. "It's a very unique habitat with these tiny plants," she says. "When they're completely in bloom it's beautiful. There are numerous species of these little plants. In fact, it's as biodiverse as a coral reef. It's just a very unique habitat, and you can't find it anywhere other than the San Bernardino Mountains."

Heer and her colleagues are carrying out conservation where the plains have been degraded by dirt bikes and other off road activities. "People don't realize it's such a special place, and you really wouldn't unless you'd seen it in the spring. We're working to protect it, because areas like this don't exist in many places around the world."

Physics Professor Tyler Nordgren has worked for the last decade with the National Park Service to promote astronomy education in U.S. national parks where dark skies still permit an unhindered view of the universe beyond our own atmosphere. Nordgren is also an artist, who has drawn attention for his striking photographs of the night sky.



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THE ASTRONOMER

"Looking at the heavens is no longer a possibility for the majority of people. We are losing our culture and connection to the past, our scientific history, something that stimulates our thoughts about our place in the universe. We're losing half our landscape. And we've made it go away by turning the sky orange."

—Physics Professor Tyler Nordgren



KEEPING THE BAY CLEAN

Georgia Tunioli '13

For Georgia Tunioli '13, her revelation about climate change came early, in 5th grade, when her teacher introduced the concept in an earth science class. "I felt surprised and a little scared that there wasn't more happening," she says.

Fast forward a decade or so and Tunioli, born in Connecticut but drawn to warmer climes, found herself majoring in environmental science at the University of Redlands.

Now an outreach programs assistant at The Bay Foundation in Santa Monica, Tunioli appreciates how Redlands gave her the opportunity to dive deep into the multi-faceted issues of environmental studies and offered her extracurricular learning opportunities. "From diving and exploring in Palau with Monty Hempel, field trips to the Salton Sea and sitting in on local public hearings with Tim Krantz, whale watching, visiting a Victorville dairy farm, planting trees in Big Bear, the list is long," she says.

While at Redlands, Tunioli also took advantage of her close proximity to Esri, the world's leading GIS company, attending a talk there by Captain Charles Moore on the enormous stretch of floating plastic debris now called the "Pacific garbage patch," that she found profoundly affecting.

At The Bay Foundation, Tunioli assists with clean boating initiatives. With almost 200,000 registered boaters in Southern California, says Tunioli, "boating habits make a huge difference in the health of our bay." The program targets a slew of pollutants—such as sewage, used oil, household hazardous waste, marine debris and aquatic invasive species—and takes action via pumpout monitoring, installing bilge pumpouts, creating educational materials and educating local boaters.

Tunioli also helps administer a Clean Bay Restaurant Certification program. The average restaurant, says Tunioli, throws away 150,000 pounds of garbage per year. The Clean Bay Certification Program recognizes restaurants that integrate sustainability and ocean mindedness into their business practice. More than 400 restaurants from Malibu to Rancho Palos Verdes have so far been certified.

The work is energizing, says Tunioli, because Los Angeles, as the second-largest city in the U.S., exerts such a strong influence on its environment. "More than 5,000 species of animals, fish, birds and plants make their home in the bay and in the bay watershed, so I feel it's critical to have a group working to protect, restore and enhance this amazing environment."

MAPPING THE WOOLLY STAR

Biology Professor James Malcolm

With his students, Biology Professor James Malcolm has been mapping the locations of the Santa Ana Woolly Star, a federally listed endangered sub-species plant whose range is almost entirely restricted to the Santa Ana Wash, less than three miles from campus.

Working in that one small area, Introduction to Ecology students have looked at the plants living with the woolly star. Advanced conservation biology students have recorded where the species lives now compared to a census done in 1991, looking particularly in the vicinity of the sand and gravel mines in the wash.

THE MARINE BIOLOGIST

by Jennifer Dobbs '16

Lei Lani Stelle has logged hundreds of hours tracking whales and dolphins off the coast of Southern California to better understand how humans affect their lives.



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SHANE KEENA

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Lei Lani Stelle, left, on a marine mammal tracking trip with junior Morgan Stoddard '17.

With the deck of a boat as her classroom and the ocean her laboratory, Redlands Associate Biology Professor Lei Lani Stelle is teaching her students how to research human impact on marine mammals off the Southern California coast.

The West Coast is familiar territory to Stelle, a Hawaii native who grew up in Huntington Beach, Calif., exploring tide pools, sailing to Catalina Island and scuba diving since age 12.

Through the University's Student Science Research program, Stelle's undergraduate students are funded to work with her on research fulltime during the summer. At the end of 10 weeks, students produce a poster illustrating their work and findings to present at the program's annual research poster symposium.

The ultimate goal of the work is to develop strategies to reduce risks to the marine mammal populations Stelle and her students are studying.

The students also conduct individual research projects such as analyzing sea lion behavior and examining whale respiration patterns. Elise Walters '16 (Hunsaker Student Science Researcher) focused her capstone project on identifying bottlenose dolphins by their dorsal fins to estimate their number locally. Through the summer internship she also worked with Stelle on data collection to see firsthand the impacts humans have on animals.

"We saw numerous sea lions with rope or fishing line embedded in their necks, and there are a few whales in the area that have massive scars from entanglement or boat collisions," says Walters.

The work of Stelle and her students has been based out of Dana Point, with the support of Dana Wharf Whale Watching, traveling as far north as Newport Beach, south to San Onofre and offshore to Catalina Island. A typical day of study can include up to five hours on the boat and two hours of shore observations—looking for whales from the cliffs or recording sea lion behavior from the jetty.

Stelle's original focus of study was gray whales, but that broadened once at Redlands. "We were out on the ocean, seeing all sorts of animals—fin whales, blue whales, humpback whales," she says.

"The continental shelf is very near shore and the upwelling provides lots of nutrients, feeding the plankton, which supports food for marine mammals. We have a large variety of resident species—bottlenose dolphins, long- and short-beaked common dolphins, Risso's dolphins, California sea lions, harbor seals, minke whales and fin whales. There are migratory species such as gray whales that travel past our coast during winter and spring and come very close to shore, and blue whales and humpbacks that visit to feed in the summer. Occasionally we might see other exciting species such as orcas and sperm whales."

The diversity is unusual, Stelle adds, as is the fact that mammals are so close to the shore. On the east coast, researchers have to travel much further to find animals.

"Of course, that also means these animals are exposed to more human activity and boat traffic. We started noting the boat traffic and how the animals are impacted. Now we record everything

we see on charts and through the app," she says.

The "app" is Whale mAPP, a Web- and mobile-based application, developed by Stelle and then-MS GIS graduate student Melodi King '12 with funding through the California Coastal Commission Whale Tail Grant. Using GIS to monitor marine mammals, the Whale mAPP can be used by anyone with a GPS-enabled Android-based device to submit information about marine mammal sightings. The information is shared and saved through an online geodatabase at whalemapp.org, where the sightings are displayed on an interactive map with recorded details and associated photos.

So far, about 100 users have collected more than 2,000 marine mammal sightings and documented more than 25 different marine mammal species. Throughout the year, Stelle conducts research through funding from the Earthwatch Institute. Some of her most engaged students volunteer, as do "citizen scientists" who connect with the project through the institute.

Stelle says the data collected is important to research in the classroom as well as in the field. When students access the site, they can view the marine mammal sightings, formulate hypotheses and test their conjectures using the collected data.

"This develops the students' scientific inquiry, spatial reasoning and critical thinking skills while increasing their knowledge of the natural world." **OT**

ANOTHER SUCCESSFUL SEASON FOR TWO UNIVERSITY OF REDLANDS POWERHOUSES

By Catherine Garcia '06



OLIVIA DE LA CRUZ

Senior midfielder Savannah Laursen was named to the NSCAA All-America Second Team to become the first Bulldog to earn the accolade since 2009. She finished her career with 23 goals and 24 assists.



SU DEL GUERCIO



OLIVIA DE LA CRUZ

The men's (17-4-2) and women's (11-5-2) soccer teams both won Southern California Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (SCIAC) championships; Men's Coach Ralph Perez was chosen as the National Soccer Coaches Association of America (NSCAA) Division III West Region Coach of the Year; women's Coach Suzette Soboti had her 200th victory when the Bulldogs defeated the University of California at Santa Cruz 2-1 in October; and both coaches and their assistants were named the SCIAC Coaching Staff of the Year.

"We share a facility with the men's team, and the men's and women's teams are very close," Soboti said. "It's always a really positive experience when both teams are successful. We can feed off each other and support each other, not just within our soccer program, but the department as a whole. There's a lot of school spirit."

Soboti has been coach since 1998, and Perez since 2006. All five of the women's SCIAC titles have come under the leadership of Soboti, and

seven of the men's team's 13th conference titles have been with Perez. This is the fifth time overall—and first time since 2008—that both teams won the conference, and the first time since 2011 that the men's team made it to the second round of the NCAA Tournament.

"It was a year of coming together," Perez said. "What you want is to play your best at the end of the season. That really drives the team."

Director of Athletics Jeff Martinez is proud of both programs and the leadership shown by Soboti and Perez.

"The University is very fortunate to have head soccer coaches of this caliber that are committed to Division III philosophy, our institutional goals and most importantly, the young people in their programs," he said. "They have both worked hard to create a culture of winning on the field as well as success and involvement off the field."

FALL SPORTS WRAP-UP



UR SPORTS INFO

Senior Lauren Roberts

Women's Cross Country

The Bulldog women's cross country team enjoyed a solid conference season, which culminated in a strong second-place showing. Senior Lauren Roberts, freshman Etta Eckerstrom and junior Jessika Snincsak all landed on the All-SCIAC First Team. Eckerstrom was also named the SCIAC's Newcomer of the Year, and Roberts was a co-recipient of the Celia Peterson Award. She went on to shine at the NCAA Regional Championships with her sixth-place finish, which qualified her for All-Region accolades and a spot at the NCAA Championships.

Men's Cross Country

The men's cross country team battled through a challenging season that culminated in a sixth-place finish at the SCIAC Championships and a 12th place showing at the NCAA Regionals. Junior Abhinav Nagpal led the Maroon and Gray in each of the first three 6K races of the year before giving way to freshman Benjamin Casey at the SCIAC Championships and senior Ian Lee at the NCAA Regional meet.

Football

Bulldog football squared off against an impressive slate of opponents, earning a 4-5 overall record and a tied-for-third-place showing in the parity-full conference with a 4-3 mark. Redlands finished the year as the top NCAA Division III team for red-zone offense with an astounding 94.3% conversion rate. The Bulldogs earned 12 All-SCIAC awards for 10 individuals, including a pair of First-Team nods



OLIVIA DELA CRUZ

Senior kicker/punter Sean Murray

for senior kicker/punter Sean Murray. Murray also collected two All-Region nods from D3football.com.

Men's Water Polo

The men's water polo team nearly doubled its total number of wins from the prior season en route to a 17-14 record. The Bulldogs moved up to third place among the SCIAC standings with an 8-3 mark. The Maroon and Gray gained three ACWPC All-America nods, with junior goalkeeper Chris Sekula and senior center John Koning receiving First-Team nods

and sophomore driver Kevin Chapa garnering Honorable Mention All-America status.

Volleyball

Under first-year Head Coach Lisa Lindberg, Redlands volleyball doubled the team's win total from the previous season. Seniors Ashton Martin and Marisa Gile left their mark on the program's history with solid career numbers in kills and blocks. Martin finished her four years with 647 kills and 203 total blocks, while Gile recorded 152 blocks in her tenure.



CHARLES BLACKBURN

Junior men's water polo goalkeeper Chris Sekula



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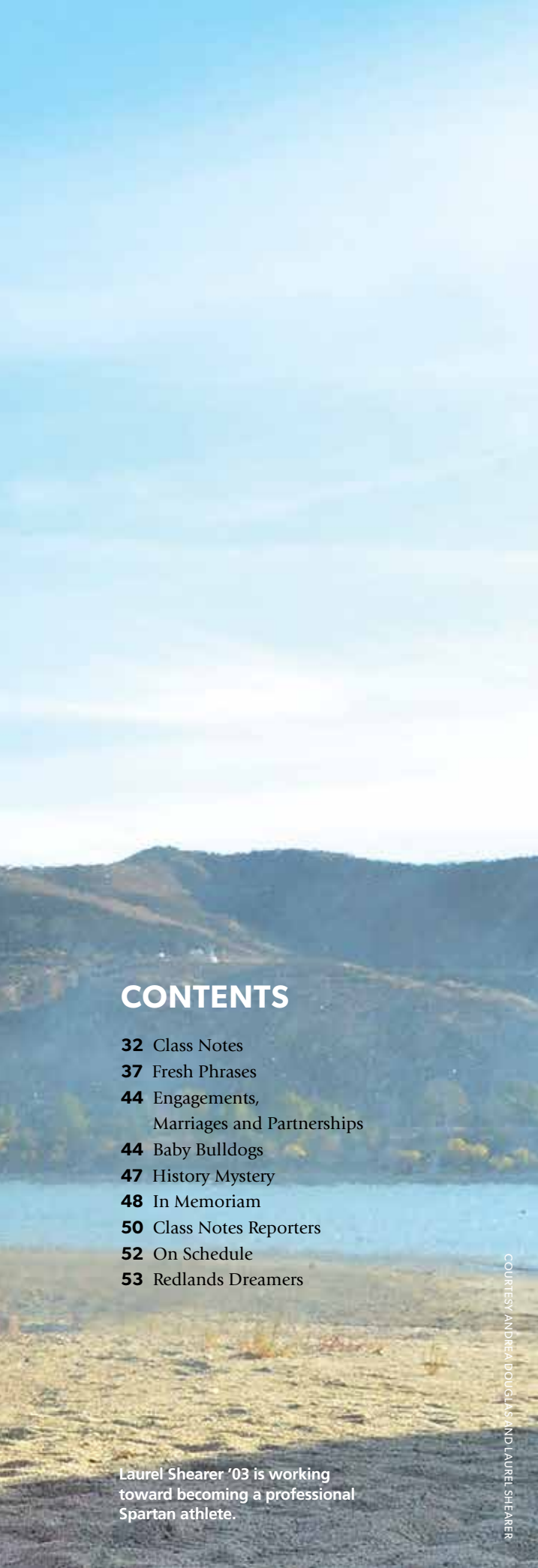
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UP FOR THE CHALLENGE!

By Michele Nielsen '99





Laurel Shearer '03 , left, and Andrea Douglas '13.

COURTESY ANDREA DOUGLAS AND LAUREL SHEARER

Alumnae Andrea Douglas '13 MBA and Laurel Shearer '03 are up for the challenge in the emerging sport of Spartan Racing. They combine their talents and knowledge-base of finance and fitness in their new business, Strive Fitness, rooted in their mutual passion for this sport that involves endurance, agility and internal drive. Their joint venture serves the needs of athletes in the field using Douglas' business management acumen and Shearer's skills as a personal trainer and amateur Spartan Racer.

Douglas' experience getting her MBA at Redlands developed her love of finance, a field she works in professionally as a financial advisor. While their business is based in the Redlands area, they currently see their clients at their residences and at various outdoor locations.

Spartan Racing is a type of obstacle course race, similar to others like Tough Mudder or BattleFrog. It harkens back to the ancient Greek society of Sparta and emphasizes rigorous physical fitness training and competition. Races are a challenging combination of endurance activities like lifting, running, scaling walls and crawling under barriers that require mental strength and determination to finish. Scoring is governed by the time it takes an athlete to complete a course. Assisting other racers if they need help is also a part of the Spartan approach.

Shearer sees a correlation between her education at Redlands in English literature and Spartan Racing. As she notes, athletes and writers grapple with similar classic themes: man versus man, man versus self, man versus nature. Spartan Racing, she says, offers a chance to test one's strength and overcome obstacles in one's own life. She is working toward becoming a professional Spartan athlete and trains at local gyms and on trails in the San Bernardino Mountains. At her most recent race, the Spartan Race LA at Castaic Lake, held last December, she won the women's elite heats on both days. Each race was approximately 5 miles long and featured 20-plus obstacles. A highlight of the weekend was Shearer's win on Sunday, where she had a seven-minute lead over the runner up.

Douglas thinks the popularity of movies like the 2007 epic *300* based upon the Battle of Thermopylae during the Persian Wars, and television programming like "American Gladiator" has a lot to do with the increasing popularity of Spartan Racing. Currently, many professional level Spartan Racers maintain other careers, training and competing at the same time. Since professional Spartan Racers will have a short career due to the rigorous nature of the sport, many of them will need help managing their winnings to maximize return, an important part of the business she and Shearer have created.

To learn more and follow their progress, visit www.laurelthelightening.com. **OT**

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Laurel Shearer '03 is working toward becoming a professional Spartan athlete.

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ALUMNI NEWS

Class Notes

Class Notes reflects submissions received between Aug. 1, 2015 and Jan. 1, 2016.

The College

1944

Theodore "Ted" Nicolay '44 was given the title Honorary Trustee Emeritus in May of 2015 at a special dinner presided over by U of R President Ralph Kunch. Ted is a former University Trustee (1974-1983) and Alumni Board member.

1950

Dave '50 and Lillian Levering along with **Jim '50** and **Barbara '50 Heywood** are members of the Mount San Antonio Gardens retirement community in Claremont.

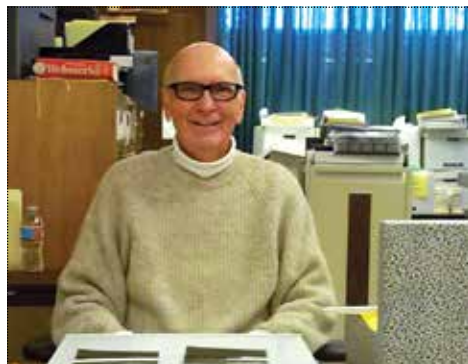
1954

We welcome **Alton Robertson '54** as the Class Notes reporter for his class. Please contact Alton by email, alton.robertson@verizon.net to share your news and noteworthy activities!

For this issue of *Och Tamale*, Alton asked his classmates a specific question to get the dialogue started. The question for this issue was: Where and when did you eat your most memorable meal?

Audrey Crane Barth '54 "My most memorable meal was at the Steak House in Reno. It is a lovely meal with all the trimmings. We had Steak Diane cooked at the table. My husband and I always shared one plate. My husband has passed away so no more meals like that but wonderful memories."

Nancy Ford Blue '54 remembers, "as an Ohio girl, I grew up eating meat and potatoes. One night, about two years after the end of World War II, my father invited us to try a new Chinese restaurant in town. It was food that we had never had before. This was quite an experience. To this day, Chinese food is one of my favorites."



Alton Robertson '54 volunteers his services in the Archives of the University one day a week. His most recent project involves identifying events and people in the Sig Snelson '53 collection of photographic negatives.



Bob Kindseth '54 and friends performing at Olvera Street in Los Angeles, Calif. in November.

Rich '54 and **Lorretta Lutton '54 Bueermann** made their "big move" in April to Plymouth Village Continuing Care Retirement Community in Redlands. They joined **Barbara Gustafson Parker '54**, **John Townsend '54** and **Alton Robertson '54** along with approximately 25 other U of R alums.

Roger Cullen's '54 responded: "Our most memorable meal was probably when we took the visiting **David '54** and **Mary '56 Nuffer** several years ago to a French restaurant called Le Rève in downtown San Antonio, of all places. There were only a few tables, and reservations were required months in advance to sample Chef Andrew Weissman's interpretations of out-of-this-world French cuisine. Le Rève was acclaimed at the time by the *New York Times*. The Nuffers and we had broken bread together in Paris over the years and the four of us found Weissman's fare superior to any we had found there."

Ron "Squeak" Davis '54 shares that the "most memorable meals were eaten at cookouts by the Big Wood River when I lived in Sun Valley, Idaho. We were joined by good friends and family. Chicken, steak, burgers, ribs and hot dogs were our normal meals." Squeak's current activities include tennis three or four times each week and biking in the desert.

Nancy Friend Dillon '54 says her most memorable meal was in a lodge on Mount Cook on New Zealand's South Island. Nancy has made 19 trips with the U.S. Lighthouse Society. She continues to volunteer as an airport "Navigator," helping people find their way and/or answer questions. She also works with "Call for Action," an NBC affiliate in Phoenix, which helps with consumer problems and saved viewers \$1 million this year.

Dale Edmonson '54 recalls "a late evening dinner in Lincoln, England (summer, 1987). A chicken dish with unforgettable sauce and shredded zucchini (later introduced in *Bon Appétit*). The ambiance of a 12th-century Norman house added to the pleasure."

Jim Erickson '54 has now retired after spending 56 years in the practice of law. He sold his house and

moved to a seniors' apartment project in San Juan Capistrano, a building project he had approved as chairman of the city's Planning Commission and his wife had helped finance as manager of the city's Redevelopment Agency.

Jean Burnight Fenton '54 shares that her "most memorable meals were when Dave and I were dating in 1950-51 and went to the French restaurant in Laguna Beach, often followed by a play. The meal was a tureen of lentil soup, a big bowl of Caesar salad and grilled swordfish. Unfortunately, that restaurant no longer exists."

The December Bracebridge banquet at the Ahwahnee Hotel in Yosemite tops **Mary Pierson Graw's '54** list of memorable meals. She and Herb were on the list for about 11 years and finally won in the lottery for the first seating; so it was early and light and the view outside was spectacular.

Jackie Bean Hall '54 has chosen a dinner that she won 53 years ago through a competition sponsored by Fuller Paints on radio station KKHI in San Francisco. It was at the Blue Fox restaurant with ongoing nightclub entertainment after the dinner of chicken in a clay pot.

Bill Hawk '54 is actively involved in several programs at the Huntington Library in San Marino. A new Visitor and Education Center opened in mid-2015, and Bill invites all members of the Class of '54 to investigate the changes now being offered. Bill also enjoyed a fine visit recently with **Tom Grant '54** at his home in Encinitas.

Jeanette Johnson Henderson '54 chose a dinner at Benihana in Tokyo in the '60s. She reports that it was so good that she has since gone to Benihanas around the world and that the family has celebrated her grandson's 16th and 18th birthdays at Benihana in Newport Beach.

Mara Dee Miller Hodson '54 wrote, "It was in the midst of a horrible heat wave, and we were on a riverboat cruise on the Danube, Mein and Rhine Rivers. One of our 'extra' treats was dinner in a Viennese palace. There was no air conditioning, and everyone was hugging the open windows. We

were greeted by a waiter bearing a tray with glasses of champagne and then herded into the dining area where a string ensemble was playing Strauss waltzes. They must have been miserable as they were all in costume."

Ruth Jordan Jackson '54 recently received two honors from the Arizona White Tank Mountains Chapter of the National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution (NSDAR). The NSDAR honored her many years of teaching and contributions to the preservation of local and national history by bestowing her with their Historic Preservation Medal and a certificate of recognition for her current work toward preserving Arizona history.

Bob Kindseth '54 and his dance troop, The Razzmatappers, played at an outdoor wedding at Olvera Street in Los Angeles last November for 200 guests. Bob was the University's Bulldog mascot, cheering on our teams at many sporting events. He enjoys tap-dancing and performs with other dancers as often as he can.

Jesse Poteet Lance '54 and her husband, **Wayne '53**, are living in Grass Valley, Calif., near their son and his family. They moved in 2015 from White Salmon, Wash., where they were living with their daughter. While they miss overlooking the Columbia River, they are enjoying the warmer winter and seeing their granddaughters regularly. Both are avid readers and make use of iPads to enlarge the print!

Jackson Law '54 is recovering from knee replacement in his home of many stairs. He wrote to say that he was "very glad to see **Gordon Harris '54** getting recognition for the stained glass windows in the Browsing Room in the last *Och Tamale*."

Mabel Shippam McFarland '54 and her husband still live in Cupertino, Calif., and enjoy family gatherings. Their recent activities include driving up Highway 101 to Portland to visit family, volunteering at their church to pack boxes, which recently included letters from local 3rd and 4th graders, to be sent to troops in Afghanistan. They are expecting their eighth great-grandchild in February.

Jeanne Frey Mitchell '54 writes, "My most memorable meals (plural) were in Alabama and Georgia when my husband was track and field coach of university teams. I would cook a sit-down chili supper for around 100 athletes every fall to combat the separation anxiety of newly acquired athletes who were away from home for the first time. I promise that anyone who has the time and desire to share at our table in Tucson, Ariz., will be a treat for us."

Larry Nugent '54 and his wife, Kristina, have taught art for eight years on Crystal Cruises and will be continuing this activity as they head out again this summer to Alaska.

Don Ruh '54, who has been retired 21 years and is living in Yucaipa, says that, during his sabbatical in 1972-73, he and his wife, **Sandi Luchsinger '58** and the children were living in a VW camper. On Christmas Day, they were in Morocco where they shared dinner with 10 other campers.

Rod Skager '54 shared that his memorable meal was the first breakfast he had in the U.S. Army. "This began a singular period of life—a time out-



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side of, and far removed from 'normal' life. It was bacon and fried eggs; and I was hungry after being up all night on the train from L.A. to Ford Ord."

Bob Steinbach '54 responded: "May 12, 1971, Thira, Santorini, Greece: On a patio on the edge of the caldera, the last light of day on the horizon, a well-lit cruise ship departing from the harbor, bouzouki music in the background, the fragrance of souvlaki in the warm breeze and an ouzo in hand. To this day, the scent of souvlaki or ouzo sends me to Santorini."

Marshall Thompson '54 and his wife, **Joyce Stedman '55**, continue to travel up to eight weeks each year including a month in Hawaii every fall and at their timeshare condos in Big Bear, Palm Springs and Sedona, Ariz. They serve on a support team for the First Combat Engineers Battalion at Camp Pendleton and on Dec. 21, helped prepare and serve dinner to 1,000 Marines and their families.

Alton Robertson '54 writes, "I've decided on a home-hosted meal in a small house on the Amazon River. We sat on the floor with the family. The table was a branch from a banana tree. And we ate fish that the host had caught the day before for this occasion. Our question for the next issue will be: Is there a person or literary or artistic work that has had a major impact on your thinking in the past 62 years?"

1956

First, we once again quote **Sally Rider Cummings '56**: "Our 60th reunion is next May 20-22. Please attend and be part of the party preparations (that means serving on the planning committee)!"

Marilyn Mason Siemon-Burgeson '56 teaches infant/toddler caregivers at L.A. Trade Tech College, Child Development Center. She also works on social justice issues, especially for women and girls, with Ascension Episcopal Church, AAUW

Tech Trek Science Camp for 7th grade girls and the Scholarship Foundation of the Pasadena College Women's Club in selecting local women for scholarship and fellowship awards.

Arlene "Shorty" Hanssen Smith '56 has retired from teaching at Arizona State University and California State University East Bay and lives in Del Webb Sun City in Lincoln, Calif. She visits the east coast often to see her son's family, three awesome grandsons.

1958

Sharon Bruch Carrington '58 reports from Hawaii that for the last 15 years she served the University of the Nations (YWAM) in Kona. She has also served as the International Registrar for Asia Pacific, and enjoyed much travel. She now works on other administrative duties.



Ruth Jordan Jackson '54, was honored by the National Daughters of the American Revolution.

By the law

For the King family, eminent legal careers were a logical progression from their time at Redlands.



WILLIAM VASTA

By Michele Nielsen '99

Pamela Preston King '72 and Jeffrey King '72 made enduring friendships—including their own—within the close-knit community of the University of Redlands as students.

Both went on to the University of the Pacific McGeorge School of Law, graduating with their JDs. Following suit, their three sons are also attorneys. Today, Pamela is a judge in the Superior Court of San Bernardino County and Jeffrey is a justice in the Court of Appeals for the 4th District in the county.

Pamela attended Waseda University in Tokyo, Japan, during her sophomore year, her first travel experience outside the United States. "Throughout my life I have reached back to the processes and perspectives I experienced in my 10 months in Japan to assist me in understanding others and enhancing my tolerance as well as appreciation of different approaches to living life."

As a government major at Redlands, she also went to Washington, D. C., for a seminar in the pre-Watergate Nixon era. There, she saw firsthand how the three branches of government, political parties, pressure groups and the press interact. Eventually, she chose to go into the field of law. "The program provided an ideal foundation for a legal career."

Recalling his time spent studying abroad, Jeffrey says, "The Salzburg semester was my first exposure to other cultures, to art and architecture." He too participated in the Washington, D.C., program. "That, along with the government program at Redlands provided me with an exposure to the separation of powers and more particularly, the role of the Judiciary."

Today, Jeffrey analyzes the law and writes briefs that will influence future cases. Pamela currently is assigned a juvenile delinquency calendar. "I appreciate being in a position that draws upon my professional expertise and personal experiences of having lived life for 65 years, to hopefully make a positive difference in the lives of others," says Pamela. **OT**

Your Class Reporter **Gordon Clopine '58** and **Sara Lapinski Clopine '77** have finally done the downsizing thing, moving from Redlands to Beaumont. E-mail remains the same (gclopine@aol.com). He invites your news for the *Och Tamale!*

Last summer **Tony Lane '58** and his wife sailed on Holland America from Seattle to Hawaii, where they had lived for three years. They then went on to the Marshall Islands, Micronesia, Saipan, Guam, the Philippines, Borneo and finally Singapore, where they stayed for two days before flying back to their home in Palm Desert (and golf!).

Corrine Rohrbough Merritt '58 and her husband have moved to Chandler, Ariz., to be near family. They also have family in Seattle, Wash., and have six grandchildren. They write they would enjoy calls (480-219-8753) and visits.

1959

Sally Hansen Comings '59 and husband David's travels took them to Panama, Colombia, Costa Rica, Guatemala, Nicaragua, Cabo San Lucas, Honokeana Cove in Maui, a National Geographic trip through the Norwegian Fjords across to the Arctic Ocean and the island of Svelbard, Cape May, New Jersey, then Bosque del Apache, south of Albuquerque.

Gary Gaiser '59 and partner, Rick, took two cruises in 2015. First a Disney cruise to the Caribbean with Gary's three children and five grandchildren, followed by a four-week cruise from Los Angeles to Hawaii and the South Pacific.

Tony Pejsa '59 and wife **Ann Cornwell '61** spent a week at the Mauna Kea Resort in Kona on the big island of Hawaii. Their granddaughter, **Faith Pejsa '19**, started her freshman year at the U of R, making it the third generation after aunt **Kerry Pejsa Enderle '91**, Ann and Tony.

Marilyn Solter '59 traveled to Panama and Guatemala in January, staying in Panama City, Boquette, Panama in the rain forest, Guatemala City and Antigua, Guatemala. The trip included tours of the canal, Chichicastenango Market, Lake Atitlan, Tikal National Park and more!



Sherry Engberg '65 flashes the peace sign at Woodstock.

1960

Kathy Jerrell Harlan '60 is a regular contributor to *Life is Good! Gulf Coast Healthy Lifestyles Magazine*, a publication focused on health and wellness. Her most recent article was about rock 'n' roll and how a shared appreciation for music can unite generations of fans!

1961

Janice Hughes Knickerbocker '61 and friends visited Dubai, India, Myanmar, Thailand and Singapore last fall. Next up in travels is a trip to Spain and Portugal in 2016. Her husband of 53 years, Jon, passed away in May 2015. Jan had been his caregiver for several years. She continues to live in Hermosa Beach, Calif.

Judy May Sisk '61, class reporter, says: Happy New Year! The U of R class of 1961 will hold its 55th reunion May 20 to 22. The 50th reunion in 2011 was a wonderful event. We are hoping to have another great get-together this May, and we hope you will join us. More information will be sent later. Meanwhile, pencil it in on your 2016 calendar. We look forward to seeing you!

Alen Ritchie '61 recently been elected for the second time, as president of the San Bernardino County Board of Education. He is also finishing his fourth and final year as president of the California Teachers Association-Retired, and is a member of the National Education Association-Retired Executive Council. Alen and wife, Carolyn, still live in Redlands, where he grew up and taught for 40 years.

1963

David Cassetty '63 and his wife, Carol (APU '67), celebrated their 50th anniversary this past summer. They now live in Sunriver, Ore., after a lifetime of teaching in California, Oregon and 21 years in Asian countries with the International Schools.

Ross Gallen '63 is retired now after 45 years as a litigator in Orange County. He doesn't have any phones, any clients or any stress. His two sons are airline pilots for two different airlines, giving him a constant standby parent's pass to the world.

Ed Matusuishi '63 and his wife Beverly experienced a two-week cruise of the Mediterranean Sea with fellow alum **Phil Esterman '64** and his wife, Janie. Ed retired last year after 46 years of practicing pediatric dentistry. He still races his 1967 Porsche 911R. **Ralph Lehotsky '63** is his crew chief.

Norm Nailer '63 rewarded himself for his 10 years as our class reporter by taking a three week trip to the British Isles.

Marvin Ott '63 retired from the federal government National War College in 2011. Since then, he has been on the faculty of Johns Hopkins University, teaching classes at both the Washington, D.C., and Baltimore campuses. He is a senior scholar at the Woodrow Wilson Center in Washington, D.C. He and his wife live in Chevy Chase, Md., and maintain a house on Great Cranberry Island off the coast of Maine.

Delores Rogers '63 and her husband, Tom, celebrated their 50th anniversary this year. You can view Delores's work in photography and oil painting on



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her personal website: dody-rogers.artist.com. This is something new in her life after 34 years in real estate sales.

Jack Russel '63 has retired from his partnership with RJR Industrial Properties in Colton after 45 years. He and his wife Kerry, celebrated their 28th anniversary in October 2015. They, like most of us, are proud grandparents.

Tony '63 and **Sherry! '64 Taylor** have lived in Mammoth Lakes for 15 years. He is a founding board member of the Eastern Sierra Land Trust and serves as the president of the organization. Tony also continues to serve on the Board of Trustees for the U of R. The two love to travel. In recent years, they have been to Australia, New Zealand, the Galapagos Islands, the Amazon Rain Forest of Ecuador and, most recently, a hike through the Pyrenees Mountains with classmate **Dave Shikles '63** and his wife **Janet Lamb '64**. They do take a resting break in Palm Desert in April.

1965

Sam Brown '65 and Allison Teal continue to be world travelers. Before Christmas, they visited the house where they lived for four years in Vienna. They were in Sweden at Alison's brother's 17th-century farm house for Christmas with all of their kids and a collection of 21 Swedish relatives. Then to London for a theater fix and back to Vienna for New Year's Eve. They have a daughter teaching at Harvard.

Rita Loftus Cavin '65 reports that, "From June 2015 until Jan. 3, 2016, I've had the privilege to serve Umpqua Community College in Roseburg, Ore., as its interim president. Leading this little college through its first steps to recovery after the tragic loss of 10 lives has been a humbling challenge and the most rewarding period of my professional career."

John and **Nancy Wheeler Durein '65** were also on the wonderful trip to Croatia. **Jim Schoning '65** and Chere were just a few days ahead of us in Croatia, also!

Fred Emmert '65 is still involved in his business of aerial photography over Southern California.

Bob '65 and **Sherry Netzley '65 Engberg** report: "We celebrated our 50th anniversary with a three-month odyssey across the U.S. this past summer. After the '65 class reunion we headed north to tour the San Juan Islands in our more-or-less trusty VW Westfalia camper. We returned to California to race our vintage Elva sports car at the Monterey Historics and then towed it across the U.S. to race again in Ohio and New Jersey. The car and its "California hippie" VW camper owners were honored with Vintage Spirit awards at both races. In all, we crossed 25 states. We arrived back home in late September and in October headed to Yosemite for a brief backpack and a celebration of our anniversary alongside the Merced River with family and friends."

Gary George '65 announces that the fourth book in his Smoke Tree series, *Death on a Desert Hillside*, is available on Amazon.

Susi Merrell Hora '65, and her husband, Mas, celebrated their 50th anniversary this December. Kathie and **Barney Martinez '64** were there, as well as many other friends. They have lived in La Palma, La Mesa, El Centro, Brazil and now Placentia in California.

John '64 and **Marcia Perry Mehl '65** have been on the go since reunion. They immediately left to attend the wedding of a friend in Germany and then visited Salzburg where they spent time with Barbara, Marcia's Austrian sister from their time there as students in 1963. In the fall, they traveled with O.A.T: first to Turkey, including Cappadocia, Istanbul and Ephesus and then the Adriatic countries of Croatia, Bosnia-Herzegovina and Slovenia.

ALUMNI NEWS

Bill Purves '65 celebrated the arrival of his fourth grandchild. He enjoyed traveling in the southern hemisphere to geologic sites in New Zealand, saw koala, wombats and Tasmanian Devils in Tasmania, toured parts of Australia and enjoyed some of the Polynesian islands such as Fiji, American Samoa and several other islands.

Dave Strack '65 has also published a book, *Letters over the Wall: Life in Communist East Germany*. It's a chronicle of the lives of his four East German friends over the last 40 years taken from their letters, which he translated from German.

1966

Tom Bandy '66 and **Jack Parham '66** took part in the semi-annual 50-mile Rosarito to Ensenada bike ride without any mishaps. It was Tom's 15th ride in this event. He also completed his fourth annual week-long ride across Iowa.

Ken Buxton '66 recently retired as a high school principal. His lifelong avocation has been music and the performing arts, and he is now relishing the added time and opportunity to make music. Ken is currently a member of the Master Chorale of Flagstaff, as well as the Flagstaff Light Opera Company, where he recently performed in the musical *Brigadoon*. In his career, Ken directed over 40 school and community productions. Ken is the proud father of daughter, Karen, and son, Jim, and resides in Sedona, Ariz.

After retiring from corporate life in 1999, **Jim Guthrie '66** has been primarily involved in board work and financial consulting for start-up and turn-around companies. He is enjoying his new role as a grandfather, and he and wife, Chris, have been heavily involved working with AustinPetsAlive!

Merrill Hatlen '66 recently retired from the School of Public Health at Indiana University, where his wife, Deborah Piston-Hatlen, works for the Center for the Study of Global Change. He is currently working on a documentary about the American composer Walter Piston.

Wendell Johnson '66 sends greetings from Siem Reap, Cambodia. He moved there after retirement from teaching on the U.S. Navy Base in Sasebo, Japan, for 43 years. In Cambodia, Wendell has become involved with the Landmine Museum, which sponsored an event for 16 current U of R students who had come for their interim study and helped refurbish a school.

Joyce Collins Landsverk '66 received her M.Ed. and teaching credential from Stanford. She then taught in San Jose, the Peace Corps in Brazil, Boston and Santa Monica. She is active in church activities and is currently president of the Assistance League of Santa Monica. She enjoys traveling with her husband and spending time with four daughters and nine grandchildren.

Andy Mauro '66 married to Kathy Arthur and father of twins with three granddaughters, quickly left the banking and market research field for the wholesale flower trade. After 10 years, they sold their chrysanthemum farm, and he went to work for the State of California, eventually getting into administration of the Del Mar fairgrounds. After retiring he began exploring nature, advocating for the environment and becoming a hardcore birder.

Don't forget to attend our 50th reunion May 20-22, 2016!

1967

Sandra "Sandy" Kanaga Hayhurst '67 writes, "I've been divorced since 1996 and finally retired from teaching mostly kindergarten in 2009. I have three sons and nine grandkids whom I adore. Being Grandma Sandy is the best job ever! I am very active in my community church serving as greeter/usher and small group leader in women's Bible study. Knitting and reading round out my week. As I say each Sunday, 'Blessings!'"

Bob McCann '67 retired with emeritus status last spring from his position as professor of education at Linfield College in Oregon, where he taught for 21 years. While at Linfield, Bob was active in International Programs and led students on 12 January Term study experiences in Hawaii, England and Puerto Rico. This year, Bob continues his work at Linfield teaching tennis in the department of health and human performance. Bob and Nancy continue to live in McMinnville, playing music and enjoying the Pacific Northwest.

Peter Spencer '67 continues to serve as chief financial officer and deputy commissioner of the Social Security Administration after coming out of retirement in March 2013 at the request of the acting commissioner. He retired as SSA's San Francisco Regional Commissioner in 2011 and has been in public service for over 46 years.

Phil Weil '67 says he is in good health, which allows him to do his favorite activities—hiking and photographing wildflowers. He has been retired from teaching for five years but returns to the classroom two or three times a month to substitute.

1968

Peggy Rivers Constantine '68 has published her memoir, *The Reluctant Volunteer*, about the time she and husband, **Tim Constantine '68**, spent in the Peace Corps during 1970-71 in Cristalina, Brazil. Meanwhile, Tim has been busy serving on the board of the Inland Valley Hope Partners charitable organization, managing their work at Amy's Farm, a patch of land where he grows fruits and vegetables for the Hope Partners' four food pantries and their family shelter. Tim and Peggy live in Claremont.

Steve Hack '68 retired from the Army in 1992 and started a new career working in museums. He has worked at the Egyptian Museum in San Jose, Calif., the Children's Museum in San Luis Obispo, Calif., the History Museum in St Petersburg, Fla. and for the last 10 years has been at the Museum of Fine Arts in St. Petersburg. His son, Mike, 35, lives in California.



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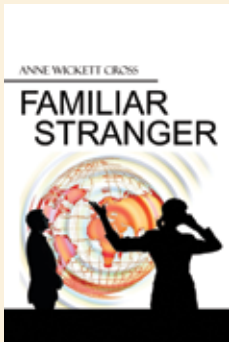
Recent books published by alumni authors



Dragon Magic: Amazing Fables for All Ages

Jan Ögren '81 MFT

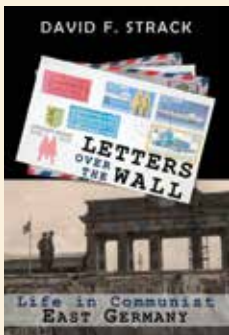
Dragon Magic is a collection of fables for both children and adults that speak to the beauty and potential of the human spirit. This collection of inspirational stories, told in the spirit of the oral traditions, comes with a theme index with suggestions on using the stories to help children and adults face life challenges with imagination and hope. The fables emerged out of Ögren's 30-year apprenticeship with Mescalero Apache medicine teachers.



Familiar Stranger

Anne Wickett Cross '66

In her third book *Familiar Stranger* Anne Wickett Cross '66 intrigues lovers of mystery, fiction and fantasy. The world of Karen Benét, a Silicon Valley executive, is turned upside down when she runs into the "familiar stranger" of the title and is suddenly caught up in clandestine meetings and secrets kept from friends and associates. Cross is also the author of *The Phoenix Riddle* and *What It's Like to Be Pregnant*.



Letters Over the Wall

David Strack '65

Four East Germans corresponded for decades with University of Redlands Adjunct Professor David F. Strack '65 openly sharing the frustrations, joys and challenges of living in a communist country. Strack kept those personal letters and has now distilled them into a memoir about what life was like behind the Iron Curtain. Read about the lives of Gerhard, Jutta, Jürgen and Barbara in their own words, as they share about their jobs, families and political opinions.



Life Before The Lottery: The 30x30 List ... Living Beyond the Bucket

Ashlee Bratton '09

What would you do if you had no fears and nothing holding you back? Ashlee Bratton '09 MBA turned her "someday" bucket list into a real life challenge with a real-life expiration date crossing off 29 of the 30 items on her 30x30 list ... all before turning 30. Bratton also introduces us to the *Failure Hall of Fame*, following the flops of those—including Vera Wang and Walt Disney—who failed miserably and then soared into success.

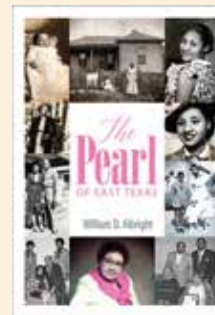
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Orangelandia: The Literature of Inland Citrus

Gayle Brandeis '90

Oranges helped create the golden dream of Southern California from the time Eliza and Luther Tibbetts planted two Washington navel oranges in their Riverside yard in 1873. More than a century later, Inlandia Literary Laureate Gayle Brandeis '90 (Johnston) has assembled a juicy collection of poetry, prose and recipes that explore, celebrate and memorialize our region's powerful citrus heritage. Brandeis is the author of *The Book of Dead Birds*, *Self-storage: a Novel* and *Fruitflesh: Seeds of Inspiration for Women Who Write*.



The Pearl of East Texas

Bill Albright '71

In *The Pearl of East Texas*, Bill Albright '71 chronicles the life of his mother, Mattie Pearl Albright, shedding light on both a changing period in recent American history and the shifting intricacies of race-relations in our society. Mattie grew up in Jim Crow-era Shreveport, La., moved to booming wartime Los Angeles and lived the last part of her life in Berryville, Texas. She demonstrated how a smart, professional African-American woman could provide leadership in her community, whether in largely black post-war Watts or largely white late 20th-century east Texas.



Rabbit Rabbit

Deb Jannerson '08

"There's so much truth and beauty in *Rabbit Rabbit*'s brevity. Don't rush. Read and reread Deb Jannerson's lush, layered poems about the power of holding on to—and letting go of—secrets and lies, mistakes and memories."—Megan McCafferty, author of *Sloppy Firsts* and *Bumped*.

"She navigates sorrow, anxiety, and survival with the kind of lyricism that easily invites readers in to explore the 'mottled, shine-drenched wanderings' of this strange and beautiful mind."—Franny Choi, award-winning slam poet and author of *Floating*, *Brilliant*, *Gone*.

A poet and author, Jannerson has stories in *Best Lesbian Erotica 2015* and the forthcoming collection *My Gay New Orleans*.



CD: The Songs of Jason Bennett

Jason Bennett '93

This new CD by singer-songwriter Jason Bennett '93 (School of Business) features 16 original songs in the folk Americana genre. Bennett is also known as the driving force, producer and performer on the award-winning 2011 CD, *Positively Pikes Peak—The Pikes Peak Region Sings Bob Dylan*. During the day Jason works for a Colorado nonprofit helping homeless Veterans.

Getting the story right

Beth Karlin '99 educates Hollywood show runners on topics like climate change.

COURTESY BETH KARLIN



By Catherine Garcia '06

Because so many people get their scientific knowledge from movies and television, Beth Karlin '99 works to understand and influence how environmental information is conveyed to the public.

Karlin is research director at the University of Southern California's Norman Lear Center, which studies the social, political, economic and cultural impact of entertainment on the world. Its Hollywood Health and Society Program works to educate show runners on topics like climate change and then evaluates whether the projects had an impact.

"It's much harder to get storylines about climate change out to the public than it is for health," Karlin said. "While it may be true that this is a harder topic to fit into a prime time storyline than HIV/AIDS or drunk driving, we're trying to figure out what we can do about it. This is too important to throw in the towel. We're listening, analyzing and working on solutions."

Karlin has also started her own research institute, SEE Change, which aims to solve sustainability problems by bringing together academics, practitioners and evaluators to work with clients on strategy, implementation and evaluation of behavioral programs. The institute was born out of the fact that Karlin saw "huge potential" for the role of social science to help address pressing social issues, like climate change.

"We definitely need to replace fossil fuels with alternative sources of energy, but behavior matters, too," Karlin said. "Engaging people to make their homes more energy efficient has the potential to save up to 300 million tons of greenhouse gases per year—twice the annual emissions of all three Scandinavian countries combined. We're not bad people, we're just busy, and energy is often invisible in our daily lives. Psychology can help provide insights on how to make energy more visible and to inform people about actions that could save us money and will make us feel good about doing our part collectively."

Karlin was a psychology major at Redlands and after graduating worked as a teacher and counselor. In her mid-20s, she became interested in the environment during a stint teaching young people at an outdoor education school in Massachusetts. Not only did she show them how to see the world differently, but her newly discovered passion changed the course of her career. "I knew this was what I wanted my life to be about," she said. **OT**

Sue Freed Rainey '68 married John Collins in a small ceremony in Idyllwild on Oct. 18, 2015. Her sister **Stephene Moseley '70** was her attendant. Sue retired as superintendent from Riverside Unified School District and is currently working as president/CEO of United Way of the Inland Valleys.

1971

William "Bill" Albright '71 had his new book, *The Pearl of East Texas*, published by Outskirts Press in September of 2015.

1972

Richard Adams '72 published a book, *An American in Rural Egypt*, recounting his experiences of living in rural Egypt on two occasions in the 1970s and 1980s.

1973

Rich '73 and **Pam Anderson '73 Smith** write that Richard retired in May after 39 years in ministry. He was honored by the First Congregational Church of Reno with friends from several previous parishes in attendance. At a final celebration, he threw out the ceremonial first pitch at the Reno Aces ballgame with church members and fellow bluegrass musicians in attendance to say goodbye. Pam is retiring from University of Nevada Reno after several years of college teaching. They moved in mid-May to Green Valley, Ariz., and welcome contact from U of R friends at qcreekpam616@gmail.com.

1975

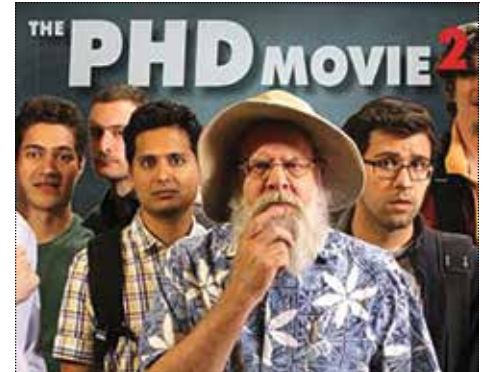
Claudia Breslow Flint '75 says: "I have retired from being a principal but still keep busy now and then filling in as an administrative sub in school districts and also as a supervisor for UC Irvine student teachers. Greg is still working at Disneyland as a manager. Look for him running around managing Adventureland, Frontierland and Main Street Attractions (the rides!)."



Barbara Woolsey Nordstrom '76 (Johnston) working in the Hazel Dell School and Community Garden greenhouse assisting students in making mini-greenhouses during the summer garden program.



The King family in January of 2015 on the evening the Hon. Jeffrey King received the Roger J. Traynor Memorial Award Appellate Justice of the Year from the Consumer Attorneys of Los Angeles County. From left to right: The Hon. Jeffrey King, Justin King, Oliver King, the Hon. Pamela King and Jonathan King.



Zachary Abbott '86 and the cast of the new *PHD* movie

1979

Garett Bruen '79 retired from the Aerospace industry in 2012 after more than 40 years. This included working on the Apollo Program at McDonnell Douglas in the early '60s and working for Rocketdyne, which among other things builds rocket engines. One of the contributing factors in his successful aerospace career, he says, was the BS degree he earned at the University of Redlands. After his wife of 27 years passed away in 2001, Garett met and married his wife Maritza, who is from Nicaragua and owned a home and ranch there. They have since expanded the home to eight acres and they breed cattle, horses and German shepherds and grow coffee. They usually spend half of their time at their home in Simi Valley, Calif., and the other half at their home and ranch in Nicaragua.

Robert "Bob" Reid '79 successfully completed a Ph.D. in business at Oklahoma State University. After graduating from Redlands in 1979, he earned an MBA from Santa Clara University (1984) and the Owners, Presidents, and Managers certificate at the Harvard Business School (2006). For the past 21 years, he has served as the executive director of the J.F. Maddox Foundation in New Mexico.

Louise Valente '79 graduated with a communicative disorders degree and took the bullet train to Washington with just a car full of possessions and the dream of a master's at UW. "After four years, I returned to Orange County with said degree: a life dream since age 11! My training at Redlands has paid off in running Pacific Coast Speech Services for nearly 30 years, where I interview and place Redlands grads in local schools very regularly. It was such a treasure to see our old professors at Maury Durall's memorial service. Amazing to see the way that outstanding professors can affect decades of professionals, and can still tell the old jokes! Och Tamale/Com Dis majors, did anyone name their child Crista Galli?? Or Arytenoid? Maury would have wanted to know!"

1982

Catherine Abbey Hodges' '82 full-length poetry collection, *Instead of Sadness*, won the Barry Spacks Poetry Prize at Gunpowder Press. Catherine teaches English at Porterville College and is

married to **Rob Hodges '84**. They have two children, Clara (B.A. SOAN 2011) and McNeil (currently pursuing a B.S. in Parks and Recreation Management at Northern Arizona University).

1983

Julie Farren '83 recently celebrated four years as a reporter for *The Record Gazette* newspaper in Banning, Calif. She covers the city of Beaumont and the Beaumont Unified School District as well as other community events and organizations in Beaumont. Julie still lives in San Bernardino and has been a reporter for 31 years, previously working at *The San Bernardino Sun* and *The Press-Enterprise*.

Nate Truman '83 creator of Star Car Central made a record attempt at having the highest number of the most famous movie and TV vehicles in a single parade. He reached his goal with 42 vehicles in the 2015 Hollywood Christmas Parade! Nate created the Star Car Central organization in 2003 and now has chapters around the world and across the United States.

1986

The new *PHD* movie stars **Zachary Abbott '86** in the role of Professor Smith. *Piled Higher and Deeper: Still in Grad School* is the sequel to the film adaptation of the popular comic strip "Piled

Higher and Deeper" by Jorge Cham. Like the comics and the first movie, the film takes a look at the world of academia through the eyes of four grad students and features real academics in many of the roles.

1988

Allison Hickey '88 was recently named president and CEO of the Anchorage-based American Lung Association of the Mountain Pacific region. She previously served as an executive director of the American Diabetes Association (ADA) in California.

Stephen "Steve" Ostiguy '88 married his high school sweetheart from 35 years ago, Stacy, in 2014 in a ceremony in front of family and friends at Thomas Point in Annapolis, Md. Just recently, they relocated from San Diego, Calif., to San Antonio, Texas, for Steve's job as a director of human resources.

1990

Joan Plantenberg-Albano's '90 sci-fi feature screenplay, *Past Forward* was named a Quarterfinalist in the Page International Screenwriting Awards and placed in the top 15 percent of the 2015 Nicholl Fellowship competition.



Organized by Nate Truman '83, members of the Star Car Central organization pose with a few of their vehicles at the 2015 Hollywood Christmas Parade. Photo by www.cesarsphotography.com

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Laura Giblin '94, her husband, Guy, and their family

1993

Jason Bennett '93 just released a CD of 16 original songs in the folk genre. Jason spends his time these days performing his music in Colorado Springs and pursuing television and film placements for his songs.

Shawn Brazeau '93 reports from Massachusetts that all is well. He works at Iron Mountain, where he is responsible for a compliance-related service for the investment industry. Aside from spending free time with family, he has gotten into OCR (obstacle course runs, such as Tough Mudder and Spartan) and officially completed his first Trifecta this year. He and his wife Christine will be celebrating 10 years of marriage this summer.

David Byerman '93 served as secretary of the Senate in his home state of Nevada for five years and recently accepted an exciting new opportunity to serve as director of the Kentucky Legislature.

Caroline Martin Byerman '93 and the Byerman teens, Amanda, 16, and Will, 14, will be doing the long-distance thing with dad for the remainder of the school year, but they'll be headed to Kentucky themselves in June of 2016.

1994

Tony Bartolucci '94 and **Lori '94 Bocok Bartolucci** recently celebrated their 19th wedding anniversary. They currently reside in Ladera Ranch, Calif., in south Orange County. Tony is still working at Aerotek as a regional vice president and Lori is working to keep their three boys ages 14, 13 and 9 on track to be future Bulldogs.

Cody Gentzkow '94 is still living in Jacksonville, Fla. He teaches 2nd grade but at a new school (Merrill Road Elementary). His daughter, Caley, is in 7th grade now and doing very well.

Laura Giblin '94 reports that the Giblins live in Peoria, Ariz. Guy works as a manager at Trader Joe's and Laura works as a stay-at-home mom of seven kids. They stay busy with church, softball, theater, choir, cheer, soccer, basketball and schoolwork!

Kathleen Collins Huntley '94 is now a senior health educator for Kaiser Permanente South Sacramento. She specializes in weight management for adults and pediatrics. She has also been consulting for YouTube as a pediatric wellness consultant. She has a son in junior high and a daughter who is a senior in high school who may just follow in **Kevin '93** and her footsteps and go to the dear ol' U of R.

Gabrielle "Gabby" Johnson Porkolab '94, her husband of 11 years, Karoly, and their children Genevieve, 7, and Laszlo, 2, have spent two years in Lakeport, Calif., and are happy to announce they are moving back home to San Diego.

Catherine Purcell '94 lives in Walden, Colo., enjoying the great outdoors with her family and two dogs, Trapper and Waylon. She works part time for the Jackson County Sheriff's Office doing 911 dispatch and emergency management. She is also working on building her educational psychology business, training educators on classroom management techniques for low level behavior problems.

Shani Uggen Sandler '94 reports: "The Slanders have had a busy year with our son graduating from high school and making roots just outside Cleveland, Ohio, with buying a house."

Heather Pescosolido Thomas '94 writes, "I'm back doing our class notes again – a BIG thank you to **Gloria Cheung Henderson '94** for giving me a break! I still live in San Luis Obispo and heartily enjoy visiting with classmates when they find themselves vacationing in the place I'm lucky enough to call home! My business, Two Cooks Catering, is celebrating its 10th Anniversary. Our daughter is currently in the 4th grade and rides horses in her free time."

Leslie Evans Whitmore '94 is back to coaching swimming at the UR.

1995

After five years at the school **Liliana Narvaez Ayala '95** opened, she was assigned to Bushnell Way Elementary School in Highland Park, the neighborhood where she grew up. Her husband, Andrew, and she are in the process of adopting a 7-year-old girl and her 4-year-old brother.

Joseph Guldera '95 recently completed a massive restoration/renovation on a 1927 Mediterranean revival home in the Hancock Park neighborhood of Los Angeles into his personal home/office/showroom for his company, Ron Wilson Interiors. The home was originally built by the Dominguez/Watson family which was given the first Spanish land grant from the King of Spain in California.

David "Jamey" Heiss '95 has been president of the San Geronio Pass Historical Society in Beaumont, Calif. for the past four years and helped revitalize a flailing San Geronio Education Foundation in Banning, Calif. for the past two years. He is also a founding board member of the Beaumont Education Support Team and is finishing up his seventh term as a board member of the Redlands Educational Partnership Foundation.

Ashley Payne Laird '95 is celebrating her 20th year of teaching middle school English at Chandler School, a private K-8 school in Pasadena. Besides teaching, she is the dean of girls, yearbook advisor, soccer coach, English department head and newly appointed director of the Summer Bridge Program.

Dave Tran '95 is working at Counsyl as a medical content scientist and is excited to be an uncle to Eleanor and Sierra.

1998

Curtis White '98 writes, "I have recently retired from the Department of Corrections as a parole agent. I enjoyed a very challenging career and completed my master's degree in criminology. I just published a book on Amazon titled *Dysfunctional Christian*. It's a story of a boy who survived abuse and questioned God's purpose through it all. As he got older and was able to help others going through the same thing, he found out it was easier to cope with God's help."

1999

Laurie Carper '99 reports: "Last fall I changed jobs, still keeping to marketing, but moving from the wine and spirits industry to alumni education. I also moved from San Francisco to Palo Alto in March to be closer to work. The warmer weather, trees and slower pace are all welcome after 15 years

KDAWG Alumni Spotlight



Evan Sanford's '17 Saturday afternoon "In the Studio" programming on KDAWG will now include an alumni spotlight! Tune in at 2 p.m. each Saturday to discover more about fascinating Bulldog alumni, from their accomplishments in the sciences to their accolades in the fine arts. His guest for each segment is Archivist and University Historian Michele Nielsen.

The domino effect

By Laura Gallardo '03

Cathy Moreland Schilling '76 clearly remembers her admissions interview with Ken Corwin, but at the time, she had no idea that the conversation would be the first “domino” in her University of Redlands journey. As a student, she kept herself busy with classes, tennis and SPURS, but also has fond memories of watching “The Mary Tyler Moore Show” in the Grossmont basement.

The next big “domino” happened in her junior year. Schilling traveled to Austria for the Salzburg Semester under the direction of Peter Madler and met members of the Delta Kappa Psi sorority who have become lifelong friends, many of whom she still travels with today.

After Salzburg, Schilling joined Delta, and once she had graduated, Jane Corwin, wife of the same Redlands admission director who had interviewed her, encouraged Schilling to get involved in Delta alumnae meetings. “She was a role model for me, and it was like coming full circle.” Not only has she been a leader among Delta alumnae (she was named Delta Woman of the Year in 1995), she has also served on the University of Redlands Board of Trustees, Alumni Board, President’s Circle Leadership Committee, Centennial Committee and, most recently, as a co-chair of her 40th-reunion committee.

A physical education major, Schilling served students with disabilities as an adapted physical education specialist in San Bernardino County and Rialto Unified School Districts. Just before her retirement, she recalls, a disabled high school student made his first hockey goal during her class. Seeing the immense joy on his face was just one moment of inspiration in her fulfilling 34-year career.

Schilling also volunteers for the American Association of University Women, for whom she chaired a STEM conference, and Alpha Delta Kappa, an education sorority that funds two U of R scholarships. “Attending the University enriched my life, and all of these experiences were like dominoes, each one making the next one happen.”

As loyal donors to the University for the past 23 years, Schilling and her husband, Craig '76, have seen firsthand the need for their annual President’s Circle support. “When you realize how much the University needs to provide scholarships and keep everything going, and when you believe in the experience the students receive, you just know how important it is.” **OT**

For more information on making a Redlands Fund gift like Schilling, please contact Director of Annual Giving Molly Widdicombe at 909-748-8381 or visit www.redlands.edu/giving.



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in the city. And I now live near a friend from my semester abroad in France.”

2000

Class Notes Reporter **Sandy Flynn '00** says: “After our 15-year reunion, my family and I drove to the Grand Canyon. We only were able to suffer through camping for one night as it was so cold, and then went to Sedona and Dewey, Ariz.”

Andres Godinez '00 is celebrating 10 years in private practice at the Sherman Oaks Ear and Hearing Institute. He currently practices as a doctor of audiology. He received his M.S. in audiology from CSUN in 2002 and his Au.D. from AT Still Medical School in 2010.

David Rae '00 and his husband Ryne Meadors were married in 2014 in Palm Springs. They live in Los Angeles where David works as a financial planner and writes for the *Huffington Post* and *Advocate Magazine*.

2001

Marcie Kowalski '01 started working for SoundCloud in February of 2015 and is the head of U.S. facilities based out of New York City. She lives in Stamford, Conn., with her rescue mastiff, Bruno. She also recently celebrated her fourth anniversary in the U.S. Army Reserves.

2003

Val Jensen '03 now works for the U.S. Department of State in the Bureau of Diplomatic Security at the San Diego Resident Office. He works as an investigative assistant and hopes to soon become a federal special agent in Diplomatic Security.

2004

Shantrice Burton '04 was accepted into NOVA Southeastern University’s Master’s in Speech Pathology program and finished her first semester in December 2015!

Tara Smith Eisenhower '04 continues to teach voice classes and lessons at Ventura College. She has started directing a small choir, Pacific Chamber Singers, and is enjoying conducting choral music!

Ryan M. Miller '04 has been appointed senior advisor for South and Central Asia at the U.S. Department of State. Ryan helps lead U.S. strategy and communications with the 13 countries that comprise the region. Along with his wife Jenn and young Bulldog, Nate Diego, aged 2½, Ryan lives in Washington, D.C.

Chas Phillips '04 completed his Ph.D. and defended his dissertation at Johns Hopkins University in political science and began working as a professor of government and philosophy at Franklin & Marshall College in Lancaster, Pa.

Charli Shipman '04 recently became the early childhood assessment team coordinator for Riverside Unified School District.

Campus connection



Brian Szepekouski '79 with Reitaku University professors Eriko Machi and Miki Yamashita.

COURTESY BRIAN SZEPEKOUSKI

When international business consultant Brian Szepekouski '79, president of Szepeko International Inc., led a workshop in Portland, Ore., at the annual conference of the Society for Intercultural Education, Training and Research, he had no idea it would lead to an invitation to speak at Redlands' "sister college" in Japan.

The invitation came from Miki Yamashita, one of the conference attendees, who is also an economics professor at Reitaku University near Tokyo, with whom Redlands has a long established exchange program.

"It really turned out to be a great experience," says Szepekouski. "The students in the cross-cultural communication classes were eager to hear from an actual U.S. American interculturalist who heads up his own global consulting firm."

Not only that, Szepekouski had spent six years living in Japan, teaching as well as attending three Japanese universities, including one year at Waseda University in Tokyo as part of a University of Redlands study abroad program.

Szepekouski's topic in both classes was Developing a Global Mindset and Communicating in Corporate America, which he delivered mostly in English, with some explanations and anecdotes in Japanese.

"What was most surprising," says Szepekouski, "is that I discovered their close connection with Redlands during the campus tour! Later I was shown the full color two-page spread of Redlands in their literature and heard that some Reitaku students are currently at Redlands—and vice versa! When Miki Yamashita and Eriko Machi, who had invited me to be a guest lecturer in their classes, learned that I was a Redlands alumnus, we couldn't help but laugh uproariously!" **OT**



Val Jensen '03, meeting new friends in Petra.

Scarlett Burgess Smith '04 is now the choir teacher at Canyon Spring High School.

2005

Priscilla Grijalva '05 was the 2015 University of California Early Academic Outreach Program Counselor of the Year and the 2015 California State School Counselor of the Year finalist.

2006

Jason Nam '06, '12 received his doctor of music degree in wind conducting from the Indiana University Jacobs School of Music. He has also recently been appointed as visiting assistant professor of music and assistant director of bands at Indiana University. His wife, Melissa Kendrick Nam '06, works at Indiana University Lifelong Learning. Melissa and Jason now live in Bloomington, Ind.

2007

Cat Allen '07 lives in Columbia, S.C., and is an archivist at the University of South Carolina. Recently, Cat and her colleagues in the archives



Jason Nam '06, '12 and his wife, Melissa Kendrick Nam '06, at Jason's graduation ceremony at Indiana University where he received his doctor of music degree in wind conducting from the Jacobs School of Music.

offered free drop-in clinics for people affected by flooding in the area. Individuals with water-damaged family treasures came to learn what they could do to save their papers and photographs.

Former ASUR Student Body President **Chris Concepcion '07** married his partner of seven years, **Wes Reynolds '00**, on Oct. 16, 2015. Their wedding party included fellow U of R Alumni **Sneha Subramanian '06**, **Trey Kennedy '06**, **Jake Rogers '10** and **Richard Daily '11**. Held in Pasadena, Calif., their celebration served as an unofficial reunion of family members and fellow Bulldogs, especially Alumni of Rangi Ya Giza (RYG) and Wadada Wa Rangi Wengi (WRW).

Johnston

1973

Barbara Woolsey Nordstrom '73 retired nearly four years ago after 16 years with Vancouver Public Schools. Since retiring, Barbara has volunteered with WSU Master Gardeners. She is co-coordinator of the Hazel Dell School and Community Garden and recently started a children's garden ed team with master gardeners interested in making classroom presentations to elementary school children. This coming summer will be the 12th annual summer garden program for the Boys and Girls Club. Barbara lives in Vancouver, Wash., with Gene, her husband of 42 years.

Kim Zeydel '73 received the Presidential Award for Excellence in Mathematics and Science Teaching for secondary mathematics in Idaho in 2009. She was named the Idaho Teacher of the Year in 2015. She credits Johnston College for providing her with the tools to succeed in her career of teaching mathematics to at-risk middle school and high school students.

1976

Lynne Isbell '76 has been elected a Fellow of the California Academy of Sciences. Lynne is a professor of anthropology at UC Davis whose book, *The Fruit, the Tree, and the Serpent: Why We*

See So Well (Harvard U. Press, 2009), won the 2014 W.W. Howells Book Prize for best book in biological anthropology, given by the Biological Anthropology Section of the American Anthropological Association.

1995

Amy Eriksen '95, along with her wife, Griselda Suarez, has been named the Jean Harris Persons of the Year by the Long Beach Lambda Democratic Club. Amy is recognized for her efforts toward furthering human rights and the visibility of the LGBTQ community. "I learned about being an engaged citizen through my education. It all began with going to school board meetings with my mother at a very young age. Later in life, Johnston gave me the greatest foundation to be an agent of change," said Amy. She is coordinator of Tres Hermanas Community Garden, owner of Peppered Up Foods and a volunteer with various organizations like Leadership Long Beach. She collaborates with The LGBTQ Center of Long Beach on various events and is the executive director of Angels Gate Cultural Center.

2011

Elan Carson '11 recently presented her TEDx talk on mental health in America at TEDx Crenshaw. Elan shares that one out of four Americans will struggle with a mental illness like depression, anxiety, bulimia, anorexia, PTSD and other disorders in any given year. She encourages everyone to take steps to support those experiencing difficulty.

2015

Devin Wright '15 did an internship with the County of Ventura Planning Division this summer. During that time, she was the youngest speaker at the Ecology of Community: Process, Transformation and Identity conference at the Claremont School of Theology. Devin presented her Johnston thesis, *Understanding the Redlands Local Small Business Network Using Social Network Analysis*.



Wes Reynolds '00 and Chris Concepcion '07.

Schools of Business and Education

1995

Captain Ronald L. Ravelo '95 was commissioned as the commander of the U.S.S. Abraham Lincoln in 2014. Captain Ravelo is the first Filipino-American commander of an aircraft carrier in the U.S. Navy's history.

1998

Brigadier General John W. Lathrop '98 assumed duties as the assistant division commander, 40th ID (S), California Army National Guard in October 2014.

2015

Vernon Rosado '15, MBA completed his MBA with an emphasis in global business in October 2015. He was also selected to the Whitehead Leadership Society by his cohort members the same year. The *Journal of Political Science and Public Affairs* published his paper "Obama Administration Leadership" on Nov. 27, 2015. He has joined West Los Angeles College as an adjunct business instructor for the winter 2016 semester.



Captain Ronald L. Ravelo '95, commander of the aircraft carrier the U.S.S. Abraham Lincoln.



Elan Carson '11 presenting her TEDx talk on mental illness in America.

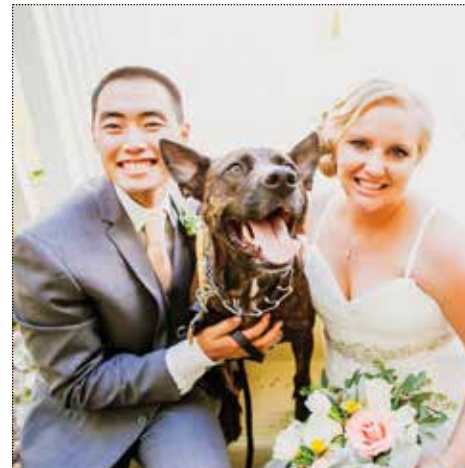


Brigadier General John W. Lathrop '98, assistant division commander, 40th ID (S), California Army National Guard.

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Newlyweds Wes Reynolds '00 and Chris Concepcion '07 celebrate at their reception attended by fellow Bulldogs on October 16, 2015.



Brandon '11 and Katie Ostrinski '11 and their dog Toby on their wedding day, Oct. 10, 2015.

Engagements, Marriages and Partnerships

Sue Freed Rainey '68 married John Collins, Oct. 18, 2015, in Idyllwild, Calif.

Carissa Krizo '95 married Simon Ghosh on March 28, 2015, in Cambria, Calif.

Andrew Agress '98 married Monique Reavis on Aug. 1, 2015, in Herradura, Costa Rica.

David Rae '00 married Ryne Meadors in 2014, in Palm Springs, Calif.

Chris Concepción '07 married **Wes Reynolds '00** on Oct. 6, 2015, in Pasadena, Calif.

Allison "Al" Frost '06 married Christopher Chalupa on July 13, 2015.

Marshall Chaffee '10 married Caitlin Oshida on May 24, 2015, in Richmond, Va.

John Floersch '10 married **Courtney Rood '10** on Aug. 15, 2015.

Katie Ostrinski '11 married **Brandon Owashi '11** on Oct. 10, 2015.

Baby Bulldogs

Eitan Hagler '94 and his wife, Amy, welcomed a son, Elliott, on April 4, 2015.

Sandy Fuentes Flynn '00 welcomed a son, Rory Alexander, on Sept. 19, 2015.

Dane '00 and **Erica '00 Reeves** welcomed a son, Aric Joseph, on Oct. 7, 2015.

Coco Haupt McKown '04 and **Lysander McKown '05** welcomed a daughter, Caroline (Callie) Lilly, on July 18, 2015.

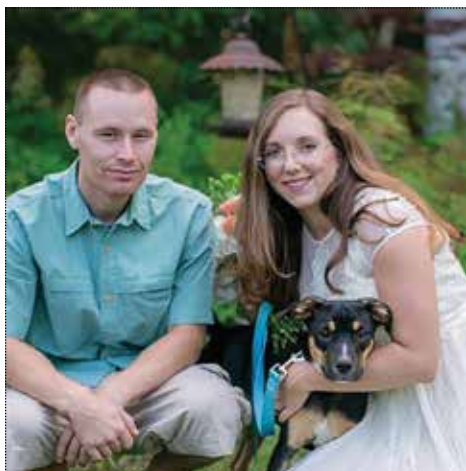
Sarah Breyer Minor '04 and **Andy Minor '03** welcomed a daughter, Alice Elizabeth, on Sept. 23, 2014.

Charli Shipman '04 welcomed a son, Oliver Charles, on May 16, 2015.

Daniel Aipa '07, '09 and **Mari Kam Aipa '07** welcomed a son, Jonah Daniel Kazuo Kuali'ikaimanahila, on Sept. 8, 2015.

Alycia Stiles Grandt '08 and her husband, John, welcomed a daughter, Kaitlyn Elizabeth, on July 24, 2015.

Capt. Greg Perkins '09 and **Christine Bauer Perkins '11** welcomed a daughter, Camellia Ann, on Oct. 9, 2015.



Allison "Al" Frost '06 and her husband Christopher Chalupa, married July 13, 2015.



Bulldogs celebrating the marriage of Andrew Agress '98 and his wife, Monique Reavis, Aug. 1, 2015, in Herradura, Costa Rica. Left to right: Ann Marie Xavier Hulse '00, Beverly Knaub '98, Agress, Derek Hulse '99, Ryan Kelley '99, Wendy Harman Kelley '98, Bob Paulhus '98 and future Bulldog Mia Paulhus.

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John Floersch '10 and Courtney Rood '10 wedding party, summer 2015. Bulldogs include: Brent Dotters '10, Chris Quinn '11, Heather Anthony '11, Miran Terzic '11, Leah Egbert '10, Catherine Cunningham '10, Elena Dubasik '10, Chelsea Hamilton '10, Ryan Floersch '10, Mary Shepherd '10, Timmy Hendrickson '11, Ben Taylor '10, Rachel Jennings (Persichetti) '10, Colin Jennings '10, Teddy Trowbridge '10, Carlos Saldivar '10 and Jack Amaral '10.



The Sarah Breyer Minor '04 family.



Oliver Charles Shipman, born May 16, 2015.



Jameson and Rory (born Sept. 19, 2015) Flynn.



Aric Joseph Reeves born Oct. 7, 2015.



Jonah Daniel Kazuo Kualii'ikaimanahila Aipa, born Sept. 8, 2015.



Kaitlyn Elizabeth Grandt, born July 24, 2015.



Bulldogs gather May 24, 2015, for the wedding of Marshall Chaffee '10 and Caitlin Oshida. From left, back row, are Kevin Murphy '10, Katie Ferrel JC '11, Erek Nelson, Doug Chaffee '65, Jeremy Thweatt '11 and Jeremy Johnson JC '10. From left, front row, are Laura Smith, Carey French JC '10, Paulette Marshall '71, Oshida, Chaffee, Kelly Lecko '11, Wendy Turner '10, Anna Kaessner JC '10, Karen Kelly, Suzie Burdman JC '10 and Carly Heinz.



Camellia Ann Perkins, born Oct. 9, 2015.

ALUMNI NEWS




The Kappa Sigma Sigma Centennial Celebration is coming!

In 1916, members formed the Kappa Sigma Sigma fraternity here on campus making 2016 its centennial celebration year. In honor of the anniversary, this year's traditional Rendezvous will be a very special opportunity for Brothers to gather and look back at their part in the Redlands story.

The party will start Friday evening April 29 with an informal gathering for early arrivals. Saturday will include a continental breakfast and a full day of activities. For those who enjoy golf, the annual tournament will be held in Yucaipa during the day. Everyone will gather once again for a traditional Rendezvous dinner at Orton Center on campus on Saturday evening.

As a part of this wonderful milestone, brother Chris Hardy '72 has compiled a written history of the fraternity rich with photos, reminiscences and information

about the Birds, from the early days to the present. While undertaking his extensive research, Hardy was pleased to note that over the 100-year span of the fraternity, the character and sense of responsibility to benefit the University is a strong common thread uniting generations of brothers. This rich legacy goes well beyond the four years a brother is on campus and lasts a lifetime as brothers remain bonded by their shared ideals.

In honor of the centennial, Kappa Sigma Sigma has renamed its endowed scholarship originally established in 1965 "The Larson Fox Kappa Sigma Sigma Endowed Scholarship Fund" to recognize the contributions of brothers Ernie Larson '22 and Jim Fox '29, who conceived the idea for the scholarship 50 years ago. For more information, refer to the fraternity website, www.kappasigmastigma.com. 



View more photos of Kappa Sigma Sigma memorabilia at OchTamaleMagazine.net

Support Science Summer Research



For more than 15 years, the University of Redlands has provided an outstanding experiential learning opportunity that enables science students to work on research with faculty over the summer.

"During my experience this summer, I gained much more knowledge of the scientific process and many skills that I will take with me as I progress."

—Myhanh Chu '16
Larry and Rita Seratt King Endowed Summer Science Researcher

The projects range from lab to field work and have involved tracking marine life off the coast of Los Angeles with Lei Lani Stelle, examining tree rings in a meadow at Big Bear with Hillary Jenkins (see our feature article starting on page 18 to learn more about these projects) or doing lab work to find a safer alternative to synthetic fertilizer with Dan Wacks.

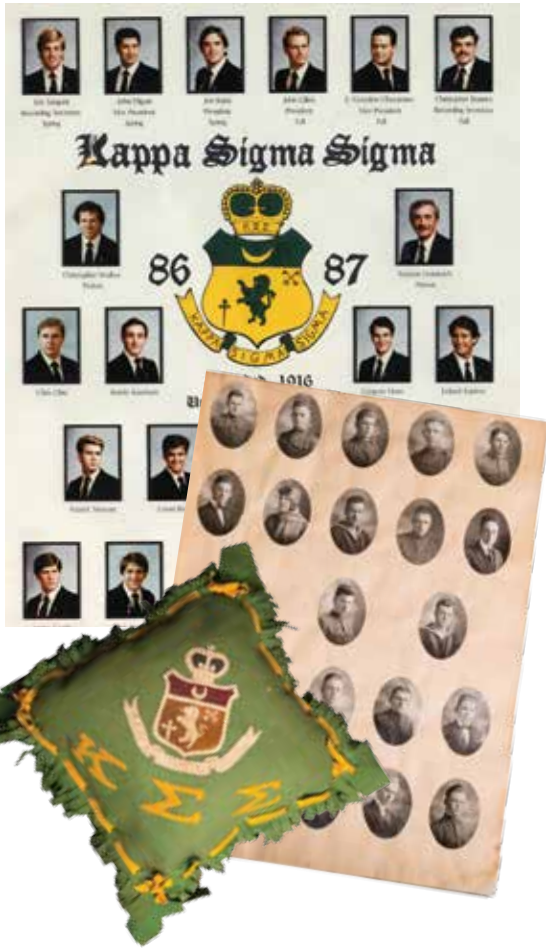
To make this summer research possible, students receive stipends and campus housing for the duration of their project. Each year, more students apply for research opportunities than there is available funding to support them. For summer 2015, there was funding available for 28 student researchers, but 40 applicants.

Members of the University of Redlands community can help secure the future of student science research at Redlands by either establishing a new endowed research fund or by adding to an existing endowed research fund.

If you are interested in learning more about how you can help us meet our goal, please contact:

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History Mystery



COURTESY UNIVERSITY ARCHIVES

Sci-fi, fantasy and horror author Ray Bradbury visited the University of Redlands several times. Here, he informally addresses students and faculty in the Alumni Greek Theatre. Can you identify any of the students and faculty or have a story to share about Bradbury's visits to the University? Please send your memories to *Och Tamale* | University of Redlands | 1200 E. Colton Ave. | P. O. Box 3080 | Redlands, CA 92373-0999 or email ochtamale@redlands.edu.

In response to our photo from the University's Archives on page 43 of the fall 2015 issue of the *Och Tamale*, we received the following information by email:



Chi Sigma Chi celebrates 80 years on campus!

On May 6, 1936 Phi Epsilon (1931) and Phi Delta Tau (1932) merged to create a stronger, more unified fraternity, Chi Sigma Chi. Members of the two fraternities, along with other charter members, united under a combined set of ideals and a new constitution. The fraternity's very first chapter and social rooms were located in Melrose Hall. Today, their shared values include the strength diversity brings to their organization and their ideals: brotherhood, knowledge, service and justice.

May 6, 2016 will mark the 80th anniversary of Chi Sigma Chi. On April 30, 2016, the fraternity invites alumni and patrons back to campus for their annual reunion to celebrate the past, present and future of the brotherhood. To learn more, visit: www.chisigmachi.com or call Jessie Hardy, chairman of the Chi Sigma Chi Alumni Association, at 210-563-4740.

Wayne Martin '59 wrote:

"Real surprise to see registration picture from fall, 1958. My roommate, Ron Prescotte '59 to the left in back of Marilyn Kerr '59, with me Wayne Martin '59, in front of them at table. Can't place woman in between Pat Morris '59 and me. It's not my brain at fault—my search engine is going! All of us were class of 1959."

Marie Duffey Whittington '62 provided this information:

"Man at left in white slacks is Ron Prescotte. He coached freshman football in 1958ish."

Norma Steeples Dreyer '59 wrote:

"I think the girl facing the table is me, Norma Steeples Dreyer '59. I recognize the dress (Delta lavender), but I can't remember the occasion. The guy behind me is Ron Prescotte '59. What fun to see the photo!"



COURTESY UNIVERSITY ARCHIVES

Maggie McKinney Steeples Gifford '57 reports:

"Norma Steeples Dreyer '59 is that cute girl standing with the sweater over her arm!! Good thing is she still looks the same!!"

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

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In Memoriam

The College

1930s

Hong Kwun Pang Wong '37, Oct. 12, 2015.

Sydney Winters Wood '37, Oct. 9, 2015. Family members include her son, Ron W. Wood '63.

Helen Crawford Sutter '38, May 11, 2015.

Alva J. Johanson Ph.D., '39, May 23, 2015.

1940s

Phyllis Robertson Anderson '40, Aug. 10, 2015. Family members include her husband, Emmette Anderson '40, and son, Dennis H. Anderson '70.

Ruth M. Willis Edwards '40, Oct. 7, 2015.

Dorothy Jensen '41, Oct. 14, 2015.

Albert F. Wincher '41, Nov. 22, 2015. Family members include his daughter, Kathleen Peppin '71.

Lois Knight Leonardi '47, Oct. 10, 2015. Family members include her brother, Robert Knight '43; her nieces, Jane E. Knight '78 and Lisa S. Knight '76; and her nephew, William H. Knight '75.

Donna Rummel Nicholson '47, Oct. 29, 2015.

Lillian "Lee" Smith Weaver '48, Sept. 4, 2015. Family members include her daughters, Cecily Campbell '78 and Pamela Martinez '76; her son, Rusty Weaver Jr. '68, her sister, Carol R. Smith '51; and her daughter-in-law, Cathy W. Weaver '69.

Jeannette Page '49, Aug. 27, 2015.

Warren Wade '49, Nov. 26, 2015.

1950s

Owen C. Geer '50, March 28, 2015.

Edward C. Rutherford '50, Dec. 17, 2015.

William L. Joiner '51, Aug. 17, 2015.

Robert "Bob" Tanner '51, Dec. 8, 2015.

Jacqueline "Jackie" A. Cone Harrison '52, Oct. 17, 2015. Family members include her son, James R. Harrison '78; daughter, Ann M. Kayle '92; grand-daughters, Anastasia Harrison '08 and Kristen Harrison '11; and daughter-in-law, Jean M. Harrison '78.

Eldon "Bud" Hite '52, Aug. 23, 2015. Family members include his wife, Rosemary McBride Hite '48.

Duncan H. Sprague '52, Sept. 29, 2015. Family members include his wife, Kathryn Sprague '58.

Richard "Dick" Tibbetts '53, Nov. 13, 2015.

James "Jim" Ellis '54, Nov. 24, 2015. Family members include his wife, Joanne Ellis '55, and daughter, Judy Tetone '86.

Rev. James G. Anderson '55, Oct. 1, 2015.

Jane Smiley Martin '55, 2015.

Patricia Levi Isaacs '57, Aug. 5, 2015. Family members include her grandson, Theodore Somekh '19.

Martha Nasser '57, Dec. 12, 2015. Family members include her grandson, Henry Stuckenschmidt '18.

Eugene "Gene" Ouellette '57, '58, Nov. 9, 2015

Paul Paynter '57, Oct. 3, 2015.

Consuelo "Connie" Acevedo '58, Oct. 26, 2015.

James E. Dunning '58, Sept. 9, 2015.

Roger M. Jaska '58, Aug. 21, 2015.

Lena "Lee" Scroggins Kurtz '58, Sept. 7, 2015.

Richard Mitchell '58, July 14, 2015.

Robert Allan Ramsay '58, Sept. 9, 2015.

1960s

Ruth A. Morgan '61, 2015.

William G. Bryant '63, July 20, 2015.

Elisa Campos '64, Oct. 12, 2015.

Jeanette Detweiler Larson '64, Sept. 19, 2014. Family members include her husband, William L. Larson '62, and daughter, Stephanie E. Ortiz '98.

Kathleen Gemmell Vibe '64, Aug. 1, 2015.

Bentley "Ben" Giffen '65, Aug. 7, 2015.

Dorn Younger '65, Sept. 3, 2015.

Robert G. Campbell '67, '68, Nov. 4, 2015. Family members include his wife, Jacqueline Campbell '90, his brother and sister-in-law, Gordon '71 and Betty '70 Campbell, his aunt, Betty Conly '51, and his cousins, Pamela '63 and Lodewyk '70 Zubko, Susanna Robar '66, Sanford Scholton '67 and Deanna Jennings '72.

Carol Berry Hinshaw '66, Oct. 19, 2015.

Joseph K. Li, PhD '67, Oct. 2, 2015.

Mark Clay Jr. '69, Nov. 11, 2015.

1970s

Varnell O. Padgett '70, Dec. 18, 2015.

W. Noel Pratt '71, Oct. 30, 2015.

William H. "Bill" Bloch '73, Sept. 11, 2015.

Debra G. Ericson, M.D. '74, Aug. 10, 2015.

Willie L. Golden '76, June 6, 2015.

Philomena McCullough Kumpis '77, Nov. 23, 2015.

Martin "Marty" Orenyah '78, Oct. 7, 2015.

Salvadore Porretta '78, Nov. 21, 2015.

Lee Tracey '78, April 4, 2015.

1980s

Joseph O'Connell '81, Aug. 13, 2015.

L. Chana Boyko '85, May 11, 2015.

Jerry S. Taylor '88, Aug. 20, 2015.

1990s

James F. Bartlett '90, Aug. 10, 2015.

Kerry L. Winn '91, June 5, 2015.

Nancy Calabrese '98, Nov. 6, 2015.

2000s

James "Jim" Ahumada '01, Dec. 17, 2015.

Johnston

Richard "Ric" Rizal McGee '07, Dec. 21, 2015.

Schools of Business and Education

Mary "Moya" Henderson '65, Oct. 7, 2015.

Dolores O'Brien Lotte '75, Oct. 27, 2015.

Fr. Gabriel N. Seamore '77, Dec. 2, 2015.

Annorr Maureen Gowdy '81, Oct. 30, 2015.

Joseph O'Connell '81

Alberta J. Danish '84, Nov. 11, 2015.

Richard H. Ericson '84, Aug. 17, 2015.

Richard S. Cook '85, Aug. 20, 2015.

Wanda Clements '91, Dec. 26, 2015.

Damian Meins '93, Dec. 2, 2015

Della Andrew '93, Sept. 2, 2015.

Friends

Greig Stephen Locker, Oct. 17, 2015, adjunct professor, School of Business.

Special Friends

Damian Meins '93

Damian Meins '93 MBA School of Business died on Dec. 2, 2015. He graduated from Notre Dame High School in Riverside and received his B.S. in Economics from the University of California, Riverside. Meins was chosen by his peers to be a member of the Whitehead Leadership Society at the University. For 23 years he worked for the County of Riverside, Department of Environmental Health and for a time as assistant director of the Planning Department.

He most recently worked for the County of San Bernardino Department of Environmental Health as an environmental health inspector. He enjoyed his family and friends, travel and the volunteer work he did for his church, Saint Catherine's of Alexandria, in Riverside. He is survived by his wife, Trenna Meins and their two daughters, Tina Meins and Tawnya Meins.

Robert "Bob" Campbell, III

Robert "Bob" Campbell '67, '68, died Nov. 4, 2015. Campbell was a member of a legacy family of University of Redlands graduates, numbering 30 in all. He earned his bachelor of Science degree in Mathematics in 1967, followed by his master's degree in education in 1968. In 1993, he was inducted into the University of Redlands Hall of Fame for his success while a member of both the football and golf teams. He earned six varsity letters between the two sports while at Redlands. His career in education spanned many decades with the Redlands Unified School District. He and his wife, Jacqueline, carry on his family's tradition of loyal support of the University through the Robert G. Campbell Endowed Scholarship Fund and as Pacesetter Society members.

He is survived by his wife Jacqueline and their daughter, Carrie Campbell; his brother and sister-in-law Gordon '71 and Betty '70 Campbell; and many extended family members. Memorial gifts may be made to the University of Redlands Robert G. Campbell Endowed Scholarship Fund and can be sent to the Office of Development, 1200 E. Colton Ave., Redlands, CA 92374.

Patricia Levi Isaacs

Patricia Levi Isaacs '57 died Aug. 5, 2015. Issacs was a fifth-generation Californian, raised in Southern California. While at Redlands, she was a member of the Alpha Sigma Pi Sorority and sang in the Concert Choir. She and her husband Dr. Hart Isaacs Jr., married and raised their family of five children in the Beverly Hills area. She was involved in education as a teacher's assistant and president of her local PTA. She and her husband enjoyed water sports, especially sailing. They are Pacesetter's Society members. She is survived by her beloved family, including her grandson, Theodore Somekh '19.

Phyllis Robertson Anderson

Phyllis Robertson Anderson '40 died Aug. 10, 2015. Anderson graduated from the University in 1940 and was a 4th and 5th grade teacher in the Bloomington School District for 30 years. She and her husband, Emmette '40, met at the University and were married 74 years. Anderson was a great supporter of her husband's Lion's Club efforts and volunteered in her community, whether through her church or the American Association of University Women. She is survived by her husband and her children, including her son, Dennis Anderson '70.

Eugene G. Ouellette '57, '58

Chancellor of Johnston College, Professor Emeritus



Eugene "Gene" Ouellette, Ph.D. died peacefully at his home in Redlands on Nov. 9, 2015. A long-time Redlands resident, educator and proud Marine Corps veteran, Ouellette was admired and respected by his many friends and colleagues for his sharp wit, intellect, leadership skills and untiring commitment to helping others.

Born Feb. 9, 1929, in Lowell, Mass., Ouellette attended Keith Academy in Lowell and Oblate Mary Immaculate Seminary before enlisting in the U.S. Marine Corps during the Korean Conflict. After leaving the service, he attended Catholic University in Washington, D.C., and Boston College School of Law. He earned his B.A. and

master's in communicative disorders from University of Redlands and his doctorate in communicative disorders and psychology from the University of Washington.

Gene began his career in higher education as a faculty member of San Diego State University. He returned to Redlands as chair and faculty member of the Department of Communicative Disorders. He was the founding faculty member of audiology programs for San Diego State University and the University of Redlands and the originator of the state speech therapy credential program at the University of Redlands. Committed to progressive education, Gene served as chancellor of Johnston College from 1971 to 1975 and later as vice president for academic affairs for the Union of Experimenting Colleges and Universities as well as national director of its University without Walls Program. He also was president of Communication Health Services, a private rehabilitation practice serving the Inland Empire.

He married Anne Morrison Ouellette in 1955 and raised his two daughters in Redlands. Active in the Redlands community for more than six decades, Ouellette directed several city council campaigns and was a member of the Redlands Rotary Club, the Redlands Loyal Knights of the Roundtable, the Redlands Fortnightly Club and Friends of the A.K. Smiley Library as well as other local organizations. Ouellette was also an accomplished sculptor, tennis player and sailor and was well known for his poker skills.

He is survived by his daughters, Michelle and Jeanne Ouellette, and grandchildren Natalie and Tristan Darquea. He was preceded in death by his wife, who died earlier in 2015. He will be greatly missed by all who knew him.

Bulldogs are up to something!



WILLIAM VASTA

Hello! Recently, an email crossed my desk from alumna Elan Carson '11. She included a link to her TEDx Crenshaw YouTube video on mental health in America. In the video, Elan captivates her audience with a personal, to-the-point presentation ending with a call to action everyone can respond to in an effort to destigmatize mental illness. Wow! Bulldogs like Elan are up to something interesting, meaningful and world-changing.

Alumnus Nate Truman '83 let me know he and his organization Star Car Central will be featured in the *Guinness Book of World Records* for having the highest number of famous movie and television autos in one parade, the 2015 Hollywood Christmas Parade! Nate's

cars—his version of the Batmobile with real flames coming from the exhaust pipe to a replica of the Shaguar of Austin Powers movie fame—represent his passion for vintage “cool” and making people happy. He and his wife, Susan Truman '83, are involved in events that support Friends of Angels Family Autism Camp, the Children's Miracle Network, the Michael J. Fox Foundation and many other charities.

Marilyn Mason Siemon-Burgeson '56 teaches infant and toddler caregiver coursework at Los Angeles Trade-Tech College's Child Development Center. She also works on social justice issues related to women and girls with Ascension Episcopal Church, the American Association of University Women Tech Trek Science Camp for 7th grade girls and the Scholarship Foundation of the Pasadena College Women's Club.

Elan, Nate and Marilyn are three of the thousands of Bulldogs that actively use their skills, talents and passions to make the world a better place each day. I am honored to be in such good Bulldog company and humbled and encouraged by their stories. What's your story? Let us know what you are doing! Contact your class notes representative or send your information directly to me. I can't wait to hear what you are up to!

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ON SCHEDULE

For a complete list of events, visit www.redlands.edu/onschedule

March 13, 2016

President's Honor Recital

2 p.m., Memorial Chapel

Since 1983, the President's Honor Recital has provided a public showcase for outstanding performers in the University of Redlands School of Music. The students performing in this prestigious concert are the winners of the 2015-2016 University of Redlands School of Music Auditions, which began in Dec. 2015.

March 18, 19, 25 & 26, 2016

"The Servant of Two Masters"

8 p.m., Glenn Wallichs Theatre,
March 26, 2 p.m.

This interpretation of the classic text from the Italian Commedia dell'arte will delight and entertain audiences with virtuosic performances, witty dialogue, mistaken identity, period costumes and energetic physical comedy.

April 1-2, 2016

"La Boheme"

8 p.m., Memorial Chapel

University of Redlands opera and orchestra students will bring Giacomo Puccini's "La Boheme" to life in the Memorial Chapel during the annual performance. This is a ticketed event. For more information, contact the School of Music at 909-748-8700.

April 14, 2016

Visiting Writers Series:

Senior Portfolio/Redlands Review

6 p.m., Hall of Letters 100

Students read from their Senior Portfolio projects in fiction, poetry and creative nonfiction, and staff and contributors to the 2016 *Redlands Review* literary journal present highlights of their work. The reading will be followed by a reception and publication party.

April 21-23, 2016

Commencement

April 21

School of Education Commencement

Keynote speaker: Enrique G. Murillo Jr., professor California State University, San Bernardino

April 22

Baccalaureate

April 23

College of Arts and Sciences Commencement

Keynote speaker: Jane Goodall, DBE ethologist and conservationist

April 23

The Johnston Center for Integrative Studies Commencement

April 23

School of Business Commencement

Keynote speaker: Jarrod Burguan '07, '10 chief of the San Bernardino Police Department

The Commencement Ceremony will be live-streamed on the University of Redlands website at www.redlands.edu/commencement. You can also watch the live stream on campus in the Orton Center, which is air conditioned and is accessible for people with disabilities. A recording of the ceremony will be available at www.redlands.edu/commencement for one week after commencement.

April 28, 2016

8th Annual University of Redlands

Business Roundtable Dinner

6 p.m., Center Club, Costa Mesa, CA

Save the date for the eighth annual University of Redlands Business Roundtable Dinner featuring Kim Stafford Korinke speaking on "2016: A Global Financial Perspective." Cocktails and dinner included. Invitation to follow.

April 30, 2016

Kappa Sigma Sigma 100th Anniversary

KΣΣ hosts its 100th anniversary celebration including breakfast, the annual golf tournament and a traditional Rendezvous dinner at Orton Center. For more information, visit www.kappasigma.com or contact Alumni and Community Relations, 909-748-8011.

April 30, 2016

Chi Sigma Chi 80th Anniversary

The CSCAA hosts its annual meeting, lunch and funding ceremonies, bowling, dinner and party at the house. For more information, visit www.chisigmachi.com or call Jessie Hardy at 210-503-4740.

May 12, 2016

4th Annual "Our House: A Showcase of Scholars, Authors and Artists of the University of Redlands"

5:30-7 p.m., Location TBA

May 20-22, 2016

Alumni Founders Weekend 2016


Times vary; visit www.redlands.edu/afw for locations. Join fellow Bulldogs for a weekend of reminiscing about your time at Redlands. Class reunions and all-school activities for the entire family, including Bulldogs in Service and the Orkey Porkey Dinner, will be held on campus. Night owls, get ready to dance at the Joozy Woozy Late Night Lounge. For more information, contact Alumni and Community Relations at 909-748-8011.

May 23, 2016

27th Annual Edwin B. Hales Bulldog Bench Golf Tournament

9:15 a.m., Redlands Country Club, 1749 Garden St., Redlands

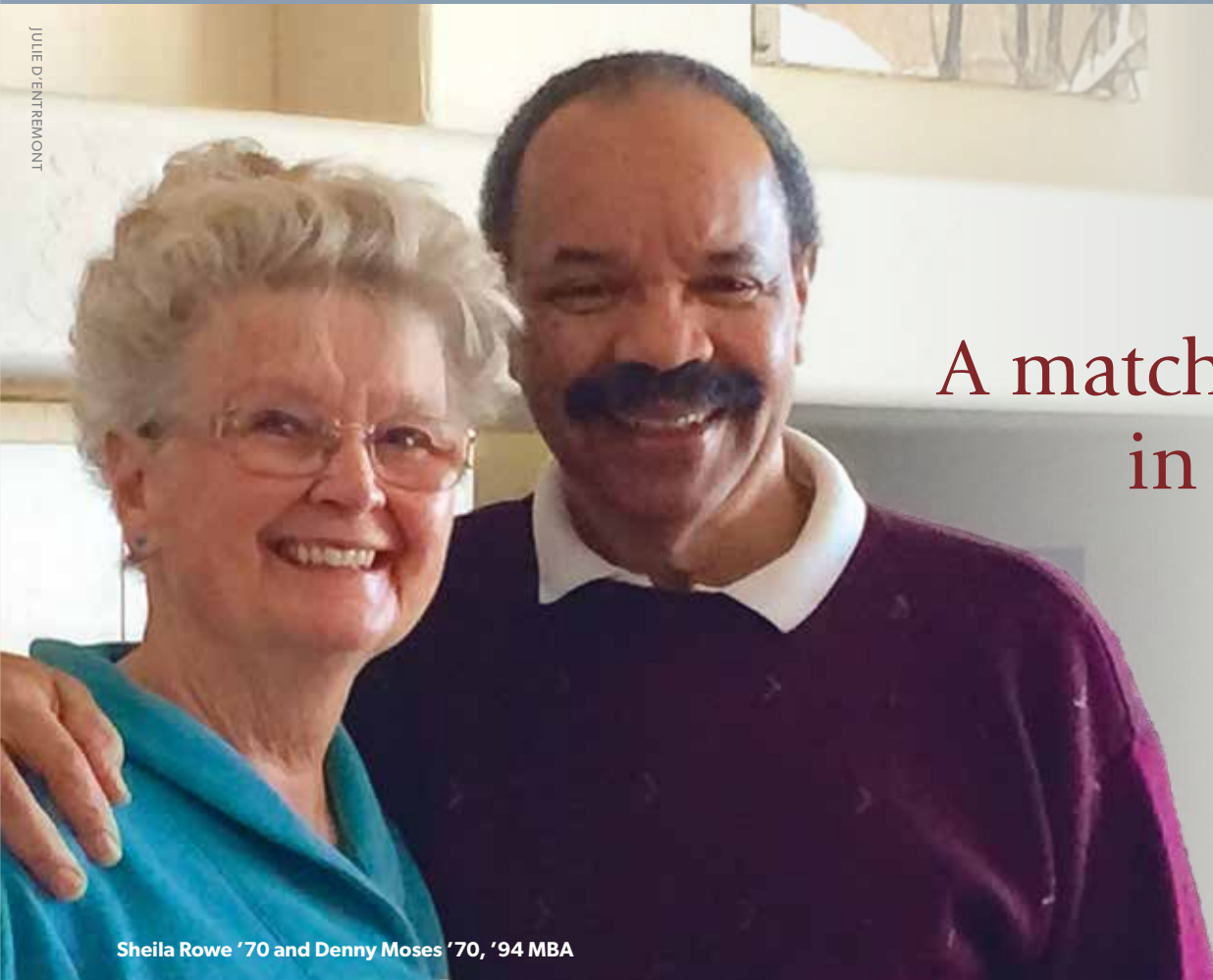
Support the student-athlete experience at the University of Redlands by participating in this annual event. Major sponsorships are available. For more information, contact the Athletics department at 909-748-8400.



Your gift to the Redlands Fund makes it possible for students to pursue their academic curiosity.

"The support motivates me to do as much as I can while I'm here and put my best effort forward. It's a great privilege and opportunity to have this time in my life to grow."

—Christine Cao '17



A match made in Redlands

By Laura Gallardo '03

Sheila Rowe '70 and Denny Moses '70, '94 MBA

When Sheila Rowe Moses '70 first locked eyes with classmate Denny '70, '94 MBA in their freshman English class, she knew she was looking at her future husband. "Even though he was boisterous and loud," Sheila reflects with a laugh, "I just had some type of internal message." Two weeks after she graduated, the two were married in San Marino.

Intending to study biology at Redlands, Sheila took a speech pathology class with "Cherry" Parker and realized communicative disorders was "just right for me." She later earned her master's degree at California State University, Los Angeles and spent the first 20 years of her career in hospitals, followed by 23 years in schools. "You can change lives with this profession," she says. "I would do it all over again in a minute."

While Denny's father, Jesse '37, had some influence, it was the "feel of the campus" that solidified his own decision to attend. Although he left after freshman year to work for the Pasadena Police Department, Denny remained very much a part of the U of R fabric. "I was there so often that when we announced our engagement, some of our friends had not realized I was no longer a student!"

Denny later completed his MBA in 1994 through Redlands' Whitehead Program. "The elements I took away helped me tremendously in my

jobs moving forward," he says, which included top security management positions at Northrop Grumman and TRW.

In addition to Denny's service as a Trustee and president of the Alumni Board, both he and Sheila were co-chairs of their 45th reunion last spring. While they have witnessed changes to the campus and student body, they are pleased that "U of R continues to maintain the same feel" they experienced. "The important things have stayed the same."

Following a Redlands visit, Denny and Sheila began thinking about how they could ensure this opportunity for future generations. "When we seriously started talking about including the University in our estate plans, it was pretty much a slam dunk."

While attending the 2014 Homecoming celebration, they were happy to see such diversity on campus, particularly first-generation students. "We are opening up an education to those who would not have that experience otherwise."

The Denny and Sheila Moses Endowed Scholarship supports students in communicative disorders, honoring Sheila's dedication to that field. "We are very grateful to Redlands, as it provided us both with a strong foundation for our careers. We're happy to give back." **OT**

For more information on establishing an endowed scholarship at the University of Redlands like Denny and Sheila, please contact Associate Vice President for Development Ray Watts at 909-748-8358 or ray_watts@redlands.edu.



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Yell and Song leaders from 1952. From left, back row, Jack Coburn '54, Ronnie White '52, Jack Reed '55 and Paul Jagger '53. From left, front row, Noel Jacobson '54, Connie Smith '55, Virginia "Penny" Penfield '53 and Jody Haas '55.

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