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Greetings from the Parents Program at Seaver College September 2011



They're back! Our campus is alive once again with students, faculty, and staff. Welcome to our first year parents. We enjoyed meeting you at NSO last week. Parents of second, third, fourth, and the occasional super-year students, we welcome you back as well. Thank you for blessing us with your children. We are excited to watch them grow in purpose, service, and leadership over the next few months. We hope you will find these monthly e-mails beneficial to navigating the 2011 - 2012 academic year.

Featured »

New National Co-Chairs of the Seaver Parents Council

Guy and Tarianne Cotton have accepted the appointment of leading the Seaver Parent Council for the 2011-2012 year. The Seaver Parent Council is the governing body of the Seaver Parents Association. There are three committees that make up the Parents Council: Outreach, Ambassador, and Annual Fund.

Both Guy and Tarianne are Seaver Alumni. The Cottons have three children. Their oldest son, David, is a recent Pepperdine masters graduate (SC & GSBM 2011). Their middle child, Andrew, is a second year Seaver student who will be studying in Lausanne this year. Alisabeth, is their youngest who strives to follow in her family's footsteps and join us next year as an incoming freshman. Be on the lookout for this wonderful family at Waves Weekend!



News »

75th Anniversary Exclusive

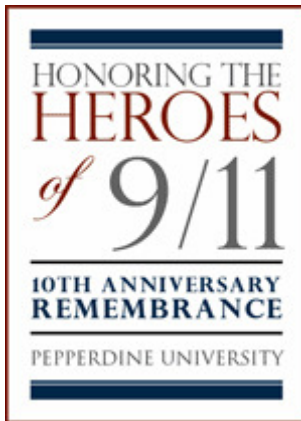


In honor of its 75th anniversary, Pepperdine is working with Third Millennium Publishing to release, *A Portrait of Pepperdine*, a beautiful new book offering a photographic glimpse at the University from a unique perspective.

Journey to Pepperdine campuses around the globe to explore what makes this university so special. New images captured by award-winning photographer Julian Andrews depict the rich and varied experiences of the Pepperdine community, which recently unearthed photos and archival artifacts tell the story of a dynamic history from humble beginnings in 1937 to the present day.

[Buy now](#) to receive 20% off the cover price and be listed inside as a sponsor. Limited time offer ends September 30.

Honoring the Heroes of 9/11



Sunday, Sept. 11 marks a decade since the political landscape changed following the attacks on American citizens, and 10 short years since Pepperdine lost one of its own: alumnus Thomas E. Burnett, Jr., who perished on Flight 93 in Pennsylvania. Paying tribute to the heroism of Burnett, his fellow passengers, and all the innocent victims of 9/11, [several events](#) will be held on Pepperdine's Malibu campus throughout that Sunday, including a special Waves of Flags display, with 2,977 flags honoring those who died on 9/11.

Amid a breathtaking display of the flags on the University's expansive lawn - honoring the victims and emergency responders who died on 9/11 - Pepperdine will present a reading of the victims' names beginning at 11:00 a.m. A total of 20 readers from service, charitable, religious, and professional organizations will join 15 individuals from the Pepperdine community in reading the names.

Make plans now to commemorate the 10th anniversary of 9/11 at Pepperdine University. [Read more.](#)

Pepperdine Equestrian Team



Is your son or daughter interested in joining Pepperdine's newest club sport? The Pepperdine Equestrian Team will hold an informational meeting at the HAWC on September 6, 2011 at 7:00 p.m. There are two forms of membership. Team members represent Pepperdine at IHSA shows. Club membership is for those with an interest in horses who are not interested in competition. For more information contact

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Events »

Mark Your Calendars

[Sign Up](#) for **Step Forward Day 2011**-Register to be a part of the 23rd annual day of service, which will bring students, alumni, parents, and friends together on Saturday, Sept. 10, at locations near the Malibu campus, across the country, and around the globe. [More](#)

Waves Weekend Registration Now Open

[Register](#) to join friends and family as they kick off Pepperdine's 75th anniversary celebration with

an action-packed weekend of fun October 14 to 16. [More.](#)

The W. David Baird Distinguished Lecture Series - Wednesday, September 21, 2011

Sheryl WuDunn, the first Asian-American reporter to win a Pulitzer Prize, is a best-selling author, business executive and lecturer. Currently, she is a senior managing director at Mid-Market Securities, an investment banking boutique serving growth companies in the middle market, including companies founded and run by women. She is also president of TripleEdge, a social investing consultancy. WuDunn is co-author of Half the Sky: Turning Oppression into Opportunity for Women Worldwide, a New York Times best-selling book about the challenges facing women around the globe. [More.](#)

Men's and Women's Basketball Season Tickets Now on Sale

Ticket package features 13 regular-season games and one exhibition. [Register here.](#) [More](#)

Wave Classic Golf Tournament

The Parents Program only holds one fundraising event a year - The Wave Classic Golf Tournament. This gives our parents a great opportunity to be involved in raising necessary funds for Seaver College. Please mark your calendar for Monday, November 7, 2011.

We will again follow tradition and host the tournament at the stunning Sherwood Country Club, home to the prestigious Tiger Woods Chevron World Challenge Golf Tournament. Sherwood Country Club never fails to provide exceptional course conditions, making it one of the most enjoyable golf experiences in Southern California! Moms, dads, grandparents, and family friends, if you are interested in playing, sponsoring, or donating an auction item, please email [Kim Barkis](#) or call 310-506-6110.

Seaver Life »



Meet Pepperdine's 2011 Fulbright Scholars

Six recent Pepperdine University graduates have joined the elite rank of Fulbright Scholars-one of the most prestigious scholarly awards worldwide. Sarah Chevallier, David Marzban, Lisa Porter, Ashley Watson, Elizabeth White, and Hayley Lerch ('11, English), who will fulfill her Scholarship in the Ukraine, will be using their Fulbright awards to travel all over the globe to embark on a diverse array of experiences as English Teaching Assistants (ETA) and researchers.

Established in 1946 under legislation introduced by the late Senator J. William Fulbright of Arkansas, the program's purpose is to build mutual understanding between the people of the United States and the rest of the world.

[Click here](#) to meet five of the Pepperdine Fulbright Scholars to learn how, in their own words, they will learn from their experiences, contribute to cultural research and relations, and fulfill J. William Fulbright's plan for his Scholars' to "bring a little more knowledge, a little more reason, and a little more compassion into world affairs and thereby to increase the chance that nations will learn at last to live in peace and friendship."

Get Involved »

Thank you to the wonderful parent and alumni volunteers who braved the heat to welcome and greet parents at New Student Orientation 2011:

Myra Alvarado, Wendy Block-Weiss, Gail Brisco, Guy and Tarianne Cotton, Lou Gerrard, Carmel Gardner, Laura Fehlbaum, Harold Lim, Terre and Greg Marshall, Marisa Medinilla, Susan Phillips, and Ed Vega.



Waves Weekend Volunteers Needed

Volunteer Opportunities for Waves Weekend 2011:

Friday, October 14, 2011 - 10:00 am to 5:00 pm.

Help welcome families to their return to Pepperdine! Volunteers will be working at the registration area greeting guests, handing out goody bags, family weekend materials and Parents Program information, as well as answering questions and helping give directions around campus. Shifts are available in 2 hour increments.



Friday, October 14, 2011 - 3:30 - 6:00pm - Help welcome families to President Benton's home for the President's Open House. Volunteers will be greeting guests, answering questions, and giving directions around campus.

Saturday, October 15, 2011-9:00-10:30am - Campus Prayer Walk - participate in a prayer walk around the campus during Waves Weekend by being a small group prayer leader or handing out prayer sheets.

Saturday, October 15, 2011-10:15-12:00pm - Brunch with the Dean: Come help us meet and greet parents while you hand out important information about the Parents Program while the Dean of Seaver College Rick Marrs will update you on important highlights and Vice Chancellor, Sara Young Jackson, will be informing parents about all the ways in which they can be involved.

Saturday, October 15, 2011-3:30-5:00 pm - Grandparents Reception: We need your help setting up and escorting Pepperdine Grandparents to the Parents Program tent in alumni park.

We would love to see you here for Waves Weekend! It's a great way to be involved and to connect with other Pepperdine families. [Click here](#) to volunteer or e-mail kimberly.barkis@pepperdine.edu.

Thank you Send-off Party Host Families

During the months of July and August current and incoming Seaver parents and alumni hosted 30 Send-Off parties throughout the United States. Over 1280 new students and their family members participated in these popular parties. We thank you for opening your homes and hearts to our incoming class. **The Parents Program salutes our incredible 2011 Send-Off party hosts:**



Ellen, Santiago and Anisa Guajardo
Carson, Jack, and Kym Radke
Mile High Waves Alumni Chapter
Ld and Bobbie Herzog
The Kasabian Family
Tracy and Jeff Everist
Steve and Ava Siwek
Lori and Michael Conger
Joni and Hal Brice
Robin and Tom Johnstone
Brian and Wendy West
Scott and Dawn Mukai
Barsoum Family-Nabil, Camelia, and Sandra
Rick, Victoria, and Gabrielle Fowler
Philip and Inge Boskovich
The Panu Family
Gail and William Sturm
Anna, Janina and David Tiner and the Ham Family - Pam, Greg, and Kate
Kelly and Alex Maza
Susie Berry
Guy and Tarianne Cotton
Rolf and Luann Sohlberg
Pradeep and Rindi Singh
Nanette and Steven Blumenfeld
William and Joann Foreman
Dean, Janet, and Emma Caldwell
Bob Simeone and Linda Deright

If you would like to host a Summer 2012 Send-off Party in your area, please contact [Kim Barkis](#).

Get Connected »

PAN Online

LinkedIn in A LinkedIn Pepperdine Seaver Parents Association group has been started. If you are a LinkedIn member, please join our group. We would enjoy connecting some of our outstanding students to you and your business through this media.

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. [Click here](#) to join.

Academic Calendar »

Important Fall Dates

Monday, September 5 - Labor Day holiday

Tuesday, September 6 - Tuition Due Date

Saturday, September 10 - Step Forward Day

Wednesday, September 21 - Founder's Day

Friday, October 7 - Faculty Conference; no classes meet

Friday, October 14 - Sunday, October 16 - Waves Weekend

Wednesday, November 23 - Friday, November 25 - Thanksgiving holiday; no classes meet

Monday, December 12 - Thursday, December 15 - Final exams*

Monday, December 26 - Monday, January 2 - Winter Break; all offices closed

*The final exam schedule for first semester is already posted online at seaver.pepperdine.edu/academics/schedule. From there choose the link "Fall 2011 Final Exam Schedule-PDF". You can also view the up to date 2011-2012 Academic Calendar, as well as the complete Seaver Class Schedule from this area. Once your student knows his or her schedule you can sit down with a copy of the class schedule, the final exam schedule, and the school calendar and book flights for the holidays.

**While not noted on the Academic Calendar

seaver.pepperdine.edu/academics/calendar/default.htm generally, the students must check out of the dorm for the Christmas holiday no later than 10 p.m. on the Thursday night of final exam week (Thursday, December 15, 2011). They may check out earlier and leave once their exams are completed. If a student has a Thursday night final, they are allowed to remain in their dorms no later than 9 a.m. Friday morning (December 16, 2011). Returning residents can check back in for the spring term on the afternoon of Thursday, January 5.

A Note From Admissions

If you ever have the need to contact a university office about your child's record, please first be sure that you have Guest Access. If you don't, ask your student to set that up for you so that you are able to contact us without any problems. If you're not sure, once you contact the office in question, you'll likely find out. Once that is set up, please remember that if you email the office, you should always do so from your personal account and never from your student's. In fact, if your student allows you to use her/his Pepperdine email account, s/he is violating the computer usage policy, something we don't want to occur. We look forward to hearing from you!

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

Take the 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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