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Dean Phillip R. Oppenheimer:  
A Transformational Legacy

*“I have been blessed with amazing staff, faculty, students and administrative partners in my career.”*



**E**arlier this year, after 46 years in pharmacy academia, I announced my intention to retire.

Since that announcement, I have received the same three questions over and over again. The first one is,

“What are you going to do in retirement?” The answer remains to be seen. The second asks, “Will Teri also retire?” My wife, Teri, currently works two days a week as a pharmacist. Her answer to that question is, “Well, you are going to be home now, right? Maybe I will go back to working full time.” We laugh, but she may be serious. The third question is typically, “Do you have hobbies or projects?” The answer to that question is very typical of deans and others in executive positions: my vocation and my avocation are the same.

My life has been consumed with students, faculty, staff and administrators, as well as planning, supervising, negotiating and strategizing. When I’m not doing those things, I am thinking about them. First, you’re tired, then you’re retired.

I recently read an article in Forbes that indicated Type A personalities are not cut out for retirement. We are used to structured days and living by a strict calendar, run by full-time support staff. Our days are long, governed by deadlines, reports, meetings, budgets and spreadsheets. We have people to help us deal with issues that arise throughout the day and immediately resolve technical issues, such as putting apps on our smartphones. These issues include minor but important tasks like needing a ride to a meeting across campus because it’s pouring rain, refilling the coffee cup during a conference call without being asked or running out to get a new tie for the afternoon because the one you’re wearing landed in your soup. Apparently, this will all disappear upon my retirement. There will be no more early

arrivals to the office to make calls to the East Coast. No more planning, executing, assessing, revising and documenting. No more Monday morning staff meetings with my team, no more report-outs, no more evaluations. I will no longer eat lunch at my desk in the Dean’s office. I have to admit, I am nervous, but I am determined to make a successful transition. Maybe I will “unretire” at some point to pursue a passion yet to be determined.

By far, the part of the job I will miss the most are the people. I have been blessed with amazing staff, faculty, students and administrative partners in my career. I have had the honor to interact with some of the most revered professionals in health care. I have enjoyed working with our donors to transform the School through their generosity. It’s the people who have made my career a labor of love.

My goal is to keep some structure, just enough to allow for those spontaneous moments. I also will have a solid purpose to each

day and week, with goals to complete in the short and long term. I will continue to meet and network with my former colleagues and find new and interesting ways to stay social. I will continue to see all of you at association meetings, celebrations and special occasions.

Pacific is a very special place and I will continue to be involved in her evolution.

Sincerely,

Phillip R. Oppenheimer, PharmD  
Dean, Thomas J. Long School of Pharmacy and Health Sciences

**1997**

Phillip R. Oppenheimer, PharmD, was named Dean.

The Department of Communicative Disorders, which was renamed the Department of Speech-Language Pathology, became a part of the School of Pharmacy. The Department established a partnership with the local Scottish Rite, which has provided additional training space for students and dramatically increased the number of patients who can be seen at the Scottish Rite Childhood Language Disorders Center.

**1998**

To reflect the inclusion of the physical therapy and speech-language pathology programs, the Regents renamed the School the School of Pharmacy and Health Sciences.

**2001**

The Regents accepted a \$13 million grant from the Thomas J. Long Foundation and renamed the School the Thomas J. Long School of Pharmacy and Health Sciences. This naming honored a financial commitment of more than \$20 million donated by the foundation and the Thomas J. Long family. This gift provided the seed funds for the creation of a new facility on the north campus, adding more than 50,000 square feet of new space.

**2003**

The School transitioned the master of science in physical therapy degree to a doctor of physical therapy degree. The first class graduated in the fall.

Dean Oppenheimer’s leadership resulted in the construction of the Health Sciences Learning Center and Clinics, which was later renamed the Chan Family Health Sciences Learning Center and Clinics, reflecting the Chan Family’s many contributions. It provided much needed classroom, lecture and clinical space for all academic programs.

**2004**

Dean Oppenheimer was named the California Pharmacists Association Pharmacist of the Year.

Under Dean Oppenheimer’s leadership, with support from the Hedco Foundation, the Hedco Audiology Suite was established on the Stockton campus.

Thanks to the generosity of Rite Aid Corporation, the School established the Rite Aid Information Commons to provide a health sciences library for pharmacy and health sciences students.

**2005**

Dean Oppenheimer was named the American College of Apothecaries Dean of the Year.

Alumni funding supported the renovation of the dispensing labs in the Edward and Alice Long Memorial Hall and named the pharmaceutical care labs for Professor Emeritus Donald Y. Barker, PhD who, during his tenure at Pacific from 1955 to 1989, taught and mentored thousands of pharmacists.

**2007**

Rajul A. Patel ’01, ’06, PharmD, PhD spearheaded the Medicare Part D Outreach Clinics to help beneficiaries evaluate their options and select a plan to save money on their medications. As of 2018, students have volunteered more than 20,000 hours and assisted more than 8,600 beneficiaries with their Medicare Part D plans, saving consumers more than \$8 million on potential out-of-pocket prescription drug costs.

**2011**

The AmerisourceBergen/ Good Neighbor Pharmacy Entrepreneurial Pharmacy Practice Program was launched under Dean Oppenheimer’s leadership. The Entrepreneurial Pharmacy Practice Certification Program is designed to advance practitioners who develop entrepreneurial skills through classroom and experiential work.



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### 2013

With generous support from ScriptPro, the ScriptPro SP2000 equipment was donated to the Barker Lab, enhancing technology and education for the doctor of pharmacy program. **1**

The School launched the combined master of science in pharmaceutical and chemical sciences and fellowship in pharmacy practice. The School also instituted the bachelor of applied science degree.

### 2014

Dean Oppenheimer was selected as the American Pharmacists Association-Academy of Student Pharmacists (APhA-ASP) Most Outstanding Dean of the Year for his contributions to the Pacific APhA-ASP Chapter and active promotion of student welfare through various community service, leadership and professional activities.

Dean Oppenheimer's leadership resulted in funds to refurbish Brookside Hall, which was renamed Chan Family Hall. **2**

### 2015

Dean Oppenheimer was named a recipient of the University of California, San Francisco Alumni Excellence Award.

The Audiology Clinic on the San Francisco campus began treating patients, providing audiology and hearing aid services through patient visits and community outreach events. The inaugural White Coat Ceremony marked the launch of the doctor of audiology program. **3**

Under Dean Oppenheimer's leadership, the Chan Family Office of Academic Success and Instructional Support was launched. It provides students in the School with individualized strategies for academic, personal and professional success.

### 2016

Pacific's doctor of pharmacy program received full eight-year accreditation from the Accreditation Council for Pharmacy Education.

Dean Oppenheimer was named the California Society of Health-System Pharmacists-Central Valley Pharmacist of the Year.

### 2017

Dean Oppenheimer was inducted into the California Pharmacists Association Hall of Fame.

Due to the generosity of the Joseph and Vera Long Foundation and the Chan Family, the School was able to renovate the second floor of the Chan Family Health Sciences Learning Center and Clinics (following the relocation of the dental hygiene program to the San Francisco campus) to include three high-tech large classrooms, a quiet study area, several conference rooms, a telehealth center, 19 faculty offices and a pharmacy care clinic space.

### 2018

The School secured a significant gift from the Chan Family to support the renovation of the Rotunda building, including the construction of new exterior ADA-compliant and gender-inclusive restrooms.

### 2019

Regent Clark and Pamela Gustafson provided significant funding to support student scholarship, community outreach programs and sustainability for the School and the University. **4**

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## ON THE COVER

Earlier this year, Dean Phillip R. Oppenheimer announced his plans for retirement. He and his wife, Teri Oppenheimer, and their dog, Steinbeck, look forward to continuing their involvement in Pacific's evolution.

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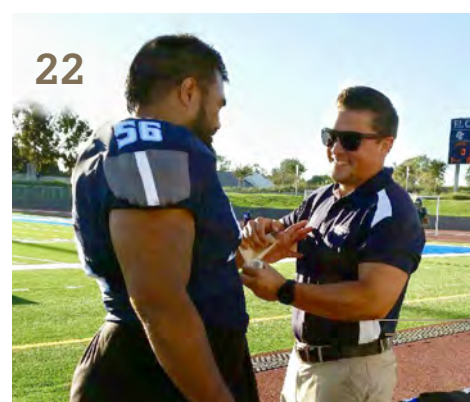
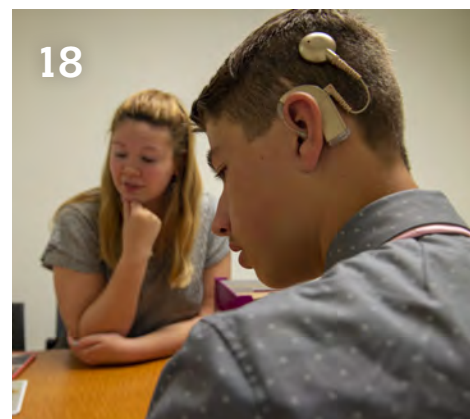
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# Partnering to Build a Healthier Community



By Dua Her '09

Pacific's Medicare Part D Program and the Valley Mountain Regional Center (VMRC) share a common goal in providing services and support to help people lead healthier lives in their communities.

**Rajul A. Patel '01, '06**, PharmD, PhD, professor of pharmacy practice, saw a need for increased community outreach to the developmentally disabled population in the region. In 2016, he approached the VMRC with a proof-of-concept proposal to assist VMRC clients who had prescription drug coverage through Medicare with their out-of-pocket Part D costs, while also providing a comprehensive review of their medications. Services were provided by trained pharmacy students during the fall Medicare Part D outreach clinics to community attendees as well as clients identified by the VMRC. Each subsequent year, students have assisted an average of 80 VMRC clients during the Medicare open enrollment period and identified potential savings averaging \$1,700 per VMRC client.

The success of this early effort opened the doors to expand this unique partnership to support roughly 1,300 VMRC clients, most of whom are dual-eligible (they have Medicare and Medi-Cal). Medicare beneficiaries who also have Medi-Cal are those with the lowest income and most limited resources. Medicare provides some safeguards for this vulnerable population, including their ability to change their Part D plan outside of the fall open enrollment period.

In January 2019, a pharmacy elective course titled "Part D Services for the Developmentally Disabled" was offered for the first time and was taught by **Carly Ranson '13, '17**, PharmD, MS, BCGP, assistant professor of pharmacy practice, and Dr. Patel. The elective course's core service was to evaluate the Part D plan and other offerings for each VMRC client in light of their medications, preferred pharmacy and receipt of additional governmental subsidies.

In just four months, this expanded partnership has saved clients and the

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**- Yi "Allan" Yao '20**

VMRC an estimated \$1.69 million on their out-of-pocket prescription drug expenditures. "The tangible benefit to the VMRC is that they can rest assured the costs are minimized to the greatest extent possible," said Dr. Patel. "If these drugs work we don't want to change them, but we certainly want to minimize the cost of these medications whenever possible."

Last year, 45 doctor of pharmacy (PharmD) students enrolled and participated in the Medicare Part D Outreach program elective. Of those, 38 decided to add the elective course to their rigorous academic load, despite having already fulfilled the PharmD elective requirement with the past years' outreach activities.

"Being part of the Medicare Part D outreach program has certainly enriched

my learning and sparked my passion for patient care," said second-year PharmD student **Yi "Allan" Yao '20**. "It gave me the opportunity to put what I have learned into action and the positive feedback that the patients provided further encouraged me to try harder. Each patient interaction required different things and being able to help them gave me a sense of accomplishment as a health care provider."

Dr. Ranson appreciates the opportunity to utilize Pacific's strengths to support a community organization that provides resources and services to a vulnerable population. More importantly, Dr. Ranson finds it rewarding to see the excitement of pharmacy students working with real patients. She realizes that dealing with insurance is not for everyone, but the students' care and dedication is very encouraging.

"It's a humbling experience to see the students come back every single week. They are exhausted from their week, but are excited to assist and stay as late as

the client situation requires," Dr. Ranson said. "These are individuals who are doing this because they can and because it is the right thing to do. These are individuals I want to continue to work with."

The partnership with the VMRC has been in the works for many years. Nearly 20 years ago, **Berit Gundersen '84**, PharmD, vice provost and former pharmacy practice faculty member at Pacific, established a partnership with the VMRC to provide clinical pharmacy consultation services. **William A. Kehoe '96**, MA, PharmD, FCCP, BCPS, professor emeritus of pharmacy practice, continues to serve in this capacity. Today, students have the opportunity to step into this role as they continue to serve this population on a large scale through Part D optimization services. "The lessons students gain from these types of experiences are invaluable and the success of this year's endeavors would not have been possible without the dedication of the students," said Dr. Ranson. 🐾

## PARTNER WITH US

Support our students and communities by making a gift to the Powell-matched Pacific Medicare Part D Outreach Program Endowment Fund. This endowment was established to support and expand the Medicare program, student-centered class activities and Medicare outreach events. The endowment will help offset student travel costs to conferences to present their Medicare-related research and provide funding to support new health-related initiatives that are incorporated into the Medicare outreach events.

"This endowment will help ensure the long-term viability of our Medicare program and continued service to the community," said **Rajul A. Patel '01, '06**, PharmD, PhD, professor of pharmacy practice.

**Since 2007, Pacific's Medicare Part D Outreach Clinics have assisted 8,695 beneficiaries with their Medicare Part D drug plan, helping beneficiaries save an estimated \$8.65 million.**

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# Thomas J. Long School of Pharmacy & Health Sciences



From left to right: Irene Frances Que Andrada '15, PharmD, BCGP, Elena Anne Que Andrada '22, Perfecto A. Andrada and Fortune Que Andrada

## Continuing a Legacy of Compassion



Mariano Que

From the ashes of World War II, Mariano Que built what would become the thriving Mercury Drug Corporation. He opened the first Mercury Drug store on March 1, 1945, in Manila, Philippines.

Orphaned at age 10, he was only able to attend school up to the seventh grade. These formative experiences instilled in him the value of education and a deeply compassionate, generous spirit. "Helping people has been one of the most important values that my father wanted to pass on to his family," said his daughter, **Fortune Que Andrada**. "Since he started from humble beginnings, he wanted to be able to help others as he knew what it was to need help."

Since 1999, the Mercury Drug Foundation has provided medicines and medical services to individuals in underserved communities throughout the Philippines through the Operation Bigay Lunas medical outreach program. "My siblings and I would accompany my parents to visit several sites of Operation Bigay Lunas," Fortune said. "We

saw firsthand how it helped many people. The smiles and relief I saw on their faces made me realize the impact that Operation Bigay Lunas meant to them. This helped us realize the importance of giving back."

Fortune, her husband, **Perfecto A. Andrada**, and their children **Irene Frances Que Andrada '15**, PharmD, BCGP and **Elena Anne Que Andrada '22**, established the Que-Andrada Foundation Endowment Fund at Pacific in honor of Mariano. The Que-Andrada Foundation is supporting the efforts of Pacific's Medicare Part D Outreach Clinics. Through the power of the Powell Match, the endowment will support an annual health fair focused on reaching the Filipino community.

Fortune noted how the efforts of the Medicare Part D Outreach Clinics mirror those of Operation Bigay Lunas. "It is nice to know pre-pharmacy and pharmacy students volunteer for this event just like how the pharmacy students from different schools throughout the Philippines volunteer at Operation Bigay Lunas," she said.

In addition to his philanthropic spirit, Mariano passed on his firm

belief in the value of education. "My father strongly believed that education is the best investment and I am glad that my husband and I listened to him because, without a doubt, Pacific is truly a worthwhile investment that no one can ever take away." Mariano was proud his two granddaughters decided to pursue careers in pharmacy. Fortune shared that from a young age Irene wanted to become a pharmacist. "After being inspired by my father, she knew that she wanted to join the profession to help others," Fortune said. "She knew that pharmacy would be a great way to serve both patients and doctors." 🌸

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# TALENT ON DISPLAY

By Anne Marie H. Bergthold

Each year brave doctor of pharmacy and undergraduate pre-pharmacy students step onto the Rotunda stage and put their talents on display. Sponsored by Walgreens and hosted by Pacific's chapter of The Rho Chi Society, the annual talent show is an opportunity for students to showcase their artistic creativity.

**Rachel Stone '20** has been dancing since she was 4 years old. She started out in ballet, but was drawn to hula dancing. "I wanted to learn more about my culture since I am a quarter native Hawaiian," said Stone. "Dancing allows me to express myself. For the talent show, I decided to showcase hula, rather than other forms of dancing. I wanted to share that part of my culture with my classmates and the faculty."

**Ryan Rana '20** also has a background in ballet, but he currently focuses on urban choreography. He is a member of Syndicate Dance, a San Jose-based dance team that competes in urban choreography dance competitions across California. "Dancing is my way of saying what's on my mind in ways that I can't express otherwise," said Rana. "Dance is something I can use to connect with other people."

When considering career options, Rana knew he wanted to work in health care. An incident where one of his family members ended up in the hospital after taking the wrong medication put him on the path to a career in pharmacy. "It opened my eyes to the importance of pharmacists and the job they do," he said.

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- Ryan Rana '20

At this year's talent show, **Sharon Cheung '21** performed the song "Jealous" by Labrinth. "I have been singing ever since I could talk," said Cheung. "I sing because it is my favorite form of artistic expression. I love the way that singing can tell a story."

Cheung started at Pacific as a pre-pharmacy student. "I decided to pursue pharmacy because it is at the forefront of accessible health care," she said. "You can find a pharmacist in so many



different health care settings, making it a versatile career and, most importantly, an accessible means to health care for patients."

Stone, Rana and Cheung emphasized the importance of having an outlet for self-expression. Having the opportunity to share their creative side helped them connect with their classmates. "A lot of people didn't even know I could dance until the talent show," Stone said. "I enjoyed showing people a different side of me than they see in class."

"The Rho Chi talent show is an important tradition because it allows for friendly competition among students," said **Stephine A. Golik '20**, president of Rho Chi, Beta Omega chapter. "The talent show allows us to show the community that we are just as invested in maintaining our interests outside of school as we are dedicated to studying and the practice of pharmacy."

The talent show is also a bonding experience for students who are pledging one of Pacific's four professional pharmacy fraternities: Kappa Psi, Lambda Kappa Sigma, Phi Delta Chi and Rho Pi Phi. **Xin Guo**, PhD, professor of pharmaceuticals and medicinal chemistry, who serves as a faculty advisor for Rho Chi, said, "The Rho Chi talent show is also a platform for a number of student organizations

to recruit new members. The students connect and collaborate with one another while preparing for the performance." At this year's event Dr. Guo and fellow Rho Chi faculty advisor **Veronica T. Bandy '00, '08**, MS, PharmD, FCPA, FCSHP, clinical professor of pharmacy practice, were joined by guest judges **Carly A. Ranson '13, '17**, PharmD, MS, BCGP, assistant professor of pharmacy practice, and **Roshanak Rahimian**, PharmD, MSc, PhD, professor and chair of the Department of Physiology and Pharmacology.

The Beta Omega chapter of The Rho Chi Society was established at Pacific in 1964 to encourage and recognize excellence in intellectual achievement and to advocate critical inquiry in all aspects of pharmacy. Its members are known for supporting their classmates by offering tutoring for students by students. Dr. Guo said tutoring goes beyond explaining a specific subject. Tutors play a key role in helping students identify their weaknesses and leverage their strengths.

"Tutoring shows students different ways to approach problems or see things from a different perspective, which can be useful for future classes and on rotations," Golik said. "Tutors also share the struggles they had, so students can see that the academic excellence we have achieved was not without its own struggles." 🌱



# The Healing Power of Rowing

By Anne Marie H. Bergthold

When **Patricia “Pat” Tirone ’02**, PT, DPT, EdD moved from New York to California, her career path was at a crossroads. In order to continue to work in adult education in California, she would have to go back to school, even though she had a doctorate in education from Teachers College, Columbia University, where she also had trained teachers. Her experiences as a Peace Corps volunteer in Togo, West Africa, prior to graduate studies in New York, had sparked an interest in pursuing a career in health care. “Physical therapy married everything I was interested in because physical therapy requires teaching skills,” said Dr. Tirone.

Becoming a student in Pacific’s doctor of physical therapy program also led to a new hobby when one of her classmates introduced her to the world of competitive

rowing. When she discovered individual sculling, she never looked back. In sculling, the rower has an oar in each hand as compared to sweep rowing,

**“Without my experiences as a physical therapist, I would not have had the courage to bring my own patients down to the water to help them reclaim sport.”**

where each rower has a single oar. “The feeling of being on the water by yourself and propelling across the water is very addictive,” Dr. Tirone said.

Dr. Tirone is the director of Delta Sculling Center, where she is also the head coach. The center’s motto is “Where EveryBODY Sculls.” “I think a sport is not really a sport until it is inclusive,” she said. They adapt their boats to meet the needs of individuals with physical, cognitive or sensory limitations. Many of these individuals use wheelchairs, walkers or prosthetics. “When you are in the boat those things are gone,” Dr. Tirone said. “There is a meditative quality to the freedom one finds on the water.” The sport demands commitment and perseverance, but offers a sense of peace and community. Time and again, Dr. Tirone has witnessed the restorative power of rowing.

She received the USRowing 2018 Isabel Bohn Award, named in honor of a pioneer

and role model in the world of adaptive rowing who lost her left leg at age 11. Dr. Tirone was humbled to receive the award and accepted it on behalf of the center’s volunteers, staff and athletes. Speaking of the award’s past recipients, she said, “Those are my mentors.”

In 2016, the center received a grant from USRowing, in partnership with the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs, to establish Freedom Rows, a program for military veterans suffering from PTSD and other war-related injuries. The center is also bringing rowing to local schools. Dr. Tirone helped successfully secure a grant from the George Pocock Rowing Foundation to bring Erg Ed®, an indoor rowing education program, to Stockton Unified School District and local Aspire Public Schools.

Established in 2010 in Seattle, the program uses indoor rowing machines, known as ergometers or ergs, to introduce students to the sport. In addition to rowing skills, the students learn about exercise, goal setting and teamwork. Delta Sculling Center facilitates moving the rowing machines from one school to another and assists the work of physical education teachers who implement the Erg Ed® curriculum in their schools.

Dr. Tirone is currently a consultant for Rehab Without Walls. She works with patients who are coming out of acute care, many of whom have severe orthopedic and neurologic injuries. She is part of an interdisciplinary team that consists of an occupational therapist, neuropsychologist, speech-language pathologist and social worker. “For me, that work is really exciting

in terms of both getting that patient back on his or her feet and back to being a part of the community.” She finds great reward in “being a part of getting them back to their life.”

Looking back at her time at Pacific, Dr. Tirone remembers the “incredibly positive, supportive atmosphere.” “The way my classmates supported one another reminds me of a rowing team,” she said. “My life is so much richer than it would have been had I not become a physical therapist. I bring to my physical therapy the insights of an educator. Without my experiences as a physical therapist, I would not have had the courage to bring my own patients down to the water to help them reclaim sport.” Through the power of rowing, the center is helping individuals become athletes again. 🐾



# Snapshot of Campus Life

12,620 alumni and counting. On May 18, the School conferred degrees on 21 audiology, 23 pharmaceutical and chemical sciences, 36 physical therapy, 54 speech-language pathology and 198 pharmacy graduates.



"Here's to those APPEs that drove us to our wits' end, but made us smarter and stronger; and to the patients whose lives were positively changed by our medication interventions. We have a promising, thrilling future ahead of us and we're ready to take on this new responsibility of serving our communities."

- Alexi Spoto '19, PharmD



"Today is about celebrating us. Tomorrow is about our patients. As new doctors of audiology, our Oath of Professionalism reminds us that we have a 'duty and social responsibility to influence positively the health and wellness of society.' My hope for us is that we will be standard bearers for audiology, dedicating ourselves to lifelong learning and advocating for our patients."

- Cheryl Linton '19, AuD



"Take one minute to look at your patient; see them as a whole person. Speak to them as a human being. Be 100 percent present in your allocated treatment time. Let us not take one minute for granted because one minute is all it could take to change and save a life."

- Ashley McLaughlin '19, PT, DPT



"As speech-language pathologists, we are able to convince those who struggle to not give up and that they are not alone. We help provide them the tools to use language as it was intended so that they too they too can enjoy language and all of the wonderful things that come with it."

- Adriana Oseguera Joma '17, '18, MS



# IMPACTING LIVES

## ONE CONVERSATION AT A TIME



By Anne Marie H. Bergthold

Having a conversation about sports with a teenage boy can be easily taken for granted. For Cody Pate, such conversations represent years of hard work and the support of a remarkable team. He was born deaf. Doctors tried hearing aids, but they proved to be ineffective. He received a cochlear implant when he was 2 years old.

Since June 2017, he has been a client of the Scottish Rite Childhood Language Disorders Center in Stockton, where he has worked with several Pacific speech-language pathology student clinicians: **Timothy Carroll '18**, MS, **Arienne Cubillo '19**, MS, **Ashley MacWhirter '19**, **Kailie McHugh '19**, **Tierney O'Mara '17**, '18, MS, **Vanessa Vincent '18**, MS and **Mackenzie Zoller '19**.

Cody has diligently worked on articulating his ending sounds, such as “ed” or “s.” “When we first started, he would leave out certain features of words, which made it difficult to understand what he was saying,” said McHugh. The student clinicians work closely with the clients to set goals that they work toward achieving, one conversation at a time. “I’ve always enjoyed working with the clients at Scottish Rite and seeing how much they improve from the beginning of the semester to the end,” McHugh said. “They all work so hard, it’s amazing to see how much clients absorb in a short amount of time.”

Trudy Pate has witnessed the growth in her son’s communication skills. “He has come a long way since being here,” she said.



“His clarity of speech and writing has greatly improved.” For Zoller, receiving feedback from the client’s support team was a highlight of her time at the Scottish Rite. “It was an empowering emotion to not only see a client’s progress through my measurable data notes, but to hear about improvements in other settings, such as at home or at school,” said Zoller.

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– Kailie McHugh '19

The Scottish Rite Childhood Language Disorders Center fosters an atmosphere of teamwork. “I’ve worked with a group of two boys during my time at Scottish Rite,” McHugh said. “Seeing them work together and help each other out when working on separate goals was so inspiring. These kids are so willing to help others; it’s really admirable.” Cody shared that he helps other clients “so they will know they are not alone” and “it is OK to ask for help.” In addition to communication skills, his time at the center has taught him to advocate for himself.

During the summer in 2017 and 2018, Cody volunteered at the Augmentative-Alternative Communication (AAC) Academy; a collaboration between Pacific’s Department of Speech-Language



Cody Pate received the California Speech-Language-Hearing Association 2019 Child Distinguished Consumer Award

Pathology and the California Department of Education’s Diagnostic Center, Central California, held in Stockton at the Scottish Rite Childhood Language Disorders Center. During the weeklong camp, clients practiced using their augmentative-alternative communication devices in an immersive, supportive setting. When activities were too difficult for younger participants, Cody often partnered with them and to help them complete their projects. **Nicholaus Brock '11, '12**, MS, CCC-SLP, assistant clinical professor of speech-language pathology and director of the Stockton Scottish Rite Childhood Language Disorders Center, said Cody is referred to as “junior clinic director” for his ability to help create a fun, safe learning environment.

The students who worked with Cody have connected with him through conversations about fishing and baseball. On May 4, 2018, he threw the first pitch at a Stockton Ports home game during Better Speech and Hearing Night at the Ballpark. This annual event was established by **Benjamin Reece '01, '08**, MS, CCC-SLP, director of clinical education and assistant clinical professor of speech-language pathology, to give student clinicians and clients, along with their support teams, the opportunity to interact outside of the clinic setting.

The passion the students have to help their clients is evident to the families. “They are very well prepared,” Trudy Pate said. “You wouldn’t even think they were students. Nich [Brock] and his whole team have been really wonderful. They make sure it is fun, not just a school or tutoring setting. They make you feel like family.” 🐾



# Creating Audiologists Who Are Global Citizens

By Dua Her '09

For the past three years, **Gabriella Musacchia**, PhD, assistant professor of audiology, **Jiong “Joe” Hu**, PhD, assistant professor of audiology, and their research team have traveled to Nanjing, China, to assess at-risk infants for early signs of hearing impairments. Research shows that early detection and intervention can help children with hearing loss develop better language skills later in life. This international collaboration includes researchers from the Stanford University School of Medicine and Nanjing Maternal and Child Health Hospital, which is associated with Nanjing Medical University.

Pacific doctor of audiology students had the opportunity to join the research team, where they played a critical role in recording data and examining patient cases. “It is always our priority to have students involved in projects that are on the forefront of auditory research,” said Dr. Hu. “Students will not only experience the process of research, but will also learn from experts in this field.”

During the two-week trip, the research team evaluated the auditory processing development in two groups: infants born with jaundice and healthy infants. Jaundice occurs

when the baby’s blood contains excess bilirubin, a yellow pigment of red blood cells. This causes a yellow-hued discoloration to the skin and eyes. If untreated, jaundice causes liver and brain damage. Research suggests that jaundice is also a risk factor for Auditory Neuropathy Spectrum Disorders.

The research team measured stimulated responses using the speech-evoked frequency-following response (FFR) method, a test for speech functional processing. Team members also employed the Auditory Brainstem Response (ABR), one of two methods used as part of the universal hearing screening program.

The FFR method uses the speech unit of a consonant-vowel combination, specifically the syllable “da,” which is widely used in English and in Mandarin Chinese words, such as 大 (big) and 打 (hit). Stimuli parameters for the ABR method followed standard clinical parameters such as a brief click or tone beep. Both sounds were presented at equal sound levels.

The FFR method proved to be a promising measure to better understand hearing loss and its effect in infants with newborn jaundice. Their research found that infants with jaundice have a less robust response to speech sounds. Further testing also revealed that after phototherapy treatment for jaundice, the infant’s response increased when given the same hearing screening using the FFR method. These results would have either been undetected or labeled as low-risk using the ABR method.

“While the ABR method has been widely used to assess auditory functions, there is reason to think the FFR method may be better

suited to identify the precise neural transmission abilities of the auditory nervous system,” said Dr. Musacchia. This discovery further supports the use of FFR in clinical settings for audiologists and neonatologists.

Researchers are making breakthroughs by taking cues from Mother Nature. “We found it intriguing that we might be able to use the mother’s voice rather than clicking signals as a hearing screen test,” said Vinod K. Bhutani, MD, professor of pediatrics at the Stanford University School of Medicine. “Our concurrent research that promotes skin-to-skin care, also known as kangaroo mother care, aligns nurturing processes to our research objectives.”

“Hearing is an international issue,” Dr. Musacchia said. “This collaboration is important because it gives our students a breadth of knowledge and context for what we do. It also supports the department’s mission to advance the profession and create audiologists who are global citizens.”

Qin Hong, associate professor at Nanjing Medical University and associate chief physician at Nanjing Maternal and Child Health Hospital, served as a visiting scholar in Pacific’s Department of Audiology from January to June 2019. “A close relationship and deep collaboration can certainly benefit both parties and will, in turn, form the forefront of international collaboration in providing hearing health care,” she said. 🌟

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– Gabriella Musacchia, PhD



Scott Nastase '13 is responsible for the daily operations of prevention, emergency care, clinical differential diagnoses, treatment and rehabilitation for all student-athletes.



Garrison Chan '17 (left) hopes to become an athletic trainer working with NCAA Division 1 college sports athletes or a professional sports team.

# ATHLETIC TRAINING: A LIFESTYLE AND A CAREER

By Dua Her '09

Pacific's athletic training alumni continue to thrive. One hundred percent of the bachelor of science in athletic training class of 2018 passed the national certification exam on their first attempt.

For many alumni, athletic training is a lifestyle as well as a career. **Scott Nastase '13**, a passionate Green Bay Packers fan, found his vocation through his love of sports. "I knew a professional career as an athlete would be a long shot, therefore, I found the next best thing in keeping my involvement in athletics by becoming an athletic trainer," said Nastase.

After earning his bachelor of science in athletic training from Pacific in 2015, Nastase completed a graduate assistantship and earned a master of arts in education from University of Redlands. During his time at Redlands, he served as one of three athletic trainers for their 21 NCAA Division III athletic teams. He is currently a teacher and an athletic trainer at Loara High School in Anaheim.

Nastase believes athletic trainers are important members of the sports medicine team. "Athletic trainers are the key component to ensure safety for athletes and play a vital role in prevention, emergency care, clinical differential diagnoses, treatment and rehabilitation for all student-athletes," he said.

**Garrison Chan '17**, a loyal Los Angeles Clippers fan, also launched his career at Pacific. Chan chose Pacific for its small class size and he appreciated how professors knew his name. "I decided to pursue a career in athletic training because of the great professors I had as an undergraduate student at Pacific," said Chan. "Coming into college, I didn't know what I wanted to do. After taking some foundational athletic training classes, I knew I wanted to make this my career."

While completing his master of science in health and human movement with a specialization in sports medicine from Utah State University, Chan served as a graduate assistant athletic trainer.

Chan also has been fortunate to meet many professional athletes. While an undergraduate student at Pacific, he had the opportunity to be involved in training camps for the San Francisco 49ers. He accepted an internship with the 49ers for the 2019 season. "I look forward to being able to work with elite athletes and to learn what it takes to work at the professional level," he said.

**"I decided to pursue a career in athletic training because of the great professors I had as an undergraduate student at Pacific ."**

- Garrison Chan '17

Recently, the national accrediting body recommended that all candidates sitting for the certification exam have a master's degree. In 2017, Pacific launched the master of science in athletic training (MSAT) program and welcomed the first cohort of students in fall 2018. The full-time, two-year graduate program prepares students to become highly qualified health care professionals who collaborate with physicians to provide preventative services, emergency care, clinical diagnoses, therapeutic interventions, and rehabilitation for athletes and active patients.

"Pacific's formal education, in combination with experiential learning opportunities, prepared me to become the athletic trainer I am today," Nastase said. "I have brought the many values that I learned from Pacific into my own practice." 🐾

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*University of the Pacific is currently seeking accreditation for our new master of science in athletic training (MSAT) program and is not accredited by the Commission on Accreditation of Athletic Training Education. The institution will be submitting a self-study to begin the accreditation process by Oct. 1, 2019, with a projected accreditation date in spring 2020, with our first graduating class.*

# Class Notes

## 1960s

Regent **Clark Gustafson '66**, RPh was re-elected to the University's Board of Regents for another three-year term.

## 1970s

**Gerald "Jerry" Dieter Griffin '71**, PharmD, MD, FACFE presented "Autologous white blood cell infusion for trauma, brain trauma, stroke and select immune dysfunction co-morbidities" at the American Association for the Advancement of Science Annual Meeting, Feb. 14-17, 2019, in Washington, D.C. His presentation was based on the paper co-authored by Dominique Charron and Reem Al-Daccakb, which was published in Medical Hypothesis, August 2018. Dr. Griffin also presented "CPR for the Immune System by infusion of Autologous WBCs as a 'vaccine' for the Immune System" at the Annual Meeting of the American Association for the Advancement of Science on Feb. 15, 2019, in Washington, D.C.

**A. Lee Meyer, Jr. '72**, PharmD was inducted into the California Pharmacists Association (CPhA) Hall of Fame at the Western Pharmacy Exchange, April 12-14, 2019, in Los Angeles.

**1 Randall Miller '73**, RPh became a member of the Presidents Circle and 1,000 Days Cruising on Oceania Cruises.

**Kathleen Fitzmaurice Catterall '75, '76**, MA, CCC-SLP and Charlotte Lopes, MA presented "How to Instill Ethical Practice in New Clinicians" at the 2019 California Speech-Language-Hearing Association (CSHA) Annual Convention and Exhibition, March 14-17, 2019, in Pasadena.

**Keith Yoshizuka '76**, PharmD received a California Society of Health-System

Pharmacists (CSHP) 2018 Bronze Level Star Award.

**Greg Alston '77**, PharmD published "Own Your Value: The Real Future of Pharmacy Practice Revealed," available in paperback and for Kindle.

## 1980s

**Melissa Jakubowitz '81**, MA, CCC-SLP served as the 2018 American Speech-Language-Hearing Association (ASHA) Convention co-chair for speech-language pathology.

Jakubowitz, along with Robin Alvares, Nathan Cornish-Raley, Joneen Lowman, Lisa Rai Mabry-Price, Tracy Sippl and Geralyn Schulz, presented the poster "Telepractice Listening Post" at the 2018 ASHA Convention. Jakubowitz, along with Robin Alvares, Nathan Cornish-Raley, Joneen Lowman, Geralyn Schulz and Tracy Sippl, presented "Evolution of Telepractice: Deconstructing the Myths" at the 2018 ASHA Convention. Jakubowitz presented "The Business of Telepractice" at the 2019 CSHA Convention.

**Gina Curry Moore '83**, PharmD, MBA was named assistant dean of the University of Colorado, Skaggs School of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences in Aurora, Colo.

**Catherine Turkel '83**, PharmD, PhD is the fourth recipient, first female and first pharmacist to receive the Gavin S. Herbert Award for Excellence in Pharmaceutical Science. Awarded by Chapman University School of Pharmacy. This award recognizes an individual who exemplifies the highest standard of professionalism, entrepreneurial leadership and compassion. The honoree exhibits selfless commitment, generosity and dedication.

**Loriann DeMartini '84**, PharmD, CEO of the California Society of Health-System Pharmacists, was named a member of the American Society of Health-System Pharmacists' Commission on Affiliate Relations. Dr. DeMartini also was inducted into the CPhA Hall of Fame and was recognized at the 2019 CPhA Western Pharmacy Exchange.

**Mark Sanford '84**, MS, CCC-A published the article "Lyric after 10 Years: New Data and Perspectives from a Private Practice" in The Hearing Review, May 21, 2019.

**2 Maria Serpa '87**, PharmD was appointed to the California State Board of Pharmacy.

**Margaret Beck '88**, MA received the 2019 CSHA District 3 Outstanding Service Award.

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## CLASS NOTES CONTINUED

**3 Jerome “Jerry” A. Greene ’88**, RPh, FACA received the Steven C. Feldman Compounding Award at the 2019 CPhA Western Pharmacy Exchange.

**Laura Cook ’89**, MA, CCC-SLP received the 2019 CSHA District 3 Outstanding Achievement Award.

## 1990s

**Jamie Tobitt ’90**, PharmD accepted a position as senior medical science liaison at bluebird bio as part of a West Coast expansion of their medical affairs team.

**Terry Yu ’90**, PharmD was a contestant on the Food Network television series “Worst Cooks in America.”

**James Trevor Bryant III ’91**, PT, MS was awarded the Puget Sound Human Factors Ergonomic Society 2018 Professional of the Year.

**Zhaijie Wang ’92**, PhD, FAAPS was named a Fellow of the American Association of Pharmaceutical Scientists.

**4 Jeanne Brady ’93**, PharmD accepted a position as clinical coordinator with Salinas Valley Memorial Healthcare System at a large district hospital with a newly opened oncology infusion center.

**Ross Nakaji ’93, ’97**, PT, ATC, OCS, SCS, along with George Davies, PT, DPT, ATC, FAPTA, SCS, Kathryn Lucas, PT, DPT, SCS, OCS, Barb Sanders, PT, PhD, FAPTA and Richard Burton Westrick, PT, DPT, DSc, OCS, SCS, presented “Many Faces of Sports Physical Therapy” at the American Physical Therapy Association (APTA) Combined Sections Meeting (CSM), Jan. 23-26, 2019 in Washington, D.C.

**Samuel L. Lum, Jr. ’94**, PharmD, MBA took a position as vice president of commercial sales and marketing at Tanvex Biopharma USA, Inc.

**Judi Jewett ’95**, MA, CCC-SLP, Wendy Vastine, MA and May Teget presented “Individualizing Voice and Communication Training for Transgender and Non-Binary People” at the 2019 CSHA Convention.

**Tony J. Park ’96**, PharmD, JD presented “2019 California Pharmacy Law Updates” and “Hot Topics in Enforcement” at the 31st Annual New Drugs and Modern Concepts in Pharmacotherapy, sponsored by the Thomas J. Long School of Pharmacy and Health Sciences, March 29-31, 2019, in San Francisco.

**5 Brandie (Allred) Brunni ’97, ’99**, MA was selected to be assistant superintendent of special education for San Joaquin County Office of Education.

**6 Jamie Lowy ’98**, PT, MSPT, CCI received an Excellence in Home Health Leadership Award from the APTA Home Health Section.

Lowy, along with Kenneth Miller, PT, DPT, Myla “Myles” Quiben, PT, DPT, PhD, MS, GCS, NCS, Catherine Siengskon, PT, PhD and Mariana Wingood, PT, DPT, GCS, CEEAA, presented the course “Applying a Comprehensive Approach to Successful Aging” at CSM 2019. Lowy, along with Marissa Cruz, PT, DPT, Board-Certified Clinical Specialist in Geriatric Physical Therapy, Tommy Dean, PT, DPT, Nikki Gilroy, PT, DPT, Steve Pamer, PT, MPA, GCS, and Ellen Strunk, PT, MS, GCS, presented “Cutting Through the Red Tape of Medical Necessity” at CSM 2019.

**Clarissa Shetler ’98**, PharmD launched an award-winning skin care line called C2 California Clean. The skin care has plant-based ingredients and is toxic/carcinogenic-free. The company has aligned with the Environmental Working Group. C2 has received numerous awards, has been in numerous magazines and was featured on several TV shows. One of C2’s goals is to educate consumers on the harmful effects of many ingredients in personal care.

**Jody Stratton ’98**, MA, CCC-SLP presented “What’s our Piece? Navigating Parents Through the Special Needs Puzzle” at the 2019 CSHA Convention. She also presented “‘I Didn’t Learn This in School’ Part 1 and Part 2” at the 2019 CSHA Convention.

**Lawrence “LB” Brown ’99**, PharmD has accepted a position as vice provost of academic administration for Chapman University.

## 2000s

**David G. Mitchell ’00**, PharmD received the Excellence in Innovation award at the 2019 CPhA Western Pharmacy Exchange.

**Rajul A. Patel ’01, ’06**, PharmD, PhD, professor of pharmacy practice, **Carly A. Ranson ’13, ’17**, PharmD, MS, BCGP, assistant professor of pharmacy practice, and **Caitlin Tipple ’19**, PharmD were interviewed on Capital Public Radio about the Medicare Part D Outreach Clinics.

**Pat Tirone ’02**, PT, DPT, EdD was named the recipient of the USRowing 2018 Isabel Bohn Award.

**Jeremiah “Jay” Joson ’03**, PharmD, APH, BCGP, BCPS, BC-ADM, along with David B. Lash, PharmD, MPH, **Angela Mack ’09**, PharmD, **Jeffrey Jolliff ’04**, PharmD and Joshua Plunkett, CPhT, published the article “Meds-to-Beds: The impact of a bedside medication delivery program on 30-day readmissions” in the Journal of the American College of Clinical Pharmacy, March 25, 2019.

**Jeffrey Nehira ’03**, PharmD, FCSHP was named a Fellow of the California Society of Health-System Pharmacists.

**7 Michelle (Berger) Watkins ’03**, MS together with her husband, David, and big brother, Sam, welcomed future Tigers Lucy and Gracie on April 21, 2018.

**8 Anthony Mikla ’04**, DPT, MSPT, CSCS, XPS was named the 2019 medical director for the USA Track & Field Junior Olympics.

**Harlan M. Husted ’05**, PharmD received a CSHP 2018 Bronze Level Star Award.

**Kristofer Brock ’07, ’08**, MS, PhD, CCC-SLP and Elisabeth Alvarado presented the poster “Native American Populations and Speech-Language Pathologists: Knowledge, Perceptions and Therapy Usage” at the 2018 ASHA Convention.

Dr. Brock, along with Lesley Sylvan and Jessie Garrett, presented “Understanding Variations in Prerequisite Coursework Requirements and Programmatic Options in Speech-Language Pathology Graduate Programs” at the 2018 ASHA Convention. Dr. Brock along with Pei-Fang Hung presented “Effects of Videos and Photographs on Verb Naming and Sentence Generation in Individuals with Aphasia” at the 2018 ASHA Convention.

**9 Derek Isetti ’08**, PhD, CCC-SLP, assistant professor of speech-language pathology, and Eric G. Waldon, PhD, MT-BC, associate professor of music therapy, published the article “Voice Disorders and Related Risk Factors among Music Therapists: Survey Findings and Strategies for Voice Care” which appeared in “Music Therapy Perspectives.”

**Nadia Aslam-Khan ’09**, PharmD, BCPS accepted the position of regional medication safety coordinator, pharmacy quality medication and safety, at Kaiser Permanente, Northern California Region.

**Chau T. Phan ’09**, PharmD received the Distinguished New Practitioner of the Year award at the 2019 CPhA Western Pharmacy Exchange.

## 2010s

**10 Amanda Reece Fraher ’10**, MS was named West Sonoma County Teacher of the Year and featured in Sebastopol’s Apple Blossom Parade. She is a speech-language pathologist for the West County Special Education Consortium, which provides special education services to the small, rural school districts in West Sonoma County.

**Sandeep “Sonny” Bains ’10**, PharmD was interviewed by the Washington Post for the article “Combating the opioid crisis one doctor at a time.”

**11 Mary Xiong ’10, ’11**, MS, CCC-SLP married Tommy Vang on May 18, 2019 in Springdale, Ark. They currently live in Bentonville, Ark.

**Andrew Abe ’11**, PharmD accepted a position as regional account medical science liaison, associate director at Novartis.

**Ryan Hyams ’11**, PharmD was appointed outpatient pharmacy supervisor for Oakland Main Hospital Pharmacy, Kaiser Permanente.

**12 Joshua Moreali ’11**, PT, DPT welcomed future Tiger Carmela Rose on March 3, 2019. She is loved by brother, Gino, age 6, and sister, Caira, age 4.

**13 Joey Salgado ’11**, PT, DPT married Jenn in Puerto Vallarta, Mexico, on Feb. 15, 2019.

**Hilary Serota ’11**, MS, along with Marcy Fox, SLPD, Leann Schouten, ClinScD, Caitlin Francis, MS, Emily Perez Yi, MS and Laura Isaacson, MS, presented, “Adventures in Leadership: Experiences of a CSHA Leadership Academy Learning Team” at the 2019 CSHA Convention.

**14 Elizabeth Chang ’12**, PharmD married Yaluen Yu on Sept. 16, 2018, at the Bridges Golf Club in San Ramon.

**Jillian Hall ’13**, MA, CCC-SLP and Kelly Dodge, MS presented “Serving the Social-Pragmatic Spectrum: Adolescent Case Studies” at the 2019 CSHA Convention. Hall also served on the 2019 CSHA Annual Convention and Exhibition Program Committee.

**Abigail Kurtz ’13**, PharmD, BCPS, BCCCP, along with R. Elias, R. MacPherson-Dias, C. Bosch and T. Sweeney, published the article “ICU Sepsis Response Team and Septic Shock Mortality: A Pre-Post Intervention Study” in the American Journal of Respiratory and Critical Care Medicine, 2019.

**15 Kendell Ravotti ’14**, PT, DPT and her husband, Michael, welcomed their second son, Marlow Taylor Ravotti, on Feb. 19, 2019.

**Kristen T. Tokunaga ’15**, PharmD received a CSHP 2018 Bronze Level Star Award.

**16 Tinh An “April” Nguyen ’16**, PharmD was promoted to regulatory affairs manager at Biogen Inc. in Boston.

**Stacy Harmon ’17**, PharmD, PGY2 pharmacy resident in Infectious Diseases at Aurora Health Care Metro, Inc., published “The clinical and financial impact of a pharmacist-driven penicillin skin testing program on

antimicrobial stewardship practices” in Hospital Pharmacy.

## In Memoriam

**Donald Ernest Johansen ’59**, RPh

**Vance Grainger ’59, ’69**, BSP Pharm

**Donald B. Goldstein ’61**, BSP Pharm

**Douglas Scheid ’60, ’61**, RPh

**Rudolph Toller ’60, ’65**, BSP Pharm

**Donald Tonnemacher ’60**, BSP Pharm

**Herbert Low ’61**, RPh

**Lionel Sequeira ’64**, BSP Pharm

**Richard Babin ’65**, BSP Pharm

**Sterling Getty ’65**, BSP Pharm

**William Ostrom ’68**, RPh

**Roger Panayotti ’71**, PharmD

**Raymond Farmer ’73**, BSP Pharm

**Michael Toney ’74, ’75**, PharmD

**Kathy (Dudley) Webster ’78**, PharmD, PhD

**John Steven Hambright Sr. ’71**, PharmD

**John Taylor ’76, ’78**, PhD

**Gilbert Castillo ’76, ’79**, PharmD

**Robert Sklovsky ’77**, PharmD

**Deborah Camacho ’86**, PharmD

**Theresa Allen-Gutierrez ’88**, PharmD

**Julie Harris ’91**, PharmD

**Todd Berg ’98**, PharmD

**Andrew Hennings ’10**, DPT

**Rebecca Liu ’17**, PharmD

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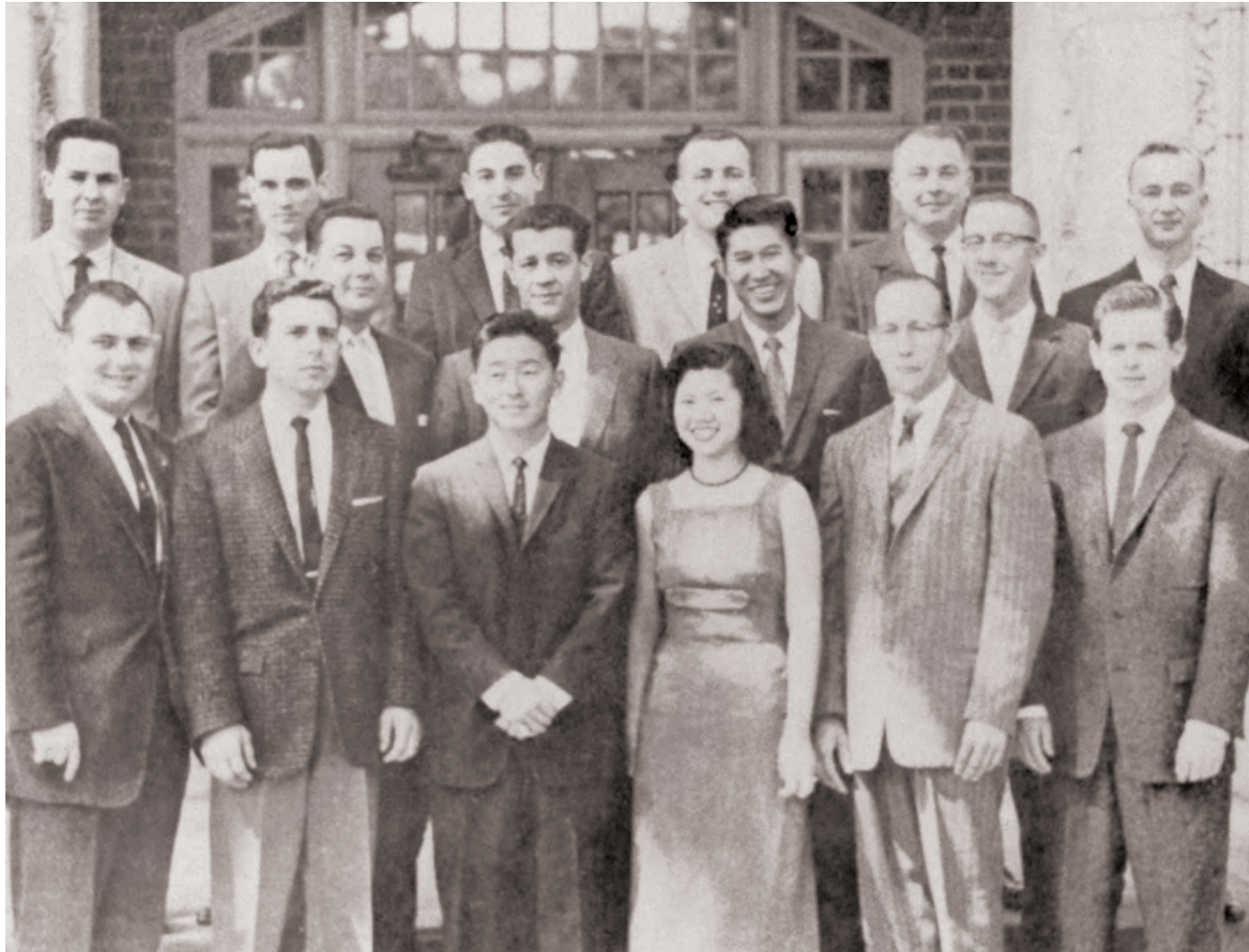
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# In Memoriam



Donald Ernest Johansen '59, RPh (top row, second from the right) and the Class of 1959.

## Donald Ernest Johansen '59, RPh JULY 4, 1929–MARCH 3, 2019

Donald Ernest Johansen '59, RPh was one of the 16 graduates of the School's inaugural class. He was a charter member of the Alpha Psi chapter of the Phi Delta Chi pharmacy fraternity and he stayed connected to his brothers throughout his career. Johansen also supported the School by sharing his time, talent and treasure.

A veteran of the U.S. Navy, Johansen served during the Korean War and earned the rank of lieutenant. His first exposure to the pharmacy profession was at the age of 14, when he started working at the Blackstone Pharmacy in Fresno. He would later own and operate the Ashlan Pharmacy in Fresno. In 1994, he moved to Eureka and served as a relief pharmacist until his retirement.

He and his wife, Marlo Marie Griffin, have three daughters. He discovered his love for travel when he made a trip to Tuscany in 2000. He returned to Italy eight more times and thoroughly enjoyed exploring Europe. Friends will remember his charm, sense of humor and love for animals. 🐾

## Kathy (Dudley) Webster '78, PharmD, PhD OCTOBER 7, 1955–DECEMBER 24, 2018



**Kathy (Dudley) Webster '78, PharmD, PhD** was passionate about equipping future pharmacists with the skills to impact their communities, as students and throughout their careers.

She was a strong proponent of STEM education and an innovative leader in higher education. Over the course of her career, she helped establish four schools of pharmacy throughout the United States at Campbell University, University of the Incarnate Word, University of Maryland Eastern Shore and Keck Graduate Institute. Dr. Webster was named the

founding dean of the School of Pharmacy and Health Sciences at Keck in 2013. She successfully led them from candidacy to full accreditation, graduating the inaugural class last May.

Dr. Webster earned her doctor of philosophy in medicinal and pharmaceutical chemistry from University of Minnesota and completed post-doctoral research at University of Rochester. Dr. Webster was a steward and supporter of many professional and community organizations, including the Pacific Pharmacy Alumni Association. She published numerous educational articles and frequently presented at professional conferences nationwide.

She met her husband, **David Webster '78, PharmD**, at Pacific when they were pharmacy students. Together they raised four children: Carl, Annicka, Erik and

Noah. She is remembered by her children as the mom who could grow any plant, cook any meal, sew any Halloween costume or heal any hurt.

Among the many hats she wore in the community were those of church deacon, day-care advisor, Girl Scouts leader and Science Olympiad coach. To her many friends and colleagues, she is remembered as a mentor and role model. A practical feminist, she upheld, inspired and empowered many women to greater achievement in both their professional careers and personal lives. She is greatly missed by family, friends and colleagues across the nation. 🐾

*Photo provided by Keck University*

## John Steven Hambright Sr. '71, PharmD MAY 21, 1945–APRIL 6, 2019



**John Steven Hambright Sr. '71, PharmD** served his community with dedication and care. He owned Lincoln Family Pharmacy in Stockton from 1980 to 2004. Dr. Hambright

was a founding member of the Central Valley chapter of the California Society of Health-System Pharmacists. He was named the California Pharmacists Association Pharmacist of the Year in 2003 and was inducted into the San Joaquin Pharmacists Association Hall of Fame in 2016.

A proud Stocktonian, he was a strong supporter of the University and the

Children's Museum of Stockton. He served as a Pacific Pharmacy Alumni Association board member and received the Pacific Alumni Association's Professional Service Award in 2007. An avid outdoorsman, he was a jogger, sailor and cyclist. He will be remembered as a compassionate humanitarian, intrepid traveler and steadfast friend.

"He deeply believed that we, as pharmacists, need to push the profession forward, develop new ways of practice, develop relationships with other health care professionals and teach the next generation to not accept the status quo," said **Edward L. Rogan, PharmD, BCACP, FCPHA**, assistant professor of pharmacy practice. "What he taught me has helped shape how I approach practice and set the bar for what a mentor should be. His legacy will be the countless pharmacists and pharmacy students who looked up to

him and were inspired to do better. John made the world a better place."

**"What he taught me has helped shape how I approach practice and set the bar for what a mentor should be."**

– Edward L. Rogan, PharmD, BCACP, FCPHA

Dr. Hambright met Merrill (Werner) Hambright '69, COP while attending University of California, Santa Barbara. They were married at Morris Chapel on Dec. 30, 1967. He is survived by his wife, sons, Steve and Patrick Hambright '00 EDU, daughters-in-law and four grandchildren. 🐾

# Alumni Association Boards

## WHICH MEMBER OF THE PACIFIC FAMILY HAD THE GREATEST IMPACT ON YOUR LIFE?



**Catherine Grady Sterk '77, '78, PharmD, FCSHP**  
PRESIDENT, PPAA

“The late [Professor Emeritus] **Colonel William Christopherson's** work behind the scenes had a profound influence on my career. When I was on site in Honolulu, he arranged for a UCSF residency interview over the phone through the lead colonel's office; a residency

interview that I thought was unavailable to me given my assignment in Honolulu. If he had not intervened, I would not have had the opportunity for the residency, nor the opportunity to work at UCLA that was enabled by that specific residency—the two most pivotal assignments in my early career.”



**Tyler Goslinga '16, PT, DPT**  
PRESIDENT, PPTAA

“The Pacific faculty member who had the greatest impact on me was **Todd Davenport**. He was an excellent teacher and mentor to me and, I'm sure, to many of my classmates. However, I believe the biggest impact he had was reminding us that we had a life outside of physical therapy, and that it was especially important during

PT school that we found time to enjoy ourselves outside of our studies. For me, this has carried over into my career. I often make it a priority to find time for my family and hobbies within the busy work week.”



**Alexia Mazzone '04, MS, CCC-SLP**  
PRESIDENT, PSLPAA

“**Dr. Michael Susca** had the greatest impact on my career and life. Although difficult – some might say impossible – his classes taught me to learn rather than memorize. As a supervisor, he often said you should be able to do therapy with a piece of paper and a pencil; I ascribe to that to this day. Dr. Susca assured me

that I could trust my clinical skills and decision-making, but to not be afraid to seek advice. Fifteen years later, I still call or send him an email about clients I am seeing. I'm grateful for the entire Pacific faculty and the ongoing relationship after graduation.”



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## What can your alumni association do for you?

Whether you are looking for networking opportunities or continuing education credits, there are a number of ways that our alumni associations can serve you.

### Alumni

Reconnect with former classmates, become a mentor, find qualified candidates for positions at your company or organization, serve your community by getting involved in health care outreach programs and more.

### Students

Connect with alumni, find a mentor, invite family and friends to events hosted by the alumni association and more.

### Faculty

Stay connected with former students, find preceptors or clinical instructors for internships/externships and more.

### Friends of the School

Connect with our students, faculty and alumni. See first-hand how your support impacts the lives of students. Meet the future health care providers who may one day become valued members of your team.

Do you know an alumnus or alumna who has gone above and beyond to serve the University and/or your profession? To nominate them for Alumni of the Year go to [bit.ly/aoy\\_nomination](http://bit.ly/aoy_nomination)





Jim Morisoli '75, RPh



Sandy Reina-Guerra '97, '99, '03, PT, DPT, PCS



Janet Nimitz '85, MA, CCC-SLP

# Alumni of the Year

## Jim Morisoli '75, RPh

by Anne Marie H. Bergthold

Throughout his career, **Stanley James “Jim” Morisoli '75, RPh** has embodied the spirit of the pharmacist’s oath: to devote oneself “to a lifetime of service to others through the profession of pharmacy.” From 1986 to 2015, he owned American Surgical Pharmacy in San Bernardino, where he specialized in helping local mental health clinics. He pioneered a clinic for Clozaril®, an antipsychotic medication used for high-risk patients with schizophrenia. He was actively involved in the Inland Empire Pharmacists Association and has served as secretary, president for two terms and a board member from 1978 to 2015.

In 2014, he and his son, **Adam Morisoli '10, PharmD**, purchased Carlsbad Village Pharmacy, where they currently serve the community as pharmacists. Jim Morisoli is a member of the California Pharmacists Association and the Orange County Pharmacists Association. He was also a council member for the St. Catherine of Siena Parish and is currently a volunteer pharmacist for the California Dental Association (CDA) Foundation’s CDA Cares program, which provides dental care for individuals in underserved communities.

A strong supporter of Pacific, Jim Morisoli served as a Pacific Pharmacy Alumni Association (PPAA) board member for 10 years. “I was very fortunate to receive a quality education from Pacific, own a successful business and, in return, be able to give back to

the School through an endowed scholarship,” said Jim Morisoli. He and his wife, Deborah, established the Powell-matched Morisoli Family Endowed Scholarship to assist pharmacy students who intend to pursue private practice pharmacy.

**“I was very fortunate to receive a quality education from Pacific, own a successful business and, in return, be able to give back to the School through an endowed scholarship.”**

“The friendships and relationships that I have made from attending Pacific have been lifelong,” he said. “The reputation of Pacific students and pharmacists, as well as their involvement in state and national organizations, makes me so proud to be an alumnus. I have been very blessed in my life and my career as a pharmacist. I attribute that to Pacific.”

In addition to the honor of being recognized as the 2019 PPAA Alumnus of the Year, the highlight of his year has been “being a grandfather and spending time with my four beautiful granddaughters, my three sons and their wives.” 🐾

## Sandy Reina-Guerra '97, '99, '03, PT, DPT, PCS

By Becky Perry '01, '09

**Sandra “Sandy” Reina-Guerra '97, '99, '03, PT, DPT, PCS** felt a connection to Pacific before she was even enrolled as a student. After she completed her military service in 1992, a Pacific counselor helped her choose courses she needed to take at a junior college 70 miles away. By the time she transferred to Pacific to complete her undergraduate education, she knew she would also stay to complete her graduate work. “Pacific led me to a career I’ve loved, in teaching and clinical practice, and provided a place where long-lasting friendships were made,” said Dr. Reina-Guerra.

Dr. Reina-Guerra began her career as a physical therapist at St. Joseph’s Medical Center in Stockton in 1999. She joined the Pacific physical therapy faculty in 2003 and eventually became chair of the Department of Physical Therapy. In 2017, she made the decision to leave higher education and take a position as the physical therapy clinical coordinator at Shriners Hospitals for Children — Northern California. At Shriners, Dr. Reina-Guerra is involved with the BikeFit program, an annual community tricycling education program. She also volunteers for the NorCal Trykers, a nonprofit community tricycling program for special needs riders.

At Pacific, she was instrumental in the success of the doctor of physical therapy (DPT) program as well as the Pacific Physical Therapy Alumni Association (PPTAA), helping to organize events

and meetings. In 2017, she brought concussion expert Bennett Omalu, MD to address students, faculty and alumni at the semi-annual Sanderson Lecture. Today, she gives back to the profession as a member of the American Physical Therapy Association (APTA), the Academy of Pediatric Physical Therapy of APTA and the California Physical Therapy Association.

**“Pacific led me to a career I’ve loved in teaching and clinical practice and provided a place where long-lasting friendships were made.”**

Dr. Reina-Guerra credits the teamwork and vision of the department’s professors and staff members with her success as a physical therapist. She is influenced daily by her patients, young and old, and their families and caregivers.

“Pacific has already given me a wealth of experiences and opportunities,” she said. “Being recognized by the PPTAA is an honor that deepens my gratitude for its people and programs and reminds me of its ongoing good work.” 🐾

## Janet Nimitz '85, MA, CCC-SLP

By Becky Perry '01, '09

**S**hortly after graduating from Pacific, **Janet Nimitz '85, MA, CCC-SLP** became director of the Scottish Rite Childhood Language Disorders Center, a position she held for two decades.

Nimitz loved her job because of the close interaction between faculty and students. “The many and varied opportunities for faculty and student interaction create an environment where all students can develop to the best of their abilities and, maybe, discover strengths they didn’t know they had,” said Nimitz.

She considers the people she worked with, both students and faculty alike, to be kindred spirits. Each person shared the common goal of improving their clients’ communication skills. Nimitz said she always felt supported and encouraged. **Simalee Smith-Stubblefield '83, MA, CCC-SLP**, professor emerita of speech-language pathology, was one of those positive influences on Nimitz’ life and career. Nimitz recalls how Smith-Stubblefield “encouraged, nurtured and bolstered my confidence to become more than I had previously believed possible for myself.”

Nimitz has supported the speech-language pathology profession as an advisory board member of the California Speech-Language-Hearing Association (CSHA) District 3. She also served as program chair for CSHA’s state conference. When she retired from Pacific in 2008, **Robert E. Hanyak '79, AuD** established the Janet Nimitz Endowed Scholarship in her honor. She and her husband

have helped perpetuate the scholarship, which is awarded to a graduate speech-language pathology student in recognition of clinical excellence working with the adult population. Each year, Nimitz is thrilled to meet the scholarship recipient.

“The recognition as Alumna of the Year brings my career and passion for communication between all people to a deeply satisfying closure,” Nimitz said. “I consider myself blessed to have found such a gratifying career and to have been given the privilege of working with some of the best clinicians, professionals and students in the field.”

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Nimitz stays busy volunteering with several community organizations, including the Haggin Museum. She is also a San Joaquin County Master Gardener. She is proud of her two wonderful daughters and enjoys seeing their families, including her four beautiful grandchildren, thrive and become successful. 🐾



# Faculty Spotlights

by Anne Marie H. Bergthold

We are recognizing four faculty members who retired this year. The countless hours they spent teaching students and collaborating with colleagues has left a lasting legacy.



Jill Duthie, PhD, CCC-SLP



William A. Kehoe, MA, PharmD, FCCP, BCPS



Denis J. Meerdink, PhD



Timothy J. Smith, RPh, PhD

## Jill Duthie, PhD, CCC-SLP 13 YEARS OF SERVICE

**Jill Duthie**, PhD, CCC-SLP, associate professor of speech-language pathology, was a clinician for 30 years before coming to Pacific. Dr. Duthie and **Jeannene M. Ward-Lonergan**, PhD, CCC-SLP, BCS-CL, department chair and professor of speech-language pathology, established the Language-Literacy Center, which provides reading intervention for elementary and high school students. One of Dr. Duthie's proudest accomplishments was developing the "Clinicians' Hierarchy for Advancing Treatment (CHAT)," a set of resources to train supervisors and beginning clinicians, which has been adopted nationwide. Leading by example, she has inspired countless students and alumni to become actively involved in the California Speech-Language-Hearing Association. 🐾

“Dr. Duthie radiates passion for teaching and love for her students. She encouraged me to take on challenges with a smile and feel confident in my clinical decision making. Dr. Duthie, thank you for the lessons you taught me both inside and outside the classroom.”  
- Caitlin Elam '17, MS, speech-language pathology alumna

## William A. Kehoe, MA, PharmD, FCCP, BCPS 34 YEARS OF SERVICE

**William A. Kehoe**, PharmD, MA, FCCP, BCPS, professor of pharmacy practice, established the Office of Academic Success and Instructional Support (OASIS) with a gift from the Chan Family. Using his training in psychology, he created a framework to help students develop individualized learning strategies. Dr. Kehoe's many roles at Pacific included chair of the Department of Pharmacy Practice and overseeing the Masters of Science in Pharmaceutical and Chemical Sciences and Fellowship in Pharmacy Practice program. He served as the founding faculty advisor for the Christian Pharmacy Fellowship and the Student College of Clinical Pharmacy. In 2019, Dr. Kehoe was awarded the Order of Pacific, the University's highest honor. 🐾

“As a student, I never imagined that one day I would work alongside Dr. Kehoe at an independent pharmacy. I remember feeling extremely nervous and intimidated. I had great respect for him as a professor, and did not want to disappoint him. I remember him telling me that I did not have to keep referring to him as Dr. Kehoe, that I could call him Bill. From then on, I quickly discovered that he was not only a great professor, but a great pharmacist, colleague and friend. Several years later, I had the opportunity to work with him at Pacific. I will forever be grateful for his support, mentorship and friendship.”  
- Marisella Guerrero '98, PharmD, assistant clinical professor of pharmacy practice

## Denis J. Meerdink, PhD 29 YEARS OF SERVICE

**Denis J. Meerdink**, PhD, associate professor of physiology and pharmacology, served as dean of Graduate Studies and Research from 1996 to 2006. Under his leadership, he strengthened the process for thesis and dissertation research. He mentored student leaders through his role as associate dean for student affairs and organizations. For more than a decade, he was actively involved in the California Pharmacy Student Leadership program, known as CAPSLEAD, which hosts an annual leadership conference. 🐾

“Countless students have benefited from Dr. Meerdink's willingness to share his knowledge and expertise. If he feels you can learn from something, he shares with you. I have personally benefited from his guidance and constructive feedback. He never hesitates when his help is needed. Dr. Meerdink is also very humble. At every event, he takes the time to acknowledge and thank all of those involved in making the event successful.”  
- Carmen K. Swanson, assistant director, Office of Student Affairs and Organizations

## Timothy J. Smith, RPh, PhD 26 YEARS OF SERVICE

**Timothy J. Smith**, RPh, PhD, professor of physiology and pharmacology, loves the enthusiasm of his students. Throughout his time at Pacific, he focused on helping students gain unique, marketable skills. A talented singer and songwriter, this year marked his 22nd performance at the annual Rho Chi Talent Show. 🐾

“Dr. Smith brought a practical knowledge of pharmacy practice from his home state of Indiana and a wide range of interests in pharmacy history, lore and science. As a colleague, he was always ready to help out where needed and his very agreeable personality kept our relationship upbeat. One of my most memorable experiences with Tim was hearing the soft tones of his guitar coming through the wall between our adjacent offices as he took his lunch break.”  
- James W. Blankenship, PhD, professor emeritus of physiology and pharmacology

# Faculty and Staff

## New Faces, Tenures & Promotions

July 1, 2018–June 30, 2019

**Jessica Fuentes** was hired as audiology program services assistant, Department of Audiology.

**Antonia Hernandez** was hired as administrative assistant II, Office of the Dean and transitioned to the Department of Pharmacy Practice.

**Jenana Maker**, PharmD, BCPS was promoted to professor,\* Department of Pharmacy Practice.

**Elliott Mason** was hired as academic records coordinator II, Office of Academic Affairs.

**Sonya North** was hired as program services assistant, Department of Pharmaceutics and Medicinal Chemistry.

**Preeti Deshpande Oza**, PT, PhD, NCS was promoted to associate professor with tenure,\* Department of Physical Therapy.

**Matthew Pausa** was hired as clinic services assistant, Department of Audiology.

**Laura Street**, AuD, FAAA, CCC-A was hired as assistant clinical professor, Department of Audiology.

**Madhu Sundarajan**, PhD, CCC-SLP was hired as assistant professor, Department of Speech-Language Pathology.

**Eric Shepherd** was promoted to director of business and operations, Office of the Dean.

\*Effective September 1, 2019

## Years of Service

### 35 Years

**Bonnie O'Hearn**, administrative assistant II, Department of Physiology and Pharmacology

### 25 Years

**Xiaoling Li**, PhD, professor and associate dean of graduate education and research, Department of Pharmaceutics and Medicinal Chemistry

### 20 Years

**Yong S.K. Moon**, PharmD, associate professor and regional coordinator for LA/Long Beach, Department of Pharmacy Practice

### 15 Years

**Xin Guo**, PhD, professor, Department of Pharmaceutics and Medicinal Chemistry

### 10 Years

**Peter Hilsenrath**, PhD, Joseph M. Long Chair of Healthcare Management and professor of economics, Eberhardt School of Business

**Jenana Maker**, PharmD, BCPS, professor, Department of Pharmacy Practice

**Clifford A. Young**, RPh, CGP, associate clinical professor and regional coordinator for Fresno, Department of Pharmacy Practice

### 5 Years

**Preeti Deshpande Oza**, PT, PhD, NCS, associate professor, Department of Physical Therapy

**Yvonne Mai '13, '15**, PharmD, MS, BCGP, BCACP, assistant professor and regional coordinator for Stockton, Department of Pharmacy Practice

## IN MEMORIAM

### Donald L. Sorby

AUGUST 12, 1933–FEBRUARY 16, 2019



Educator, mentor and world traveler, **Dean Emeritus Donald L. Sorby**, PhD served as dean of the Thomas J. Long School of Pharmacy and Health Sciences from 1984 until his retirement in 1995.

Prior to coming to Pacific, he taught at University of California, San Francisco (UCSF), School of Pharmacy from 1960 to 1972 and University of Washington from 1972 to 1974. Dean Sorby served as dean of University of Missouri-Kansas City, School of Pharmacy from 1974 until 1984.

He joined the Pacific family in 1984. Under his leadership the Department of Physical Therapy was established within the School. He established strong ties with community partners and served on the Longs Drugs board of directors from 1995 to 2006.

"I met Dean Sorby many years ago when he was a faculty member at UCSF and

I was a student," said **Dean Phillip R. Oppenheimer**, PharmD. "When I came to Pacific as dean, he was very supportive and helped significantly with my transition to becoming dean."

"Dean Sorby was a very bright, kind, humble person," said his former Pacific colleague **Katherine Knapp**, PhD. "He was delightful to work with and always unassuming about his achievements. He emphasized building the academic reputation of the school of pharmacy by encouraging and supporting faculty scholarly works, faculty research and postdoctoral fellowships. He was always accessible to students and interested in their achievements."

During his tenure as dean, Pacific's chapter of the American Pharmacists Association-Academy of Student Pharmacists (APhA-ASP) earned the Chapter Achievement award three times and five students received the California Pharmacists Association Student of the Year award. Dean Sorby received the Linwood F. Tice Friend of APhA-ASP Award in 1995. Throughout his career, he was also actively

involved in the American Association of Colleges of Pharmacy and served a term as president. In 2009, the School dedicated Sorby Square, an outdoor student study area funded by a class gift from the doctor of pharmacy class of 1996, in recognition of Dean Sorby's continued support of student scholarships and the Pacific Pharmacy Alumni Association.

**"Dean Sorby was a very bright, kind, humble person."**

He and his wife, Jacquelyn Jeanne Burchard, traveled extensively. They were also self-proclaimed "rock hounds" and emeriti faculty may remember the boxes of rocks stored in the School's basement.

He is survived by his wife, children, Thomas Burchard and Sharon Lynn Sorby, and grandchildren. 🐾

## Carl Franklin, RPh

JULY 10, 1952–DECEMBER 1, 2018



A friend of the School, **Carl Franklin**, RPh was passionate about educating future pharmacists and was a strong supporter of engaging with one's professional organizations.

He was actively involved in the Central Valley Pharmacists Association for many

years. His career in pharmacy started when he was 15-years-old and spanned four decades and multiple practice settings. Franklin sold his pharmacy in Inglewood and began working for Rx relief® in 1990. Through his leadership at Rx relief®, he served as an advocate for the School and provided invaluable contributions to student leadership programs and scholarship funds. His wife, Lydia Broussard-Franklin, shared that he considered Pacific as family.

Highly regarded by his colleagues and peers, he was inducted into the California Pharmacists Association (CPhA) Pharmacy Hall of Fame in 2018. He was awarded posthumously the 2019 CPhA Bowl of Hygeia.

He enjoyed family get-togethers and Sunday dinners. His friends will remember his love for playing golf, playing chess and traveling internationally. 🐾

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# TIGER STRIPES

Our faculty and staff are constantly earning their stripes on campus, across the country and around the world. Review their recent grants, presentations, publications and recognitions.

## GRANTS

### Audiology

#### Jacque Georgeson, AuD

Director of Clinical Education and Training

Dr. Georgeson presented “The Wave of the Future: California AuD Training” at the California Academy of Audiology Conference, Sept. 14, 2018, in Anaheim.

#### Gabriella Musacchia, PhD

Assistant Professor

Dr. Musacchia was awarded a 2018-19 Pacific Scholarly/Artistic Activities Grant for the proposal “Pitch Perception in Normal-hearing and Hearing-impaired Musicians,” Dec. 20, 2018.

Dr. Musacchia was selected to participate in the Summer 2019 Open Educational Resources Faculty Development Initiative through the Pacific Technology in Education Committee and Center for Teaching and Learning, May 14, 2019.

### Pharmaceutics and Medicinal Chemistry

#### Mamoun M. Alhamadsheh, PhD

Associate Professor

Dr. Alhamadsheh, along with **Miki Susanto Park**, PhD, professor of pharmaceutics and

medicinal chemistry, and **Jesika S. Faridi**, PhD, professor of physiology and pharmacology, were awarded a \$372,731 NIH grant for the project “A new and improved drug delivery system for targeting cancer.”

#### Zhu Zhou '14, BPharm, PhD

Assistant Professor

Dr. Zhou received a travel grant from the American College of Clinical Pharmacology (ACCP) to present at the 2018 ACCP Annual Conference, Sept. 23-25, 2018, in Bethesda, Md.

### Pharmacy Practice

#### Jenana Maker, PharmD, BCPS

Professor

Dr. Maker was awarded a Pacific Technology in Education Committee grant for the proposal “Expanding Student Assessment Using Examsoft.”

#### Rajul A. Patel '01, '06, PharmD, PhD

Professor

Dr. Patel, on behalf of the Medicare Part D Mobile Outreach Clinics, was awarded a \$35,059 Healthy Seniors Grant by San Joaquin County, Aging and Community Services; a \$35,000 grant from Kaiser Permanente's Northern California Community Benefit Programs; and a \$25,000 grant from the Emmanuel Medical Center (EMC) Health Foundation.

### Physical Therapy

#### David Gillette, PT, DPT, GCS

Assistant Professor

Dr. Gillette, along with **Preeti Deshpande Oza**, PT, PhD, NCS, associate professor of physical therapy, **Cathy Peterson**, PT, EdD, ATP, professor and chair of the Department of Physical Therapy, **Todd Davenport**, PT, DPT, MPH, OCS, program director and professor of physical therapy, **Tamara L. Phelan '08**, PT, EdD, FAAOMPT, professor of physical therapy, and **Thomas “TK” Koesterer**, PhD, ATC, program director and associate clinical professor of athletic training, were awarded a \$13,000 Pacific Technology in Education Committee grant for the proposal “The Use of Augmented Reality to Improve Comprehension, Reflection and Behavior.”

Dr. Gillette, along with Dr. Davenport, Mark VanNess, PhD, professor and co-chair of Health, Exercise & Sports Sciences, **Edward L. Rogan**, PharmD, BCACP, FCPA, assistant professor of pharmacy practice, **Suzanne Galal**, PharmD, associate professor of pharmacy practice, **Jeannene M. Ward-Lonergan**, PhD, CCC-SLP, BCS-CL, professor and chair of the Department of Speech-Language Pathology, **Rupa Balachandran**, PhD, associate professor and chair of the Department of Audiology, Tracey DelNero, MSPAS, PA-C, DFAAPA, academic director of the physician assistant program, Elisa Chavez, DDS, associate

professor of diagnostic sciences, Paul Subar, DDS, associate professor of diagnostic sciences and Dr. Koesterer, were awarded a \$2,500 Pacific Eberhardt University Priority Award grant for the proposal “Validity of the Kiersma-Chen Empathy Scale.”

## PRESENTATIONS

### Audiology

#### Gabriella Musacchia, PhD

Assistant Professor

Dr. Musacchia, along with **Devin Inabinet '20**, **Jan de la Cruz '18**, AuD, F-AAA, **Justin Cha '21** and **Kevin Ng '21**, presented the poster “Discrimination of Periodicity and Pitch Effects in Musicians and Non-musicians” at the 42nd Association of Research in Otolaryngology Annual Meeting, Feb. 10, 2019, in Baltimore.

### Pharmaceutics and Medicinal Chemistry

#### Zhu Zhou '14, BPharm, PhD

Assistant Professor

Dr. Zhou co-chaired the session “Intestinal Influx transporters: A missing piece in the puzzle?” at the 2018 ACCP Annual Conference in Washington, D.C.

Dr. Zhou, along with **You Li '19**, MS, **Miki Susanto Park**, PhD, professor of pharmaceutics and medicinal chemistry, **William K. Chan**, PharmD, PhD, professor and chair of the Department of Pharmaceutics and Medicinal Chemistry, and **John C. Livesey**, PhD, associate professor of physiology and pharmacology, presented “Effect of Rutaecarpine on the Benzo(a)pyrene-Induced DNA Damage In Vitro” at Experimental Biology, April 8, 2019, in Orlando, Fla.

Dr. Zhou presented “Intestinal OATPs mediated drug interactions: Where are we?” for the American Society for Clinical Pharmacology and Therapeutics' webinar, July 2019.

### Pharmacy Practice

#### Veronica T. Bandy '00, '08, MS, PharmD, FCPA, FCSHP, BCACP

Clinical Professor

Dr. Bandy presented “Diabetes - The Tools for Clinical Treatment” at the 31st annual New Drugs

and Modern Concepts in Pharmacotherapy, March 29-31, 2019, in San Francisco.

#### Nancy L. DeGuire '89, PharmD, FACA

Clinical Professor, Associate Dean for External Relations

Dr. DeGuire presented “Alternative Medicine: Moving into the Mainstream” at the 31st annual New Drugs and Modern Concepts in Pharmacotherapy.

#### S. Lena Kang-Birken, PharmD, FCCP, AAHIVP

Associate Professor, Regional Coordinator - Santa Barbara/Ventura

Dr. Kang-Birken and **Kenny Lee '19**, PharmD presented the poster “Treatment outcomes of oritavancin in bacterial endocarditis” at the American Society of Health-System Pharmacists (ASHP) Midyear Clinical Meeting and Exhibition.

#### Elaine Law, PharmD, BCPS

Assistant Clinical Professor, Regional Coordinator - San Jose

Dr. Law presented “Dealing with Student Entitlement in Experiential Pharmacy Education” at the California Society of Health-System Pharmacists Pacific Coast Preceptor Conference, March 28-30, 2019.

Dr. Law and **Yvonne Mai '13, '15**, PharmD, MS, BCGP, BCACP, assistant professor of pharmacy practice and regional coordinator for Stockton, presented “A New Layered Learning Model: Integrating IPPE and APPE Learning to Maximize the Learner's Experiences with Minimal Impact on Preceptor Load” at the California Society of Health-System Pharmacists (CSHP) West Coast Preceptor Conference, April 27-29, 2018, in Pacific Grove.

#### Yvonne Mai '13, '15, PharmD, MS, BCGP, BCACP

Assistant Professor, Regional Coordinator - Stockton

Dr. Mai along with Y. W. Liu and J. M. Arquette presented the “Role of Pharmacists in Reducing Congestive Heart Failure Readmissions in the Community Setting” at the ASHP Midyear Clinical Meeting, December 2018 in Anaheim.

Dr. Mai, along with Joanie Wen and H. J. Chung, presented “Pharmacist Impact on Patient Outcomes in a County Chronic Pain and Addiction Clinic” at the CSHP Seminar, October 2018 in San Diego.

#### Nancy N. Nguyen, PharmD, BCPS, AAHIVP, FCSHP

Clinical Professor, Regional Coordinator - Palo Alto

Dr. Nguyen presented “Updates in HIV: A Practical Guide for Pharmacists in 2019” at the 31st annual New Drugs and Modern Concepts in Pharmacotherapy.

Dr. Nguyen and **Sachin A. Shah**, PharmD, FAHA professor of pharmacy practice and regional coordinator for Travis AFB, presented “Facilitating Student and Resident Clinical Research: From Idea to Manuscript” at the 2018 CSHP West Coast Preceptor Conference.

#### Marcus C. Ravnan '94, PharmD, FCSHP, FASHP

Professor, Professor, Associate Dean for Student Affairs and Enrollment Management

Dr. Ravnan presented “Advances in Cancer Therapeutics: A Survey of 'What's New in Oncology'” at the 31st annual New Drugs and Modern Concepts in Pharmacotherapy.

#### Marie Scott, PharmD

Associate Clinical Professor, Regional Coordinator - San Diego

Dr. Scott presented “Teaching the Pharmacists' Patient Care Process: A Guide for Preceptors” at the 2018 CSHP West Coast Preceptor Conference.

#### Sachin A. Shah, PharmD, FAHA

Professor, Regional Coordinator - Travis AFB

Dr. Shah, along with Donna Arz, **Michael McClain '18**, PharmD, **Kathy Quach '18**, PharmD, Joseph Sky and David Steinhorn, presented “Impact of Empathetic Touch Therapy on Reducing Feelings of Stress, Anxiety, Pain and Depression” at the American Heart Association's EPI | Lifestyles Spring 2018 Scientific Sessions, March 20-23, 2018, in New Orleans.

#### Mark P. Walberg '06, '09, PharmD, PhD, CTH

Associate Professor, Regional Coordinator - San Fernando Valley

Dr. Walberg presented “From the Novel to the Nonsensical: Vaccine Updates and the Antivaccine Movement” at the 31st annual New Drugs and Modern Concepts in Pharmacotherapy.

## TIGER STRIPES CONTINUED

### Physical Therapy

#### **Todd Davenport, PT, DPT, MPH, OCS**

Professor, Program Director

Dr. Davenport and **Vien Vu '17**, PT, DPT presented “Ethics of Societal Transformation: APTA’s Code of Ethics in the 21st Century” at the American Physical Therapy Association (APTA) Combined Sections Meeting (CSM), Jan. 23-26, 2019, in Washington, D.C.

Dr. Davenport and Vanneta Kennedy, PT, DPT presented “Leaky Pipelines and Revolving Doors: Why Diversity and Inclusion in Physical Therapy Seem Elusive” at CSM 2019.

Dr. Davenport, along with Jennifer Brach, PT, PhD, Margaret Danilovich, PT, DPT, PhD, GCS, Sarah Greenhagen, DOT, GCS, Dawn Magnusson, PT, PhD and Jason Robinson, PT, SCS, presented the course “Community Health Promotion Grant-Writing Workshop” at CSM 2019.

Dr. Davenport, along with Joseph Godges, PT, DPT, MA, OCS, Craig Hensley, PT, DPT, OCS, FAAOMPT, James Koo, PT, DPT, OCS, SCS, FAAOMPT, Michael Wong, DPT and Emmanuel Yung, PT, DPT, OCS, MA, FAAOMPT, presented “CPG to Recognize Health Conditions That May Necessitate Referral to a Physician” at CSM 2019.

### Physiology and Pharmacology

#### **Robert F. Halliwell, PhD**

Professor

Dr. Halliwell presented “Everything You Wanted to Know About Stem Cells” at the Stockton Institute for Continued Learning, San Joaquin Delta College, Sept. 28, 2018, in Stockton.

Dr. Halliwell was an invited speaker at the SelectBIO Stem Cells in Drug Discovery & Toxicity Screening 2018 Conference, Oct. 5, 2018, in Coronado.

Dr. Halliwell, along with **Stephanie Nguyen '20** and **Sharon Cheung '21**, who represented the Mental Health Awareness Committee, presented “Memory Improvement” on Oct. 30, 2018 and “Dealing with Insomnia” on Nov. 19, 2018, at The Wellness Center of San Joaquin.

Dr. Halliwell was an invited speaker for the SelectBIO 3D-Culture, Organoids & Tox Screening Europe, June 13-14, 2019, in Rotterdam, The Netherlands.

Dr. Halliwell was invited to give two lectures at the IBRO School of Neuroscience on “Brain Injuries and Related Disorders,” Sultan Moulay Slimane University, June 15-19, 2019, in Khouribga, Morocco.

### Speech-Language Pathology

#### **Larry Boles, PhD, CCC-SLP**

Professor, Graduate Director

Dr. Boles and **Adriana Joma '17, '18**, MS presented “Narrative Discourse with Aphasia Couples Therapy: Two Cases of Conduction Aphasia” at the 2018 American Speech-Language-Hearing Association (ASHA) Convention, Nov. 15-17, 2018, in Boston.

Dr. Boles presented “Aphasia Couples Therapy (ACT) Using Narrative Discourse” at the 2019 California Speech-Language-Hearing Association (CSHA) Annual Convention and Exhibition, March 14-17, 2019, in Pasadena.

#### **Jill Duthie, PhD, CCC-SLP**

Associate Professor

Dr. Duthie, along with Lisa Chattler and **Nicholaus Brock '11, '12**, MS, CCC-SLP, assistant clinical professor of speech-language pathology and director of the Stockton Scottish Rite Childhood Language Disorders Center, presented “Monitoring Treatment Progress: An Alternative to 90% Accurate” at the 2018 ASHA Convention.

Dr. Duthie, along with Brock and Lisa Chattler, MA, presented “When You Pick up a Pen, You Stop the Interaction” at the 2019 CSHA Convention.

#### **Michael Susca, PhD, CCC-SLP, BRS-FD**

Associate Professor

Dr. Susca presented the poster “Time Pressure Effects on People Who Stutter” at the 2018 ASHA Convention.

Dr. Susca presented “Time Pressure Effects in People Who Do and Do Not Stutter” at the 2019 CSHA Convention.

#### **Jeannene M. Ward-Lonergan, PhD, CCC-SLP, BCS-CL**

Professor, Department Chair

Dr. Ward-Lonergan along with Diane Williams presented “Helping Adolescents with ASD Make Inferences About What Others Think in Conversation, Reading and Writing” at the 2018 ASHA Convention.

Dr. Ward-Lonergan, along with Holly Kaiser, Robert Pieretti and Jean Blosser, presented “Read Between the Lines: Connect the Language-Literacy-Dyslexia Dots” at the 2018 ASHA Convention.

Dr. Ward-Lonergan and Robert Pieretti, PhD, CCC-SLP presented the CSHA continuing education workshop “The Language-Literacy-Dyslexia Connection: Speech-Language Pathologist on Board,” Dec. 1, 2018, in San Jose.

Dr. Ward-Lonergan and Dr. Duthie presented “State of Dyslexia: Recent Legislation and Guidelines for Serving Students with Dyslexia” at the 2019 CSHA Convention.

Dr. Ward-Lonergan, along with Beryl Fogel, MA, Patti Solomon-Rice, PhD, Shellie Bader, MA, **Kathleen Fitzmaurice Catterall '75, '76**, MA, CCC-SLP, Joan Havard, MA, Holly Kaiser, MA, Audrey Ostrowski-Gallagher, MA, Margaret “Dee” Parker, PhD and Diatra Stearn, MA, presented “Let’s Collaborate – CSHA’s Inter-Professional Relationships with National and State Related Organizations!” at the 2019 CSHA Convention.

## PUBLICATIONS

### Audiology

#### **Gabriella Musacchia, PhD**

Assistant Professor

Dr. Musacchia co-authored a book chapter “Music Cognition and Education” in “Developing Minds in the Digital Age: Towards a Science of Learning for 21st Century Education,” published by the Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development, April 10, 2019.

### Pharmaceuticals and Medicinal Chemistry

#### **Xin Guo, PhD**

Professor

Dr. Guo, along with **Yunzhou Fang '14**, MS, **Mallika Vadlamudi '19**, PhD and **Yingbo Huang '19**, MS, published the article “Lipid-Coated, pH-Sensitive Magnesium Phosphate Particles for Intracellular Protein Delivery” in Pharmaceutical Research, June 2019.

#### **Mamoun M. Alhamadsheh, PharmD, PhD**

Associate Professor

Dr. Alhamadsheh, along with co-authors **Mark Miller '18**, PhD, **Arindom Pal '19**, **Wabel Albusairi '17**, PhD, Hyun Joo, PhD, visiting assistant professor of chemistry, **Beverly Pappas '18**, PhD, **Md Tariqul Haque Tuhin '21**, **Dengpan Liang '19**, MS, **Raghavendra Jampala '18**, MS, **Fang Liu '20**, Jared Khan, Marjon Faaij, **Miki Susanto Park**, PhD, professor of pharmaceuticals and medicinal chemistry, **William K. Chan**, PharmD, PhD, professor and chair of the Department of Pharmaceuticals and Medicinal Chemistry, Isabella Graef, MD, Robert Zamboni, Neil Kumar, Jonathan Fox and Uma Sinha, published the article “Enthalpy-Driven Stabilization of Transthyretin by AG10 Mimics a Naturally Occurring Genetic Variant That Protects from Transthyretin Amyloidosis” in the Journal of Medicinal Chemistry, Sept. 13, 2018.

#### **William K. Chan, PharmD, PhD**

Professor, Department Chair

Dr. Chan, along with **Jinyun Chen '19** and **Poonam Yakkundi '18**, PhD published the article “Down-regulation of p23 in normal lung epithelial cells reduces toxicities from exposure to benzo[a]pyrene and cigarette smoke condensate via an aryl hydrocarbon receptor-dependent mechanism” in Toxicological Sciences, Sept. 10, 2018.

#### **Bhaskara R. Jasti '95, MPharm, PhD**

Professor

Dr. Jasti, along with **Md Zahir Uddin '21**, **Xiaoling Li**, PhD, professor of pharmaceuticals and medicinal chemistry and associate dean of graduate education and research, Dr. Joo, Jerry Tsai, PhD, professor and co-chair of the Department of Chemistry, and Lisa Wrischnik, PhD, associate professor and co-chair of Biological Sciences, published the article “Rational Design of Peptide Ligands Based on Knob–Socket Protein Packing Model Using CD13 as a Prototype Receptor” in ACS Omega, March 11, 2019.

#### **Xiaoling Li, PhD**

Professor, Associate Dean of Graduate Education and Research

Dr. Li, along with Dr. Jasti, Dr. Tsai, **Sameer Schdeva '15**, PhD and Dr. Joo, published the article “A Rational Approach for Creating Peptides Mimicking Antibody Binding” in Nature Scientific, Jan. 30, 2019.

#### **Zhu Zhou '14, BPharm, PhD**

Assistant Professor

Dr. Zhou, along with Z.Y. Huang, B. Xu, X.M. Huang, Y.Q. Zhang, M.M. Yu, X.M. Han, Y. Zhang, L. Song, Y.K. Xia, X.R. Wang, M.J. Chen, C.C. Lu, published the article “Metabolomics reveals the role of Acetyl-L-carnitine metabolism in  $\gamma$ -Fe2O3 NP-induced embryonic development toxicity via mitochondria damage” in Nanotoxicology, Jan. 21, 2019.

### Pharmacy Practice

#### **Eric G. Boyce, PharmD**

Professor, Associate Dean for Academic Affairs

Dr. Boyce, along with **Greg L. Alston '77**, PharmD, Wallace Marsh, Ashley N. Castleberry and Katherine A. Kelley, published the article “Pharmacists opinions of the value of specific applicant attributes in hiring decisions for entry-level pharmacists” in Research in Social and Administrative Pharmacy.

#### **Adam M. Kaye '95, PharmD, FASCP, FCPHA**

Clinical Professor, Coordinator Community I, Introductory Pharmacy Practice Experience Program

Dr. Kaye, along with A. Navani, L. Manchikanti, S.L. Albers, R.E. Latchaw, J. Sanapati, A.D. Kaye, S. Atluri, S. Jordan, A. Gupta, D. Cedeno, A. Vallejo, B. Fellows, N.N. Knezevic, M. Pappolla, S. Diwan, A.M. Trescot, A. Soin, S.M. Aydin, A.K. Calodney, K.D. Candido, S. Bakshi, R.M. Benyamin, R. Vallejo, A. Watanabe, D. Beall, T.P. Stitik, P.M. Foye, E.M. Helander and J.A. Hirsch, published “Use of Biologics in the Management of Low Back Pain: American Society of Interventional Pain Physicians (ASIPP) Guidelines” in Pain Physician, 2019.

#### **Edward L. Rogan, PharmD, BCACP, FCPHA**

Assistant Professor

Dr. Rogan, along with **Carly A. Ranson '13, '17**, PharmD, MS, BCGP, assistant professor of pharmacy practice, **Traci K. Mori '18**, PharmD, **Salley K. Park '18**, PharmD, **Howard M. Lam '18**, PharmD, **Jamie F. Legaspi '18**, PharmD, **Lan Kim Tran '18**, PharmD, **Christine Julie M. Cameros '18**, PharmD, **Amy Natsuki Blackburn '18**, PharmD, **Sandra T. Lee '19**, PharmD, **Cynthia S. Valle-Oseguera '12**, PharmD, **Christopher N. Pham '18**, MS, **Joseph A. Woelfel '70, '72, '78**, BS, MS, PhD, RPh, FASCP, professor emeritus of pharmacy practice, and Dr. Patel, published the article “Exploring the Valley of Savings: Minimizing Part D Costs and Optimizing Drug Therapy Outcomes in Medicare Beneficiaries

With Developmental Disability” in Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities, June 2019.

#### **Sachin A. Shah, PharmD, FAHA**

Professor, Regional Coordinator - Travis AFB

Dr. S. Shah, along with D.N. Pender, P.F. Crawford, J.M. Clark, A.J. Crawford and A.A. Prats, published the article “Effect of water-soluble cinnamon extract on electrocardiographic parameters: An analysis of the CiNNaMON trial” in Complementary Therapies in Medicine, December 2018.

Dr. S. Shah, along with J.A. Radel and D.N. Pender, published the article “Dipeptidyl Peptidase-4 Inhibitors and Inflammatory Bowel Disease Risk: A Meta-analysis” in Annals of Pharmacotherapy, Jan. 30, 2019.

Dr. S. Shah, along with **Andy H. Szeto '18**, PharmD, **Raechel Farewell '18**, PharmD, **Allen Shek**, PharmD, professor of pharmacy practice and associate dean of professional programs, **Dorothy Fan '18**, PharmD, **Kathy N. Quach '18**, PharmD, Mouchumi Bhattacharyya, PhD, **Jasmine Elmiri '19**, PharmD, **Winnie Chan '20**, **Kate M. O'Dell**, PharmD, BCPS, professor of pharmacy practice and director of experiential programs, **Nancy N. Nguyen**, PharmD, BCPS, AAHVP, FCSHP, clinical professor of pharmacy practice and regional coordinator for Palo Alto, Tracey J. McGaughey, PharmD, Javed M. Nasir, MD and Sanjay Kaul, MD, published the article “Impact of High Volume Energy Drink Consumption on Electrocardiographic and Blood Pressure Parameters: A Randomized Trial” in the Journal of the American Heart Association, June 4, 2019.

#### **Yvonne Mai '13, '15, PharmD, MS,**

**BCGP, BCACP**

Assistant Professor, Regional Coordinator - Stockton

Dr. Mai and Dr. Law published “Implementing a Layered Learning Model into Introductory Pharmacy Practice Experiences and Advanced Pharmacy Practice Experience to Minimize Impact on Preceptor Workload” in Northern California College of Clinical Pharmacy Newsletter, April 30, 2019.

### Physical Therapy

#### **Preeti Deshpande Oza, PT, PhD, NCS**

Associate Professor

Dr. Oza and Casey Nesbit, PT, DPT, DSc, PCS published the article “Is Prior Inter-Professional

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Experience Associated with Attitudes of Graduate Healthcare Students Toward Inter-Professional Education?" in the Journal of Research in Interprofessional Practice and Education, 2018.

Dr. Oza, along with S. Dudley-Javoroski and R.K. Shields, published the article "Sustained submaximal contraction yields selective modulation of soleus muscle presynaptic inhibition" in the Scandinavian Journal of Medicine and Science in Sports, March 20, 2019.

### Physiology and Pharmacology

**Robert F. Halliwell, PhD**  
Professor

Dr. Halliwell and **Parto S. Khansari '07, PhD** published the article "Mechanisms Underlying Neuroprotection by the NSAID, Mefenamic Acid in an Experimental Model of Stroke" in Frontiers in Neuroscience, Feb. 7, 2019.

### Speech-Language Pathology

**Jeannene M. Ward-Lonergan, PhD, CCC-SLP, BCS-CL**  
Professor, Department Chair

Dr. Ward-Lonergan and Dr. Duthie published "The state of dyslexia: Recent legislation and guidelines for serving school-age children and adolescents with dyslexia, Language, Speech, and Hearing Services in Schools (LSHSS)" in the LSHSS Clinical Forum: What SLPs Need to Know About Dyslexia, Oct. 24, 2018.

## RECOGNITIONS

### Audiology

**Rupa Balachandran, PhD**

Associate Professor, Department Chair  
Dr. Balachandran was appointed to the Accreditation Commission for Audiology Education Board of Directors.

### Pharmaceutics and Medicinal Chemistry

**Xiaoling Li, PhD**  
Professor, Associate Dean of Graduate Education and Research

Dr. Li was named a recipient of a 2019 Eberhardt Teacher/Scholar Award.

### Pharmacy Practice

**Jason Bandy '00, PharmD, FCSHP**  
Associate Clinical Professor, Regional Coordinator - Sacramento

Dr. J. Bandy received a CSHP 2018 Silver Level Star Award.

**Edward L. Rogan, PharmD, BCACP, FCPHA**  
Assistant Professor

Dr. Rogan was named a Fellow of the California Pharmacists Association (CPhA). He was recognized at the CPhA Western Pharmacy Exchange, April 12-14, 2019 in Los Angeles.

**Sachin A. Shah, PharmD, FAHA**

Professor, Regional Coordinator - Travis AFB  
Dr. Shah was named a Fellow of the American Heart Association conferred by the Council on Lifestyle and Cardiometabolic Health (LIFESTYLE).

### Physical Therapy

**Todd Davenport, PT, DPT, MPH, OCS**  
Professor, Program Director

Dr. Davenport was named one of the recipients of the 2018 Pacific Faculty Mentor Award.

Dr. Davenport was named University of Southern California's Distinguished Doctor of Physical Therapy Alumnus of the Year.

**Alicia Rabena-Amen, PT, DPT**

Assistant Professor, Director of Clinical Education  
Dr. Rabena-Amen received the Federation of State Boards of Physical Therapy's 2018 Outstanding Service Award.

### Speech-Language Pathology

**Jill Duthie, PhD, CCC-SLP**  
Associate Professor

Dr. Duthie served as the director of CSHA District 3.

**Jeannene M. Ward-Lonergan, PhD, CCC-SLP, BCS-CL**

Professor, Department Chair  
Dr. Ward-Lonergan served on the Literacy Assessment and Intervention 2018 ASHA Convention Program Committee.

Dr. Ward-Lonergan was invited by CSHA to participate in public service announcement videos

about interprofessional practice related to literacy and dyslexia.

Dr. Ward-Lonergan was invited to serve on the "Improving Literacy" Transition Team organized by the California Department of Education's State Superintendent of Public Instruction Tony Thurmond.

**Michael Susca, PhD, CCC-SLP, BRS-FD**  
Associate Professor

Dr. Susca received the ASHA Continuing Education Board's Award for Continuing Education for the 10th consecutive year.

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## 2019

### November

- 3-6 American Association of Pharmaceutical Scientists (AAPS) Annual Meeting and Exposition**  
Henry B. Gonzalez Convention Center | San Antonio  
[aaps.org](http://aaps.org)
- 5 Pacific Pharmacy Alumni and Friends Luncheon at AAPS**  
Noon – 1:30 p.m. | TBD | San Antonio | [pacificphs.org](http://pacificphs.org)
- 12-15 American Society of Consultant Pharmacists (ASCP) Annual Meeting**  
Gaylord Texan Resort | Grapevine, Texas | [ascp.com](http://ascp.com)
- 21-23 American Speech-Language-Hearing Association (ASHA) Convention**  
Orange County Convention Center | Orlando, Fla. | [asha.org](http://asha.org)
- 21 Pacific Speech-Language Pathology Alumni and Friends Reception at ASHA**  
7:30 – 9 p.m. | Bahama Breeze | Orlando, Fla.  
[pacificphs.org](http://pacificphs.org)

### December

- 8-12 American Society of Health-System Pharmacists (ASHP) Midyear Clinical Meeting & Exhibition**  
Mandalay Bay | Las Vegas | [ashp.org](http://ashp.org)
- 9 Pacific Pharmacy Alumni and Friends Reception at ASHP**  
6:30 – 8:30 p.m. | Bahama Breeze | Las Vegas  
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### January

- TBD Physical Therapy Scholarship Ceremony**  
University of the Pacific | Stockton | [pacific.edu/phs](http://pacific.edu/phs)

### February

- 12-15 American Physical Therapy Association Combined Sections Meeting (CSM)**  
Denver | [apta.org](http://apta.org)
- 13 Pacific Physical Therapy Alumni and Friends Reception at CSM**  
Denver | [pacificphs.org](http://pacificphs.org)

### March

- 19-22 California Speech-Language-Hearing Association (CSHA) Annual State Convention**  
Anaheim | [csa.org](http://csa.org)
- 21 Pacific Speech-Language Pathology Alumni and Friends Breakfast at CSHA**  
Anaheim | [pacificphs.org](http://pacificphs.org)
- 20-23 American Pharmacists Association (APhA) Annual Meeting and Exposition**  
Gaylord National Resort & Convention Center  
National Harbor, Md. | [aphameeting.org](http://aphameeting.org)
- TBD APhA California Schools Reception**  
National Harbor, Md. | [aphameeting.org](http://aphameeting.org)
- 27-29 32nd Annual New Drugs and Modern Concepts in Pharmacotherapy**  
University of the Pacific, San Francisco Campus  
San Francisco | [newdrugsce.com](http://newdrugsce.com)
- TBD Doctor of Physical Therapy Candidacy Luncheon**  
Noon | [pacificphs.org](http://pacificphs.org)

### April

- 16-19 California Pharmacists Association (CPhA) Western Pharmacy Exchange**  
Hilton Hotel | Anaheim | [cpha.com](http://cpha.com)
- TBD Pacific Pharmacy Alumni and Friends Gathering at CPhA**  
Anaheim | [pacificphs.org](http://pacificphs.org)

### May

- 15 Thomas J. Long School of Pharmacy and Health Sciences Graduation Banquets**  
6 p.m. | University of the Pacific | Stockton  
[go.pacific.edu/phsgradbanquets](http://go.pacific.edu/phsgradbanquets)
- 16 Thomas J. Long School of Pharmacy and Health Sciences Commencement Ceremony**  
9 a.m. | University of the Pacific | Stockton  
[go.pacific.edu/phscommencement](http://go.pacific.edu/phscommencement)

### July

- TBD Pharmacy Scholarship Ceremony**  
4 p.m. | Thomas J. Long School of Pharmacy and Health Sciences | Stockton | [pacificphs.org](http://pacificphs.org)
- 18-22 American Association of Colleges of Pharmacy (AACP) Annual Meeting and Seminars**  
Long Beach | [aacp.org](http://aacp.org)

### August

- TBD Physical Therapy White Coat Ceremony**  
6 p.m. | DeRosa University Center, Ballroom  
University of the Pacific | Stockton | [pacificphs.org](http://pacificphs.org)

### September

- TBD Speech-Language Pathology Welcome Back Dinner**  
5 p.m. | Thomas J. Long School of Pharmacy and Health Sciences | Stockton | [pacificphs.org](http://pacificphs.org)
- TBD Pharmacy White Coat Ceremony**  
9 a.m. | University of the Pacific | Stockton | [pacificphs.org](http://pacificphs.org)
- TBD Pacific Pharmacy Alumni and Friends San Diego Regional Reception**  
Mission Bay Yacht Club | San Diego | [pacificphs.org](http://pacificphs.org)

### October

- 2-4 California Physical Therapy Association (CPTA) Annual Conference**  
[ccapta.org](http://ccapta.org)
- TBD Pacific Physical Therapy Alumni and Friends Reception at CPTA**  
[pacificphs.org](http://pacificphs.org)
- 17-20 National Community Pharmacists Association (NCPA) Annual Convention and Trade Exposition**  
[ncpanet.org](http://ncpanet.org)
- 26 Pharmacy Showcase**  
DeRosa University Center Ballroom | University of the Pacific  
Stockton | [pacific.edu/phs](http://pacific.edu/phs)
- 28 Speech-Language Pathology Employer Showcase**  
DeRosa University Center, Ballroom  
University of the Pacific | Stockton | [pacific.edu/phs](http://pacific.edu/phs)
- 28 Physical Therapy Employer Showcase**  
DeRosa University Center, Ballroom | University of the Pacific  
Stockton | [pacific.edu/phs](http://pacific.edu/phs)
- TBD Audiology White Coat Ceremony**  
University of the Pacific | San Francisco | [pacificphs.org](http://pacificphs.org)
- TBD Pacific Homecoming**  
University of the Pacific | Stockton | [pacificalumni.org](http://pacificalumni.org)
- TBD California Society of Health-System Pharmacists (CSHP) Seminar**  
[cshp.org](http://cshp.org)
- TBD Pacific Pharmacy Alumni and Friends Reception at CSHP**  
[pacificphs.org](http://pacificphs.org)

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### SPRING 2020

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- Central Coast
- Central Valley
- Southern California

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