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## Greetings from the Parents Program at Seaver College

### April 2011



It must seem impossible to you but we only have 20 school days left for the Spring term. These last few weeks can be extremely challenging for Pepperdine students. Please keep them in your prayers for not only their academic success but also for their physical endurance. The library is open 24 hours a day during finals week and there are plenty of students that take advantage of the extended hours. We are hopeful they will finish well that which is set before them.

Featured »

### Join us for Pepperdine Live - our most exciting event of the year!

Parents, please join us for a spectacular evening and the launch of a bold, new era in the life of Pepperdine University with Masters of Ceremonies, **Roma Downey and Mark Burnett**. There will be live entertainment by revival swing band, *Big Bad Voodoo Daddy*. This annual event will take place on Saturday, May 14, 2011 at the JW Marriott at L.A. Live in Los Angeles. [Click here](#) to register or for more information call (310) 506-4115.



News »

### Attention Parents of Graduating Seniors

Your graduating student is part of a 22-year Pepperdine tradition—the *Senior Class Legacy Campaign*. Historically, seniors say thank you by **raising money** for a single gift back to Seaver College, but the **class of 2011** is revolutionizing the process by allowing each senior to individually choose a favorite program to support. Whether an international program, academic division, sports team or scholarship, seniors will be able to decide what legacy to leave behind.

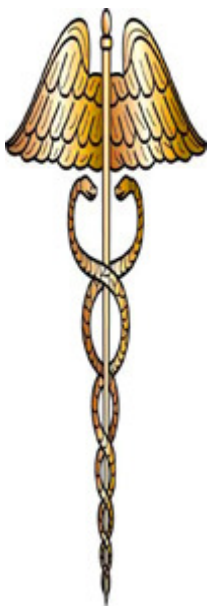
By participating in this campaign, you and your student can say thank you to the program that meant the most to your family while at Pepperdine. As a **wonderful tribute** to their new status as alumni, recent graduates can continue this legacy by joining the Pepperdine Associates for \$500. You can sponsor your graduating senior by [clicking here](#) to make a gift of any amount.

## Looking for a place to have a Graduation lunch?



You and your family are welcome to attend a special **Waves of Success** graduation luncheon at the Intramural Field following this year's commencement ceremony. Celebrate with family, friends and fellow alumni as we welcome the class of 2011 into the alumni network. Saturday, April 30, 2011 from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. Prices are \$15 for students/kids ages 7 - 12, \$20 for adults, and free for kids 6 and under. Space is limited so be sure to sign up early. [Click here](#) to register.

## Student Health Insurance Plan changes - Health Care Reform



The Student Health Insurance Policy (SHIP) will be **changing carriers** for 2011-12. Anthem Blue Cross Life & Health Insurance Company is our new insurance carrier. They will include some plan enhancements ahead of the proposed reform mandates. Highlights of the new policy include:

- No life-time and no annual max, eliminating the need for Major Medical coverage.
- Coverage for preventative services at in-network providers and facilities.
- Broad provider network resulting in lower out-of-pocket costs for enrollees.
- Due to Reform rules on maximum coverage, the Supplemental Plan will no longer be available.

This partnership will provide a smooth implementation to meet Reform requirements and offers a strong program for our students. For more information, which will be available in May, go to: <https://wfis.wellsfargo.com/pepperdine/Pages/default.aspx> or you may call **Wells Fargo at 800-853-5899**.

**Waiver Reminder for all Malibu students:** Students must either purchase SHIP OR submit the electronic waiver by August 5th. We highly recommended purchasing SHIP online at the above link.

## The Student Health Center Offers Professional, Personal & Dedicated Services

The Student Health Center (SHC) is conveniently located on campus for easy access for enrolled students. We are staffed by multi-specialty board certified medical doctors, physician assistants, registered dietitian, nursing and support staff. The scope of practice is similar to the student's doctor at home including diagnosis and treatment of most illnesses and injuries including services for labs and a dispensary.

The staff is dedicated to the health and wellness of our student population and emphasizes preventative care and health education during patient visits as well as during outreach programming. The Center provides services that are efficient, timely (walk-ins are welcome), and cost effective. Even though the Center does not bill insurance directly, our fees will still bring a good reimbursement in most cases from the student's insurance carrier. The Student Health

Insurance Program, underwritten by Anthem Blue Cross for 2011-12, provides a high yield of services that are reimbursable when students are seen at the SHC or with outside in-network providers.

The SHC staff is skilled in working with this age population and we provide a professional, yet warm, respectful, and inviting atmosphere for students who seek care here. We feel privileged to be working with your student and we are honored to be their first line of care while on campus.

## Christian Scholars' Conference 2011

Pepperdine University is pleased to host the 31st annual [Christian Scholars' Conference](#), June 16-18, 2011, under the theme, "The Path of Discovery: Science, Theology, and the Academy."

For three decades, the Christian Scholars' Conference has brought institutions of higher education together with Christian scholars from all academic disciplines. This year, Pepperdine University is pleased to host the conference and to contribute to its aims of nurturing an intellectual and Christian community and of stimulating a network of dialogue and collaboration. [Read more.](#)

### Dr. Francis S. Collins to Speak at Christian Scholars' Conference



#### Dr. Francis S. Collins

NATIONAL INSTITUTES OF HEALTH DIRECTOR, FRANCIS S. COLLINS, IS OFFICIALLY CONFIRMED TO DELIVER THE CSC PLENARY, "REFLECTIONS ON THE CURRENT TENSIONS BETWEEN SCIENCE AND FAITH."

MULTIPLE SESSIONS AND ABSTRACTS ARE NOW POSTED AND REGISTRATION FOR THE JUNE 16-18 CONFERENCE IS OPEN!

#### *Francis S. Collins*

"Reflections on the Current Tensions between Science and Faith" Francis S. Collins, a physician-geneticist noted for his landmark discoveries of disease genes, and his visionary leadership of the Human Genome Project, is the former director of the National Human Genome Research Institute. To register [click here](#).

### Events »

#### Seaver Graduation - April 30, 2011

Graduation 2011 is quickly approaching on Saturday, April 30. Commencement begins at 10:30 a.m. For those of you attending, we recommend you arrive early to secure a seat and find a parking spot. Shuttles will be running from all points on campus to drop you at Alumni Park where the ceremony will be held. For more information on Graduation 2011 [click here](#).



### Seaver Life »



As finals approach, students should be encouraged to manage their stress well. As the time crunch is felt, too often, sleep is the first activity sacrificed. Research is clear, though, that sleep deprived students are more likely to become physically ill, emotionally distressed, and unable to concentrate on studies. So parents, when your son or daughter calls saying they don't have to sleep, remind them, they don't have time NOT to sleep! Students having trouble managing their stress should be encouraged to take advantage of the free, confidential resources of the Counseling Center. Appointments can be made by calling (310) 506-4210.

### Get Involved »

Seaver **Send-Off Parties** have proven to be both encouraging and motivating for incoming students as they get ready to attend Pepperdine. If your student participated in one of these, you know how beneficial and fun they are. *The Parents Program office is currently seeking hosts for summer 2011.*

These can be held in your home, a restaurant, a park, or anywhere you think students would enjoy gathering. Please contact [kimberly.barkis@pepperdine.edu](mailto:kimberly.barkis@pepperdine.edu) if you are interested in hosting a Summer Send-Off Party in your area.



**Attention Bay Area families...**We are looking for parent representatives of Pepperdine University to help us welcome newly accepted students and their families at our upcoming San Francisco Admission Reception to be held on **Sunday, April 10, 2011 from 3:00 to 5:00 p.m.** at the Embassy Suites San Francisco South in South San Francisco, CA 94080. The goal of this event is to promote Pepperdine University to high school seniors who have been accepted to Pepperdine. We would be thrilled to have you attend to answer questions from prospective parents and students, or simply to share about your experiences with the University. If this is an event that you would be willing to attend, please let [Kim Barkis](mailto:Kim Barkis) know by replying to this e-mail or calling her at 310.506.6110. Thank you in advance for your willingness to serve!



### Get Connected »



Parents, are you interested in knowing other Pepperdine families in your area? If so, PAN Online is an excellent resource for you. This is also a great way for you to form prayer groups, organize local events and coordinate student transportation needs. [Sign up today.](#)

Special thanks to John Myers, an amazing Pepperdine parent, who has helped us established a LinkedIn Pepperdine Parents Association group. If you are a LinkedIn member, be on the lookout in next month's parent e-mail to join. Our page is still under construction!

### Academic Calendar »

#### 2011

- 4/24 Happy Easter - Christ's Blessings to you
- 4/25 Final Exams for 4 Days
- 4/25 Residents check out of on campus housing 24 hours after their last final

4/29 Graduation Receptions and Baccalaureate  
4/29 Resident's halls close at 10:00 a.m. (except for graduating students)  
4/30 Graduation  
5/01 Graduating seniors check out of on campus housing  
5/09 Summer 2011: Session I - classes begin  
6/06 Summer 2011: Session II - classes begin  
7/04 All Offices Closed  
7/06 Summer 2011: Session III-classes begin  
8/22 Housing check-in and orientation for new international students  
8/23 Housing check-in for all other new students  
8/23 New Student Orientation for 6 days  
8/27 Housing check-in for all returning students for 2 days  
8/29 Classes begin

For more information on the academic calendar, [click here](#).

### Take the 2011 Prayer Challenge »

Join fellow parents, faculty and staff as we are on our knees praying for the needs of Pepperdine students, programs and leadership. We will publish a daily prayer calendar to guide you through the 365 days of 2011. For the most current prayer calendar [click here](#).

### Discounts for Parents »

Please take a moment to look for the latest and greatest bargains for your travels to Malibu at the newest addition to our Parent Program Web site. Go to <http://seaver.pepperdine.edu/parents/discounts/>



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