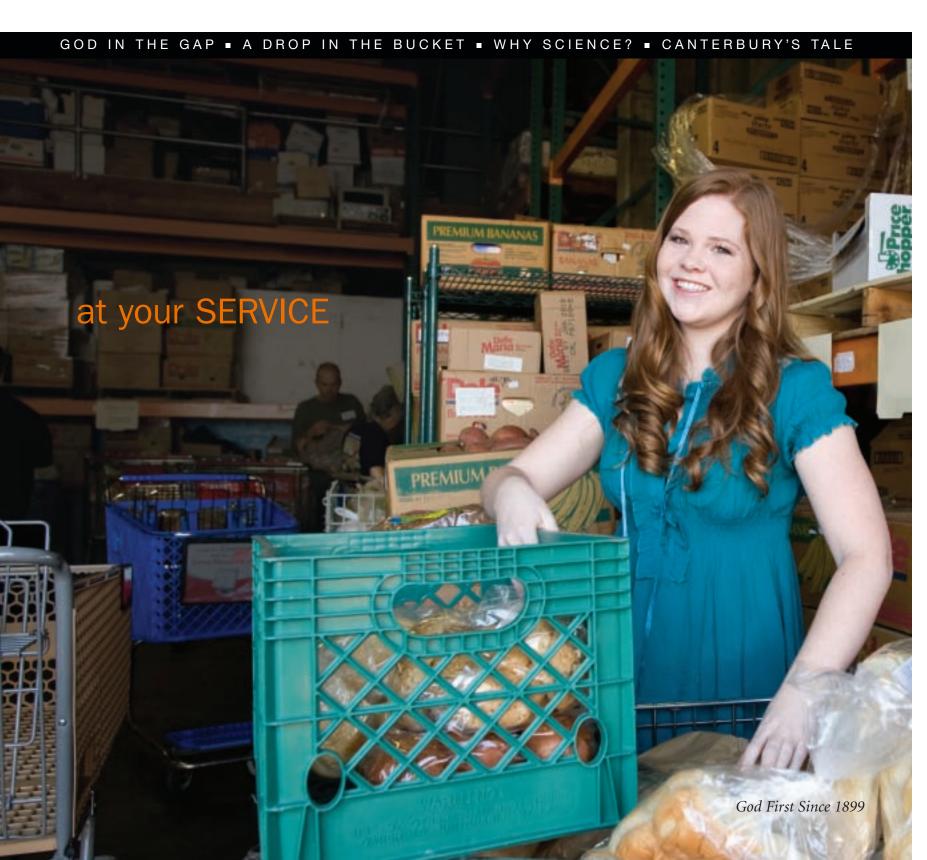
APULIFE

AZUSA PACIFIC UNIVERSITY MAGAZINE Summer 2009 | Volume 22 | Number 2



OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

Chair, Board of Trustees David C. LeShana, Ph.D.

President Jon R. Wallace '76, MBA '78, DBA

Chief of Staff

Deana L. Porterfield '88, M.A. '96 Executive Vice Presidents

David E. Bixby '78, M.A. '82, Ed.D. John C. Reynolds, NH Dip: Comp Sys

Provost

Michael M. Whyte, Ph.D

Senior Vice President Terry A. Franson, Ph.D.

Vice Presidents Mark S. Dickerson, JD, Ph.D. Robert L. Johansen Gary D. Lemaster, Ph.D.

MAGAZINE STAFF

Associate Vice President for University Relations David Peck '91, MBA '02

Senior Director of Strategic Communication Maureen (Riegert '90, M.A. '00) Taylor

Director of Operations Carmen Gustin

Director of Marketing Rafi Maljian '98, MBA '01

Creative and Internet Director

Christian Brazo '95, M.A. '01

Art Director Jason Flicker

Bible quotations used in APU Life, unless otherwise noted, are taken from the HOLY BIBLE, NEW INTERNATIONAL VERSION.

Copyright © 1978–88, International Bible Society.

APU Life (ISSN 0895-5433) is published quarterly by Azusa Pacific University, 901 E. Alosta Ave., PO Box 7000, Azusa, CA 91702-7000, www.apu.edu, (626) 969-3434.

Periodicals class postage paid at Azusa, CA 91702 and additional mailing offices. POSTMASTER: Send address changes to: APU Life, Azusa Pacific University, ATTN: Office of University Advancement, PO Box 7000, Azusa, CA 91702-7000.

Azusa Pacific University, in compliance with federal laws and regulations, does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, gender, age, disability, national origin, or status as a veteran in any of its policies practices or properties.

apulife@apu.edu











LeShana, Ph.D.

PRESIDENT'S LETTER



I'm not very good at throwing things away. Gail says I collect junk. I prefer to think of my vast holdings as precious, one-of-a-kind items often attached to significant moments. Just the other day, Gail brought me a stack of old magazines and wanted to know if we could throw them away. After explaining to her why my next great sermon or wonderful literary contribution would be largely based on these unread magazines, she simply rolled her eyes and tossed them unceremoniously back into their box.

Okay, so maybe I have a *slight* problem. But some of the stuff is incredible—the kind you want to hand down to your children. While going through some of my grandfather's books, which I saved when no one else wanted them, I discovered a telegram from the day of my birth. The yellowed Western Union envelope held a telegram from my Grandpa Wallace to my Grandpa Rundall, informing him that the family had grown by one grandchild. Now that's pretty special! As a matter of fact, I have several letters like that, collected over the years. Some of the best are from Gail, found hidden in my backpack on one of the many Walkabouts over the last 30 years. These are particularly meaningful to me because, for most of those years, I missed our wedding anniversary to be a part of our Walkabout wilderness program.

How about you? I'll bet right now tucked in the back of your Bible or in your closet are letters that spell out defining moments in your life.

In 2 Corinthians 3:2–3, the Apostle Paul, speaking to Christ followers in the church in Corinth, makes this remarkable statement, "Your lives are a letter written in our hearts: Everyone can read it and recognize our good work with you. Clearly, you are a letter from Christ... This letter is written not with pen and ink, but with the Spirit of the Living God. It is carved not on tablets of stone, but on human hearts" (The Message). Think about that for a minute. Each of us is a "living letter" known and read by others.

Some students and I discussed this passage and the theological concept that we are each living letters. They shared how the living letters of family, friends, and faculty have influenced them. We talked about the current condition of our letters and whether we have been fully responsive to the editorial work of the Holy Spirit through the power of God in creating within us His life-giving message. We also talked about our common passion to see others whose lives had not yet been given to Christ, whose letters were being written with a purpose other than Life, discover their God-centered resolve.

So I ask: What is the condition of your living letter? To whom have you given editorial control? What themes emerge in your living letter when read by others?

My best to each of you as you live in light of eternity as living letters,

Jon Wallace
A letter in process

Edited by the hand of He who IS Love

APULIFE

Summer 2009 | Volume 22 | Number 2



FEATURES

- At Your Service by Whitney Curtis
- The Serving Generation
 by Judy Hutchinson and Debra Fetterly
- **God in the Gap** by Caitlin Gipson
- **A Drop in the Bucket** by Cynndie Hoff
- Why Science? Embracing the Study of God's Creation by James Miser and David Weeks
- 2 Canterbury's Tale
 by Gary Pine

Cover photo by lonharding.com

DEPARTMENTS

- 2 President's Letter
- 6 Campus Close Up
- 24 Alumni News
- 25 Class Notes
- **25** Alumni Interview
- Alumni Spotlight

 Called to Serve
- 30 Alumni Spotlight
 One Woman's Passion for Wellness
- Where in the World?
- **34** Archived
- 35 Calendar





On a Saturday in late March 2009, more than 2,000 gathered for the 25th annual night of champions, a university-sponsored event that brings the life-saving message of Christ to junior high and high school students using celebrity athletes, entertainers, and musicians. Enthusiastic teens enjoyed indoor and outdoor programs, especially appearances by Christian rock band Day of Fire and Olympic athletes Julie (Swail, M.Ed. '99) Ertel and Bryan Clay '03.

CAMPUS CLOSE UP

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Letters to the Editor Welcome

The editorial staff at APU Life strives to provide thought-provoking content that both affirms the purposes of the university and challenges readers to new personal and spiritual growth. We invite you to comment on the articles we publish and also solicit your ideas for future topics. Toward the shared goal of truth-seeking and relevant life application, we welcome your thoughts. Many of our readers already send feedback directly to the authors of our articles; now simply

add us to the email or copy us on your letter. Please send your responses to apulife@apu.edu or mail to Editor, APU Life, Office of University Relations, Azusa Pacific University, PO Box 7000, Azusa, CA 91702-7000. All submissions are subject to editing for length and grammar.

IN BRIEF

Lamoureux Lecture Transcends Debate

Denis Lamoureux, acclaimed author of Evolutionary Creation: A Christian Approach to Evolution, engaged

the APU academic community with his lecture "Beyond the Evolution-Creation Debate" on February 18, challenging his audience to look at history in a radical way.

Lamoureux's academic specialty centers on modern origins, providing him a foundation from which to debate leading anti-evolutionists such as Phillip Johnson, Michael Behe, and Jonathan Wells. His latest book, I Love *Jesus and I Accept Evolution*, further challenges contemporary Christians to reevaluate what it is they believe when it comes to the origins of the planet and how that correlates with one's own faith. Lamoureux, an associate

professor of science and religion at St. Joseph's College in the University of Alberta, serves as a leading international voice for the controversial Christian Evolutionist movement, and holds doctorates in dentistry, theology, and biology.

The Science, Faith, and Culture Lecture Series, created by the Center for Research in Science, enables esteemed guest lecturers to engage the community nearly every month, diving into discussions on changing cultural and religious paradigms.



APU Ranked Top Peace Corps Producer

The annual Peace Corps' Top Colleges and Universities report named APU the top producer of volunteers among all small colleges in California this February. With 13 volunteers currently serving in the global campaign, APU positioned itself just above Pepperdine University. Since the inception of the Peace Corps movement in 1961, a total of 46 APU alumni have served across the globe under the direction of the renowned organization.

Jeanette Earley, APU's most active

Peace Corps recruiter, understands the university's commitment to ministry and service. As she interacts with APU undergraduates, she sees a common and constant background deeply rooted in service. "By the time they graduate, a lot of students have had the opportunity to study and serve abroad, so their appetite is whet for international service," said Earley.

"Peace Corps is a logical and natural next step."

The annual report ranks schools according to the size of their student bodies. Schools comprised of 5,000 undergraduates or below are considered small, thus placing APU at the pinnacle of its class with more than 4,000 active undergraduate students. With a 16 percent increase in national applications for the 2008 fiscal year, the Peace Corps witnessed the largest influx of prospective volunteers in its 48-year history.

New VP Targets Enrollment and Retention

The APU community welcomed David Dufault-Hunter as vice president for enrollment management in March. With a profound passion for higher education, Dufault-Hunter now leads the Offices of Undergraduate Admissions, Undergraduate and CAPS Student Financial Services, Undergraduate and CAPS Registrar, and Retention and Student Engagement, as well as Enrollment

Three years ago, the university began seeking an individual to

Drawing on 18 years of experience, Dufault-Hunter brings a proven record of double-digit enrollment increases that reflect an improved caliber of students at both Fuller Theological Seminary and Oaks and a master's degree from Fuller

Theological Seminary, his personal interest in creating productive and satisfying work environments permeates his career.

In the midst of an uncertain economy and with shifting demographics that intensify competition for prospective students, Dufault-Hunter's addition positions APU to meet today's challenges and take advantage of future opportunities.

university's newest online feature,

makes connecting with APU and

campus life a snap—or a tap, or a

flick, or a click. APU Mobile, the

first-generation mobile version of

allows users to view a variety of

information on any Web-enabled

features like news, calendars, live

athletics scores and stories, dining

your fingertips in a palm-friendly

format perfect for the small screen.

and Facebook, YouTube, and flickr

pages from the easily navigated hub.

ways to give our mobile users what

they need and want, ranging from the

Users can also access APU Twitter feeds

"We are continually searching for

Social Work Engages Community Issues

The programs developed and implemented by the Department of Social Work reach well beyond the borders of Azusa Pacific University to literally clothe and protect the citizens of Los Angeles County. Three programs in particular—Sister's Closet, the L.A. Christian Health Center Initiative, and the Child Prostitution Awareness lecture—drew on the resources of Club

Social Work and interdepartmental efforts to help communities fight poverty and oppression.

Sponsored by the Azusa Unified School District, Azusa Pacific University, and the Azusa/Glendora Soroptimists, Sister's Closet brought a bit of peace to families struggling with the exorbitant cost of high school proms. The organization takes dress donations from the surrounding communities and allows prom

TEACHING KNOWLEDGE AND GOOD JUDGMENT Common Day of Learning March 4, 2009

Common Day of Learning Explores Bioethics

On March 4, APU's Azusa campus held its 15th annual William E. and Ernest L. Boyer Common Day of Learning, leading students, staff, and faculty on an academic exploration. Based on the theme "Teaching Knowledge and Good Judgment," professors and guest lecturers held sessions on topics such as the ethics of stem cell research, the evolution of the contemporary American economy, and the shifting state of the global poverty crisis. Since its inception in

1993, Common Day of Learning has fostered its commitment to scholarship by hosting a campus-wide conference dedicated to academic discovery.

Guest speakers Joni Eareckson Tada, founder of Joni and Friends International Disability Center, and Nigel Cameron, bioethicist and president of the Center for Policy on Emerging Technologies, led a discussion on science and bioethics in the modern world. The session explored how to best preserve the

sanctity and dignity of human life in light of recent technological developments, and served as a capstone for almost 60 conference sessions throughout the day. As authors of How to Be a Christian in a Brave New World, they serve as the leading voices in the Christian community on bioethics, questioning modern scientific practices and how faith and humanity correlate with careers in the sciences.

Management Systems. **APU Mobile**

provide cohesive vision, leadership, and strategic direction exclusively to undergraduate enrollment management. The administration assessed the competitive landscape in undergraduate recruitment, admissions, and retention, as well as the critical focus on financial aid and registrar functions, and determined that a specific need existed for a leader who shared the university's passion for Christian education and could inspire a team of approximately 65 full-time staff members.

Christian School. With a bachelor's degree from the University of Texas

APU Mobile (www.apu.edu/m/), the fun to the educational," said David Peck, associate vice president for university relations. "Ideas include a trolley locator so students know where it is and how long it will take it to get to their stop, Google Map the Azusa Pacific University website, integration for campus tours and instant campus location and directions, easy ways to register for or add/drop device, including iPhones, BlackBerries, classes, and integration of the and more. APU Mobile puts convenient classroom experience into the App Store on iTunes." As more students bring portable menus, class and final exam schedules, and faculty and campus directories at

devices with Web-browsing capabilities and many other functions to campus, it is important to develop more ways to use them on campus and even in the classroom. Colleges and universities across the nation have caught on quickly and now offer a creative mix of applications that foster community on campus and facilitate administrative tasks. Students use their cell phones

to receive homework alerts, answer in-class surveys and quizzes, get directions to their professors' offices, check their meal and account balances, call for a police escort late at night, and even check the availability of the washers and dryers in the laundry room.

"Students rely on their phones for multiple methods of communication and keep the devices on hand at all times," said Christian Brazo, creative and Internet director. "This opens up endless possibilities for the creative integration of portable devices into APU's living and learning environment. Our mobile application is another way to connect with our community -students, alumni, faculty, and staff. We want them to share in our story as it happens and be a part of it when they can."

CAMPUS CLOSE UP CAMPUS CLOSE UP

goers to "shop" for a gently used dress much like a girl would borrow from her older sister's closet. The dresses are free to any teen in need. Student volunteers from APU's Department of Social Work served as boutique assistants, helping the visiting clients try on and select beautiful gowns.

The L.A. Christian Health
Center Initiative functions solely
on the donations of neighboring
communities, providing toiletries
such as toothbrushes, shampoo, and
deodorant to the homeless of L.A.
County—an estimated 90,000 people,
11,000 of whom live downtown in an
area less than one-square mile called
Skid Row. The center collects and
distributes as many toiletries as
possible in an attempt to provide

homeless people with the bare essentials for personal hygiene. The Department of Social Work hosted several donation stations across campus, collecting goods and monetary donations for the initiative.

Continuing with its efforts to raise awareness of social injustices, Club Social Work hosted a lecture in March, facilitating the discussion of the sex trafficking crisis and its growing presence in the modern world. The lecture revealed the problem as not only a national epidemic, but also a local one surfacing in San Bernardino County. Guest speakers educated the attendees and challenged them to help shed light on the tragedy and lend effort toward a solution.

Easter in Paradise

Easter vacation involved a trip to paradise for four APU students who traveled to the Hawaiian island of Oahu where they performed for the 30th Annual Hawaii Prayer Breakfast on April 9. Music majors Darnell Abraham '09, Karen Hall '09, Jonte Moore '07, and Lakesha Nugent '09 joined several hundred Hawaiian citizens, mayors, and government officials, including Governor Linda Lingle, and leaders from the business, military, nonprofit, and faith-based communities at the Hilton Hawaiian Village for what has become a legacy of prayer and worship for the state. Kahu Curt Kekuna of Kawaiahao Church provided the blessing over the state for all congregants regardless of political or religious affiliation.

"We must draw on prayer, partnerships, and our industrious spirit to emerge stronger and closer as a community," said Governor Lingle. "All of us have the power within us to make Hawaii a better place."

Michelle Vandenburg, mother of Olympic decathlon gold medalist Bryan Clay '03, spoke as the featured guest while a video of her son played for the congregation. Vandenburg, who raised Clay in Kaneohe, claimed she survived life's tribulations by faith alone.

The Hawaii Prayer Breakfast, modeled after the National Prayer Breakfast initiated in 1953 by President Eisenhower, seeks to bless the greater Hawaiian community as the state grows and changes with the passing of generations.







Wellness Center Celebrates a Decade of Impact

On March 26, Azusa's Neighborhood Wellness Center (NWC) celebrated its 10th anniversary and the more than 8,200 people helped during the last decade. Commemorating the milestone, Julie Pusztai, MSN, RN, acting director of the center, addressed guests and community leaders, including Azusa Mayor Joe Rocha; President Jon Wallace, DBA; and Aja Lesh, Ph.D., RN, dean of the School of Nursing.

The NWC, a nurse-founded, -managed, and -run organization, partners with the city of Azusa to provide wellness and prevention services to the community, screening more than 1,800 residents annually through various outreach programs. Through these partnerships, the NWC cares for the Azusa community and provides a medical home for many local residents. The center also serves

as a practice ground for many APU nursing students and faculty, offering practical wellness education through the promotion of healthy living in Azusa.

With the application of recent Canyon City Foundation grants, the NWC worked with both the Neighbor-to-Neighbor (N2N) and Azusa Walks programs to further impact the community. N2N emphasizes diabetes and obesity prevention services at the center and in schools, churches, and other community groups. Azusa Walks, in a similar effort, encourages physical activity through the distribution and use of more than 150 pedometers.

{ Eiro (ār'ō) }

University Celebrates \$10 Million Software Project Conversion

This spring, APU celebrated the completion of the *Eiro* Project, one of the largest campus-wide technology upgrades in university history. Designed to streamline efficiency, centralize information, and promote customer service, the project involved the implementation of PeopleSoft 9.0, a new Web-based software system. More than 65 individuals from numerous areas within the university collaborated to prepare the software to best fit APU's needs.

"We had a great opportunity to be a part of this project from start to finish instead of being handed a product," said Jennifer Moore, undergraduate and Center for Adult and Professional Studies (CAPS) registrar and a project functional lead. "As a result, we've been able to see beyond our individual work and office to realize the university's interconnectedness."

From the Business Office to the Office of Undergraduate Admissions to CAPS, the *Eiro* Project has impacted nearly every part of the university since its launch in October 2007. "We've made a huge leap in technology," said Holly Magnuson, training coordinator for the project. "PeopleSoft's functionality allows APU to do so much more because the software will grow as we grow."

APU most recently launched the student records and student financials portions of the new software system in addition to a new university portal, bringing increased convenience and self-service functionality to faculty, staff, and students alike. "PeopleSoft is a web-based system with 24/7 worldwide accessibility, making it a one-stop shop for our students' needs," said Michelle Morzov, director of graduate student financial services and a project functional lead. "The new

portal allows students to experience a new level of self-service, giving them tools to manage their account and schedule, all from the convenience of their computer."

Provost Michael Whyte, Ph.D., explained that the transition to PeopleSoft and its increased capabilities provide a model of God-honoring excellence in APU's technology and resources, "The tireless efforts of the individuals who worked on the *Eiro* Project to bring better service to the APU community make this university a phenomenal place to work and learn. APU will reap the rewards from this new system for years to come."

SEED Researcher Accepted to Ivy League

Azusa High School senior Hector Correa recently received early action acceptances from Yale University, Princeton University, Williams College, and California Technical Institute. Under the mentorship of APU assistant professor Kevin S. Huang, Ph.D., Correa, while still in high school, joined a team of APU researchers and participated in a chemistry project sponsored by the American Chemical Society's SEED Program last summer. The advanced experience and nature of the project caught the attention of admissions officers at these prestigious schools.

The student team made significant progress with potentially groundbreaking results. "Our goal was to design an efficient methodology for the creation of a library of molecules," said Huang. "The molecules we made are called oximes, and we hope to see if they have cystic fibrosis transmembrane conductance regulator (CFTR) activities. I am working with a collaborator at the University of California, Davis to test them for CFTR activity."

Project SEED, established in 1968 to assist disadvantaged high school students in expanding their education and career possibilities, collaborates with colleges and universities across the nation. The program exposes students to scientific careers as they spend a summer conducting hands-on research with a scientist in academic research laboratories.

"Allowing local high school students such as Hector Correa to participate in university-level research with my students and me is rewarding and fulfills my calling here at Azusa Pacific University," said Huang.

Jazz Ensemble Performs Among the Best

Selected as one of six finalists to perform in the Monterey Jazz Festival's (MJF) College Big Band Program, APU's Jazz Ensemble held a prominent place in the MJF New Generation Festival on April 5, rising above more than 20 bands to even gain entrance as a participant.

Director David Beatty and the ensemble performed alongside
Brookhaven Community College; →





SIFE Team Takes L.A., Represents in Philly

The School of Business and Management claimed another win for the APU Students in Free Enterprise (SIFE) team at the annual Los Angeles regional competition in early March, an honor achieved last April as well. The team, led by faculty advisor Dan Kipley, and composed of 10 undergraduate business students, also received the Environmental Sustainability Topic Competition Award for their work completed earlier in the academic year.

SIFE, an internationally recognized collegiate business program comprised of leading corporate partners and member universities, provides students with an opportunity to integrate their interpersonal and group skills by applying concepts discussed in the classroom to various business ventures and competitions. With hundreds of

schools involved in the organization every year, SIFE students work on developing both business and community projects with an emphasis on ethics, success skills, market economics, financial literacy, and entrepreneurship. The culmination of the program includes an opportunity to present the project results to the CEOs of *Fortune* 500 corporations at a regional competition, with hopes to present at the national SIFE competition later in the year.

Victory at the L.A. regional competition took APU's SIFE team to the 2009 national competition in Philadelphia, held May 10–12, 2009. The team competed in the first session of round one with professionalism and perfect timing, though they did not advance.

CAMPUS CLOSE UP CAMPUS CLOSE UP

California State University, Long Beach; Sacramento State University; University of the Pacific; and USC's Thornton School of Music. Following the performance, APU hosted a reception for alumni and friends at the local Monterey Plaza Hotel.

"For us, the honor and award lies in being selected and participating in a premier jazz event such as this," said Beatty. "It enhances the reputation of the APU School of Music to perform and compete in the company of elite jazz programs such as USC."

Under Beatty's direction, the band cultivates skill and professionalism that gains recognition in the broadening industry. Several of the ensemble's alumni now work with professional musicians nationwide in pursuit of prestigious careers in the music industry. In fact, graduate tenor saxophonist Dave Thomasson received one of five outstanding soloist rankings at the festival. The Jazz Ensemble played for an important circle of jazz critics, musicians, and adjudicators, including acclaimed trombonist Ron Westray, pianist George Duke, and drummer Terri Lyne Carrington; and kept APU musicians in the forefront of the industry.

\$1 Million Gift Establishes First Endowed Chair in Business

APU received a gift of stock totaling \$1,066,835 from L.P. and Bobbi Leung to establish the Endowed Chair for Ethics in Auditing and Accounting in the School of Business and Management (SBM). As the first endowed chair in SBM, this opportunity significantly impacts the caliber and scope of the school's offerings.

"An endowed chair is a perpetual gift that allows us to hire a faculty member without using the university budget," said Ilene Bezjian, DBA, dean of SBM. "We are grateful to the Leung family for their generosity."

SBM now begins the search process to identify the best candidate for this role. L.P. Leung hopes the chair will help APU become "known for having strong accounting and auditing programs that provide students with the classes required to take and pass the CPA examination, while developing strong student candidates to interview for jobs in big CPA firms and corporations."

Leung attended APU in 1958–59, his first two years of college before graduating from USC. He went on to become a CPA and founded his own company. "It is the grace of God that made this gift possible. I could not have imagined in 1958 that I would be able to contribute to the education of Christian young people in this time of great need for our nation," said Leung.

Retraction

In the spring 2009 issue of APU Life, an advertisement appeared on the back cover, highlighting the Master of Arts in Human Resource and Organizational Development (MHROD) and the Master of Arts in Business Administration (MBA) programs. The final statement claimed that APU's School of Business and Management was, "One of three AACSB-accredited Christian schools in the nation." However, the ad appeared prior to accreditation by the Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business (AACSB) International and may have

misled readers. Accreditation remains undetermined pending further required information and a final decision.

Founded in 1916, the AACSB accredits schools of business worldwide. The international organization seeks to advance quality management education through leadership, accrediting schools in both business and accounting. Founding members of the AACSB include such prestigious universities as Columbia University, Dartmouth College, Harvard University, and Northwestern University, and today more than 550 accredited institutions.



Rasehal

Though Azusa Pacific's string of Golden State Athletic Conference (GSAC) baseball titles snapped, the Cougars put together another excellent season that placed them in the playoffs. Junior first baseman Brice Cutspec was named GSAC Player of the Year after breaking the school season record with more than 26 home runs in fewer than 50 games. He also broke Marty Cordell's long-standing record for most home runs in a career with more than 50. Newcomers Ryan Delgado (3B/C) and Peter Gehle (P) joined Cutspec on the all-conference squad.

Softball

For the first time in six years, Azusa Pacific softball advanced to postseason play, finishing fourth in the GSAC and collecting the program's first winning season in four years with a 27–22 mark. The Cougars were one of only three schools to beat every GSAC foe at least once during this season, including top-ranked California Baptist University and No. 3 Point Loma Nazarene University. Seniors Camille Hundley (P) and Jen Whitten (OF), along with junior Erin Halma (1B/P), were named All-GSAC for the 2008 season. Hundley, who fired three-hit shutouts over California Baptist and Point Loma Nazarene, led the GSAC with 181 strikeouts, the second highest singleseason title in program history.

Men's and Women's Tennis

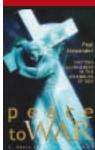
Playing in the most challenging men's tennis conference in the NAIA, where eight of the nine GSAC teams are ranked in the Top 25, Azusa Pacific faced a steady challenge throughout the 2009 campaign. Though they took their lumps along the way, the Cougars still qualified for the NAIA championship tournament for the 13th consecutive year. The men finished fourth in the GSAC at 10–6. Likewise, the Cougar women qualified for the NAIA championship tournament for the 11th straight year. The Cougars finished tied for third in the GSAC with a 13–5 record.

Men's and Women's Track and Field

The Cougar men's and women's track and field teams swept the GSAC championships during the conference meet in San Diego in late April. This marked the men's 11th straight conference title, setting the record for most consecutive GSAC crowns ever won by one program. The women's crown—which came by the narrowest of margins of just six points over Point Loma Nazarene University—is the program's 14th GSAC title, but more importantly, it was the 100th GSAC championship for all Azusa Pacific athletics. The university became the first school to reach 100 GSAC championships.

OFF THE PRESS

FACULTY AND ALUMNI BOOKS



Peace to War: Shifting Allegiances in the Assemblies of God (Cascadia/Herald, 2008) by Paul Alexander, Ph.D., director of the Doctor of Ministry Program and professor of theology and ethics

The Pentecostal peace witness once extended throughout the world, but was eventually muted and almost completely lost in the American Assemblies of God. Alexander tells the story of that shift, presenting the antiwar, Christian, and pacifist sentiments of the Assemblies of God juxtaposed to their pro-war and anti-pacifist passion and identification with America. The implications are worth examining by all traditions whose members ask: will our children have faith?



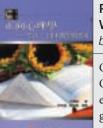
Living L'Arche: Stories of Compassion, Love, and Disability (Continuum Books, 2009) by Kevin Reimer, Ph.D., professor of graduate psychology

L'Arche communities unite people with disabilities (core members) and those who live with them (assistants) in relationships that profoundly impact both groups. Reimer delves into the everyday life of U.S. L'Arche communities and reveals the struggles and triumphs, the healing and growth, and the clear voice of God in their compelling stories, while offering poignant applications for the world beyond.



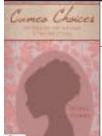
Sound Recovery from Gramophone Records by 3D Reconstruction: Reproduction of Sound from Gramophone Records Using 3D Scene Reconstruction (VDM Verlag, 2008) by Baozhong Tian, Ph.D., assistant professor in the Department of Computer Science

Preserving invaluable historic recordings on gramophone records, whether words or music, given that traditional record play-back systems wear out the record gradually and can destroy the fragile archived sample, is critical. Tian presents a noncontact method to reproduce the sound signal from gramophone records using 3D scene reconstruction of the micro-grooves carved on a record surface, and offers an optical flow-based framework for a record-playing system.



Positive Psychology: The Implications for Life, Work, and Education (Psychology Publishers, 2008) by Linda H. Chiang, Ed.D., professor of education

Chiang introduces Plato's concept of self-content, Confucius' self-satisfaction, Christianity's joy, Buddhism's enlightenment, and other Eastern philosophies. The book gives readers the tools and inventories to understand "the science of happiness" and helps them apply the concepts to their life, work, and teaching in order to live in balance and harmony.



Cameo Choices (Tate Publishing, 2009) by Tamara (Anderson '90) Knowles

Cameo Choices retells the stories of Hagar, Rebekah, Rachel and Leah, Abishag, Esther, and nine other girls, showing how issues faced in Old Testament times resonate with issues faced today. The book portrays Scripture in such a way that encourages today's teen girls to relate to their Old Testament counterparts. By revealing the girls' difficulties, failures, and victories, Knowles seeks to help girls who face similar challenges today.

ON THE WALL

FACULTY ART SHOWS



Another Realm (The Edge Gallery, Santa Fe, NM, June 2009) by William Catling, MFA, professor and chair of the Department of Art, and director of the MFA Program

Prayer of Lament on Longest Night, ceramic, branches, wood, metal, and bone, 96" x 18" x 13" The rough, cracked, aged figures reflect both suffering and the internal capacity to connect to others outside oneself, evoking empathy. The work refers to the fear of loss and grief that accompanies death. Catling attempts to raise the viewer's consciousness above the distracted, destructive, and unaware content of much of contemporary life to an upward and inward journey of spiritual transcendent experience through the archaic, elementary order of the human figure.

Usincle transit the resist their life.

Unseen the Way of Sons: Beginnings, ceramic, branches, wood, and metal, 96" x 15" x 11"

Using earthen materials, Catling explores ancient references, including intuitive connections to suffering, memories, transcendence, and spiritual redemption. The work is about the continued discovery of the true human condition that resides deep within, and a challenge to viewers to re-examine their relationship to the spiritual and the need for an internal life. On a deeper level, it refers to the artist as a father, blind to the future and standing as a ladder for his sons to reach places he never could.

AT YOUR SERVICE

The first day of my senior year, I attended my senior seminar class in the Ronald Building and received the syllabus. Since kindergarten, I've been the student who looks forward to the challenge of a new school year, the one who packs her backpack and lays out her "first-day" outfit the night before. Still, my excitement came to a screeching halt as I read the document and realized Professor Karen Sorensen would not just require us to write papers and present research. My hands tightened, crinkling the sides of the paper, when I read the following: "service-learning."

As a self-proclaimed introvert, I reveled in the solidarity of the academic life and firmly believed almost everything could be solved with pencil and paper. Sure, I stepped outside that comfort zone every once in a while. I had to in order to fulfill

by whitney curtis the hours of service needed to graduate. Then I met Assistant Director Betty Academics teach needed lessons, but

I volunteered with close friends, led church Bible studies, and tutored high school students, but I had never done what Professor Sorensen now asked.

Working with strangers seeking assistance from Foothill Unity Center, a food pantry in Monrovia, scared me. I was shocked to see the raw wounds of a community in need and was terrified I wouldn't be able to help. For all my education, for all the research read and papers written, I had no idea what these people really needed or how to give it to them.

McWilliams and Food Distribution Coordinator Albert Rodriguez, who showed me how filling a basket of groceries for someone and treating them with dignity and respect literally equates to feeding Christ's sheep. At the Foothill Unity Center, I saw and learned things I never would have in a classroom full of desks and lesson plans. I watched as hungry people with weary eyes asking for help went away with full baskets, uplifted countenances, and a renewed sense of hope. I began to understand that the classroom is only the training ground.

a well-written paper is not all that is required of me. As a Christ follower, I am commanded to feed, to go, to do.

At 22, newly graduated and with a life of work ahead of me, I know what my goal is: to give life and to encourage others to do the same. A broader idea of "work" opened before me because Professor Sorensen insisted that I not become too comfortable in my world of academics, but to use those tools she and others have given me to feed the world, whether with baskets of groceries or words of comfort. Because of those

two fateful words, "service-learning," I hope to someday work for a nonprofit organization that empowers people not only through education, but also by nourishing them back to life whether with food or hope.



Whitney Curtis '09 graduated in May with a Bachelor of Arts in Journalism. whitcurtis@yahoo.com

THE SERVING GENERATION by judy hutchinson and debra fetterly

"They [Millennials] want to be able to live their lives and to offer them, if necessary, for something worthy of sacrifice and service; and they want to live so as to leave the world a better place than the mess that they have inherited."

—PETER GOMES, HARVARD UNIVERSITY COLLEGE PASTOR

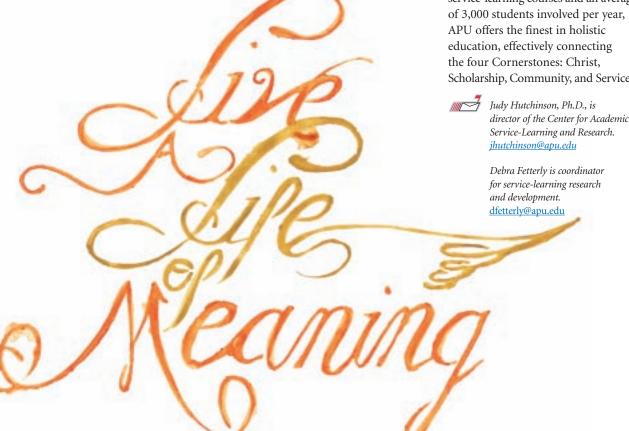
Calling on Americans to serve at this critical time in history, Congress responded to President Barack Obama's urging to build a stronger country by passing the Edward M. Kennedy Serve America Act (H.R. 1388), which includes a provision to support and recognize institutions of higher education with outstanding service-learning programs. This call comes at a juncture in higher education when many universities are attempting to establish a critical presence in communities. For example, Tulane University, recognizing its underutilized potential to respond to the devastation of Hurricane Katrina, implemented a service-learning mandate for undergraduates. Highlighting the civic commitment of Millennials, the

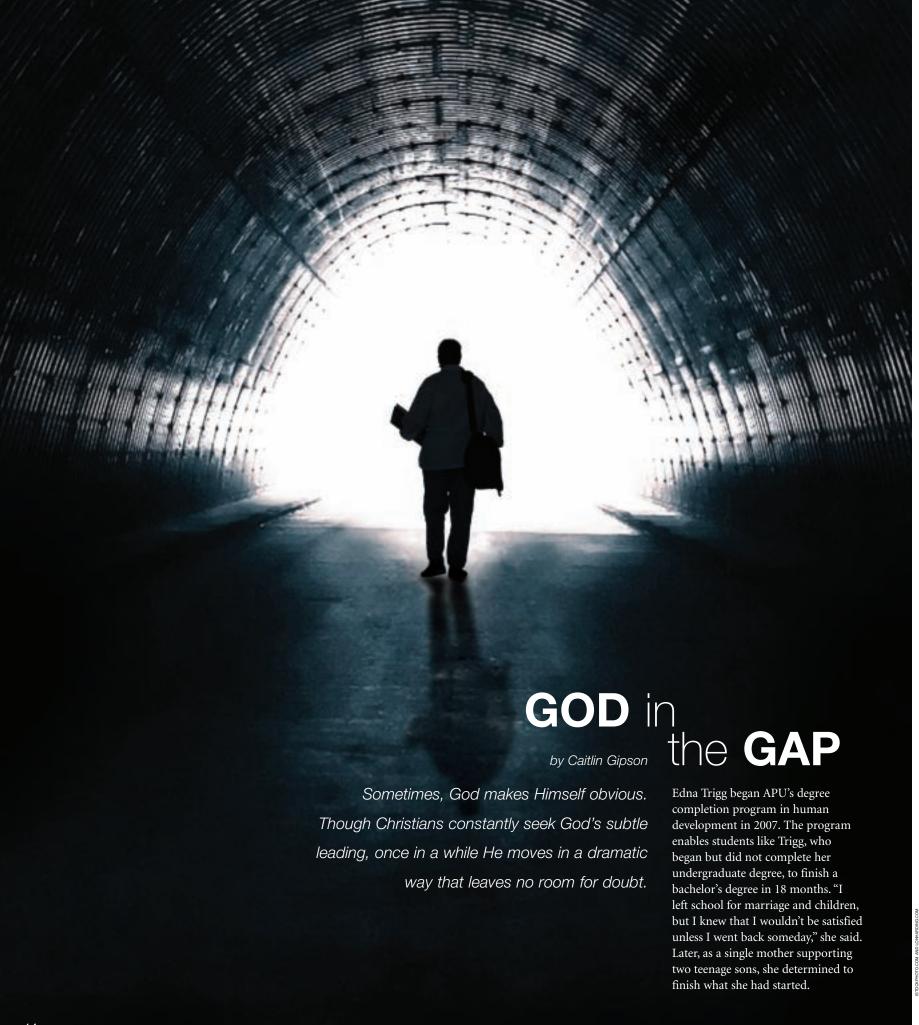
number of applicants to the university in the following five years doubled from 17,000 to 34,000.

Explaining this phenomenon, a study from the Higher Education Research Institute at the University of California, Los Angeles shows that today's college students also have a strong desire to experience their college years as a time for spiritual development. Millennials who want to live a life of meaning, relationship, and purpose, and who want their college years to offer opportunities for spiritual as well as academic development, increasingly find what they are seeking in the holistic education offered by faith-based universities. The nationally recognized service-learning program at Azusa

Pacific University provides an ideal forum for APU's Millennials, members of what many predict will be the next "greatest generation," to fulfill their calling.

Honored by U.S.News & World Report, Learn and Serve America, and the Presidential Honor Roll as one of the top service-learning programs in the nation, APU leads the way in integrating faith and service-learning. At APU, faith in the context of servicelearning is not simply a theoretical construct, but rather faith acted out. In an Exodus/Deuteronomy course, APU students bring a Passover Seder to a local senior center. In Principles and Practice of Community Engagement, students learn to study and apply Jesus' model for community engagement in villages and urban centers of South Africa. With 130 service-learning courses and an average of 3,000 students involved per year, Scholarship, Community, and Service.





"As a preschool teacher, I barely earned a living wage. I realized that I needed to finish my degree if I wanted to improve my family's standard of living," said Trigg. "Also, I kept telling my sons that college was not optional for them—that's a hard line to take when you haven't finished it yourself!" A friend convinced her to try APU's program. After a few sessions, the friend dropped out, but Trigg remained. She could see the light at the end of the tunnel: after a decade-and-a-half, she was on her way to finishing her degree.

Finishing, however, proved a

greater challenge than Trigg imagined. Early in her program, she began to feel what she thought was a pulled muscle in her knee. It turned out to be severe osteoarthritis in her hips, which rapidly degenerated. "I was forced to leave my preschool teaching position and live on disability," she said. "Other than dragging myself to APU once a week to attend class, I spent the better part of a year in bed waiting for a total hip replacement." Disability replaced only half of the income Trigg lost, so each month became a stressful puzzle of how to keep the lights on, pay rent, and put food on the table. By the time she had surgery, she had just one class left at APU, but was months behind in her rent, had been served an eviction notice, and had an overdue school balance. Her degree was within reach, but it seemed farther away than ever.

At this point, Trigg read an email and watched a video blog from APU President Jon Wallace, DBA. "He addressed the APU community and said that he knew that economic times were hard. He reminded us that APU was here for us and encouraged us to share our stories," said Trigg. She sent off an email outlining her situation and requesting prayer. The next day, she received a call from Leah Klingseis, associate director of the Center for Adult and Professional Studies. "She told me that she and her colleagues were praying for my situation, and that she wasn't sure exactly how she could help, but she intended to try," said Trigg.



the Lord would take care of her and

her family."

Days later, Klingseis called Trigg, offering a miracle. "I joyfully informed her that she was about to receive a grant from the APU Support Fund so that she could get caught up on rent and take the class she needed to graduate! She momentarily dropped the phone, and through sobs, began to simultaneously talk to God, telling Him how good He is, and talk to me to verify the information," said Klingseis. "I joined her in laughing and crying because our hearts were so full of gratitude."

"Leah called while I was packing our belongings without any idea of where we'd go," Trigg said. "Then she told me that I was to be the recipient of a rich and abundant blessing: a scholarship to get me back on my feet. I couldn't believe it; in a way,

I still can't. It left me speechless, in tears, grateful, and thanking her. I knew then I was going to finish my degree after all." Trigg wrote a check to her landlord to hold off eviction, and is now enrolled in the final class of her degree.

"You don't always see how God is working in your life, but every once in a while there is a big one! Now I am back on track to graduate and look for full-time work," said Trigg. "I don't know what the future holds, but this whole experience has reinforced the fact that God will provide, and I have no doubt that I will reach my goals."

View President Wallace's video blog post at www.apu.edu/president/ support/. Since December, numerous alumni and friends of APU have sent checks, large and small, to help our students. Should you wish to support the ongoing effort to attract and retain the disciples and scholars God calls to APU, go to the APU website and give online to the University Fund.

Caitlin Gipson '02 is a freelance writer and marketing consultant in La Verne, California. caitlinsplace@hotmail.com

APU support fund **FACTS**

- \$200,000 set aside for student aid
- Prayer support offered
- 200 student responses
- 150 received financial assistance
- 85 percent of respondents were traditional undergraduates; 15 percent were graduate and degree completion students
- Overall undergraduate retention from fall 2008 to spring 2009 improved by 1 percent

the proposal

February 2008

Dear Dr. Wallace.

The time has come for Christian Americans to respond to swelling global challenges. In these times of drought, world hunger, resource shortage, and struggling economies, the importance of waste reduction and preservation becomes increasingly urgent.

For all its youth and enthusiasm, the APU community can be a challenging place to foster environmental awareness. Because students, administrators, and faculty are not directly accountable for the resources they use and waste in classrooms, living areas, and offices, the results are not surprising: lights burn unnecessarily during the day . . . and 30-minute hot showers are the norm in winter months. Without the opportunity to see a substantial impact made at home or abroad, even the best-intentioned conservationists find themselves discouraged. After all, will a thirsty child in Laos ever see a drop of clean water form our conservation efforts here at APU? Sadly, the answer is no. And as long as the answer remains so, this harsh reality imprisons our potential, oppresses the poor, and ravages God's earth.

But what if our answer could be yes? What if we could send the surplus from unused resources to those in need? What if we, by merely deciding to waste less, could have a direct, positive impact on others around the world? With a little bit of creativity and hard work, we can.

Enter the Scraps Initiative, an inventive, alternative conservation project that combines environmental responsibility with matters of social justice and global relief.

We propose that for 40 days, the entire APU community make a concerted effort to conserve water, gas, and electricity. Over the course of the month, the efforts will ultimately save the university a considerable percentage on its monthly utilities bill. The surplus funds would then be donated to those in need. For instance, the amount saved on water would go to providing fresh water wells overseas; the amount saved on gas and electricity could support sustainable housing to those without. In this way, we ship our "scraps" to those in need.

The benefits are multifaceted, yet infinitely interconnected. As a university, we develop responsible, environmentally conscious habits, all while learning what it means to sacrifice for the well being of others. We immediately realize two of God's most important calls for us as 21st century Christians: caring for creation and caring for the poor.

Will a thirsty child in Laos ever see a drop of clean water from our conservation efforts here at APU? For once, let us respond to this question with a resounding "Yes!"—a yes to the child, a yes to the Scraps Initiative, and a yes to Christ.

Sincerely, Daniel Baker

"'For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you invited me in. I needed clothes and you clothed me, I was sick and you looked after me, I was in prison and you came to visit me.' Then the righteous will answer him, 'Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you something to drink? When did we see you a stranger and invite you in, or needing clothes and clothe you? When did we see you sick or in prison and go to visit you?' The King will reply, 'I tell you the truth, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers of mine, you did for me'" Matthew 25:35–40 (NIV).

by Cynndie Hoff

the process

Nearly three billion people worldwide—half the developing world—lack access to adequate water sanitation, according to the World Health Organization (WHO). That's almost 40 percent of the world's population. Unsafe drinking water and inadequate sanitation for hygiene contribute to about 88 percent of deaths from diarrheal diseases alone, including more than 1.4 million children under the age of five. WHO claims that improving water supply, sanitation, hygiene, and management of water resources can prevent 10 percent of the global disease burden and stop more than three million deaths caused by diarrhea, malaria, malnutrition, and drowning.1

No one denies the overwhelming problem, but efforts to bring relief can feel like a mere drop in the bucket when faced with the enormity of the plight. Dan Baker '10 witnessed the tragedy firsthand when he spent a semester in Africa as a junior. "When I came home, the waste I saw here really hit me," he said. "I had just come from a place where people were dying of thirst and starvation, and it killed me to watch people in the cafeteria throw away so much food. I thought, 'If only we could send them our scraps."

The thought grew into a passionate, innovative plan that he presented to President Jon Wallace, DBA, last spring. Together with a core group of fellow students, Baker proposed the Scraps Initiative as a way for the APU community to not only

conserve resources for the sake of good stewardship, but to also equate the effort with a direct impact on real people in need. By mobilizing the campus in a cooperative conservation movement, calculating the savings, and using the money to dig wells in developing countries, Baker envisioned a tangible way to actually send the scraps.

The proposal met with optimism and questions. "It sounded like a great idea," said Toney Snyder, assistant director of environmental stewardship, "but there were many variables to consider. Would we compare dollars spent or usage of resources? Because utilities are a

commodity and prices fluctuate, we decided to focus on usage. But that, too, fluctuates, so we agreed to identify the lowest usage over the past three years, and anything below that would be considered savings."

Another significant variable involved how the savings would translate into clean water for a thirsty child in another country. The answer came when Baker learned about Lifewater International, an organization that equips and empowers communities in developing countries to obtain safe water, implement adequate sanitation, promote effective hygiene, and share the knowledge of Jesus' love. "We are





SUMMER 2009 17



: C

so appreciative of the APU community for sacrificing in this way," said David Finley, Lifewater's director of development and community. "In partnership with World Vision, the Millennium Water Alliance, and six others, we recently received a matching grant from United States Agency for International Development (USAID). For every dollar we raise, USAID will match it with two, so we can make boreholes, build water tanks, and construct latrines. APU's donation will help us do that."

Inspired by that realization, Baker and his team hit the ground running. Considering they would be asking the entire campus to sacrifice creature comforts, Lent seemed the perfect time to activate the Scraps Initiative. They immediately canvassed the university with flyers, emails, chapel announcements, and word of mouth, preparing everyone on campus to save as much electricity, water, and gas as possible during the Lenten season.

Melissa Dorman '09 joined the cause immediately. "I spent four months in Uganda during my Global Learning Term and saw the need firsthand," she said. "The Scraps Initiative combines environmental stewardship with social justice issues. I've seen each work independently, but this does both. And students really got into it. Resident advisors rallied the students and encouraged them to turn off lights, take shorter showerseveryone did what they could."

Once a community vision for the concept caught fire, focus transferred from immediate savings to the bigger picture. Students realized



"After all, will a thirsty child in Laos ever see a drop of clean water for our conservation efforts here at APU?"

that this temporary sacrifice could become a permanent lifestyle. "The Scraps Initiative opened my eyes to see how I can use resources better as a Christ follower. This is exactly how we should be living; this is how our

university should be functioning. It's part of the discipleship process," said Scott Haskins '09.

For 40 days and nights, students limited their lighting by using natural light when possible, taping down light switches to prevent unnecessary use, and assigning night-watch groups to douse lights burning unnecessarily. They took military showers, dreaded their hair, grew beards, and flushed only when necessary.

Meanwhile across campus, offices powered down computers and let temperatures rise an extra four degrees before powering up air conditioners. Snyder believes that these sacrifices will do more than just





save money in the short run. "The best thing I see coming out of this is behavior modification. Christ calls us to sacrifice luxuries and stay focused on Him. This is a step in the right direction. I'm so glad President Wallace approved this project," said Synder.

"I am pleased that students are engaged with wise stewardship decisions," said Wallace. "The concept that money saved on utility expenses here in Azusa can be used for fresh water wells in Laos has empowered this student body and energized our faculty and staff."

And apparently, the enthusiasm is contagious. "I believe this can be a model for other universities as well," said Baker. "I can see Christian colleges banding together and doing this during Lent every year. I've already talked with students at Biola University. It's exciting to think of this

concept spreading across businesses and borders and creating a whole new culture."

The model stands as an excellent example for any organization seeking to save money, tread lightly on the Earth, and directly address the global water sanitation problem. Through the Scraps Initiative, organizations like Lifewater International, and the willingness to sacrifice just a little, the proverbial drop in the bucket can actually make a big splash.

http://www.who.int/research/en/



Cynndie Hoff is a freelance writer living in Walnut, California. ceh.hoff@verizon.net

the results

After 40 days of conserving water, gas, and electricity, the APU community saved a total of \$10,000. In the hands of Lifewater International, that money will be matched by another donor, increase to \$20,000, and go directly to Lifewater's Laos Project.

LAOS FACTS

- · Less than half the Laotian rural population has sustainable,
- · Only 20 percent can access a private bathroom.
- · Communal basins catch rainwater for washing hands, brushing teeth, and drinking.
- · Rural Laotians routinely drink E. coli-contaminated water.
- · Diarrhea is the second leading cause of childhood deaths

Over the course of two years, Lifewater will work with a Lao-American business to establish a low-cost, household-level water filter manufacturing factory and distribution operation. The business will use training from Lifewater to produce, market, and deliver the subsidized filters to needy community members while also providing much-needed hygiene and sanitation education.



Science?

Embracing the Study of God's Creation BY JAMES MISER AND DAVID WEEKS ILLUSTRATIONS BY NATHAN SCHECK '03 AND MICHELLE HERTZLER '01

Science and religion are at odds, or so some say. The claim is so common that it has become cliché to talk about the two as being at war with one another. But is it necessarily true?

The alleged flashpoint involved Galileo's clash with the Roman Catholic Church over whether the earth revolves around the sun. In spite of that skirmish, which did not extend into Protestant circles, science and religion peacefully coexisted for generations. The rise of Darwinian evolution eventually breached the peace. The resulting schism soon reached unprecedented proportions. Today, "new atheists" link disbelief to evolutionary biology and portray religion as the enemy of both science and reason. Disconcerted by such assertions, many beleaguered Christians have withdrawn reflexively from engagement. It is time to rethink

HOW TO RESPOND

Disengagement is the wrong response. Instead, believers could and should heed those who have gone before us. Many of the founders of modern science were devout Christians —Nicholas Copernicus, Johannes Kepler, Galileo Galilei, Francis Bacon, Blaise Pascal, Robert Boyle, and Isaac Newton were all inspired by their faith to investigate God's creation. Their love for God and their love for science went hand-in-hand. Succeeding generations of Christians followed suit, including Johann Mendel, Louis Pasteur, Max Planck, and Michael Polanyi. All these renowned scientists are examples worthy of emulation.

Not only was their embrace of science admirable, but their approach remains instructive. They did not turn to pastors and theologians for guidance on scientific issues. Rather, they engaged in scientific inquiry and earned the right to be heard among fellow scientists with their stellar credentials and mastery of the subject matter. Similarly, today's scientific gatekeepers—journal editors, book publishers, academic departments, and award-winning scientists—accept nothing less.

After earning the right academic pedigree, believers can explore the implications of their faith in the scientific discipline they study. Some highly respected scientists do this today in influential ways—John Polkinghorne, Francis Collins, Owen Gingerich, Freeman Dyson, and Stanley Jaki, to name a few. Their voices resonate because of their expertise. Society stands to benefit from many others like them.



WHY RESPOND?

Solid theological and philosophical reasons exist for responding to the allegation that religion is at war with science. For example, we follow the biblical commandment to love God, in part, by loving His creation, seeking to know and understand all that we can about this wonderful work He has wrought. But practical reasons also exist.

Scientific studies also provide ways to fulfill the biblical commandment to love one's neighbor. Remember, much of modern science is applied and has little to do with philosophical debates. Thousands of scientists work day-in, day-out in areas from aeronautics to mathematics, from chemistry to

benefits to the patients they serve. Christian physicians, dentists, nurses, physical therapists, and psychologists do even more. Called to serve as Jesus served, they provide care to the spirit as well as to the body. Christian health care providers recognize that humans are fully integrated spiritual, emotional, intellectual, and physical beings. Individuals stricken by illness especially a serious disease such as cancer, are vulnerable and in crisis both physically and spiritually. Christian medical professionals can care for patients' spiritual needs as well as their physical maladies, especially when patients face a serious, life-threatening disease. In hospitals today, having Christians at the bedside serves as a critical proxy given shrinking chaplaincy programs targeted by budget cuts.

Many believers have made great sacrifices to meet the needs of "the least of these" (Matthew 25:31-40). Consider the life's work of a nurse practitioner persuaded to go into the world to bring healing and salvation to those less fortunate. She has ministered in Haiti for more

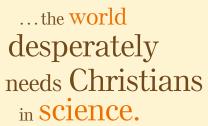
cases can be cited; in each, the medical professional started with the study of science.

Every example stands as a reminder that the world desperately needs Christians in science. This will be even more important in the years to come as scientific advances pose new moral dilemmas. Those advances will have the capacity both to relieve humanity's estate and upset nature's delicate balance. It would be a travesty if we addressed these matters apart from the moral perspective of believers who understand Earth is not ours: it is God's. It is time for believers to more fully embrace the study of God's marvelous creation.



James Miser, MD, is the former CEO of the City of Hope National Medical Center and currently a distinguished visiting lecturer at Azusa Pacific University. jamesmiser@gmail.com

> David Weeks, Ph.D., is the dean of the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences at Azusa Pacific Universit dweeks@apu.edu

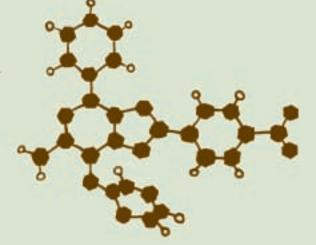




Their love for God and their love for **Science** went hand-in-hand.

dentistry, from pharmacology to climatology, from physics to forensics, from neuroscience to computer science. In the process, they make a difference in our world and in peoples' lives.

Medicine may be the best example. Medical professionals provide untold than 25 years, truly integrating her faith into her sacrificial practice of medicine. There is also the physician's assistant who chose to work in a health clinic in the Los Angeles Skid Row district, and the doctor who runs five nonprofit health clinics for uninsured immigrants. Numerous



Canterbury's "Will we remain outside of the "Will we remain outside of the Tall "W

community, inviting people in, or will we go into our communities, seeking to be a transforming agent? The church is called to be separate in lifestyle, but never called to be isolated from the people it seeks to influence."

-Eric Swanson, author and leadership community director for Externally Focused Churches

A blonde, blue-eyed, California beach community native and bearer of a kneebuckling smile, Azusa Pacific senior Jaime Canterbury could be a spokesperson for the California tourism industry if she chose to be.

Canterbury, however, is an extraordinary distance runner—the best ever in Azusa Pacific history and the standard by which all future Cougars will be judged. A National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics (NAIA) All-American a dozen times over, she also owns three school records.

More significantly, as a junior in 2007, she became the first Cougar ever to win the NAIA cross-country individual title, clocking a then-school-record 17:10 on the frigid 5K course in Kenosha, Wisconsin. In fall 2008, she guided Azusa Pacific to its first-ever NAIA cross-country team championship, leading a Cougar quintet to a dominating performance that garnered the school's 31st NAIA national title, third most in the association's 73-year history.

Behind the power lies a killer competitive attitude. She fears no foe, and if her opponents haven't put her away in the late stages of a race, Canterbury will reel them in, chew them up, and leave them in her wake. It's the way she plays

"When I was younger, I was very competitive, but my friends and siblings didn't like that very much," said Canterbury. "I realized that wasn't the appropriate place to be that competitive, so I've tried to channel most of it into track and field."

Many elite Cougar athletes continue their athletic pursuits after graduation, and opportunities certainly abound for Canterbury. But while she remains

passionate about long-distance running, she is not convinced that it is God's call for her life. Like so many APU students, she has a desire to impact the world for God in a unique and sacrificial way that does not necessarily involve running.

by Gary Pine

Canterbury, along with Cougar footballers James Burke and Ben Winslow, is in the early stages of fashioning a business plan that will bring the Kingdom of God to the most innocent and helpless people of the world—unwanted children.

The Cougar triumvirate's dream, similar in scope to The Simple Way (www.thesimpleway.org) that operates on the streets of Philadelphia and Big Oak Ranch (www.bigoak.org) in Alabama, brings biblical principles to a world where sin dominates.

"Along with providing a loving home for children who couldn't otherwise have one, we want to emulate the lifestyle of the early Christians described in Acts," said Canterbury.

The original vision comes from Burke and his counseling experiences at Kanakuk Kamps in Missouri, and Canterbury's passion for such a ministry grew from her three

"She'll grow up and have no memory of that experience, but for that moment, she received comfort and was able to sleep. For me, it felt like this is the kind of thing that God wants us to do, to take care of each other."

successive Thanksgiving trips with Azusa Pacific's Mexico Outreach. Of particular impact was her 2007 trip, which came just a week after she was crowned the NAIA's best crosscountry runner. While working with a ministry team in Mexico, Canterbury came across an abandoned baby with Down's Syndrome crying in a high chair. Realizing no one was there to claim the child, Canterbury and track teammate Becca Reves removed the child from the chair's confines and held her in their arms. Immediately, the child fell asleep.

"All she needed was to be held so she could sleep," said Canterbury. "It is one of the greatest memories in my entire life. She'll grow up and have no memory of that experience, but for that moment, she received comfort and was able to sleep. For me, it felt like this is the kind of thing that God wants us to do, to take care of each other."

Admittedly, the trio's plan is in its infancy stages, and Canterbury isn't quite sure where the ideas go from here. Winslow plans to attend law school in the fall, which in the long run should assist in the development of the plan. Burke just completed his master's degree at Azusa Pacific in organizational leadership. In the short term, Canterbury may continue her running career while pursuing her ultimate dream.

"None of us really know what the next step is other than to keep praying that it becomes a reality and not just talk," added Canterbury.

The thrill of victory, while certainly quite satisfying, falls short in comparison to the thrill of an impactful ministry when one lives in God's will. Canterbury looks forward to the new race—life beyond the track.



Gary Pine '84 is the associate athletics director and sports information director at Azusa Pacific University. gpine@apu.edu

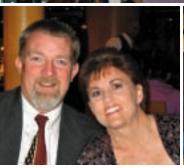


ALUMNI NEWS AND NOTES

OFFICE OF ALUMNI RELATIONS • (626) 812-3026 • ALUMNI@APU.EDU • WWW.APUALUMNI.COM









Sixth Annual Alumni and Friends Cruise January 8–11, 2010

Exotic Ensenada Awaits!

Imagine three days reconnecting with family and friends while taking in the beautiful sights, sounds, tastes, and culture of one of Mexico's most popular seaports in Baja.

On your daylong excursion in port, explore local marvels such as La Bufadora, the powerful sea geyser that amazes with its dramatic show. Or stroll along the pristine beaches and waterfront promenade as you shop for souvenirs in the duty-free boutiques along Avenida Primera. You can even check out APU's Ensenada ministry at Rancho El Refugio and witness firsthand the tremendous impact students make in the community. Whether discovering the local color on land or pulling an all-night gab session on board with old friends, the Alumni Cruise offers the perfect way to refresh, renew, and rekindle.

For more information on how to register for this popular cruise, go to www.apualumni.com/cruise2010 and submit the \$100 deposit by Thursday, September 10, 2009, to hold your reservation. Full payment is due by Monday, November 9, 2009. Standard interior rooms (double occupancy) cost \$283.10; \$170.10 for each additional person (up to two). Ocean view rooms (double occupancy) cost \$323.10; \$180.10 for each additional person (up to two). All passengers must hold valid passports.

Class Notes

Did you know that the Class Notes section of *APU Life* ranks as the number one, most widely read portion of the magazine? That's right. Reading about one another's families, accomplishments, and life journeys proves to be a priority for alumni year after year. Perhaps that's because connection, no matter how it happens (Twitter, blogs, texts, Facebook, or ink on paper), feeds the God-given need for relationship.

No matter what year you attended or what program you studied, you made a mark on this university and the people you encountered. Let them know where your journey led you after graduation. Show off pictures of your wedding and your babies. Reconnect with your APU family.

SUBMIT AN ENTRY ONLINE THROUGH COUGARS' DEN:

- Go to www.apualumni.com/classnotes/.
- Enter your username and password (if you haven't logged in before, email the Alumni Relations office at alumni@apu.edu).
- Click on the "Add Class Note" button.
- Add your note and picture, press preview, and submit!

MAIL IT: Office of Alumni Relations, Azusa Pacific University, PO Box 7000, Azusa, CA 91702-7000

PHOTOS: If you would like to include a photo with your update, please mail, email, or upload a high-resolution, 300 dpi jpeg file.

Check out the ad on page 33 for a mail-in form and details we can include about your life since graduation.



960s

after 44 years in active ministry. Most recently he served as senior pastor of Bethel Evangelical Methodist Church in Ridgefield, Washington for eight years. He also served 27 years with the Free Methodist Church and 17 years with the Evangelical Methodist Church. He earned a B.A. in Biblical Literature and Theology and a minor in Pastoral Work from Azusa College. He plans to serve as a part-time minister of visitation/evangelism and senior minister in the Vancouver area. parsonvic@hotmail.com

JERRY SCHROEDER '67 moved back to America from Japan in 2007. He and wife Robin began a ministry in San Antonio, Texas, which includes feeding the homeless, worship services at a government-assisted retirement apartment, and ministry outreach through The Carpenter's House, a center for caring for and helping youth (after-school tutoring,

Bible studies, Christian videos, and a safe place to hang out) and senior adults (help with English, Bible studies, etc.). They also coordinate missions and outreach teams for their church. 17111 lvy Green, San Antonio, TX 78247-4611. JerryNSchroeder@gmail.com

PAUL L. YEUN '68 serves as spiritual coordinator for the Palliative Care Team at Chambersburg Hospital in Pennsylvania. In March, the team received the 2009 President's Award for Team Excellence, the highest award given by the president of the Summit Health System. 128 Buckingham Dr., Chambersburg, PA 17201-8370. pyeun@summithealth.org

1970s

NORM BRINKLEY '74 and wife Joni were called into missions work 35 years ago while living in the then-new Shire mods. Still serving, they speak to others about God's faithfulness in mission work and His beautiful plan for all the people of

the world. Norm recently spent a week at an IDP (internally displaced person) camp in Somalia. njb@swissmail.org

1980s

ALBERTA WRAY '80 volunteers full time with Le Rucher Ministries (www.lerucher.org) in Cessy, France.
As a staff debriefer/counselor, she serves missionaries from all over the world who have experienced a trauma or crisis or are in transition. Visit her blog at www.albertasantecdotes.blogspot.com. 64682 Cook Ave., PMB #67, Bend, OR 97701-9033. albertawray@mac.com

1990s

JOSEPH LAWSON '92 and his wife, LORI (SCHLAICK '93), were moved by the U.S. Army to Cairo, Egypt, where Joe is a military advisor to the Egyptian Army. Lori is studying Egyptology at the American University in Cairo. Joe was recently promoted from major to

while incorporating the best aspects of

everyone vested in higher education on

these technological advances, keeps

APU LIFE: What do you think about

APU's new Munson and Bavougian

Tennis Complex?

lieutenant colonel at a ceremony near the Giza Pyramids and the Sphinx. Unit 64901, Box 57, APO, AE 09839-4901. lori@joeandlori.net joseph.lawson@us.army.mil

MIHAELA DINUT '93 married Chris TeWinkle on July 17, 2004 in Sierra Madre, California. Bruce Baloian, Ph.D., officiated. Mihaela works as an acute care nurse practitioner in the orthopedic surgery area, and Chris works as a commercial sign artist while completing his studies in GIS (Geographical Information Systems) at the University of North Carolina, Greensboro. They have a son, Matthew William. mdinut@wfubmc.edu

5 RACHAEL (SCHLEE '96) WEBER and her husband, RYAN '98, moved to the suburbs of Philadelphia last year. They have three children. 2 Carriage Dr., Downingtown, PA 19335-1540. ryan.weber@fmc.com

2000s

ERIN PEFFLY '02 recently completed her master's degree in food science with an emphasis in sensory science (trained specifically in taste testing and statistics) at the University of California, Davis. Her thesis research explored the flavor and textural components of caviar. She currently works at the corporate headquarters of Taco Bell in Irvine as an associate project leader in product development, creating new products for the national chain. Since she started, two of her products launched nationally with one of them promoted during the fourth quarter of the 2009 Superbowl. 13140 Springford Dr., La Mirada, CA 90638-3023. epeffly@hotmail.com

6 DONALD ANTHONY VILLELLA

'02 teaches, coaches, and serves as athletic director at San Ramon Valley Christian Academy. His girls' basketball team posted an undefeated season and won its second Bay Area Christian School League (BACSAL) Championship in January. He married Ali Dishman on June 28, 2008.

7 LESA CLOSE '05 recently relocated from Glendora to Harrisburg, and is currently a junior associate with Pennsylvania Energy Resources Group, a strategic consulting and lobbying firm

continued on page 28

HENRY GEE '79 veers of working on college campus



APU LIFE: How did APU contribute to the direction of your career?

HENRY: In my 15 years at APU, I

held positions in student employment, financial aid, and cross-cultural services. and served as associate dean of students interim dean of students, and tennis coach. Not to mention. I'm an alumnus These multiple roles gave me a strong multi-faceted foundation in higher education and have served me well as the vice president of student services at Rio Hondo College. My experience allows me to approach problem solving from many angles. Having worked in a Christ-centered environment also helps me incorporate my Christian values into caring for students no matter what campus I serve.

APU LIFE: How does your faith impact your work?

HENRY: I strongly believe that my faith has influenced my career. I view my 30

years of working on college campuses as the ultimate opportunity to serve others, especially the community in which I work. No college campus is an island unto itself, and I believe the faculty, staff, and students have not only the opportunity, but also the responsibility to reach out to their neighbors and share resources that strengthen relationships and build community. I was privileged to participate in some amazing programs at APU and continue to value service in the Rio Hondo community as one of the most important aspects of my job.

APU LIFE: How have educational trends changed for students in the last 20 years?

HENRY: Since I left APU, social networking and the digital era have radically changed the way students approach education and life. Communications and connections are instant, regular, and expected. The shift goes beyond the convenience of the technologies; it extends to the very core of students' personalities and mindsets. With the advent of multiple portals of communication, students now expect open lines of access 24/7. Finding creative ways to deliver quality education,

HENRY: I am thrilled that the university has opened the new tennis complex. The men's and women's teams are very competitive, nationally ranked, and well deserving of a complex they can call home. I believe Coach Mark Bobren

deserving of a complex they can call home. I believe Coach Mark Bohren will continue to be successful and provide many opportunities for student athletes to compete and represent the teams and the university well.

APU LIFE: What is one of the primary messages you communicate to your students?

HENRY: Higher education is a gift — experience as many opportunities as you can while in college. Friendships you develop there will last a lifetime.

ALUMNI SPOTLIGHT ALUMNI SPOTLIGHT

Called to Serve >>>

by Christopher Martin >>>

In the late '80s, Warren "Chappy" Watties, M.Div. '92, reached a crossroads. He had given his life to Christ while an active-duty Marine a decade prior and believed that God had called him to influence a new generation of soldiers by returning to military service as a chaplain. But in order to do son Watties needed a seminary degree. With a full-time job as a youth pastor at La Puente Foursquare Church and three children under the age of five to raise with his wife, Anna, Watties remained unsure that he could afford to make this calling a reality. >>>

"I knew that God had placed the desire in my heart to be a military chaplain, but I had in my head a list of all the reasons this would not be possible," said Watties, "Finally, I heard God tell me that the list I'd compiled was not an obstacle to His plan."

This realization freed him to fully explore every option for following God's call and eventually led him to APU. He called to inquire about pursuing a graduate degree in theology and learned that he met the eligibility requirements for a major scholarship that would help underwrite his graduate work. "It was truly amazing to me how God opened the door for me to attend APU," he said.

After graduating, Watties began his second career as an Air Force chaplain, eventually rising to the position of space wing chaplain at Vandenburg Air Force Base. Along the way, Watties received the Air Force's distinguished Chaplain of the Year Award in 2004.

But no award could ever compare to the exhilaration of witnessing God work in the lives of men and women in the Air Force. "There is no answer like Christ," he said. "In today's military, there are two kinds of soldiers: those in active-duty combat and those home recovering from active duty and preparing to go back to the conflict. This creates an environment where it is all the more necessary to reinforce that there is no answer like Christ for all of life's circumstances."

"Chappy exemplifies APU's God First motto," said Rick Givens '83, M.A. '03, director of alumni relations. "He loves life, loves his family, and is impacting the world for Christ in a mighty way, which is why it was such a treat to have Chappy as the 2008 commencement speaker."

During that speech, Watties inspired the entire graduating class with a passionate vision for his own

future and a clear call for theirs: "I believe God put me on this planet to be a military chaplain. It is my personal desire to see not one soldier, airman, coast guard, or national guard—none of them—go to hell, because we are going to preach the

Gospel to them, and you are going to be praying, amen? I thank the Lord that I can wear this uniform because of what Azusa Pacific did in my life. I am going to preach the Gospel like I never have before. I am going to preach about hell, because it is

going to be 130 degrees [in Iraq], and people are going to get just a little taste of hell. I am going to remind them that hell is not their preferred destination, but heaven is, because I know this: God knows the plans He

Watties left immediately after his speech that day to spend his last week at home with family and friends before departing for Iraq where he would nurture and encourage those who serve and protect. Once deployed, Watties ministered to troops in harm's way for much of 2008. "I established a group dedicated to maintaining a strong marriage while deployed. I've been happily married for more than 30 years, and I was able to impart lessons that God has given me to the troops who were away from their families," he said. "We really got deep when it came to discussing important issues, and our group quickly grew from 110 to 280 members."

That dramatic response mirrors the reaction of all who meet him, including the APU students privileged to hear his message during that 2008 commencement when he challenged them to, "Remember the weapons we fight with are not of this world. On the contrary, they have divine power to demolish every stronghold. Finally, put on the whole armor of God, so when the day comes, you can stand your ground. 'For I know the plans I have for you,' declares the Lord, 'plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future. This word is My word, it will never self-destruct, nor will it return to Me void. It will accomplish what I desire and achieve the purpose for which I sent it.' Now go, and do it."



Christopher Martin '98 lives in Washington, DC with his wife and children. christopherjohnmartin@gmail.com





>>> I knew that God had placed the desire in my heart to be a military chaplain... <<<

CLASS NOTES CLASS NOTES

continued from page 25

that deals with alternative energy. She is active in her church, currently serving on the missions committee and as the guitarist/lead vocalist for her worship team. 4621 Londonderry Rd., Harrisburg, PA 17109-5113. lesa.close@gmail.com

MARTYN GROSS '05 serves as associate pastor of high school ministry at River Lakes Community Church in Bakersfield, California. 4812 Marsh Hawk Dr., Bakersfield, CA 93312-1915. sallycgross@gmail.com

HEIDI MAE (BLANKSMA '06) BURGER

teaches second through eighth grade PE; coaches high school track, basketball, and volleyball; and spends her free time surfing, playing basketball, and going to church. She married Andrew Burger, also a PE teacher, on July 21, 2007, at Clydehurst Christian Ranch in Montana. 519 Baldwin Ave., Paia, HI 96779. heidimae14@yahoo.com

HELEN (WADE '06) THOMPSON

attends Nova Southeastern University online, working on her master's degree in speech and language pathology. 14745 Kimberly St., Adelanto, CA 92301-3872.

TIMOTHY AGUILAR '07 is an affiliate marketing coordinator for Disney and was instrumental in the launch of Disney XD. He also helped lead the ABC VOD marketing support for LOST, which premiered in January with newly launched affiliates, including Verizon, Lodgenet, and Cox. 682 Country Oak Rd., San Dimas, CA 91773-1016.

JUST MARRIED

Seybold on May 3, 2008, in Laguna Beach. Steven works for Fox as the senior art director in charge of the *American Idol* website. Kathy serves as a Glendora police officer. They love traveling, skiing, and skydiving.

1808 Westholme Ave., Los Angeles, CA 90025. keskeie@msn.com

MEGAN ALKIRE '05 to MICHAEL NORTHCOTE '05 on August 1, 2008 in Oakland. Michael is a personal trainer at Qualcom, Inc., and Megan is a first grade teacher. 34257 Hogan Terr., Fremont, CA 94555-3840. mnorthcote@yahoo.com

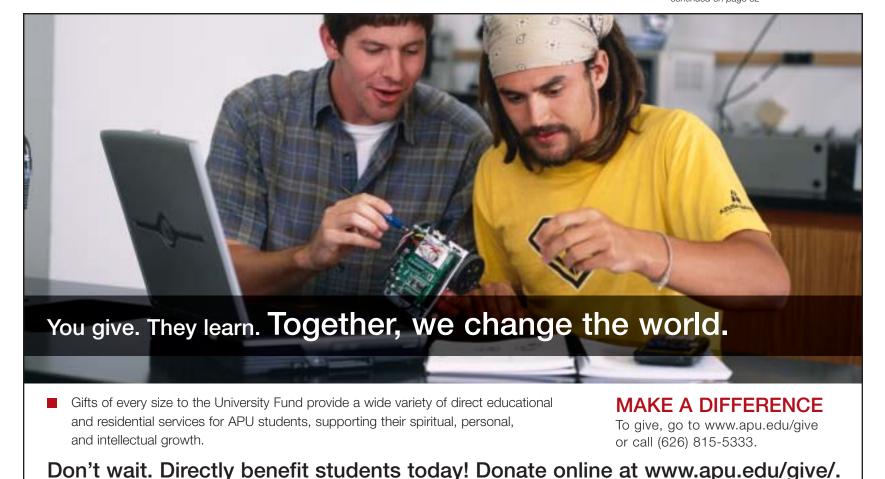
KATIE FORD '05 to Chris Delgado on November 24, 2007 at the Crystal Cathedral in Garden Grove, California. They moved to southern Alabama last year, where Chris works as a warrant officer in a helicopter flight school through the U. S. Army. Katie taught third grade in Irvine, California for two years after graduating and is now a substitute teacher on base. They are expecting their first child, a baby girl. 546 County Rd., 737 Enterprise, AL 36330-6832. kt323@yahoo.com

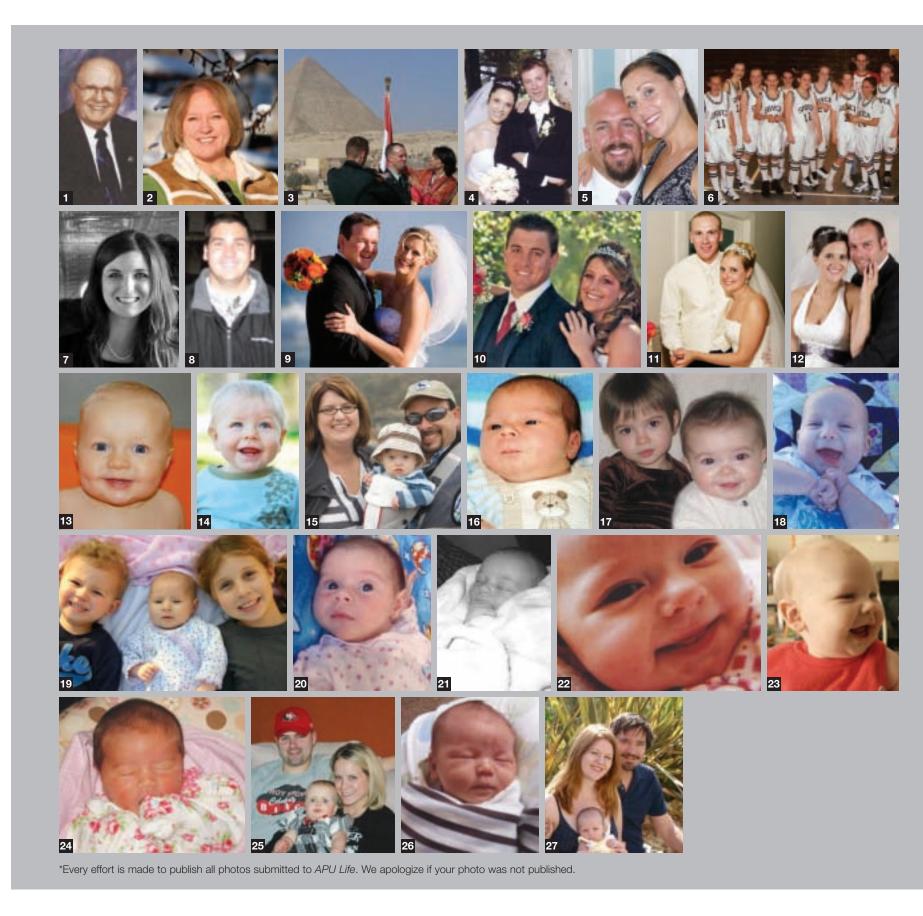
12 TAMARA NEAL '05 to Keith Bostic on July 6, 2008. Tamara teaches Spanish at Fairfield Junior High in Fairfield, Texas, and Keith is a drilling fluids specialist working in natural gas extraction. PO Box 702, Fairfield, TX 75840-0013. tnbostic@gmail.com

FUTURE ALUMNI

To RYAN LILJEGREN '95 and his wife, Kim, a son, lan James, on August 28, 2008. He joins big brother Colin, 5, and big sister Audrey, 3. Ryan is a senior financial advisor at Ameriprise Financial in Woodland Hills, California. Kim is an artist and stays home with the kids. 1507 Briarglen Ave., Westlake Village, CA 91361-1430. rynol11@yahoo.com

To CHRISTOPHER FRAZIER '96 and his wife, AMY (VEEN '99), a son, lan Christopher, on May 6, 2008. He joins big sister Sophia Adeline, 3. Chris works in Web development for continued on page 32





ALUMNI SPOTLIGHT

ALUMNI SPOTLIGHT



"I was extremely ill prepared for college and still can't figure out how I even got in," Jackson said. "But it was the life lessons I learned and difficult times I had in the nursing program that instilled an enormous amount of confidence and gave me the stamina to make it in the business and medical world." Jackson credits the support and encouragement of dedicated APU faculty for her academic success and personal development.

Jackson's newfound confidence and abilities resulted in far more than an impressive report card. After graduating with a Bachelor of Science in Nursing, she went on to earn a Master of Science in Adult Health, a women's health care nurse practitioner degree, and a doctorate in health care management. For the past 15 years, her career as a gynecological practitioner, licensed holistic health care provider, and certified hormone expert has enabled her to help more than 30,000 women conquer commonly overlooked medical challenges and adopt a "back- to-basics" approach to attaining optimal wellness.

Jackson's passion for women's health grew as she saw countless female patients stressed out, depressed, anxious, and overweight. They suffered from hot flashes, PMS, low libido, menstrual abnormalities, and other hormone-related symptoms. In routine, 10-minute visits, other doctors dismissed their discomfort or quickly wrote an ineffective prescription. Rather than forcing women to "just deal with it," Jackson knew there was a better way. "With diet, exercise, and individualized

hormonal treatments, women who were fatigued and feeling older than their age started to feel their absolute best!"

Jackson took her passion for alternative health care options for women a step further and founded Ventana Wellness, PC in Southern Oregon. One of a kind in the state, this primary care clinic pairs the best of traditional and complementary medicine in an integrative approach to achieving comprehensive wellness. She hand-picked her staff of 20 medical specialists, whose disciplines range from internal medicine, family practice, and dermatology, to acupuncture, clinical nutrition, and massage therapy. Through her extensive research, Jackson believes helping her patients achieve optimal hormone levels through blood testing, diet, lifestyle, natural hormone intervention, and stress management stands as one of the most important aspects of improving both male and female overall health.

Her scope of influence reaches far beyond her Medford-based clinic. For 11 years, a listening audience of more than two million Northern California and Oregon residents have tuned in to Jackson's weekly radio program, *Nish on Health*, to hear the charismatic expert examine today's leading health issues. Local listeners also enjoy her 60-second answers to caller questions on *The Daily Dose*. Her down-to-earth style and widespread appeal have recently landed her a nationally syndicated radio show called *Ask Nish*. "I hope to teach my audience how to get back to the basics of taking care of themselves," she said. She spends a great deal of time talking about managing stress and eating well. Her favorite saying is, "Eat foods from the ground, foods that walk around, foods from the sea, and nuts and seeds."

Her dedication to helping women unlock the key to personal health and balance doesn't stop with her private practice or radio programs. Jackson has authored two books: *The Hormone Survival Guide for Perimenopause: Balance Your Hormones Naturally* (Larkfield Publishing, 2004) and *Surviving the Teenage Hormone Takeover: A Guide for Moms* (Thomas Nelson, 2006). She is currently working on her third book on male hormone balance, as well as a series of self-help handbooks. She also runs an online virtual hormone consulting service, Hormones in Balance, and is the founder of Rogue EMC, a health facility devoted to the prevention and treatment of endocrine disorders, plus its on-site medically based weight-loss program called The Body Analysis Clinic.

How does Jackson balance such a prolific career while also being a wife to her husband of 23 years, Rick '86, and mother to her two teenage daughters? In her own words—she sticks to the basics about 75 percent of the time. "I don't know the last time I skipped breakfast or got fewer than eight hours of sleep. I wouldn't be able to manage employees, work with patients, or take care of my girls if I didn't first take care of me."

To listen to Nisha online or locate a local station broadcasting her shows, visit www.ask-nish.com.

Becky Keife is a freelance writer in Chino Hills, California. beckykeife@gmail.com

"With diet, exercise, and individualized hormonal treatments, women who were fatigued and feeling older than their age started to feel their absolute best!"

continued from page 28

the University of La Verne, and Amy stays home with the kids and runs a photography business called Shooting the Kids Photography. 3432 S. Gauntlet Dr., West Covina, CA 91792-2921. ego093@hotmail.com amy@veen.com

15 TO AMY (DOWD '97) BARBERI

and her husband, Michael, a son, Luke Robert Thomas, on September 9, 2007. They are learning about having a child with Down's Syndrome and would love to be in touch with fellow APU alumni who have children with DS. Amy works part time as the director of human resources for Annie's, manufacturer of Annie's Homegrown and Annie's Naturals brands

in Napa, and Michael is a production supervisor for Trinchero Family Estates (Sutter Home Winery). 523 Laurel St., Vallejo, CA 94591-6537. amybarberi@sbcglobal.net

To **RODNEY ROUNKE '97** and his wife, Kristine, a daughter, Avery Rose, on February 21, 2009. Rod is an English teacher and volleyball coach at Rim of the World High School. PO Box 132, Rimforest, CA 92378-0132. rodrounke@yahoo.com

16 To MELISSA ANSIEL '98 and her husband, Jeff, a son, Robert Jedidiah, on March 16, 2009. He joins siblings Garrett, 6; Danielle, 4; and Josiah, 3. Melissa home schools the children.

1834 Maplewood Ln., Aberdeen, SD 57401. mansiel@yahoo.com

To **STEVEN PARMENTER '98** and his wife, Susan, a son, Samuel Howard, on September 26, 2008. 15077 Lassen Way, Morgan Hill, CA 95037-6012.

To KERRI (SPARKS '99)
STAFFIERI and her husband, Josh, a daughter, Grace Kathleen, on June 4, 2008. She joins big sister Kaitlyn, 3. Kerri works part time and stays home with the kids, and Josh is a career counselor at a local community college. 3455 33rd Ave. W, Seattle, WA 98199-1601. kerristaffieri@yahoo.com

18 To SCOTT THOMAS '99 and his wife, JESSICA (BEAUCHAMP '03), a son, Austin Christopher, on August 21, 2008. He joins big sisters Brooklynn and Savannah. He attended his first APU football game at just eight days old in celebration of the National Championship win 10 years ago. 3468 Greenville Dr., Simi Valley, CA 93063-1247. sjbthomas@sbcqlobal.net

To LAURIE (SCHOOLEY '00)
BERNHARDT and her husband, Peter, a son, Dell James Geyer, on March 26, 2009. He joins big sister Ellie, 2. Peter owns a landscape architecture firm, GCH (Geyer Coburn Hutchins), and Laurie stays busy with the kids and

WHERE IN THE WORLD ARE YOU WEARING YOUR APU CLOTHING?

Send us your photographs of the places you have been with your Cougar wear. If we print your submission, you will receive an APU T-shirt to wear while visiting your next exotic or interesting destination. Send your photos,* along with a description of the location where the photograph was taken, and your T-shirt size, to the Office of Alumni Relations, PO Box 7000, Azusa, CA 91702-7000, or alumni@apu.edu. *Please send high-resolution images or prints only.



occasionally sings professionally in the Seattle area. They love traveling and took Ellie to China last year. 5812 Woodlawn Ave. N, Seattle, WA 98103-5715. laurie@lauriegeyer.com

To KIM (WYATT '00, M.A. '05)
CARLSON, and her husband,
CHRIS '04, a daughter, Emma Lee,
on October 24, 2008. Emma joins big
sister Sydney, 10, and big brother
Andrew, 2. 1544 Compromise Line Rd.,
Glendora, CA 91741-3819.
kimmijoy9@hotmail.com

To ANDY WARNS '00 and his wife, STEFFANI (O'BRIEN '02), a daughter, Amberlin Elizabeth, on February 7, 2009. Andy is an IT consultant, and Steffani is an HR manager. 11100 Fourth St., Apt. D308, Rancho Cucamonga, CA 91730-5991. Gdssteff@hotmail.com

To ALYSSA (BROOKS '01)
BROOKS-DOWTY and her husband,
Jeff, a daughter, Lilia Joy, on January
28, 2009. 13625 S. 48th St.,
Apt. 1157, Phoenix, AZ 85044-5054.
abrooksdowty@gmail.com

To MANDY (KISSINGER '01)

DEMPSEY and her husband, Matt, a daughter, Ariel Jordan, on December 6, 2008. 2646 S. Jebel Way, Aurora, CO 80013-9003. punky1111@aol.com

To TONYA (CATHEY '01) SCRIBNER and her husband, Kyle, a son, Zachary Kyle, on March 12, 2009. He joins big brother Ethan, 2. 7676 Calle Talia, Highland, CA 92346-5892. tscribner@brydenscot.com

To STEPHANIE (KEITH '02) COMPTON, M.ED. '05, and her husband, MIKE '03, a son, Jeremiah Wayne, on July 23, 2008. Mike works for AT&T tech support, and Stephanie works as a corporate trainer for a hospice. 3720 R St., Apt. 2, Merced, CA 95348-2278.

thecomptonfam@gmail.com

To ADAM ECKLUND '02 and his wife, EMILY (SARGENTINI '02), a daughter, Selah Marion, February 2, 2009. She joins big sister Gianna, 2. Adam works at Baylor University, and Emily stays home with the girls. 245 Cross Country Dr., Hewitt, TX 76643-3864. adamandem@yahoo.com

To CANDI (GILCHRIST '03)
SEIFER and her husband, Aaron, a
daughter, Hannah Grace, on November
16, 2007. They are expecting their
second child on September 3, 2009.
3288 NE Lancaster St., Apt. 3, Corvallis,
OR 97330-4061. candiseifer@yahoo.com

To RICHARD PAUL KNOPF JR. '04 and his wife, MICHELLE (WAY '04), a

son, Richard Paul III, on February 7, 2009. 22794 Lakeway Dr., Unit 465, Diamond Bar, CA 91765-4432. md.knopf@gmail.com

To JOELLE (CARLSON '06)
SCHWARTZ and her husband, Barry, a daughter, Madelyn Grace, on December 31, 2008. 8869 Menkar Rd., San Diego, CA 92126-1423. joellecarlson@gmail.com

IN MEMORY

harold Ludwig '50 passed away on February 4, 2009. He spent 17 years as a social worker for L.A. County. He is survived by his wife, Pauline. 214 S. Atlantic Blvd., Alhambra, CA 91801-3257.

RENE PAPPAS ARROBIO, M.A. '83,

passed away peacefully on February 14, 2009. She earned her master's degree at Azusa Pacific University in marriage and family counseling and began a private counseling practice in Pasadena. For the past 12 years, Rene served as a special education counselor for the South Pasadena School District, where she helped many students and their families. Rene will be greatly missed by those who survive her: father Nick Pappas; sisters Lisa Widman and Mona Pappas; children Christina Arrobio-Zietsman, Geoffrey Arrobio, and Peter Arrobio; and grand-

children India and Max Zietsman, and Sienna and Alex Arrobio.

FRED SHACKELTON, a longtime, beloved professor, mentor, and friend of the Azusa Pacific University community, passed away on April 14, 2009. As the first (and only) dean of Arlington College from '56–'68, Shackleton joined the Azusa Pacific faculty to teach religion, philosophy, and music when Arlington merged with Azusa Pacific College in 1968. His dedication to excellence in ministry, service, and instruction was equally matched by his lifelong commitment to the church and legacy reflected in Christian education curriculum and music.

"This God First university will forever be thankful for Dr. Shackleton's more than two decades of exemplary leadership and service," said APU President Jon R. Wallace, DBA.

He is survived by wife Doris; son MARTIN '69 and his wife, JEAN (HELBLING '70); daughter FREDDA (SHACKLETON '73) KOUPAL; and daughter LINDA (SHACKLETON '77) WALLACE, as well as eight grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren. In lieu of flowers or other remembrance, please send donations to the Frederick Shackleton Student Scholarship fund at APU's Office of Advancement, PO Box 7000, Azusa, CA 91702-7000.

WHAT'S NEW WITH YOU?

Keep the APU family updated on your life, your ministries, your family, and your whereabouts. It's simple:

SUBMIT AN ENTRY ONLINE THROUGH COUGARS' DEN:

- Go to www.apualumni.com/classnotes/.
- Enter your username and password (if you haven't logged in before, email the Alumni Relations office at alumni@apu.edu).
- Click on the "Add Class Note" button.
- Add your note and picture, press preview, and submit!

MAIL IT: Office of Alumni Relations, Azusa Pacific University, PO Box 7000, Azusa, CA 91702-7000

PHOTOS: If you would like to include a photo with your update, please mail, email, or upload a high-resolution, 300 dpi jpeg file.

PLEASE INCLUDE AS MUCH OF THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION AS POSSIBLE.

DATE	CLASS YEAR (List all degrees earned at APU	and the year of completion t	for each.)
NAME (List maiden name if applicable, a	and indicate whether degree was earned under n	naiden or married name.)	
ADDRESS			
CITY		STATE	ZIP
TELEPHONE		EMAIL	
GENERAL INFORMATION SUCH AS HO	OBBIES, EMPLOYMENT, HONORS, COMMUNIT	Y ACTIVITIES, ETC.	
FAMILY INFORMATION SUCH AS SPOU	USE'S NAME, NAMES AND AGES OF CHILDREN	I, AND WHETHER ANY OF	THEM ARE APU STUDENTS OR GRADUATES.
WEDDINGS: INCLUDING BRIDE'S AND) GROOM'S NAMES AND CLASS YEAR(S), LOC.	ATION, AND DATE	
BIRTHS: INCLUDING BABY'S NAME, E	BIRTH DATE, SPOUSE'S NAME, AND SIBLINGS'	NAMES AND AGES	

Missions 1901

Missions have always been an important part of Azusa Pacific University. On October 15, 1901, in the murderous aftermath of the anti-religious Chinese Boxer Rebellion, a group of bold Training School for Christian Workers (forerunner of APU) missionaries left for South Chih-li China under the leadership of Horace W. Houlding (second row, fifth from left), accompanied by APU's first president, Mary A. Hill (second row, fourth from left). Today, APU continues this long-standing missions tradition. In fact, nearly 2,000 high

school and college students spent their Easter Break with the Mexico Outreach programs in Ensenada and Mexicali. Likewise, in spite of today's tough economic times, nearly 200 participants will spend part of their summer vacation with the Focus International mission teams in 23 countries, following God's commandment to "go ye into all the world and preach the Gospel."

-Ken Otto, M.L.I.S., associate professor, special collections librarian

CALENDAR









	_	-	_	-	•	н
Α			ı√v	78	м	Ш

JUNE

26-31 SU-FR

20 SA **11 a.m.–2 p.m.**

LAPC Reunion | Upper Turner Campus Center | East Campus

ARTS AND CULTURE

IIINE				
JUNE				
14-19 SU-FR	Celebration Kidder Creek Camp Etna, CA			
21-26 SU-FR	Celebration Redwood Christian Park Boulder Creek, CA			
28-July 3				
SU-FR	Celebration Kidder Creek Camp Etna, CA			
JULY				
5-10 SU-FR	Celebration Redwood Christian Park Boulder Creek, CA			
5-10 SU-FR	MFA Solo Thesis Exhibition - Alyse Ochniak Duke Art Gallery			
	West Campus			
	Carity Capili Heritage Art Gallery West Campus			
	Kim Reiff Darling Art Gallery West Campus			
11 SA 7 p.m.	Celebration Hillside Baptist Church North Fork, CA			
12–17 SU–FR MFA Solo Thesis Exhibition – Mark Terry Duke Art Gallery				
	West Campus			
	Ashley Combs The "L" Art Gallery West Campus			
19-24 SU-FR	MFA Solo Thesis Exhibition – Kathleen Yorba Duke Art Gallery			

Sue Gibbons | Heritage Art Gallery | West Campus MFA Solo Thesis Exhibition - Clovis Blackwell | Duke Art Gallery | West Campus

ATHLETICS

Jeff Siemers | Heritage Art Gallery | West Campus
Lucien Saxton | Darling Library Rotunda/West Campus Lawn/Darling Art
Gallery | West Campus

JUNE 22, 24, 26	
M,W,F	Softball Camp APU Softball Field
JULY	
6–9 MO–TH	Youth Soccer Camp APU Soccer Field
20-23 MO-TH	High School Boys' Soccer Camp APU Soccer Field
27-30 MO-TH	High School Girls' Soccer Camp APU Soccer Field
AUGUST	

1 p.m. Football vs. Carroll | Helena, MT

West Campus

ATHLETICS continued

SEF	TEME	BER	
5	SA	6 p.m.	Football vs. San Diego Cougar Athletic Stadium
12	SA	1 p.m.	Football vs. Wisconsin-La Crosse La Crosse, WI
19	SA		Football vs. Central Washington Ellensburg, WA
26	SA	6 p.m.	Football vs. Wisconsin-Stephens Point Cougar Athletic Stadium

SPECIAL EVENTS

JUI	NE		
17	WE	6 p.m.	Graduate School of Education: Prospective Student Information Meeting
			Murrieta Regional Center Murrieta, CA
20-2	26 SA-FF	₹	Mexico Outreach Rancho El Refugio Ensenada, Mexico
26	FR		Day of Prayer Azusa Campus
27	SA	9 a.m.	Comprehensive Examination Murrieta Regional Center Murrieta, CA
JUI	_Y		
22	WE	6 p.m.	Graduate School of Education: Prospective Student Information Meeting
			Murrieta Regional Center Murrieta, CA
29	WE	6 p.m.	Graduate School of Education: Prospective Student Information Meeting
			Inland Empire Regional Center San Bernardino, CA
29-3	29-31 WE-FR		Ensenada Kids' Camp-Mexico Outreach Rancho El Refugio
			Ensenada, Mexico
AU	GUST		

Mexico Outreach | Rancho El Refugio | Ensenada, Mexico

Inland Empire Regional Center | San Bernardino, CA

Graduate School of Education: Prospective Student Application Meeting

001	$\overline{}$		_	_
OCI	ıu	В	ᆮ	к

1-7 SA-FR

12 WE 6 p.m.

 22
 TH
 Alumni Golf Tournament | Pacific Palms

 23–24
 FR-SA
 Homecoming Weekend

NOVEMBER

SA 6 p.m. Dinner Rally

For a complete listing of upcoming events, visit www.apu.edu/calendar/.
For alumni events, visit www.apualumni.com/events/.



Want to explore a new career as a teacher?

Become an educator in just 12–18 months.

APU's School of Education offers:

- 36 credential/master's degree opportunities.
- NCATE-accredited programs recognized by all 50 states and internationally.
- A degree completion program in Human Development (HDEV) designed for future teachers.
- A top credential-preparation environment among private California institutions.

For more information:

(800) 825-5278

Click www.apu.edu/explore/education

Email graduatecenter@apu.edu

Programs

BACHELOR'S DEGREES:

CREDENTIALS:

School Counseling or Psychology Single-Subject Teaching

DOCTORAL DEGREE:

MASTER'S DEGREES:

Apply now to start September 8, 2009!