A USF Education in an Interconnected World
Kasamahan Barrio Fiesta 2011:
Dominic Sandoval
Cover illustration: Rich Lillash
Good Sports
Three scholarship athletes from one family at the same time? Now playing at USF—Angelo, Vinny, and Joan Caloiaro.

Little Program
Steadily and quietly (until now), USF’s MFA in writing program has blossomed into a destination of choice for aspiring writers, thanks, in part, to some high-powered, award-winning faculty.

Best Job
Want to book a special event at AT&T Park? Stephen Revetria ’92 can accommodate anything from a family birthday party to a Paul McCartney concert.

Hopes and Dreams
As members of the Class of 2011 head out into the “real world,” we get their take on what the future might hold.

Global Perspective
Education at USF has “gone global,” with students not only benefitting from study abroad but from the perspective and life experiences of students and faculty who’ve traveled to study and teach on The Hilltop.

Inspiring Change
Toan Lam ’00 turned away from a TV news career to produce his own videos of people doing extraordinary things through simple acts. The results have been inspiring others to pitch in.

After School
Class Notes
In Memoriam
Take Five
M y family never traveled much when I was a boy. Aside from an annual summer drive to Lake Tahoe and a trip to Disneyland when I was 8 (and that seemed like a trek across the globe), we didn’t venture far from home. It wasn’t until I graduated from high school and stepped on a plane for the first time for a trip to Europe that I had my first iron-clad proof that there was a whole world out there—a world of people, places, customs, traditions, and differences that all at once came to life and showed me that my little part of the world was just—that—little.

What’s curious about this, at least for me, is that I was no different from my extended family and friends in that none of us traveled, none of us went anywhere (to speak of), and as a result, none of us had a grasp of what the rest of the world was really like. Sure, we’d see reports on the news of wars, natural disasters, and politics. But, really it was all so—foreign.

How things have changed. Today, people travel all over the world as routinely as I used to go to Lake Tahoe. And, as the world has become less foreign and more familiar, this has translated to an educational bonanza for students, many of whom have the opportunity to go on study, service, or immersion trips abroad starting in high school.

At USF, education is not limited to the walls of the classrooms or even the boundaries of San Francisco, what we fondly refer to as our extended classroom. As our cover story on page 24 relates, our students have educational opportunities all over the globe.

“That’s nice,” you might say, unimpressed. So the students get to go to different places. How does that enhance their education? What do they really learn? As our story describes, there are many benefits not just in sending our students to Belize, Peru, China, South Korea, Hungary, and dozens of other countries, but in also attracting students and faculty from abroad who bring to USF life experiences and perspectives that our students would otherwise not encounter. Sometimes, it’s those perspectives themselves that add an extra dimension to education. It’s not just knowing that there are cultural differences and norms amongst us, it’s knowing what those differences are and why they exist that lends an extra element of knowledge that can’t be gleaned from books alone.

It’s like never looking at something the same way because you know the back story, you know the customs and perspectives that others are bringing into the discussion. It all helps to better inform and better educate us so that as the world becomes smaller in a geographic sense, we all come closer together as a global community.
The Impact of Fr. Lo Schiavo

I just read the wonderful article celebrating Fr. Lo Schiavo’s long tenure with USF. I am especially delighted that it was written while he is still around to appreciate the accolades.

I was a freshman his first year. I met him while hanging upside down over someone’s shoulder during freshman initiation week. He was quite cool about it, just smiled. Remember, this was when only the nursing students were the women on campus, so he wasn’t too used to dealing with females. Two years later, the school went fully co-ed. I convinced Fr. Lo, as we called him, that I should be the first female member of the Board of Student Control to assist with the female students. I still have my star.

Father Lo, you were such a success because you LISTENED! You were always around and always accessible. You were one of the first I called when my husband, Chuck, died in 2008. You were a real comfort.

I will always remember you with the greatest fondness and respect.

Willa Depner Arntz ‘66

Thank you to Jim Muyo and everyone else involved in the terrific tribute article on Fr. Lo Schiavo. I am one of the thousands he has helped. He gave me great advice about graduate school and career, and I will always be deeply grateful to him. I really appreciate the high quality of the articles and photos of USF Magazine. You folks are doing a great job.

I am also curious if anyone can tell me what is the structure on the far right of the back page photo of the 1941 ROTC cadets. It looks like some additional part of St. Ignatius Church, but it wasn’t there in my era and I don’t recall ever seeing a photo of this before. Thanks.

Andrew Berner ‘67

Shave and a Hairstyle

Identifying students on page 37 (fall 2010 issue) and cutting and receiving a 50-cent haircut, 1961, Phelan Hall.

Left: Tim Sullivan ’64
Right: Ted Hoff ’64

Tim Sullivan ’64

Not Everyone a Fan

Jim Muyo’s article on John Lo Schiavo was the most nauseating, pap-filled mixture of fact and fiction ever printed in your magazine and worthy of a Pulitzer Prize for literary (sic) garbage such as found in sensationalistic tabloids. Perhaps you can sell it to Rupert Murdoch, but I and others do not remember (Fr.) Lo Schiavo with fondness or kindness but with contempt for his raging ambition and ego.

Rob Briggs ’68

Sounding off on ROTC

Although I hesitate to raise my voice, I feel I should express my concern about the ROTC program at USF. I was quite interested in reading Daniel Blakley’s article “How One Jesuit Mission Skeptic Was Won Over” perspective on the education and mission statement of the graduate school of business at USF.

He refers to the responsibility of preserving the educational values associated with the Jesuit mission but does not elaborate as to what they are. I was disturbed to realize the intellectual components of a values-based education are becoming less available.

I understand that the university is trying to educate their graduate students on social responsibility and environmental awareness. What I found lacking in the article was the importance of critical thinking, the basis of which was taught in logic classes, or moral responsibilities that are elaborated in philosophy classes that would apply in any business environment.

Business trends, environmental concerns, and new innovations in the workplace will always be a challenge that will have to be addressed by business leaders. It is the responsibility of the university to educate students in core values that have been elaborated by the Catholic church and strengthened in the educational milieu to cause substantive changes in the business world.

John R. Dollard ’60

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Student Graduates from USF After 48-Year Break

When Michael Gordon walked across the stage to receive his diploma from the University of San Francisco on May 20, he was a little late. Forty-eight years late, to be exact.

Gordon dropped out of USF in 1963, just one semester shy of graduating, after deciding that he couldn’t afford college and also provide for his wife and newborn daughter. But, the 68-year-old returned triumphantly to the Hilltop to receive his undergraduate degree—a bachelor of arts in politics with a minor in philosophy.

The decision to leave USF in 1963 has haunted him since he left USF. “I have had recurring dreams for years about being back in college, and it’s hard to believe it has finally happened,” Gordon said. “This degree means everything in the world to me. I feel as if my life is fulfilled.”

Gordon said it was his junior year roommate, Jim McCartin ’64, MBA ’85, who gave him the encouragement he needed to finish his degree. In fact, it was McCartin who called the university on Gordon’s behalf to get the ball rolling. “This would never have happened if Jim hadn’t intervened on my behalf,” Gordon said. “I owe him a great debt of gratitude, and I also want to thank the University of San Francisco for helping make this happen.”

USF conducted an analysis of Gordon’s transcript and consulted with academic departments and professors before creating an academic program of directed study that allowed Gordon to fulfill the necessary requirements to graduate. Gordon completed two classes in politics and two in philosophy. “I think I got an ‘A’ in all of them,” Gordon said.

A mountain climber, Gordon has successfully climbed six of the “Seven Summits,” the seven highest mountains on seven continents, including Mount McKinley. The only summit to defeat him is Mount Everest. Gordon tackled that mountain three times, and has come within 1,500 feet of the top. “I wouldn’t trade getting this degree for anything, not even for reaching the summit of Mount Everest,” Gordon said.

Gordon is a licensed pilot and a certified open-water diver. He is also the founder and president of Chilkoot Charlie’s, a legendary watering hole in Anchorage. Gordon and his wife live in Anchorage. He has two children and seven grandchildren.

2011 MAY COMMENCEMENT BY THE NUMBERS:

995 + 808 + 28 + 240 + 18 = 2089

undergraduates master’s candidates doctoral candidates law graduates cadets commissioned as officers by the U.S. Army ROTC Total number of students invited to commencement and commissioned

USF Honors Egyptian Youth, Immigration Reform Activist at Commencement

The University of San Francisco honored Egypt’s youth for their role in the pro-democratic overthrow of a repressive regime as well as an outspoken leader for U.S. immigration reform by bestowing on them honorary degrees at the university’s commencement exercises in May.

The now famous Egyptian blogger and tweeter, Mahmoud Salem, better known by his handle @sandmonkey, who took part in the Egyptian revolution, accepted an honorary degree during the School of Nursing’s graduation on behalf of the Egyptian youth who led the way in overthrowing ousted Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak’s regime using peaceful methods in January and February.

Salem, 29, a graduate of Northeastern University, became news during the uprising as thousands of followers and members of the media followed his writings about events as they happened. Several days into the revolution, Salem revealed his identity, going on television to report that he was beaten by a mob of Mubarak supporters, his car was destroyed, and he was arrested.

Isabel Castillo, an activist and advocate for the DREAM (Development, Relief and Education for Alien Minors) Act, was honored at the College of Arts and Sciences arts, architecture, performing arts, and social sciences graduation. The DREAM Act would provide legal standing to undocumented college students whose parents brought them to the U.S. illegally when they were children.

USF and the 27 other U.S. Jesuit colleges and universities, and the nation’s Catholic bishops, have petitioned the federal government for a more humane and just immigration policy. Even after graduating with high academic honors in social work, Castillo has been unable to find work in her field without a social security number. Castillo was 6 when her parents brought her to the U.S. from Mexico.

Additional honorary degree recipients included Bienvenido F. Nebres, S.J., the longest serving president of Ateneo de Manila University; Marjorie Balazs ’69, CEO and founder of Balazs Analytical, a leader in semiconductor innovation; Carmen Maria Cervantes, the co-founder and executive director of Instituto Fe y Vida (Faith and Life Institute); trial attorney Joseph W. Cotchett; and Ming W. Chin ’64, JD ’67, associate justice on the Supreme Court of California and a member of the USF Board of Trustees.
Three University of San Francisco faculty are among the 180 John Simon Guggenheim Memorial Foundation fellowship winners for 2011.

USF Provost Jennifer Turpin described each of USF’s Guggenheim winners—Richard Leo, associate professor of law, D.A. Powell, associate professor of English, and David Vann, associate professor in the MFA in writing program—as gifted writers that have had a significant impact on USF students who have benefited by studying with such major figures.

“I am so happy that we have been able to recruit these outstanding teacher-scholars whose writing promises to have a major impact on society, whether through poetry, fiction, or nonfiction work,” Turpin said. The fellowships include cash awards of various amounts.

Leo, and writer Tom Wells, who coauthored the award-winning The Wrong Guys: Murder, False Confessions, and the Norfolk Four, plan to use their grant to research a new book, The Innocence Revolution, which examines the founding of the Innocence Project and the consequential exoneration of hundreds of wrongly convicted U.S. prisoners as a result of DNA evidence.

Powell, the winner of the prestigious Kingsley Tufts Poetry Award for his book Chronic and Harvard University’s Phi Beta Kappa guest poet in 2010, will use his grant to pay for research trips to California’s Central Valley for his new book of poetry.

International best-selling author and winner of France’s Prix Médicis in 2010, Vann will use his grant to work on his sixth novel, Dirt. This new work of fiction will draw on Vann’s family history in California’s Central Valley, relating the main character’s pursuit of spiritual transcendence in the New Age movement.

San Francisco mayoral candidates gathered for the first forum of the election season at the University of San Francisco May 5, with nine top candidates attending.

Modeled on the 2008 ServiceNation Presidential Candidates Forum, the San Francisco mayoral forum provided a platform for candidates to discuss the future of service and engaged citizenship in San Francisco. Candidates were asked how to increase trust in local governmental institutions and within communities, revitalize local democracy, and ensure that San Francisco becomes a city of service.

The forum was co-sponsored by USF’s Leo T. McCarthy Center for Public Service and the Common Good and buildOn, a national nonprofit that empowers students and communities through in-school and after-school service programs in the U.S. and abroad.

“Co-hosting a mayoral forum is a fitting project for USF and buildOn because it engages high school and college students, as well as the greater community in the process of local politics,” said Corey Cook, forum moderator, director of the Leo T. McCarthy Center for Public Service and the Common Good, and assistant professor of politics.

High school and college students, as well as the wider public, posed questions to the candidates. An estimated 400 people attended.

President earns award for justice

University of San Francisco President Stephen A. Privett, S.J. has been presented the Robert M. Holstein Faith Doing Justice Award by the Ignatian Solidarity Network (ISN).

ISN promotes leadership and advocacy among students, alumni, and emerging leaders from Jesuit schools, parishes, and ministries by educating them on social justice issues, mobilizing a national network to address those issues, and encouraging a lifelong commitment to the service of faith and the promotion of justice.

“Fr. Privett has enthusiastically supported our organization since its founding by providing office space and encouraging the participation of students, faculty, and administrators in all of our programs,” said Ann Magovern, ISN executive director. “We are deeply grateful for our partnership with USF under the leadership of Fr. Privett who has truly responded to Fr. Pedro Arrupe’s call to be a ‘person for others.’”
USF Earns “A-” for Environmental Efforts

The University of San Francisco has earned an A- on the latest College Sustainability Report Card, the only independent sustainability evaluation of campus operations and endowment investments in the U.S.

Among some notable programs and improvements that contributed to USF’s grade were USF’s Garden Project, the expansion of USF’s composting efforts beyond food services into some residence halls, efforts by the Green Team to make workplaces across campus more environmentally friendly, and the university’s plans to make the new John Lo Schiavo, S.J., Center for Science and Innovation LEED Gold-Certified or better.

The student club Net Impact also led a successful effort to convert water fountains on each floor of the School of Business and Professional Studies to reusable water bottle refill stations.

CSI Renamed to Honor Fr. Lo Schiavo

The University of San Francisco broke ground on its much-anticipated science center, to be named the John Lo Schiavo, S.J. Center for Science and Innovation, after USF’s chancellor and former president, December 10. Occupancy of the new center is expected in 2014.

The 60,000-square-foot building—designed by award-winning architecture firm NBBJ—will remake the university’s presence on the main campus and expand the ability of faculty to teach advanced science.

With more than $40 million raised for the project, USF President Stephen A. Privett, S.J., and Claudio Chiuchiarelli, chair of the board of trustees, thanked and congratulated major donors at the groundbreaking, attended by Fr. Lo Schiavo (right, with Fr. Privett).

To view a video of the event, visit www.usfca.edu/csi/.

USF Shares $1.8 Million Earthquake Grant

Investigating earthquakes means studying past seismic events or, increasingly, analyzing elaborate computerized simulations—the latter of which Associate Professor of computer science Christopher Brooks will do as part of a shared grant worth $1.8 million from the National Science Foundation.

The multi-year shared grant allows for collaborative research from Brooks and scientists at the Information Sciences Institute at the University of Southern California, Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory, and the University of Delaware through 2012.

Brooks intends to make complex computerized modeling faster and easier. Included in the grant are funds for USF computer science students to become involved in developing tools to help scientists better monitor and debug their research.
USF STUDENTS BY THE NUMBERS

9585 total number of students at USF

Number of countries represented in the USF student body
75

91% of first-year students live on campus

Percentage of USF undergraduates receiving financial assistance
65%

FALL 2010 ENROLLMENT BY SCHOOL

UNDERGRADUATE
- Arts 2,542
- Sciences 741
- Business 1,388
- Nursing 656

SUBTOTAL Traditional (UG) 5,327

UG Professional Studies 391

GRADUATE
- Arts 518
- Sciences 313
- Business 362
- Nursing 318
- Education 993
- Law 766

SUBTOTAL Traditional (G) 3,270

GRADUATE (cont.)
- (G) Professional Studies 448

SPECIAL STUDENTS
- Graduate and Undergraduate 149

FALL 2010 ENROLLMENT BY ETHNICITY
- White 38.2%
- Asian/Asian American 18.2%
- Latino/Hispanic 13.0%
- African American 12.2%
- Native American 5.1%
- Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander 1.4%
- Other/Unspecified 9.7%

FALL 2010 FRESHMAN STATISTICS

- Avg. Combined SAT 1116
- Avg. Composite ACT 25
- Avg. GPA 3.52

- % from public schools 47
- % from Catholic/parochial high schools 32
- % from private schools 12
- % unidentified 9

SAT AND ACT RANGES
- 25th to 75th percentile ranges
- SAT 1010-1220  ACT 22-27

15:1 Student-faculty ratio
25 Average core class size
24 Average major/elective class size

RANKINGS
- U.S. News & World Report ranks USF 28th among national universities for student ethnic diversity and 23rd in international student enrollment.
- The Princeton Review names USF one of the “Best Western Colleges” and San Francisco 6th in the nation for “Great College Towns.”

- USF is ranked 117th on America’s Best Colleges 2010 U.S. News & World Report, online.
- For the fifth straight year, USF was named to the President’s Higher Education Community Service Honor Roll by the Corporation for National and Community Service. This honor highlights USF students’ exemplary service on issues ranging from poverty and homelessness, to environmental justice.

$49,290 Major expenses for 2011-12
$37,040 Full time tuition
$12,250 Room & board
The initiative is aimed at urban schools where close to 50 percent of new teachers leave the profession after three years.

Under a three-year $1.4 million AmeriCorps grant initiative, USF, the San Francisco Education Fund, Stanford University, the San Francisco Unified School District, and the United Educators of San Francisco, have created three teacher academies in “hard to staff” SFUSD schools.

“Research indicates that more experienced teachers and more prepared teachers are more effective in terms of pupil achievement, and research also indicates that urban youth are the most likely to be taught by inexperienced and under-prepared teachers,” said Peter Williamson, USF assistant professor of teacher education, who is leading the USF effort.

“This program aims to solve this problem by providing people who are committed to teaching in these schools with the best preparation to be successful.”

USF Donates Computers to Close the Digital Divide

The University of San Francisco and the Tenderloin Technology Laboratory are celebrating a decade of partnership in their effort to narrow the digital divide by providing computers and technology access and know-how to low-income residents of San Francisco’s Tenderloin district.

“The Retired Computer Donation Project was established in response to the USF community’s desire to support local organizations aligned with the university’s mission,” said Steve Gallagher, vice president of Information Technology Services.

The Tenderloin Technology Laboratory uses donated computers from USF to provide low-income residents of the Tenderloin with skills and resources to improve their ability to locate work through online job sites, connect with family and friends, and find resources such as housing, food stamps, health care, and public transportation.

Bill Russell Honored

Bill Russell, USF and NBA basketball legend and Hall of Famer, was honored with the Presidential Medal of Freedom on February 15.

“More than any other athlete of his era, Bill Russell came to define the word ‘winner,’” President Barack Obama said in introducing Russell at the White House award ceremony.

After leading USF to back-to-back NCAA championships in 1955 and 1956, Russell went on to earn a gold medal in the 1956 Olympic Games in Melbourne. He then joined the Boston Celtics and won 11 NBA titles in 13 years, including two as player-coach. Russell became the first African-American head coach in any professional sport in the U.S. when he was named coach of the Celtics in 1966.

The president also noted Russell’s commitment to human rights and justice. Russell marched for equal rights with Martin Luther King Jr.

The Presidential Medal of Freedom is the United States’ highest civilian award and recognizes men and women who have “made an especially meritorious contribution to: (1) the security or national interests of the United States, or (2) world peace, or (3) cultural or other significant public or private endeavors.”

USF Nursing Students and Professor Honored for Heroism

A group of University of San Francisco nurses who provided disaster assistance when a tropical storm hit Guatemala in 2010 has been honored by the American Red Cross Bay Area Chapter and San Francisco County civic leaders for its courage.

Nine USF nursing students and Linda Walsh (left), associate professor of nursing at USF and a midwife, responded quickly by setting aside the prenatal care campaign that was the basis for their immersion trip to offer emergency assistance when Tropical Storm Agatha hit San Lucas, Guatemala.

The storm killed more than 150 people in Guatemala alone, before moving on to El Salvador and Honduras.

In a ceremony at the Marines’ Memorial Club and Hotel, Walsh and her students were honored at the San Francisco County Heroes Breakfast where they received the Act of Courage Hero, Organization award.

“I am truly humbled by the recognition given to the USF School of Nursing’s efforts to assist the community of San Lucas Toliman as they responded to the disaster of mudslides and devastation brought about by tropical storm Agatha,” Walsh said.

“I’m humbled because what we did was what nurses do every day across the world—assess situations that threaten the health of individuals, families, and communities and intervene as necessary for the good of the people.”
June Quan, a second-year law student at the USF School of Law, has been named Miss Chinatown USA 2011.

A first-time beauty pageant contestant, Quan wasn’t sure how the experience and, ultimately, being named Miss Chinatown USA would mesh with her legal ambitions. But, to her surprise, it has already opened doors she hadn’t anticipated.

“In March I was invited to the Asian American Bar Association annual banquet, where I had the pleasure of meeting many notable lawyers and judges in the field,” Quan said. Quan is pursuing a focus in entertainment law. One of her main goals during her tenure as Miss Chinatown USA is to encourage young people to give back to their communities by volunteering and exploring Chinese culture. She also wants to be a role model for young Chinese-American women.

Provost, Professor Placed on Most Influential List

University of San Francisco Provost Jennifer Turpin and Assistant Professor Moira Gunn have been named to the Most Influential Women in Bay Area Business list for 2011 by the San Francisco Business Times.

The “most influential” list recognizes 150 outstanding women professionals who make a difference in their companies, industries, and communities.

“I feel very honored to be listed alongside so many incredible women who are making a difference in San Francisco and the Bay Area,” Turpin said. “Although I’ve never considered myself a woman in business, I think higher education is so critical to the future of the Bay Area and the world that I am happy that the San Francisco Business Times recognized women in higher education among their choices.”

“This is an honor on so many levels,” Gunn said. “First, to be recognized alongside Jennifer, a woman who is a clear leader in bringing innovative higher education to the San Francisco Bay Area. Then to be named with all these illustrious women in business. What is clear is how important education is to the economic future of our region. With USF’s many programs—from biobusiness to our international and global competencies—there is no doubt that we serve both our existing and future workforce.”

The creator of the public radio programs Tech Nation and BioTech Nation, which air on National Public Radio’s 24-hour stream, Gunn’s expertise in science, engineering, education, and broadcast media that helped many laymen understand technology by interweaving scientific concepts into mainstream interviews and commentaries was cited for the National Science Board Award.

Tipping Point CEO to Receive USF Honor

Daniel Lurie, CEO and founder of Tipping Point Community, will receive the 2011 University of San Francisco California Prize for Service and the Common Good at a gala dinner on November 1 on campus.

Tipping Point works to eliminate poverty in the Bay Area by finding, funding, and partnering with the best nonprofit organizations that serve low-income families and individuals. Tipping Point also provides their nonprofit partners with the technology, strategic planning, executive coaching, and communications tools needed to grow and increase their effectiveness.

“Daniel Lurie has shown the momentum a single individual can create in our community,” said USF President Stephen A. Privett, S.J. “It is clear to me that USF and Tipping Point share common values, most notably, making service to the most vulnerable members of society a priority.”

New Video Showcases USF

“Colossal.” “A Grand Spectacle.” “Inspiring.” No, it’s not a review of the latest Quentin Tarantino film. It’s how some people might describe the new University of San Francisco 60-second video now showing on the Internet and during televised USF basketball games. The new spot, which features USF faculty and students using the city of San Francisco as an extended classroom, has received rave reviews.

To view the video, visit www.youtube.com/watch?v=Kg3cwziZxK4
USF Receives Large Bequest

The University of San Francisco has received one of the largest bequests in its history from the estate of the late Judge John Bible ’49, JD ’59, veteran of the U.S. Air Force during World War II and San Mateo County Superior Court Judge between 1978 and 1993.

The $4 million bequest will be split, with one half supporting the USF School of Law and the other devoted to the construction of the John Lo Schiavo, S.J. Center for Science and Innovation.

“Judge Bible had a distinguished career and life of sacrificing for others,” said Jeffrey Brand, dean of the USF School of Law. “He is remembered as a considerate jurist who showed particular kindness toward victims and a concern for the protection of children. This generous gift will enable USF to carry on his legacy and contribute to the long-term welfare of the university. We are deeply grateful for Judge Bible’s altruistic spirit and charitable actions.”

KUSF Sold, Moves Online

KUSF-FM has been sold and moved to an online-format, enabling its eclectic music collection to reach an even larger audience.

The move came after USF reached an agreement to sell the KUSF-FM frequency, 90.3, for $3.75 million to the Classical Public Radio Network (CPRN), which is owned by the University of Southern California.

The call letters “KUSF” were retained by USF, along with the station’s music library. The move to online streaming gives KUSF.org an opportunity to grow its worldwide audience. Pending final approval by the FCC, the sale allows USF to focus on the station’s primary purpose as a teaching laboratory for students and to invest the proceeds to support USF’s mission.

Due to the contractual agreement of the sale, the university was unable to discuss details until the public announcement was made. KUSF-FM began broadcasting on April 25, 1977.

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USF Professor’s Venture Capital Index Rising

A venture capital index by USF Professor Mark Cannice continues to rise and to gain more attention in the business world. The index, most recently released on April 28, showed a 3.91 rating (on a scale to 5), up from 3.75 in January. The index is regularly cited as a barometer of venture capital activity and interest in The New York Times, The Wall Street Journal, The Washington Post, and other business and news media outlets.

The quarterly Silicon Valley Venture Capitalist Confidence Index® (Bloomberg ticker symbol: SVVCCI) is based on an on-going survey of San Francisco Bay Area/Silicon Valley venture capitalists. The index measures and reports the opinions of professional venture capitalists in their estimation of the high growth venture entrepreneurial environment in the San Francisco Bay Area over the next six to 18 months. This quarter’s index indicates increasing upward momentum in confidence since its low point, 2.77, in the fourth quarter of 2008.

A professor of entrepreneurship and innovation, Cannice first published the index in 2004.

Open for Business in Beijing

To sustain and cultivate Chinese students’ interest in USF, the university recently opened a new office in Beijing.

“Now, prospective students, parents, and alumni have an immediate line of contact in Beijing,” said Stanley Nel, USF vice president of international relations.

The last seven years have seen more of Nel’s efforts center on China, including recruiting, fundraising, and establishing relationships with top Chinese universities, Nel said. It’s a focus that has seen the number of native Chinese enrolled at USF rising dramatically to 424 from just 41 in 2005.

Located in Beijing’s Central Business District, USF’s new office is not far from the U.S. Embassy. Nel is currently hiring a staff for the office, which will be open six days a week. Staff will do everything from visit high schools and college fairs to interview prospective students and respond to the questions of parents who already have students at USF.

Also in the works are events for members of the USF community in China and job placement counseling for recent graduates organized through the new office, Nel said.

Dean of Strategic Relations Named

Mike Duffy, former dean of the School of Business and Professional Studies, has been named dean of strategic relations for academic affairs. In his new role, Duffy will advance USF’s relationships and partnerships with a variety of individuals and organizations in the San Francisco Bay Area and enhance USF’s recognition and standing in the city.

As dean of BPS for five years, Duffy strengthened the school in numerous ways, including recruiting 17 new tenure-track faculty members, enhancing the research culture of the school, merging the former SOBAM with the College of Professional Studies, and launching the new joint Masters in Global Entrepreneurship and Management program.

Duffy will continue as a member of the Provost’s Council and will identify strategic relationships and opportunities for each of USF’s schools and colleges, as well as for the university as a whole to generate additional funding for the university.

Michael Webber has been named interim dean of the school and is expected to fill the post during the search for a permanent dean. Webber has been at USF for 18 years in a variety of capacities, including as associate vice provost for academic effectiveness.

A nationwide search for a new dean for the School of Business and Professional Studies is planned to launch in the fall.

Former Pacific Rim Director Honored

Former USF Center for the Pacific Rim Director Barbara Bundy is one of just two individuals in 2010 to receive the prestigious Foreign Minister’s Commendation by the Minister of Foreign Affairs of Japan. Bundy was presented with a citation by Consul General of Japan, Hon. Hiroshi Inomata, on December 6 at a ceremony and dinner at his residence in San Francisco. Bundy worked at USF for 21 years.

“You are hereby recognized for your extensive contributions over the course of two decades to the promotion of mutual understanding between Japan and the United States and to the advancement of research in California on Japan and Asia through your endeavors as Founding Executive Director of the University of San Francisco Center for the Pacific Rim,” the commendation read.

USF Magazine Earns Awards

USF Magazine was recently honored with a bronze award of excellence by the Council for the Support and Advancement of Education (CASE) District VII for print periodical publishing improvement for its 2009-2010 redesign. The magazine also earned an award of merit from the Higher Education Marketing Report.
New AD Lays Out Agenda

Scott Sidwell, the University of San Francisco’s new athletic director, wasted no time in spelling out his plans once word of his appointment leaked to the media in early May.

“My vision for USF athletics is to develop student-athletes who will excel in the classroom, win at the highest levels of competition, engage in the community, and become leaders who will make a difference in the world,” Sidwell said.

The new AD came to USF from Syracuse University where he served as executive senior associate athletic director. At Syracuse, Sidwell headed external operations and directed Syracuse athletics marketing, communications, ticket sales, and media properties efforts since 2008.

“After an exhaustive and highly competitive national search, we are thrilled to have Scott Sidwell as our new athletic director,” said Jeffrey Brand, dean of the USF School of Law and chair of the athletic director search committee. “He comes with a proven track record and a broad range of experience in NCAA Division I athletics, including his current work in one of America’s top programs. He has all the skills to ensure that our student-athletes achieve academic and athletic success and to bring prominence to USF athletics.”

Prior to joining Syracuse, Sidwell spent five seasons at Tulane as the associate athletic director for corporate development. From 1998-2000, Sidwell was the director of marketing operations for the New Orleans Saints. He takes the reins from Gary Nelson, interim athletic director and USF golf coach. Nelson took the post in September 2010, following the resignation of Debra Gore-Mann.

Sidwell is married with three children.

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Ollie Matson Remembered

USF legend Ollie Matson ’52, a Pro Football Hall of Fame running back who starred on the Dons’ celebrated 1951 undefeated football squad, passed away from respiratory failure at home February 19. He was 80.

Honored as a “Legend of the Hilltop” as one of the top 75 athletes in USF history at the institution’s 150th anniversary in 2006, Matson became the first of three members of the 1951 Dons football team inducted into the Bay Area Sports Hall of Fame, eventually joined by Pro Football Hall of Famers Gino Marchetti and Bob St. Clair.

At the memorial service honoring Matson, Donal Godfrey, S.J., associate director of University Ministry, who represented USF, said, “We are, and always will be, extremely proud of Ollie and his legacy.”

The 1951 USF team is considered to be among the greatest NCAA teams of all time. The squad was undefeated, winning its games by an average of 25 points, but was denied a bowl berth when the team refused to leave its two African-American players, Matson and the late Burl Toler ’52, E ’56, E ’63, M.A ’66, off of its roster for the bowl game.

After earning All-America honors in his final year at USF as a defensive back, Matson won two Olympic medals in the 1952 Helsinki Games in the 400 meters and the 400-meter relay.

Matson played with the Chicago Cardinals, Los Angeles Rams, and Philadelphia Eagles in the NFL.
GOOD SPORTS, CALOIARO STYLE

Practically any time a USF sports team is competing, there's a good chance that fans might notice one common name in the lineup. That's because three members from the same family—each at USF on athletic scholarships—are competing for the Dons.

By Edward Carpenter
Three gifted athletes, three sports, three Division I scholarships, one remarkable family. If you haven’t seen the University of San Francisco’s Caloiaros in action you still have a chance.

The eldest Caloiaro, junior communications major Angelo Caloiaro, is a starting forward on the Dons basketball squad. Business major Vinny Caloiaro, a sophomore, plays center midfield for men’s soccer. And freshman Joan Caloiaro, who is interested in both business and communications, is a setter for women’s volleyball.

“It is an extremely rare thing for three members of the same family to compete at the same university at the same time in three different sports,” said Ryan McCrary, USF assistant athletic director for media relations and a 19-year veteran of Division I athletics. “The Caloiaros are an exceptionally gifted group of student-athletes.”

Each of the siblings knows how to rise to the occasion. Each is capable of turning a desperate situation against an opponent to the Dons’ advantage.

As the talented younger sister, Joan cheerfully admits to the influence of her older brothers. “I really look up to my brothers,” Joan said. “I am one of their biggest fans.” The three have grown closer at USF, seeing each other almost daily, going out to dinner together on weekends, and attending the others’ games.

Growing up in a large, close-knit family, not to mention one full of talented athletes, a competitive streak comes naturally to all three. So much so, that parents Dominik and Maureen were frequently forced to break up contests of backyard wiffle ball and driveway basketball to keep the family peace.

“We were rarely able to finish a game,” said Angelo, with a laugh. “As we’ve grown older we’ve mellowed a little, but we still know how to talk trash to each other.”

“When we lose, it’s not a pretty sight,” admitted Joan, recalling games of ball tag in the house that ended in a raucous crescendo. Were vases shattered? Picture frames cracked? Joan was “mum,” on the matter.

In spite of their rivalry, the siblings are the first to support each other whether it’s rebounding the basketball while Angelo practices his jump shot, as Joan does, or strapping on goalie gloves to block and shag Vinny’s shots on goal, as Angelo has been known to do.

It’s all part of the patented Caloiaro dynamic. “We’re pretty family oriented,” Angelo explained. Dad, Dominik, is one of seven siblings and mom, Maureen, is one of eight. Most of their aunts, uncles, cousins, nieces, and nephews live in Saratoga, their hometown, or around the Bay Area. Easter and birthday gatherings can swell to 50 people with the guest list reading like a who’s who of athletic elites—including cousin Kerri Walsh, Olympian turned professional beach volleyball player, cousin Marcia Wallis, former Boston Breakers (WUSA) soccer forward, cousin Brian Barnard, a former U.S.A. national rugby team right wing, and, mom, Maureen, who is counted among the all-time top women’s basketball players at Pepperdine University.

Having such high achievers in the family raises the bar, but the Caloiaros seem to take it in stride. “It’s something to look up to and strive toward,” Angelo said. “It’s also fun to brag about.”

On the basketball court, Angelo established himself as a top long-range shooter his sophomore year, turning in the most accurate single-season beyond the arc in USF men’s basketball history, hitting slightly more than 49 percent of his attempts in 2009-10. As a junior, Angelo, at 6 feet 8 inches and 225 pounds, grew into a physical presence in front of the basket, leading the Dons in rebounds (248) as men’s basketball achieved its first 10-win West Coast Conference (WCC)
campaign (11-3) since 1982, making it to the quarterfinals of the CollegeInsider.com Tournament.

“I would say we have made huge strides since my freshman year and I’m happy with where the program is headed. But at the same time, I’m not satisfied with the season because we didn’t win a championship,” Angelo said.

Angelo came to USF from Archbishop Mitty High School in San Jose, having been recruited by Coach Rex Walters while Walters was in his previous post as head coach at Florida Atlantic University. Angelo, who balked at accepting the Florida offer because of the school’s distance from home, was still weighing a decision when Walters took the head coaching job at USF. Angelo signed immediately.

“I like USF because it is close to Saratoga, but the city is a completely different environment from where I grew up,” said Angelo, who enjoys hanging out at Baker Beach with friends in his spare time and catching Giants games.

With so many players returning next year, Angelo has lofty expectations for the team’s performance. After graduating he’d like to play professionally in Europe and then coach.

“BOOKMARKS

I want to stay connected to basketball. I can’t see my life without it, to be honest,” he said.

Younger brother Vinny saw action in all 19 men’s soccer matches last season, including 11 starts. He scored once and assisted twice during his sophomore campaign.

He was drawn to USF soccer because of Head Coach Erik Visser’s ball-possession approach and because of the positive reviews he heard from Angelo. “I also wanted a good education and the academics at USF are great,” said Vinny, who also attended Archbishop Mitty High School.

With solid freshman and sophomore campaigns behind him, Vinny stands on the brink of finding what it takes to push his game to the next level and become one of the team leaders his junior and senior years, Visser said.

The ability to meet so many students with wide-ranging backgrounds and life experiences at USF has impressed Vinny. “The friends that I have made, from those in the dorms to those in class or on the soccer field, have helped me to learn more about people because USF is so diverse compared to my high school,” he said.

A setter on the volleyball team, Joan spent the preseason preparing for and trying out for the U.S. Women’s National Team, U.S. Women’s National A2 Program, and U.S. Women’s Junior National Team in February. As one of 208 players from 81 colleges, among them USF teammate Malina Terrell, Joan gained valuable insight into top NCAA programs and what it takes to compete against future Olympians.

Joan was a 2010 honorable mention for the All-West Coast Conference Team and made the 2010 All-West Coast Conference Freshman Team. She was named American Volleyball Coaches Association (AVCA) high school All-American in 2009 and helped her alma mater, Archbishop Mitty High School, to back-to-back national titles in 2008 and 2009, going 39-0 in the latter.

As a setter, Joan calls the team’s plays while scheming to outmaneuver her opponents as she sets the ball for her teammates to spike. Ranked second on the team in kills, Joan also knows a thing or two about how to crush a set herself.

She’s watched cousin Kerri Walsh play in numerous Olympic and Association of Volleyball Professionals tournament games and appears to put what she has learned to good use for the Dons. Still, she doesn’t want her cousin to grow too full of herself. “To me, (Kerri) is just my cousin. I know she is a superstar and is the best volleyball player in the country, but I don’t treat her any differently because of it,” Joan said with a smile.

Like many freshman college students, Joan is enjoying living on her own for the first time. For fun, she likes to catch a movie or hang out with friends. San Francisco’s foodie culture and many eclectic restaurants have grown on her, but she refuses to let such flashy fare eclipse her favorite dishes—sandwiches and Cheerios.

Looking ahead to next year, all three of the Caloiaros have set their sights on winning “silverware”—indicating they won’t be satisfied with anything less.

“A year from now, I would like to be able to say that I have had a big impact on this program,” Angelo said. “In order to say that, we need to win a championship.”

Vinny not only wants a WCC title for men’s soccer and an NCAA Tournament berth, he’s set a personal goal of being named to the All-West Coast Conference squad.

Not to be outdone, Joan is also gunning for a WCC championship trophy and a chance at the NCAA Tournament title.
Joshua Mohr is one of those young writers people love to hate. In the last year, his two novels have either been reviewed in The New York Times, tapped by Oprah Winfrey as one of the year's 10 best books, or selected as an NYT Editors' Choice.

Throw in a bestseller and you have the makings of full-blown jealousy.

But dig a little deeper and you realize Mohr’s success is bitterly won. Fired by his prestigious agent in New York after his first novel couldn’t find a publisher, Mohr was told to try again with a second novel he had yet to write. Instead, he found a new agent who sent the first novel, Some Things That Meant the World to Me, to a small independent publishing house that later bought his first two novels.

“I thought if 500 weird artists read the book, then I’d be happy,” said Mohr, MFA ’05, who is working on a third book, All This Life, due out next year.

Mohr, whose second work, Termite Parade, was named an NYT Editors’ Choice, is perhaps the best example of the type of graduate the University of San Francisco’s MFA in writing program turns out: quirky and eminently successful writers who have a strong grounding in the local literary scene.

The program, begun in the late 1980s as a series of adult education classes of sorts, has morphed into a professional and rigorous program that attracts more applicants than it can admit. Over the last 10 years, applications have more than doubled as its faculty and graduates have reeled in domestic and international awards.

“The program has always had a wonderful, looser feel and that’s been appealing to students,” said Aaron Shurin, academic director and poetry professor.

As the economy sputters, applications for creative writing programs nationally have surged by as much as 50 percent. USF’s MFA program received the most applications ever in the last three years. The current class of 45 is among the largest in the program’s history.

USF’s popularity mirrors the explosion in interest across the country in creative writing. Over the last 15 years, the number of MFA programs has jumped 139 percent to 153, according to the Association of Writers & Writing Programs.

Unlike graduate degrees in the sciences, a creative writing program carries relatively low cost and is easy to start. No specialized equipment or buildings have to be built and the only real expense includes salaries and fellowships.

In the last 10 years, USF’s administration and MFA professors teamed up to completely overhaul the program and make it more professional. The curriculum was expanded, a regular reading series with noted authors was introduced, and the program grew from one...
to two nights. The MA degree was tossed out in favor of an MFA. A nonfiction coordinator was hired and the program moved into a new building. Spending money on the changes wasn't hard to do.

“It was an easy decision because it was so clear to me that we could raise our national profile and make our mark in a city where writing is an important feature,” said Jennifer Turpin, USF’s provost and former dean of the College of Arts and Sciences.

In 2009, David Vann, the new nonfiction coordinator and a decorated writer (see sidebar on page 18), led a revision of the nonfiction curriculum to coordinate it with those of fiction and poetry. Earlier this year, Vann was honored with a Guggenheim Fellowship (see page 5).

Unlike many MFA programs, USF students can take up to half of their classes in other genres regardless of the focus of their study. Classes are taught by working writers. There is no stated house style and the professors stress community and writing over publishing.

Abeer Hoque, who studied poetry at USF, credits the multiple fiction classes she took for her successful first book. After graduating, she took her thesis, a memoir that incorporated poetry, and turned it into Olive Witch, the winner of the 2005 Tanenbaum Award in nonfiction.

“This flexibility should be built into every program, and not just allowed, but encouraged,” wrote Hoque, MFA ’03, in a review of the program on gradinsider.com. Everyone, regardless of their chosen genre, should have to take at least one poetry, nonfiction, and fiction workshop. It only broadens your experience of writing.”

Classes in the two-and-a-half-year program begin in the summer with a first-person autobiography course that all incoming students must take together. The next two summers are spent honing a student’s thesis with a mentor. Many students have published excerpts from their theses or turned them into books and plays that have won multiple accolades.

“It forced me to sit down and focus and take two years to write. When I graduated, I had the book in hand,” said Craig Santos Perez, MFA ’06, who won the Poets & Writers California Writer’s Exchange Award in 2010, and whose second book, from unincorporated territory [saina], has been nominated for a Los Angeles Times Book Prize in Poetry.

Community is a theme that comes up again and again with graduates and professors. Perhaps because of its small class sizes, USF keeps the class tone light and friendly. The collegiality was the main reason Vann was attracted to USF from Florida State University.

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help writers become better,” said Amy Novesky, MFA ’95, a children’s book editor and author, whose picture book, Me, Frida, came out in October.

Reading and writing groups have sprung up among graduates, as well as lifelong friendships. Mohr and six other graduates take a look at each other’s drafts before they send them to editors. Santos Perez maintains a writing group with fellow poets and circulates calls for submissions.

“The conversation is not constrained to the classroom, it overflows the four walls,” said Catherine Brady, professor and fiction coordinator, whose new book, Story Logic and the Craft of Fiction, came out in September.

Connections are key to publishing success and USF has come through for its graduates. Santos Perez sold his first book of poetry, from unincorporated territory [bacha], to publishing house Tinfish Press with the help of one of his professors, while Brady helped Mohr revise his first book.

“I definitely wouldn’t have had the success I do now if I hadn’t gone to USF. If you want to be serious about your writing you have to focus on it. USF gives you the ability to do that.” Marisela Treviño Orta, MFA ’04

Some of Marisela Treviño Orta’s poems from her thesis have been published, but she’s drawn more attention for her playwriting. In her last year at USF, she wrote the first draft of a play, Braided Sorrow, that would go on to win the 2009 PEN Center USA Literary Award for Drama. It was the first play she had ever written.

“I definitely wouldn’t have had the success I do now if I hadn’t gone to USF,” said Treviño Orta, MFA ’04, a resident playwright at the Playwrights Foundation in San Francisco. “If you want to be serious about your writing, you have to focus on it. USF gives you that ability to do that.”
Imagine going to work every day at a major league baseball stadium, but your job is not watching the team or figuring how many hot dogs and beers you need to sell to turn a profit. Rather, you get to think up creative ways to attract major entertainment acts from rock stars to Cirque du Soleil to your state-of-the-art venue. Some people might call that **the BEST JOB in TOWN**

*By Jim Muyo*

Field of Dreams: Paul McCartney was just one of the headliners at AT&T Park in 2010.
On the surface of it, Stephen Revetria ’92 seems to have one of the coolest gigs in all of San Francisco. But talk to him and you quickly learn that his job—negotiating multi-million dollar deals to bring entertainment and sporting events to AT&T Park—is even better than it sounds.

Paul McCartney, the Rolling Stones, Cirque du Soleil, San Francisco Opera at the Ballpark, and Cal football are just some of the more than 750 events that Revetria has brought to the home of the World Series champion San Francisco Giants since the club moved from Candlestick Park after the 1999 season. And, it’s not just the headliners. As vice president and general manager of Giants Enterprises, a subsidiary of the Giants, Revetria also oversees all bookings for private parties and corporate events.

When he’s not in his third story AT&T Park office overlooking McCovey Cove, Revetria is off traveling on one of his many trips to secure bookings. “It’s so exhilarating,” he said a day before heading off to Los Angeles to meet with tour managers and concert promoters to see which musicians he might attract to AT&T Park. “My job is thinking outside of the box. We’ve had skiing in the middle of the field. We helped start the bowl game (originally the Emerald Bowl, this year’s game was renamed the Kraft Fight Hunger Bowl).”

Recognized with numerous awards for event staging, Revetria says his ideas for acts and events come from everywhere and anywhere. “Certainly, because of our reputation, we get people approaching us all the time. But I also read a lot and travel,” Revetria said. Some of his favorite reading is Sports Business Journal and Pollstar, the entertainment weekly that has the skinny on which performers are hot.

To make it on to the AT&T schedule, though, acts have to be more than just hot. Revetria said that bookings have to fit in with the Giants’ schedule, have the ability to sell out a 40,000-seat stadium, and be priced affordably.

Securing such acts, while intriguing and demanding for Revetria, is foreign to the folkloric image of the operation of a baseball team.

“This was revolutionary in 1999 when this was being talked about,” Revetria said. “It just wasn’t done. This was a commitment by (former Giants managing general partner) Peter McGowan, (current president) Larry Baer, and (former marketing and business executive) Pat Gallagher, who was really my mentor here. The Giants had confidence that their new venue, originally called Pacific Bell Park, would become an entertainment destination. They were right and the park and its event management team led by Revetria quickly earned national recognition.

One of the challenges that Revetria faces is juggling the booking of events at the park with the primary tenant. Thus, the Giants’ home schedule and possible post-season appearances such as last year’s push to the World Series championship take booking dates off of the calendar.

Revetria must also consider how events might affect the baseball field. “The integrity of the field is the number one importance. You don’t want a player out there slipping on a piece of grass that got ruined during a concert,” he said. “That offsets any profits and just isn’t good for the team.”

Thus, events such as Super Cross, skiing, and the bowl game are scheduled for the winter before the field gets completely redone for a few hundred thousand dollars, according to Revetria.

Still, Revetria can’t say yes to any event. He recalled a Hawaiian group that wanted to hold a luau on the field and bury a pig under the pitcher’s mound. Revetria politely turned down that request.

As if his job and the travel and management of bookings doesn’t keep Revetria busy enough, he and his wife, Elizabeth, are the proud parents of a new baby girl. He’s also a partner in Prophet Winery, started in 2006, whose pinot noir has been given four out of four stars by Food & Wine magazine and is now being sold in some of San Francisco’s finest restaurants.

In addition, he currently serves on the U.S. Council of the Meeting Professionals International Foundation, as commissioner for the Golden Gate Park Concours Authority, as a trustee of Fort Mason Center, as a board member for San Francisco Travel, and on the executive committee for the Hospitality Industry Management Program at the
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University of San Francisco. He is a past president of the International Special Events Society of Northern California and The Guardsmen. He is also a member of the USF President’s Ambassadors and is a past recipient of the Alessandri Service Award, named in honor of the late Al Alessandri ’51, former USF vice president of university relations.

“I love San Francisco and being engaged in the community. I’m fortunate to be in the position that I am in because so many people believed in my abilities and vision. In return, it is my intention and goal to give back and to be as philanthropic as I can,” Revetria said. “I am privileged to work for an organization that is a great partner in the community and supports my efforts and involvement.”

That involvement extends to USF. When Gallagher, a mentor to Revetria who worked for the Giants for 32 years, retired in 2008, Revetria sought a way to honor him and spearheaded a drive to develop the Pat Gallagher Fellowship in the USF Sport Management program. A recipient gets a year-long stint with the Giants, working in every facet of the organization while receiving a $7,500 stipend.

What’s next for Revetria? Possibly the development of Mission Rock, a large parcel of land near AT&T Park that the Giants and other partners are looking to develop into a multi-use community that will include open space, retail, restaurants, and an entertainment venue.

“I think the next step in my career and what I am excited about is the opportunity to help develop something. That’s the next project for me and where my interests really lie. And the Giants’ ownership has bought off on this idea. We have to go out and find the money to make it happen. It’s more than a billion dollar project, but we’re going to do it. I guess for me that’s the next phase in my career, to really get this new project up and running,” Revetria said.

Those are big plans and they’re far removed from Revetria’s days as a USF communications undergraduate student. A former business manager at the San Francisco Foghorn, Revetria said he envisioned a career in the business side of radio while he was at USF. However, while he was working as a student in the USF Alumni Relations office, he became involved in event planning and found the work interesting. Upon graduation, he went to work for Pacific Marine Yachts Charter, working his way to director of sales before leaving for Giants Enterprises.

So what’s on tap at AT&T Park this year while the Giants are away? With the addition of Cal football to the schedule, Revetria says that there are fewer dates available for other events, though a simulcast of the San Francisco Opera, which typically draws 30,000-plus, will take place on Sept. 25 and the Kraft Fight Hunger Bowl is going to return at a date still to be determined. But, with a history of Super Cross, skiing, and major rock concerts, just about anything might show up on the schedule.
HOPES, DREAMS

(and fears)

It’s been a wild ride for members of the class of 2011. They entered USF in the fall of 2007 when the economy was booming. They’ve seen a near collapse of the world’s economy, a modest recovery, the election of the country’s first African-American president, political upheaval marked by regime change, and a still shaky job market. USF Magazine polled graduating seniors to ask them what it all means as they head out into the world.

Dave Andrade

MAJOR: Accounting & Finance with a minor in Music
HOMETOWN: Soquel, CA
IMMEDIATE PLANS AFTER GRADUATION: Take 10 days off to spend with family and friends before continuing a full-time internship with Dolby Laboratories during the summer before starting my professional career in public accounting with Grant Thornton in October.

AS YOU LEAVE USF, WHAT IS YOUR GREATEST HOPE? As I prepare to graduate, my greatest hope is that USF will continue to provide future students the same amazing learning experiences and supportive community that I was so fortunate to have.

AS YOU LEAVE USF, WHAT IS YOUR GREATEST DREAM? My greatest dream is to eventually pursue music as more than just a hobby or side interest. One of my greatest dreams coming into USF was to join an a cappella vocal group. Having turned that dream into a reality, I soon realized that vocal music is truly my passion—I hope to some day become a semi-professional composer and arranger of a cappella vocal music.

AS YOU LEAVE USF, WHAT IS YOUR GREATEST FEAR? One of my greatest fears upon graduation is that I may get too wrapped up in my professional career to stop and appreciate life or pursue my true passions. I also fear that vastly differing post-graduation plans may prohibit me from seeing many of the wonderful friends I’ve made during my four years at USF.

Ariana Boyd Johnson

MAJOR: Business Administration/Marketing, minor in Public Relations
HOMETOWN: Laguna Niguel, CA
IMMEDIATE PLANS AFTER GRADUATION: I will be beginning a retail management training program with Abercrombie & Fitch in San Francisco.

AS YOU LEAVE USF, WHAT IS YOUR GREATEST HOPE? My greatest hope after leaving USF is that I will be able to stay on the track that I have planned for myself, and that I will get to travel and experience many new exciting things as well as continue learning in my new job and hopefully begin planning out my career path.

AS YOU LEAVE USF, WHAT IS YOUR GREATEST DREAM? As I prepare to leave USF my greatest dream would be to have a job on the business side of a multinational retailer that lets me travel all across the world and see and experience new cultures and countries. In this dream I hope that I will be working for a retail company that I really love and believe in, and that has ample opportunity for me to move up, or create my career path as I discover what aspects of the retail industry I really enjoy and want to pursue so I can focus those interests into a specification for when I choose to go back to school and get my MBA.

AS YOU LEAVE USF, WHAT IS YOUR GREATEST FEAR? I feel so lucky to have a job right after college graduation, and therefore my greatest fear would be the fragility of the state of the economy and where it will go in the future.

WHAT DO YOU HOPE TO BE DOING IN FIVE YEARS? I hope to be at the corporate level in a retail company and have my career path more defined and be in the midst of getting my MBA!
Bryce Sawin

MAJOR: Asian Studies, International Studies
HOMETOWN: Lake Oswego, OR
IMMEDIATE PLANS AFTER GRADUATION: Find a job ASAP and complete the USF MA in Asia-Pacific Studies.

AS YOU LEAVE USF, WHAT IS YOUR GREATEST HOPE? My greatest hope is that I will be in a financially stable position with a career I enjoy.

AS YOU LEAVE USF, WHAT IS YOUR GREATEST FEAR? Becoming a soul-less zombie/robot, working somewhere that requires no creativity and getting me into a boring routine.

WHAT DO YOU HOPE TO BE DOING IN FIVE YEARS? Living in New York or abroad—observing a new culture or way of looking at life.

Kate Matsumoto

MAJOR: Graphic Design
HOMETOWN: Los Angeles, CA

IMMEDIATE PLANS AFTER GRADUATION: My first trip to Europe—England, Germany, Italy, Spain, and France. I saved up all year to do backpacking for a month and meet up with some good friends in a few different countries. Afterward, I plan to return to San Francisco to look for a job.

AS YOU LEAVE USF, WHAT IS YOUR GREATEST HOPE? I hope that I’m happy; that I haven’t become a corporate sell-out, and that I enjoy my job. I also hope that I can recognize when something isn’t making me happy and have the courage to pursue something completely different.

AS YOU LEAVE USF, WHAT IS YOUR GREATEST DREAM? To own my own design firm or be an art director of one. Also, to see the world.

WHAT DO YOU HOPE TO BE DOING IN FIVE YEARS? In five years I hope to take what I have learned throughout my time at USF and apply it as I become a citizen of the world. I also hope to attend law school in California after my two-year commitment with Teach For America.

Lucas Paul Hendrickson

MAJOR: Philosophy
HOMETOWN: Huntington Beach, CA

IMMEDIATE PLANS AFTER GRADUATION: My aim is to work in San Francisco and put away some money so that I can capitalize on the loan I was recently granted to open a bike shop/bakery. What’s more I plan on grabbing up some great bike repair specialists in the area and finding some local artisans willing to impart their expertise in baking.

AS YOU LEAVE USF, WHAT IS YOUR GREATEST HOPE? My greatest hope is that I will be teaching secondary mathematics in the greater New Orleans region with the Teach For America program.

AS YOU LEAVE USF, WHAT IS YOUR GREATEST DREAM? My greatest dream is for you to open your own business and become successful.

Yuliana P. Quintero

MAJOR: International Studies and Latin American Studies with a minor in Legal Studies
HOMETOWN: San Francisco, CA

IMMEDIATE PLANS AFTER GRADUATION: I will be relocating to New Orleans as I will be teaching secondary mathematics in the greater New Orleans region with the Teach For America program.

AS YOU LEAVE USF, WHAT IS YOUR GREATEST HOPE? I hope to take what I have learned at USF and apply it as I become a citizen of the world. I also hope to attend law school in California after my two-year commitment with Teach For America.

AS YOU LEAVE USF, WHAT IS YOUR GREATEST FEAR? Not living up to my standards of excellence that I’ve set for myself.

WHAT DO YOU HOPE TO BE DOING IN FIVE YEARS? I hope that in five years I will have made a name for myself within San Francisco as the proprietor of a premier bike shop and a must-see bakery.

Karina Fernando

MAJOR: Accounting
HOMETOWN: San Jose, CA

IMMEDIATE PLANS AFTER GRADUATION: After graduating, I will study for and take the CPA exam. I will also be starting my position as an assurance associate at PricewaterhouseCoopers.

AS YOU LEAVE USF, WHAT IS YOUR GREATEST HOPE? My greatest hope is that I will fulfill my career goals of becoming a CPA and ultimately sharing my professional experience with students as a business professor.

AS YOU LEAVE USF, WHAT IS YOUR GREATEST DREAM? My greatest dream is to find a niche firm or be an art director of one. Also, to see the world.

WHAT DO YOU HOPE TO BE DOING IN FIVE YEARS? I hope to have my juris doctorate and be practicing law somewhere in the Bay Area.

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HOMETOWN: San Jose, CA

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EDUCATION WITH A GLOBAL PERSPECTIVE

As the world has gotten smaller, education at USF has broadened to include a global perspective that both informs and enhances the student experience. But it’s not just traveling abroad that has added to the educational adventure. USF students benefit from the presence and perspectives of students and faculty who’ve made the journey to the USF campus.

BY EDWARD CARPENTER
Cass Krughoff, a University of San Francisco sophomore from Colorado majoring in international studies and minoring in Chinese, has an ongoing debate with a friend. For Krughoff, there is no right or wrong way to eat with chopsticks.

His friend, Zinan (Kyle) Guo, a marketing major from Beijing, couldn’t disagree more. “I told Kyle how frustrating it is to use chopsticks and hold them in the proper way,” said Krughoff. “But, he assured me that it pays off in the end, because how you hold your chopsticks is a reflection of your understanding of China among Chinese.” It’s an insight that “blew” Krughoff’s mind. It’s also one that he could have only picked up outside of class while dining and probably only while dining with someone Chinese. While Krughoff insists he hasn’t given up the debate, he now makes it a point to eat at least one meal a day using chopsticks to practice his technique.

Drawn to Chinese culture and planning to study abroad in Beijing, Krughoff has befriended many native Chinese at USF—a group that has grown dramatically to 424 from just 41 in 2005. He regularly compares notes with Guo and other friends on topics from American versus Chinese study habits to the Chinese government’s censorship of the media.

Multiply Krughoff and Guo’s relationship by hundreds and the global knowledge inherent to USF begins to come into focus. Whether it’s conflict resolution and the Israeli-Palestinian war, the roots of El Salvador’s civil war, or chopsticks lessons, fostering connections like Krughoff and Guo’s is a cornerstone of the university’s moves in recent years to extend its mission to educate students with a global perspective by promoting a diverse campus.

“International students are essential to providing the global perspective USF strives for in its vision statement,” said Stanley Nel, vice president of international relations. Nel, who has an office in Bangkok and recently opened a second in Beijing, has been the driving force behind Chinese students becoming USF’s largest international group.

But, Chinese students are hardly alone in their attraction to USF, which hosts sizeable student populations from Indonesia, Taiwan, Thailand, Saudi Arabia, and Canada, among other countries. In fall 2010, USF welcomed 1,137 international students from 75 countries, comprising almost 11 percent of the student body.

A New Mission

USF’s international student culture isn’t a surprise to anyone who has lingered on the Lone Mountain stairs between classes to enjoy the views of San Francisco. Snippets of conversations, whether on cell phones or between classmates, can be overheard in Arabic, Japanese, Spanish, and French.

“It gives you a tangible sense of the variety of peoples, cultures, and identities that shape the international culture on campus,” said Lisa Kosiewicz, director of USF’s International Student and Scholar Services (ISSS), noting that USF is succeeding in its mission to educate leaders with a global perspective.

Another sign of USF’s success is the announcement last spring that the university was one of five institutions nationwide to win the Senator Paul Simon Award for Comprehensive Internationalization for 2010, recognizing outstanding and innovative efforts in campus internationalization.

But, recruiting foreign students is just one aspect of the university’s approach to providing a global education. Each year, USF sends more than 400 students abroad—whether under the umbrella of semester-long study abroad programs at top foreign universities or shorter international immersions with faculty and/or staff, exploring a country or specific topic. USF students see nations through the eyes of local politicians, corporate executives, factory laborers, activists, foreign faculty, and fellow students. Many enroll in one of about 50 accredited study abroad programs in cities such as Rome, Tokyo, Budapest, and Cordoba, Argentina. Others work as volunteers in schools or medical clinics, choosing from among 30 immersion options. Overall, USF offers students programs in more than 30 countries.

It wasn’t always so. The majority of USF’s study abroad and short-term immersion programs are less than 10 years old. In 2000, USF adopted a new mission and vision, making educating students with a global perspective a prime objective.

“This has meant more study abroad programs, more short-term travel tours, more international social justice immersions, and more ways of helping students go abroad,” said Gerardo Marín, who, as USF vice provost of academic affairs, oversees the university’s study abroad and international student and scholar programs.

Marín, who brings his own international insight to USF as one of the university’s many foreign-born faculty, having immigrated with his parents to the U.S. from his native Colombia, earned a doctorate in experimental psychology from DePaul University, and became a U.S. citizen. Educating students with a global perspective not only prepares them for today’s global economy but challenges them to stretch their thinking, navigate cultural differences, and negotiate conflict from more than one perspective, Marín said.

The Ghost of History Past

For Rachel Sandor Stone ’06, a media studies graduate, “perspective” barely describes the two semesters she spent in Budapest. Her grandparents, Hungarian Jews, survived the Holocaust—her grandfather by working in a forced labor camp and her grandmother by escaping from a train that was carrying her to the same fate.

In Budapest, Stone strolled the same street where her great-grandfather had once owned a tie shop, visited the Dohany Synagogue built by a relative, the famous architect Laszlo Vago, and descended the steps that her grandmother and mother had used to flee to their building’s basement before scurrying out a window when the Russian military set their apartment complex ablaze during the Hungarian Revolution of 1956.
While there, Stone enjoyed USF’s modern campus in the heart of Pest (USF’s classes are held at the Pázmány Péter Catholic University law school) and the many day trips. “We even had access to a nice gym that offered group classes,” she said.

Semester-long study abroad programs have more to offer students than first-rate facilities, however. At USF, transferring credits is made easy and students can apply 100 percent of their financial aid (whether from the federal or state governments or USF) to programs in more than 30 countries, with the only exception being work-study.

The Ethical Question

USFers intrigued by the opportunities that a rising China offers have flocked to Professor of business Rongxin Chen’s two-week tour of Beijing, Shanghai, and Shouzhou, USF’s immersion program with the highest enrollment. MBA students meet executives from firms such as Baidu, China’s largest search engine company and Google’s biggest Chinese rival, U.S. firms with Chinese operations such as IBM, Cisco Systems, eBay, and Silicon Valley Bank, as well as entrepreneurs and manufacturers.

Traveling to China—more than reading about it or watching videos—helps students appreciate the complexities of such a large country and leads them to examine the role of social justice through various lenses: economic inequality, censorship, and government economic control, said Chen, another of USF’s international faculty. The tour crystallizes for students that making money for money’s sake or developing a country too rapidly can result in destabilizing disparities between rich and poor, competition between a country’s regions, and environmental degradation on a vast scale. “These social justice issues feature prominently in discussions with company representatives, government officials, and business people,” Chen said.

A commitment to social justice is at the heart of a USF education. It’s why 3,000 USFers each year log more than 200,000 community-service hours and why undergraduates must complete at least one course that includes a service element to graduate.

USF Provost Jennifer Turpin, who was dean of the College of Arts and Sciences and an advocate for infusing USF’s curriculum with a global perspective when the new mission was adopted in 2000, describes the benefits as fundamental to USF’s tradition. “Providing a global perspective when the new mission was adopted in 2000, describes the benefits as fundamental to USF’s tradition. “Providing a global perspective is essential to realizing the Jesuit mission of educating women and men with the knowledge and ambition to serve others,” Turpin said. “As such, a key question is, ‘Which others?’ And, from a Jesuit perspective, those others must include the least fortunate members of our world.”

“I always tell the kids that one person in 100 has a college education, so they’re one percent of the world. The ethical question for higher education, whether Catholic, private, public, or not for profit, is: What are you doing for the other 99 percent?” said USF President Stephen A. Privett, S.J.

Reading about places that are impoverished isn’t enough. People are unlikely to take action until they witness conditions on the ground for themselves. A firm believer in “seeing is believing,” if not in St. Thomas’ style, Fr. Privett has accompanied students on service immersions to India, South Africa, and Uganda and led immersions for faculty and staff to Nicaragua, El Salvador, and Mexico to meet subsistence farmers, sit down with under-resourced health care providers, and speak with children who live on the streets and gather their meals in city dumps.

CONFLICT STUDIES IN ISRAEL-PALESTINE

Her mother was worried when Celeste Wilson ’10 announced that she wanted to travel to Israel and Palestine her senior year.

But she was determined to be supportive, figuring Wilson’s grandmother would raise ample safety concerns. “My mom’s parting goodbye was to say ‘have fun, learn lots, and try to remember everything,’” Wilson recalled.

For Wilson, who studied theology and religious studies, it was a natural next step. As part of her USF coursework, she had read the Bible, the Torah, and the Qur’an. She was minor in Jewish studies and social justice. And she was drawn to conflict resolution and human rights. Going to the land that was the source of the conflict she’d been so absorbed with seemed obvious.

“Jerusalem is a major holy city for the three Western religions, Judaism, Christianity, and Islam, and my major focus was on Western religions,” said Wilson, who graduated cum laude.

After some convincing, her family was on board. Wilson signed up for the Center for Transformative Education’s Beyond Borders program, a summer immersion run by Aaron Hahn-Tapper, assistant professor of theology and religious studies and chair of the Swig Program in Jewish Studies and Social Justice in Judaic Studies at USF.

In Israel, she met academics and activists, traveled to Haifa, Bethlehem, Tel Aviv, and Hebron. She visited Israel’s Independence Hall and the Palestine National Authority headquarters in Muqata. She broke bread with Jewish Israeli settlers and Palestinian refugees.

The trip opened a new world to Wilson, who had never traveled outside the U.S. before. “Being in Israel-Palestine is to be surrounded by occupation, from the wall to military personnel who are armed at all times,” she said.

In spite of that, “danger” didn’t figure into her experience. “I saw people,” Wilson said. “Some of the most powerful and passionate individuals I have ever met.”
BIZ STUDENTS GROW INTERNATIONAL INTERPROGRAM

An international perspective is so central to the university’s culture that USF students run their own independent organization promoting foreign internships.

Led by a group of USF business students, AIESEC (Association Internationale des Étudiants en Sciences Économiques et Commerciales) San Francisco has grown from five to 44 members in the past year to lead all other local AIESEC committees in the U.S. for relative growth.

AIESEC (www.aiesec.org), the world’s largest student-run organization, cultivates student leaders and promotes international exchange and internships, many of them paid, for foreign students.

Most recently, 18 USF students taught English or worked as summer camp counselors in China, Puerto Rico, Turkey, and Tunisia.

Senior Rebecca Levy, an advanced global entrepreneurship and management student, spent six weeks teaching English to children ages 5-15 at a summer camp outside Ukraine’s largest city, Kharkiv. “Everything from their food to their culture to their transportation systems were new to me,” Levy said. “I learned so much about the Ukrainian culture and loved my time there.”

USFers Without Borders

Such trips aren’t for shock value. The intent is to spark students, faculty, and staff to consider how they can be women and men for others in the Ignatian spirit and for faculty and staff to consider how their curriculum and counseling can reinforce USF’s mission and values to educate leaders to fashion a more humane and just world.

That approach is why, in addition to more traditional countries such as Italy and Japan, USF offers foreign experiences in “less well traveled” regions.

Just ask senior international studies major Erica Ernst, who contracted a parasite that kept her from eating for several days during the five-week service-learning portion of her study abroad in Burkina Faso in West Africa. Ernst and other USF students studied French, West African politics, development economics, and created picture books for local school children about what the village library offers and farm animals.

Senior Stephanie Boyce, a nursing major, was caught in San Lucas Toliman, Guatemala last May when Tropical Storm Agatha hit, turning roads into rivers and killing dozens. Boyce was part of a class of nursing students who had traveled to San Lucas Toliman to deliver prenatal care and screen expectant mothers as part of a course on global health issues. When the storm hit, the students and Associate Professor of nursing Linda Walsh, who is a midwife, adjusted to deliver two babies and provide assistance to area clinics.

For their actions, Walsh and the nursing students were honored for courage by the American Red Cross Bay Area Chapter and San Francisco civic leaders.

“My immersion experience to San Lucas Toliman was very valuable. I would say even more valuable because we were able to assist the community through the disaster,” Boyce said.

Aside from parasites and flash floods, placing students and faculty on the ground in foreign locales inevitably raises challenges. USF monitors security matters using several security analysis services and by sending faculty and/or administrators to countries months or years ahead of a program’s launch to lay the groundwork and build contacts.

Seeing Home from Here

The challenges of providing a global education aren’t limited to traveling abroad. Students or faculty occasionally have trouble adjusting to American culture, understanding accents, or dealing with events at home from afar.

“There are resources and programs to help international students develop their English language skills and proficiency,” ISSS’s Kosiewicz said. Not only can students choose from a variety of English as a Second Language courses, they can receive assistance from professionals trained to handle language issues or join informal one-on-one language exchanges.

ISSS is also prepared to respond to students’ needs who are away from home, as it did recently with students from Libya and Bahrain who were affected by civil unrest in their home countries and Japan following the earthquake and tsunami in March.

Challenges aside, international students and faculty add immeasurably to USF’s global perspective. Their connections to home, for example, often become the university’s connections, as epitomized by global sport management students’ trip to South Korea with Joon-See Choi, assistant professor of business; African studies students’ annual vitamin drive and distribution efforts to HIV/AIDS patients in Zimbabwe and Zambia with Lilian Dube, assistant professor of theology and religious studies; or University Ministry’s involvement with street orphans in Peru led by Enrique Bazan, associate director for global social justice and community action.

Just as impressive as USF’s international faculty are USF’s international students.

Consider Adeeb Youssi. A master’s degree student in international studies, Youssi fled his home in Darfur after being jailed and tortured for speaking out against the government-supported genocide there.

He is the founder and director of the Darfur Reconciliation and Development Organization, a non-governmental organization working on the ground to assist refugees and the communities that host them with health, nutrition, and environmental services. He has conducted research in Africa for Anne Bartlett, assistant professor of sociology.
and director of USF master’s program in international studies, helped to oversee the construction of a health clinic in Darfur, and raised awareness about the genocide among USF students and Bay Area residents as a public speaker.

“Talking with Adeeb helped me understand the complexities surrounding the Darfur crisis,” said Christopher Chida, MA ’10, a friend and former classmate of Yousif’s. “Before, I viewed the situation in a rather simplistic narrative of ‘black Africans versus Arab Africans’ or ‘JEM (Justice and Equality Movement) versus the Janjaweed and Sudanese military.’ While race or ethnicity certainly play a role in the conflict, it is far from being the only factor or indeed the defining factor.”

The Future, Present

From law students helping Haiti’s displaced families, to architecture and community design students designing an organic tea processing facility in Nepal, to graduating USF seniors raising more than $10,000 for scholarships to send members of their class to Africa to fight human trafficking, a global perspective pervades campus.

It’s no wonder that USF’s pursuit of a global education shows no sign of letting up. One example is USF’s new joint Master of Global Entrepreneurship and Management in the School of Business and Professional Studies, now in its second year. Designed for recent business graduates, classes for the accelerated 12-month program are divided equally among USF, Instituto Químico de Sarriá (IQS) of Barcelona, and Fu Jen Catholic University of Taipei, Taiwan.

“The program provides unparalleled education through classroom and firsthand experience,” said Mike Duffy, former dean of the School of Business and Professional Studies and now dean of strategic relations for academic affairs. “Globalization and diversity are real, integral, and substantive parts of this program.”

New short-term trips are on the horizon with the Arrupe Justice Immersions program. Beginning in January, St. Pedro Claver, S.J. scholars—120 to 180 undergraduates annually who receive a 50 percent tuition reduction—will be able to register for courses designed to expose them to the day-to-day lives and living conditions of the less fortunate, including those living in poverty, the homeless, the infirmed, and the marginalized in San Francisco and around the world.

And Michael Duffy, director the Joan and Ralph Lane Center for Catholic Studies and Social Thought (no relation to Mike Duffy, formerly of the School of Business and Professional Studies), along with faculty from across campus who work on issues related to immigration, is hammering out the details of a new initiative with Santa Clara University and Loyola Marymount University for collaborative research, advocacy, and outreach to support Jesuit Refugee Service/USA’s Kino Border Initiative at the U.S.-Mexico border.

USF is also in the midst of expanding scholarship funding for low-income and first-generation students to go abroad. “Those students usually need to work during the semester and can’t afford to study abroad for four months,” Marín said. “But, they deserve the opportunity to expand their global perspective every bit as much as other USF students.”

Over the next five to eight years, Marín wants to increase student participation in study abroad to 10 percent from about four percent currently. He’d like to see foreign immersion participation increase to half the student body, from about one-third now.

“USF has, in a short period of time, dramatically increased the ways in which we make it possible for our students to obtain a global perspective,” Marín said. But, just as important as the quantity of the programs USF offers is the quality, which has made great strides as more and more faculty develop curriculum and connections with a global perspective.

“There is no disputing. A USF education puts graduates on sound footing to work in multicultural settings and partner with global enterprises, whether in businesses, education, or non-governmental organizations,” Marín said. “It’s something we’re proud of but not something we’re satisfied with. With the haves and the have-nots of the world continuing to diverge, there’s more to be done so we’re hard at work.”

For a map detailing USF’s international study opportunities, visit www.usfmagazine.com.
After years of pursuing his dream of becoming a journalist, one USF alumnus stepped away from the daily grind of negative news and turned his attention to the good that people are doing to help others. The resulting work he’s done since then is nothing less than inspiring. By Jim Muyo
Toan Lam ’00 had had enough. After years as a television reporter covering more than his share of negative stories, “death and destruction,” he calls them, he knew he needed a change. He wasn’t sure where he was headed, he told a close friend, but the time had come for him to move on.

Just as he was preparing to quit his job as a reporter at KRON-TV in San Francisco in December 2008, he went to work one day only to be summoned to the accounting office. “So, I went up there and they laid me off, gave me a severance check,” Lam said with a smile. “The guy that cut the check, he says, ‘You’re the happiest person in the two decades that I’ve worked here that I laid off.’ I knew I was ready for a change.”

But a change to what? When? Where? While Lam didn’t know just what he’d do, he knew he needed time off to recharge batteries that had been depleted by TV news jobs in Wausau, Wis., Midland, Texas, Fresno, and at KRON.

“I was burned out by work, stressed out,” Lam said. “I had never really even taken it in and enjoyed everything that nature had to offer. I was running one day and I just stopped and I was like, ‘Wow, this is really amazing. The trees, branches were dancing.’ No, I wasn’t going crazy,” Lam laughs, “I was just joyful.”

“After I got laid off I said I’m going to spend the next year shopping less and eating out less and focus on using my power to give back and use my resources and talents connecting with people and telling their stories. That was really a defining moment in my life.”

That moment ultimately led Lam to create GoInspireGo.com, a media platform that highlights videos that he produces of people who do extraordinary things to help others, often perfect strangers. Take Jorge Munoz of Queens in New York. After completing his shift driving a local school bus, he comes home, rests for about 10 minutes, and then starts cooking and distributing meals to about 140 New Yorkers every night in a rough neighborhood under elevated subway tracks.

There’s also the story of Phoebe Russell, a San Francisco kindergartener who became upset when she learned that there are homeless people who don’t have money to buy food. Phoebe started a can collection drive at her school in 2009 to raise money to help the hungry. The effort caught on, momentum grew, and ultimately Tyson Foods donated 10 tons of chicken. There’s also Herman Travis, himself unemployed, who volunteers to deliver weekly food baskets to approximately 60 families, mostly elderly and homebound.

But it’s not just about feeding the hungry. Other videos feature Jordan Bower, a man making a pilgrimage in hopes of inspiring people to disconnect from technology and connect with one another. Bower’s journey is taking him from Canada to Mexico by foot to meet and share stories with people along the way. Other stories feature a group dedicated to building a school in Haiti following the devastating earthquake there in January 2010, a family that sold one of its businesses and gave the $6.6 million in proceeds to their employees to thank them, and an East Bay teenager who traveled to Africa to lead the effort to build a community brick oven and a garden in Tanzania.
realizes that not everyone can go to the lengths of people like Jorge, Phoebe, or Herman. “We just show you that it’s possible. Phoebe wanted to raise a thousand dollars and we helped her multiply that. We helped her multiply that to 135,000-plus meals.”

Far removed from the death and destruction stories he came to loath, Lam is using the story telling skills he developed at USF through his reporting classes and at his various television internships and reporting jobs to spread good news—quite an achievement for someone who confesses to having given up his own voice as a youngster.

For Lam, growing up was anything but easy. His family came to the United States from Vietnam when he was eight months old, leaving behind a successful cast iron nail and construction business in search of a better life. Lam’s Chinese mother and Cambodian father gathered their five children, one of Lam’s grandfathers, two grandmothers, and several aunts and cousins for the journey. They ended up in Sacramento, living in a trailer, and moving from “ghetto to ghetto” where crime, drive-by shootings (including the occasional bullet hole through their home), and the shooting of friends was not unusual.

As a youngster, Lam was a voracious reader, reading the backs of shampoo bottles because he couldn’t get enough material. His love of books and reading, though, ostracized him from his peers. They asked why he wanted to “be white,” and why was he selling out. “Who do you think you are?” they asked.

“So I remember giving away my voice, you know, literally,” Lam said. “I literally grew up very quiet and timid and shy because I essentially let these kids kind of take my power, and why was he selling out. ‘Who do you think you are?’ they asked.

“I eventually interned with Robert Handa (of KTVU-TV) in San Jose two times a week. He took me under his wing, and he was very tough on me,” Lam said.

Handa, a veteran reporter who has also worked at KPIX-TV, KQED-TV, and KNTV-TV in the Bay Area, remembers Lam quite well. In fact, the two have maintained a friendship since Lam’s days as an intern.

“When we would do stories, Toan was always very interested in not only what you need to do to cover the story but also trying to learn much more about the person and the situation beyond what you’d probably be able to use or need to put in the story. I think that his compassion for the human condition, the human spirit, that was sort of one of the personality traits that came out at me when I first met him. I used to take him on stories that maybe other interns I wouldn’t take on.”

Also instrumental to Lam’s development as a journalist and story teller was Associate Professor Michael Robertson,
a former reporter for the San Francisco Chronicle, USF faculty member since 1991, and director of USF’s journalism minor. “Michael was very tough on me,” Lam said. “I had a lot of office hours with him where I was very unhappy with my grades.” Evidently, Robertson also saw something in Lam. He told him in one of those frequent office encounters that he believed that Lam would go on to be a journalist, despite the tough grades that Robertson was doling out.

“I believed in him because he was getting internships and he was thinking about it (journalism) in a way almost all of the other students were not,” Robertson said. “He was doing stories with Robert Handa and he was learning how to think like a reporter and I really wanted to push him to be good at it because I knew how unlikely it was that any young person who wants to do that is going to make a career of it. The odds are against it. The great thing about Toan was that if I pushed him he would do better. If I’d say, ‘No, no, more of this!’ He would do more of it.”

The impact of both Handa and Robertson on Lam is felt today beyond Lam’s videos. It’s trickling down to current students at both USF and the Academy of Art University where Lam teaches and writes curriculum.

“The reason that I teach now is because of my mentors,” Lam said. “I said, ‘How can I pay you back?’ We all get somewhere because somebody helps us, right? And every one of them, including Robert, I remember, he said, ‘You know what you could do for me? Give it back. Give back what I’ve taught you.’”

But part-time teaching, while paying his bills for a simple lifestyle, doesn’t do much for the time, travel, and expense of producing GoInspireGo.com’s inspiring videos. So, Lam looks for private and corporate sponsors to pay the bills. He’s passed up several lucrative job offers with six-figure salaries from local television stations and a national network because they didn’t “feel right.”

When he started GoInspireGo.com people would ask him for his business plan and his projected ROI (return on investment). Lam wasn’t focused at all on a return on investment, seeking instead to simply tell those inspiring stories. As for the costs associated with producing the videos, Lam has received some modest donations of airline miles for flights from friends. And, last year, GoInspireGo.com achieved nonprofit status, so Lam has begun the process of fundraising through grants and donations to help grow the concept.

“Last year I was focusing on if the idea was working,” Lam said. “Can we create stories that move people and spark civic engagement? We can. So, this year I’m trying to build the business side of GIG. I’m focusing on building business, partnering, getting more viewers.”

Success is evident in the response to the videos. The Phoebe story garnered more than 50,000 web hits, while Jorge’s story received more than 140,000, including some from high profile opinion makers. A member of the Obama administration saw the Jorge video and in August President Barack Obama bestowed upon him the Presidential Civilian Medal, given solely at the president’s discretion. First Lady Michelle Obama sent a letter to Phoebe thanking her for her zest for activism.

What’s more, as the videos have stirred others to act, the media have picked up on the story. Lam’s work has been featured on Good Morning America. He was asked by Arianna Huffington to write a regular blog for The Huffington Post, and has blogged for Yahoo’s “Inpiring Acts,” and Deepak Chopra’s Intent.com.

For Lam, though, it’s not about recognition. It’s about doing something to help others. “This is what I love doing,” Lam said. “And, I love the fact that I’m able to be a voice for the voiceless because that was me. I’m not rich and I’m not famous. But I care. I feel like I’ve finally discovered my power, my voice, and I’m using it. I’m practicing what I’m preaching.

“I’ve had several lucrative job offers of over six figures. I make way less than that, but it’s so funny because I’m so happy.” So happy, that for now, Lam is content to focus on GoInspireGo.com, use his voice to tell those inspirational stories, and try to make a difference in the lives of so many people.

To see videos of Jorge Munoz, Phoebe Russell, and others, visit GoInspireGo.com.
Looking the Part: College Players applying makeup and getting ready for a production in 1961.
Francis Shieh had the opportunity to meet Robert C. Chang ’51 for a reunion at the Shanghai Expo in October.

Raymond Kenny is a retired priest of the Diocese of San Jose and now lives in Aptos. He enjoys preaching, hiking, jazz music, travel, basketball (the Warriors), baseball (the Giants), Native American art and culture, Asian art and culture, and Celtic spirituality.

Dr. Ron Vernali was recently appointed to the Access Appeals Commission for the city and county of San Francisco.

Prospero Asen Loo has an extensive, caring family network, including his wife, Bette, their three children, and their four grandchildren.

Donald Anderson is happily married to his wife, Carolyn. He hopes to return to bowling in the future after recuperating from a broken femur.

Wilma R. Hastings Bower is enjoying retirement and free time with her family. She and her husband, Dick, travel and enjoy adventures with their children and grandchildren and are working toward establishing a small vineyard.

Elisabeth Doering Bower, a certified Jungian psychoanalyst and member of the San Francisco C.G. Jung Institute, maintains a private practice. She is the mother of three sons, and the grandmother of five. She participates as a volunteer within her community and enjoys recreation of all sorts, especially that having to do with nature.

Barbara Suter Browning has been married to her husband, Peter, for almost 50 years. They have three children and six grandchildren. She enjoys gardening and cooking.

Frank Bullentina is enjoying life with his wife of 48 years, Joyce, and their new grandchild.

Javier Carrillo retired from the trucking industry and often sees former friends and classmates from USF.

Steve Cullen is a partner in a small investment management company that invests in small cap stocks.

Catherine “Kate” DeMartini recently moved to a small suburb of the East Bay. She volunteers as an ombudsman and enjoys gardening, walking, and local travel in California.

John Dollard has been married to his wife, Janet, for 43 years. They have three children.

Jean Chisholm Griffin has lived occasionally in Europe. She retired 13 years ago and enjoys spending time with her three daughters and seven grandchildren.

Thomas H. Gould III is a life member and past president of the Dolphin Swimming and Boating Club in San Francisco. He is the proud father of two and has one granddaughter.

Joanne Heffelfinger is retired and enjoys spending time with her six children and 13 grandchildren. She enjoys traveling and is working to open a Greek reading group at UC Berkeley.

Laurence Kopp retired from PG&E in San Francisco as director of budget and computer services. He enjoys spending time with his three children and five grandchildren, and also enjoys hiking, biking, and traveling.

Martha “Martí” Kopp retired from the Martinez Unified School District after working for 20 years as a school nurse. She has been married for 48 years and has three children and five grandchildren.

Richard C. Thomas is an enrolled agent, licensed by the I.R.S. in the practice of taxes. He has run his own office for 45 years. He and his wife, “Skip,” have been married 60 years and have seven children.

Lynn Joseph English has recently compiled what he considers his best works into a poetry book to distribute around Del Norte County.
Mark Buell serves as president of the San Francisco Recreation and Park Commission.

Robert Fardin retired from the United States Air Force and Dynamics Research Corp. He has 10 grandchildren, ages 1-11.

Peter Comerford is currently very active in the Knights of Columbus. He has held many offices and is presently treasurer of the Northern California Chapter. He is also active in the Veterans of Foreign Wars and is currently senior vice commander of his post. He is enjoying life with his wife, Mary Ellen, in the Sierra foothill town of Pollock Pines.

Victor Berardelli recently published The Politics Guy Campaign Tips—How to Win a Local Election. He is traveling the country, speaking at political conferences and conducting candidate training courses to promote the book.

Francis A. Doherty retired as senior international captain of Delta Airlines in 2004. He is currently a senior flight instructor/examiner for Boeing Flight Training, Seoul.

Mike Charles Felkins is a retired accountant. He has two daughters.

Ronald Genini, MA ‘69, has a new granddaughter, Kimberly Ann.

George Washburn retired from Cisco Systems in 1998 after 30 years in the industry. He has since established a consulting practice, providing intellectual property management to start-up companies in Silicon Valley. He was appointed radio project director for the Silicon Valley Regional Interoperability Authority, which provides voice and data communications solutions to all public safety agencies in Santa Clara County.

Myung-Gun Choo is currently the chairman of Sejong Investment & Development Co., and honorary chairman of Sejong University in Seoul, Korea.

William Nagel and his wife, Janat Petrusich ’70, have been married for 41 years. He has had a career in the banking industry for more than 30 years. He and his wife have two children and five grandchildren and have lived in Fair Oaks for 31 years.

Fred Nelson has joined Stahlschmidt Financial Group in Walnut Creek. He provides financial planning as well as estate planning services.

Claire Zvanski, MA ’72, was elected president of the Health Service Board in San Francisco and spoke at the Public Boards Forum convention in San Francisco on affordable health care for public employees. She recently retired after nearly 37 years with the city and county of San Francisco and is enjoying retirement with her Doberman, Duke.

Michel Michael Grealish is a partner in an innovative place both artistically and technologically and found myself drawn to the culture since childhood,” Cab said.

Since then, things have picked up for Cab, who has done a number of shows in Tokyo and around the country to promote his music. He’s released a cover R&B album in Tokyo last year. A San Francisco native of Filipino descent, Matt Cab (as he is professionally known) says he always had an interest in Japan. At Lowell High School, he started studying the language. That just led to more curiosity.

I’ve always thought of Japan as an interesting and innovative place both artistically and technologically and found myself drawn to the culture since childhood,” Cab said.

So it was natural for him to go on a study abroad trip to Sophia University in Tokyo for a year to gain more experience with the culture and the language, which he also studied at USF. “When I came to study here as an exchange student I immediately fell in love with Tokyo.”

Following his graduation from USF with a degree in business, Cab started to pursue music more seriously, producing videos and posting them on YouTube to go along with his local performances.

“Luckily the videos got a lot of good exposure and even the attention of some industry people, including Jordan Knight (lead singer) of New Kids On The Block,” Cab said.

Within six months of graduating, Cab moved to Tokyo to pursue music and then received a huge break. “I was blessed to receive a call from a Japanese music label who saw my videos on YouTube and offered me a music deal,” Cab said. “From there I released my debut album, “The One,” and fortunately it did really well, reaching number one on the R&B album Japanese iTunes chart for three consecutive weeks.”

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He’s hoping to write songs for major U.S.-based artists while continuing to develop his own career as an artist in the U.S. [For more information on Matt Cab and to go to his YouTube site, visit mattcab.com.]

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since graduating from USF. He feels blessed with such a fine family and good friends.

Maureen Lechwar is still hoping to realize her lifelong dream of becoming a writer. She has written two children's stories, two mysteries, and one memoir about her Boston Terriers.

Anna Hudson Martin currently lives in Olympia, Wash., with her husband, Larry ’69. She works part-time as a nurse at Providence St. Peter Hospital. She and Larry plan to do more traveling, cruising, and volunteering in the years to come. They look forward to also spending more time with their four children and their families, including seven grandchildren.

Noel J. Shumway has lived in Larkspur for 30 years and is a semi-retired education law attorney. He is the proud grandfather of two granddaughters, Daphne and Amelia, and travels extensively.

Deidre “Dee-Dee” Brandt Warren works full time as an RN case manager. She has been happily married for 40 years to her “best friend,” Michael Joseph. She is very proud of her two sons and their accomplishments, both serving in the United States Air Force. She feels blessed to have four grandchildren.

Shin Minami continues to live in Japan and work for his father’s company, selling water tanks to several major engineering companies who install water and air conditioning systems. He also teaches five English classes a week at a local college.

Nancy Schweigert Dorighi enjoyed more than 34 years at NASA Ames Research Center as a computer engineer. She is now semi-retired and enjoys traveling, gardening, and volunteering. She and her husband, Gary, have a son and a daughter.

Edmund Grens lives in Chico and is happily married with two daughters now in college.

John Palau ran for San Leandro mayor in the November election.

Chris Burke represented USF at the recent Canisius College Inauguration of president John J. Hurley in New York.

Liz Fajardo has published Storybook Dad, about her years at USF, and Eavesdropping on Angels: 10 Tips to Survive Job Loss from 10 People Who Inspired Me.

Catherine Longwell recently published a book, 44,000 Miles Under Sail, about her sailing adventures with her husband, Noah, aboard their schooner Pegasus. Together they spent nearly seven years circumnavigating the globe and found great pleasure in immersing themselves in the varied cultures and revealed in the peace and freedom when at sea.

Moussa Nicolas has worked in the hotel business since 1978, and three years ago purchased his own hotel. He has a family of three and lives in Wisconsin.

Colonel Ricardo “Rick” Nicol, U.S. Army Reserve, was deployed to Afghanistan in August. His duties include oversight of Afghan linguists supporting U.S. military forces.

Wayne G. Ward was promoted to senior vice president regional manager of California Bank & Trust. His daughter, Lisa Marie, graduated from high school in 2010.

Peggy Hora retired from the Alameda County Superior Court four years ago and has been busy ever since. She is a senior judicial fellow for the National Drug Court Institute and judicial outreach liaison for the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration. She recently returned from a two-week trip to Egypt with her 11-year-old grandson, one of eight grandchildren.

Annette Sousa Jones recently retired and is living in Arizona.

Charles Aikens teaches public relations and communication skills at the West Oakland Senior Center. Aikens is the father of three children and has five grandchildren. He continues to dance regularly at the age of 69.

Steve Johnson was recently appointed to the Federal Bankruptcy Court by the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeal. He was joined at his investiture by his wife, Joan O'Neill ’83, his brother, Tom Johnson ’81, his wife, Maria Maldonado Johnson ’85, his sister,
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Lisa Woll ’81, MD, and parents Agnes and Larry Johnson ’59.

Evelyn Kohl LaTorre, EdD, has retired with her husband, Walter. Recently, they spent three months in Italy learning the language.

Russell Leu is currently serving as the managing attorney and chief representative of the Beijing office of the law firm Taft Stettinius and Hollister. He is also assistant dean and professor of law at Beijing Foreign Studies University. He is active with the American Bar Association’s International Section.

Lee Violett is the current interim police chief of Half Moon Bay.

Jan La Torre-Derby, MA, EdD ’93, has decided to retire from her position as Novato Unified School District superintendent. Numerous groups, among them the Marin Human Rights Commission, the Marin County School Administrators Association, and the California Department of Education, have recognized her work over the years.

Cynthia M. LeBlanc, EdD, received the American Cancer Society’s highest national honor, the 2010 St. George National Award. LeBlanc is a member and past chair of the society’s California division board, works as a society legislative ambassador focused on tobacco control issues, and volunteers as a Road to Recovery program driver. In 2010, she was appointed chair-elect of the society’s national board of directors and in 2011 will assume the role of chair for the 2011-12 fiscal year.

Terence K. McAteer, EdD, was recently elected to another four-year term as the Inyo County superintendent of schools, after serving four elected terms (16 years) as the Nevada County superintendent of schools.

Kenneth G. Winans, MBA, completed his third book in 2010. He is president of Winans International Investment Management & Research. He continues to be a regular guest on various TV and radio shows nationwide and has had much of his investment research published. He also serves as a trustee for several nonprofits.

In Pursuit of Democracy

BRENDA BARRETT ’94

The world that Brenda Barrett ’94 lives and works in is far removed from that which she saw growing up in 29 Palms near Palm Desert.

As a senior transition program adviser for USAID (a federal agency devoted to extending assistance to countries recovering from disaster, trying to escape poverty, and engaging in democratic reforms, according to the USAID website), Barrett’s assignments take her to war and disaster torn parts of the world. Though she’s been shot at by the Taliban while in Afghanistan, she hasn’t been dissuaded from pursuing her lifelong passion for effecting political change.

It was on a mission in the Wardak province in Afghanistan to observe water obstruction in a canal and to check on a school that was allegedly closed by the Taliban because girls were attending that bullets came whizzing by her head. As the only non-military female member of that detail, Barrett, who was wearing body armor but not a helmet to show that she was a civilian, came back undeterred. The Afghanistan assignment completed, she is now in Tunisia, one of a series of assignments that have placed her in Sri Lanka, the Kyrgyz Republic, and Haiti in the past year alone. With USAID she’s also worked in Bolivia, East Timor, Lebanon, Jordan, the West Bank, and Gaza. Prior to joining USAID, Barrett also worked in Nicaragua (as a Peace Corps volunteer) as well as in Senegal and South Africa.

Prior to joining USAID in 2003, she also worked for the UN refugee agency UNHCR (United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees) and various NGOs while she was doing PhD work. She also worked in South Africa with the African National Congress Women’s League. She completed her PhD research in Sri Lanka and is receiving her PhD in international development from Tulane University School of Law.

Her work has been the pursuit of a lifelong passion. In high school, she was likely the only one in her class who had subscriptions to both The Christian Science Monitor and the Los Angeles Times. “I knew there was more out there,” Barrett said, referring to life outside of sleepy 29 Palms.

“In high school I was really involved in following the politics of our country and the world. It all started with an interest and a somewhat naïve determination to make a difference in the world—but it was my time spent in the early 1990s in South Africa after working with the ANC Women’s League in the townships of Cape Town that probably mattered the most in those early days. Since then, I’ve been working in development and I’ve never looked back.”

At USF, her faculty only fueled her passion.

“I was drawn to the politics department at USF. My interests were cultivated and all of my pursuits—academic, intellectual, or actual trips—were supported entirely by the faculty and then Dean [Stanley] Nel and professors Jennifer Turpin (USF’s current provost) and Rob Elias. USF’s commitment to social justice, being on the right side—although not always the easy side of an issue—and the emphasis on teaching/helping others definitely helped me.”

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Barrett, 38, admits that living out of a suitcase and in different parts of the world is getting to her a bit, though she still loves the actual work.

“I’ve managed for 18 years to do what I love, not compromising my values, being on the right side of an issue, working in complicated places and actually being really proud of what we accomplish,” she said.
daughter, Sabrina Michelle Murray, was born in 2008. They live in Livermore.

‘99 Janet Chaniot, MA, has been serving on the Mendocino-Lake Community College District Board of Trustees since 2002. In 2009, she was nominated by her colleagues and elected to the California Community College Trustee Board of the Community College League of California (CCLC).

Michael P. Guingona, JD, was recently elected as councilmember in Daly City. He is the only current Fil-Am member of the 5th Supervisorial District of the San Mateo County Democratic Central Committee, whose mission is to support Democratic candidates and elected officials at all levels of government as well as ballot measures promoting democratic values in San Mateo County and California.

Michelle Minero, MA, is a marriage and family therapist with an interest in treating patients suffering from eating disorders. She has been married for 33 years with four children and one grandchild on the way. She is currently working on publishing a book, Self-Love: The Only Diet That Works.

NOVEMBER 2011

1 California Prize Dinner
1-18 Thanksgiving Food Drive collection
19 Thanksgiving Food Drive package assembly and delivery

DECEMBER 2011

3 Southern California Evening with the President

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David Livingston, JD, former chief of police in Concord, was recently sworn in as Contra Costa County’s new sheriff and top law enforcement officer.

Harry Tagomori, EdD, has visited the USF campus every year since graduation.

EDITH “EDIE” HOFMEISTER, JD, was recently promoted to the position of vice president and general counsel at Tahoe Resources Inc. in Reno.

James Kennedy lives in Calistoga where he dances, plays music, rides his Harley, and drinks good wine.

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Phyllis Brown is an off-site nurse at Kaiser in Oakland.

Nestor De Leon Fernandez III, MBA, is on track to be ordained a deacon in June 2012 and was recently named executive director of the Telegraph Hill Neighborhood Center.

Jensen Shirley, MHR, was appointed an adjunct assistant professor at the University of Maryland Graduate School of Management and Technology.

Ramona Tascoc, MPA, received an Exemplary Leadership Award from San Francisco State University’s College of Ethnic Studies in October. She was also recently appointed U.S. director of health for the Kimbanguist Church of Congo, and has led numerous medical missions.

Rev. Margaret E. Dorsey completed a graduate degree from Holmes Institute and is a licensed religious science minister. She plans to move to Charleston, S.C., to start a new ministry.

Kevin Cavalli manages a mortgage banking branch in Reno and is married with a beautiful 5-year-old daughter.

Jeffrey Kirkpatrick recently announced his retirement as Seal Beach police chief following 40 years in the public safety arena and nearly 35 years as a peace officer in three different law enforcement organizations. He now plans to spend more time with his family, especially his wife, Carolyn. Together they enjoy travel, golf, and boating.

Jose Ugarte is currently living in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia.

Father Thomas A. Daly was recently appointed by Pope Benedict XVI as auxiliary bishop for the Diocese of San Jose.

Saul Pena is the board chair of 10,000 Degrees, a nonprofit organization that believes everyone should have a chance at college. He is the first program alumnus to serve in this capacity. He is also vice president at Dodge & Cox Investment Managers.

Christopher Yantos is working as an environmental engineer for the department of the Navy in San Diego, managing remediation projects at the Hunters Point Shipyard in San Francisco.
01 Gerlie Collado married Joseph Bernardo in August. They live in Los Angeles where she works with the James Irvine Foundation’s arts grant-making team as a program associate.

Ryan Schultz has started his own law practice in Wilmington, N.C.

Janice Doucet Thompson, MHROD, has joined the Juran Institute as a senior consultant and change leadership practice leader. In this role she delivers strategic change management consulting to support senior leadership in the healthcare, manufacturing, government, and service sectors. She also serves as an adjunct faculty member in the School of Business Administration at the University of San Diego where she teaches talent management and succession planning in the master of science in executive leadership program. She is on the board of Big Brothers, Big Sisters of Greater Sacramento and is serving as chair in 2011.

Terrell R. Winn, BPA, received a doctorate of criminal law, QC, from Bridgewater University in London. He also earned an MA from George Washington University in Washington, D.C. He is a lead teacher of English special education, K-12, at a school in Maryland, and published the first of four children’s books in 2009. He is presently working on the second book of the series. He has been married for nine years and lives in northern Virginia with two cats.

02 Vikki Van Horn recently returned from a trip to Ghana with her husband, Robert, where they volunteered at Holy Child Basic School, a Catholic mission school.

Ron Holt, MPA, was the recipient of the 2010 National R.J. Erickson Diversity Achievement Award. Holt was also honored at the 33rd Annual National Diversity Conference. He has spent the past decade speaking about the impact of homophobia on Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender (LGBT) youth.

03 Elaine Artman has returned to full-time faculty status as associate professor in the PhD education leadership program at Mercer University.

Dustin Daza has been a San Francisco police officer since 2007. He is also a lieutenant in the United States Army Reserve and received his federal commission from Officer Candidate School in Fort Benning, Ga., in 2010.

Nyeisha DeWitt, MAT, is the co-founder of Oakland’s annual Back to School Rally, which distributes backpacks and school supplies free to kids. She is also the program director of Oakland’s Promise Alliance, a citywide dropout prevention program.

Heather H. Griggs recently re-joined Merrill Lynch’s Wealth Management office in San Ramon as a client associate to the Economos Catton Group.

Sharon Tomsky, MBA ’09, was recently voted onto the USF MBA Alumni Society board and hosted the fall mixer. She is a provisional member of the Junior League and is the senior market research analyst at NORCAL Mutual Insurance Company.

Terence Unger is starting a clean energy corporation, working with fuel cell electrodes and electrolyzers.

06 Raymond Dejesus was recently hired to fill a deputy district attorney position at the Nevada County district attorney’s office.

Shara-Angelica Jubilado is now a senior fund accountant with venture capital firm Sequoia. She was also a guest speaker at the Funding Hopes and Dreams Luncheon in November, in support of her alma mater, Moreau Catholic High School in Hayward.

Rosa Maria Ruvalcaba, MAT ’07, had her film Getting a Grip, about the first female cable car operator, Fannie Barnes, debut at the Lunafest Film Festival in San Francisco.

Marissa Vane received a master’s degree in science in athletic training and is currently working at an orthopedic bracing company.

07 Kristin Leigh Booher currently works as an office manager at Surfrider Foundation Headquarters in San Clemente. She continues to pursue her interests as an amateur photographer.

Aimee Holland married her husband, Leon, in March. She is currently working as a database specialist in the Office of Advancement Services at the University of San Francisco.

08 Anel Albartao currently lives in Shenyang, China, and is the director of international programs for a private English school.

David Medina is finishing an MBA program at St. Mary’s College in Moraga. He hopes to enter a PhD program at the University of Texas at Tyler in the fall.

Navy Ensign Christopher D. Oliveria, MS, alongside approximately 1,200 fellow sailors and marines assigned to amphibious transport dock ship USS Dubuque, recently reached the mid-way point of his deployment in support of anti-piracy in the Pacific region.

09 Ronda Ryan, MS, joined Sony Computer Entertainment America Inc. as management trainer and program developer. She married Michael Colavito in Tiburon in July.

10 Evelyn Molina was selected to be a 2010-2011 Capital Fellow and will begin the fellowship soon as a California Senate Fellow.

Akoa Tsiagbe was selected to be a 2010-2011 Capital Fellow and will begin the fellowship soon as a Jesse M. Unruh Assembly Fellow.

Leila Verceles moved to the greater New York City area and is pursuing a career in information technology and organizational management.

What’s Up?

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April Action Service Day


(1) Sacramento Regional Council members performed clean-up and beautification at Cristo Rey High School.

(2) The Peninsula Silicon Valley Regional Council partnered with St. Anthony's Padua Dining Room in Menlo Park to prepare food and serve lunch to senior citizens and families in need.

(3) The Southern California Regional Council partnered with St. Robert's Center in Venice to prepare and serve food and to assemble and distribute personal hygiene kits to clients of the center.

(4, 5) The North Bay Regional Council carried out projects with the Marin County Parks and Open Space District to do clean-ups of Bothin Marsh in Mill Valley, and with Giant Steps, a therapeutic equestrian center serving children and young adults with physical, behavioral, and developmental challenges in Sonoma County. Giant Steps was founded by Robert Pope ’61.


(7) The San Francisco Regional Council partnered with University Ministry and Urban Sprouts to plant a vegetable garden at Ida B. Wells School in San Francisco.

(8) Yard clean-up was the order of the day for the East Bay Regional Council volunteers, who partnered with the North Pleasanton Rotary and R.E.A.C.H., a nonprofit providing housing and supportive services to families and young adults with developmental disabilities.

For information on the 2012 April Action Day, contact Kevin Leong at (415) 422-5491 or kmleong@usfca.edu.
The University of San Francisco Alumni Association honored alumni and friends during its annual Spring Gala on April 9 at the Olympic Club’s Lakeside Clubhouse replete with lush views of the greens for the 300 guests in attendance.

Carl Nolte ’55 received the Alumnus of the Year Award. A fourth-generation San Franciscan, Nolte was USF athletic news director and director of public information after graduation. He has written for the San Francisco Chronicle since leaving USF, and his “Native Son” column appears on Sunday. Nolte has been a staunch fan of USF men’s basketball since 1953 and continues to serve on the Athletic Hall of Fame Selection Committee.

The Professional Achievement Award was presented to five School of Nursing emeriti faculty who also happen to be USF alumnae. Together they have logged nearly 160 years of teaching at USF and have thereby influenced the lives of nurses who have saved and healed others. Anyone who has graduated from USF’s School of Nursing in the last six decades certainly knows the accomplishments of Betty Carmack, EdD ’81, Frances Monet Carter, EdD ’78, Jane Vincent Corbett, EdD ’85, Eleanor Hein, EdD ’79, and Mary Brian Kelber, RSM, ’62.

The Alessandri Service Award was presented to a very active member of our Peninsula-Silicon Valley Regional Council, Sandra McNamara ’78. Her leadership and tireless efforts as the founder/chair of the council and now as a continuing member have proven an invaluable asset in efforts to establish and award regional scholarships for continuing students.

Gene Mullin ’60, E ’67, has had careers in teaching and in public service. Whether in front of a group of students in the classroom or in front of legislative bodies in Sacramento, he was always focused on enhancing the public good. In recognition of all his accomplishments, Mullin received the Edward J. Griffin Award. USF was pleased to present Susan Koret with the Cable Car Award, given to non-alumni who have by generosity of time, talent, and/or treasure, promoted the mission and goals of USF and are “alumni in spirit.” Koret has enjoyed a long association with the University of San Francisco, where she has chosen to sustain and enhance the philanthropic legacy of her late husband, Joseph Koret. The Koret name is prominent on the Koret Health and Recreation Center and the Koret Law Center at USF’s School of Law.

One final tribute at the end of the evening exemplified the admiration, gratitude, and love that USF has for Chancellor John Lo Schiavo, S.J. A brief video tribute featured stories about “Fr. Lo” from his 60-year association with USF, after which he received a rousing ovation.
USF’s motorized cable car was recognized with a 2nd place award in the 160th St. Patrick’s Day Parade in San Francisco March 12. More than 40 USFers joined together to decorate the car, sport their Irish and USF colors, and spread good cheer along the Market Street parade route. (More USF cable car and parade photos are available at usfmagazine.com.)

Less than one week later, Dennis Lucey ‘63 co-chaired the March 16 National American-Ireland Gala held in Washington, D.C. The dinner honored newly elected Prime Minister Enda Kenny and raised more than $750,000 to support programs of peace and reconciliation, arts and culture, and education and community development throughout Ireland. More than 800 guests attended this year’s dinner.

Alumni Relations Enhances Services

The University of San Francisco has given new assignments to two staffers and created a new position to enhance alumni relations.

Polly McMullen, LM ’68, who joined USF’s alumni relations team about 18 months ago as engagement and regional council manager, has been named gift planning officer. Her new duties will include work with planned giving prospects and fund raising efforts with Lone Mountain alumnae. She will continue her involvement with the regional councils as it relates to the scholarship programs that many councils have established.

Kevin Leong ’70, MHR ’93, is also taking on new responsibilities. Previously a USF planned giving officer, Leong will retain some responsibility in that area while taking on the job of associate director of alumni relations. He will assume primary responsibility for the work with the regional councils formerly managed by McMullen. A former president of the USF Alumni Board of Directors, Leong’s long-time involvement with USF alumni makes this an ideal opportunity for outreach to and engagement of an even broader alumni base.

Christopher Anderson ’06, MA ’09, has been hired as assistant director, Alumni Relations and Annual Giving. Anderson will work with the Alumni Relations and Annual Giving teams to increase young alumni engagement and giving. This new position will also implement a strategy to develop a culture of philanthropy among current students, including significantly expanding upon our already successful student giving programs.
One Mountain alumnae returned to campus October 17 for their annual reunion and to honor two individuals who have been instrumental in the ongoing story of the Religious of the Sacred Heart and the Lone Mountain Alumnae Association.

Gertrude “Trudy” Patch, RSCJ, LM ’47, and Dolores McKeever Donahue, LM ’52, were honored for their impact on the lives of so many. Sr. Patch is a former president of the San Francisco College for Women (later renamed Lone Mountain College) as well as an English teacher. Donahue has been a long-time volunteer for Lone Mountain as well as the Convent of the Sacred Heart.

Special recognition was given to the classes of 1950, 1960, and 1970, celebrating milestone reunions.

Reunion activities began with USF Chancellor John Lo Schiavo, S.J., celebrating Mass in the Del Santo Reading Room at Lone Mountain, followed by a wine reception and lunch.

Maureen Orth, journalist and contributing writer to *Vanity Fair* magazine, was a special guest and spoke after lunch about her life and philanthropic work in Latin America through her Marina Orth Foundation. Orth, the widow of Tim Russert, moderator of NBC’s “Meet the Press,” attended Lone Mountain in 1960-61.

This year’s reunion is scheduled for October 16 and will honor the classes of 1951, 1961, and 1971.
In Memoriam

1930s
Louis J. Cavo '39
John H. Goodwin '39
Harold L. Levy '36
James J. O’Neill '38
Francis Varozza '39

1940s
Ernest J. Aylaian '49
Robert D. Barbagelata '47
Thomas Patrick Brady '48
Paul A. Burkett '43
John P. Castagnola '43
Gino A. Cattarin '48
Joseph E. Dean '49
Richard T. Coz '49, S.J.
King F. Cole '49

1950s
Vladimir C. Anderson '58
Michael T. Ashe '54
Wilbur H. Atkinson '50
Richard Baptista '51
William H. Bath '52
Philip A. Bell '57
Morgan Benezza '57
Peter C. Boudoures '50
George B. Bukzar '50
Edward A. Burbard '53
John C. Cavanagh '54
Donald D. Christie '51
Irving M. Corren '51
Frank F. Daniels '52
Edmond S. Delmon '52
Robert J. Dummel '52
Frederick R. Duda '59
Walter W. Gloistein '53
Mario M. Ghilotti '51
Albert L. Garrigues '55
Oscar C. Galeno '50
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Mavis M. Ghilotti '51
Walter W. Gloseman '53
Leon A. Halgren '52
Lynn S. Hartzell '54
Leighton Hatch '54
Peter R. Krieger '59
Mary Hurley Kunz '54
Edward M. Kureta '51
Albert F. Lauck '51
Donald D. Lemmon '52
William B. Marshall '50
Ollie A. Matson '52
John J. McCaffrey '57
Paul M. McCormick '50
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Michael L. McInnis '51
Frederick R. Meier '56
Donald J. Meneghetti '56
Arthur M. Moorefield '51
Nathan Mudge '50
Owen J. Murphy '55
Louis R. Nardi '57
Brennan J. Newsom '59
Russell R. Niahuas '52
John T. O'Brien '50
John F. Olcese '59
Wilbur L. Parker '56
Ernest K. Petersen '56
Orel A. Pierson Jr. '56
Frank L. Rebollini '58
Leroy W. Rice '52
Anthony T. Rinaldi '51
John F. Roake '51
James J. Ruane '54
Robert P. Kubano '58
Edward Rueda '52
Lewis A. Schultz '57
John J. Wall '53
Edward M. Walsh '54
Dennis J. Wardell '58
Raymond D. Williamson '59

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Robert P. Ahern '60
Kenny M. Ashe '65
Ellen P. Bischoff '62
Gilbert H. Boreman '69
Michael P. Carter '65
Adriano E. Da Silva '62
Ian Dey '69
Gerald J. Eilers '64
Peggy S. Espinda '68
Joseph P. Guirlandi '66
Jane A. Golden '61
Robert L. Guy '64
Patricia J. Klim '63
John R. Knorr '67
Robert A. Lemos '66
Donald E. Matthews '62
Leo G. McCarthy '63
Linda McQuaid '69
Edward F. McGushin '60
Robert E. McLaughlin '65
Gloria M. Medici '64
Paul P. Micallef '67
Larry P. Michelotti '67
Barbara T. Mills '68
Adrienne E. Moore '66
Rose C. Munak '68
Michael M. O'Brien '60
George V. Oliva III '62
Robert E. Olson '67
Raymond V. Pisciotta '61
Robert E. Proaps Jr. '60
Joseph F. Smith '68
David P. Stevens Jr. '63
Joseph Tchang '69
Bobby G. Turner '61
Herbert Weiss '60
Paul B. White Jr. '69

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Elizabeth L. Abaya '75
Leland M. Adams '76
David R. Allen '70
James A. Alley '70
John Bado '78
James C. Barnett '75
Edward G. Barton '73
Patricia R. Bozini '78
Steven E. Brown '74
John C. Carpenter '70
Philip W. Chang '71
Andrew V. Coffey '73
James F. Coleman '70
Timothy J. Collins '76
William C. Conn '74
Bernard J. Dubbene '72
Kenneth L. De Lapp '76
Peter A. Di Francesca '70
William J. Dougherty '76
Joan M. Garfinkle '73
M.B. Henry '72
Thomas W. Hogan '72
Carol Jewell '77
Ana N. Johnson '77
Kathryn K. Jones '71
Joseph M. Kelso '76
Kay M. Koch '77
Therese A. Kocijan '76
Thomas F. Kotecki '77
Merle W. Lawrence '71
Louis D. Leary '72
Carol F. Lemings '74
Claudio Luna '77
Robert J. Mattos '79
Clarence F. Mobley '78
Ruth A. Myers '77
Garrison J. Noble '79
Richard E. Puckett '79
Helen P. Quantz '76
John M. Regan '79
Doris T. Robinson '79
Verinda C. Rose '78
Phyllis J. Schooley '74
Marjorie A. Sheldon '79
Thelma M. Simmons '79
Paul J. Six Jr. '78
L.M. Smith '72
Theodore Swing '79
James M. Tablito '72
William G. Thomas '76
Stanton H. Tong '70
Patricia R. Vail '70
K.D. Wertz '78
Peninsula Silicon Valley Council “Evening with the President”  
Wednesday, September 21, 2011 • 6:00–8:00 pm  
Menlo Circus Club in Atherton, California  
Featured Speaker: Dan Gordon, Co-Founder and Brewer, Gordon Biersch Brewing Company

North Bay Council “Harvest Luncheon with the President”  
Saturday, September 24, 2011 • 11 AM–2 PM  
Foppiano Vineyards in Healdsburg, California  
Featuring a vineyard tour and wine tasting with Louis Foppiano ’70 and harvest cuisine by Jeff Mall ’93, Owner/Executive Chef, Zin Restaurant in Healdsburg

Sacramento Council “Evening with the President”  
Thursday, October 27th, 2011 • 6:00–8:00 PM  
The Citizen Hotel, Sacramento, California  
Featuring the 2011-12 Recipients of the 1st Sacramento Regional Scholarship

Southern California Council Holiday Dinner and “Evening with the President”  
Saturday, December 3, 2011 • 5:00–8:00 PM  
At the home of Tom ’64 and Sharon Malloy in Villa Park (Orange County), California

Pacific Northwest Council “Evening with the President”  
Thursday, March 1, 2012 • 6:00–8:00 PM  
Seattle Location To Be Announced

For information about these events, please contact Kevin Leong at (415) 422-5491 or kmleong@usfca.edu.
Five questions with Mary Wardell, associate vice provost for diversity and community engagement.

Your position is fairly new. What are your chief responsibilities?
I have the fortunate opportunity to be the university’s first leader in diversity and community engagement. With that I will coordinate campus diversity initiatives and develop a vision that places diversity engagement at the center of institutional functioning at USF. My core focus will be to: 1) enhance college access and success for diverse students; 2) build campus capacity with university employees to enhance overall diversity efforts and experiences that promote organizational learning; and 3) facilitate campus outreach, communication, and engagement with diverse San Francisco communities.

Why is this important to USF?
USF has been successful with its strong diversity profile of race/ethnicity and gender composition among students, faculty, and staff and perhaps can easily say to itself, ‘Mission accomplished!’ It is true that a diverse institution must have the presence of compositional diversity. Yet, we still have an opportunity to grow in numbers among other diverse community members and also become engaged as a learning organization that seeks intercultural and intergroup interactions that result in deeper understanding of self and others.

What do you think are the greatest challenges you’ll face?
I think it’s important to examine the experiences of people in our community and understand there may be privileges embedded in our existing institutional structures. You do this to raise awareness about what we are doing, how we are doing it, and the impact made through our policies and perhaps long-held practices. Raising awareness to issues that lead to change and campus growth can sometimes be a challenge. But the self-examination is worth it.

How will you measure success?
Because of our Jesuit tradition there is a deep connection between mission and diversity work at USF. My intention is to always connect and link diversity to institutional mission, educational excellence, and organizational learning to improve institutional culture and practices. I will need help with the comprehensive diversity work that’s ahead of me and plan to establish a team representing a cross-section of individuals for implementation, monitoring, and evaluation of efforts that would include a review of institutional data on diversity and climate.

What in your background has prepared you for this role?
Everything in my life has prepared me for this role. My parents grew up under the Jim Crow laws of the south and attended segregated schools all their lives. They migrated to California in the ’50s for education and employment opportunity. They had five daughters (I was number four), and I am the first to complete college in my family. Becoming a university dean and instructor is a significant testament to their commitment to provide us a better chance in life. My personal story is a life of opportunity. I am attempting to pass opportunity forward.
Those are among the qualities that former USF outfielder Kevin Cronin ’80 came to value while playing baseball under legendary coach Dante Benedetti. So positive was his experience that Kevin and his wife, Patt (also Jesuit educated), recently made a bequest “to help secure the financial viability of the program,” Kevin said.

“Whether he realized it or not, Dante was setting an example for all of us in the program to lead a life of service for others,” said Kevin, recalling that Benedetti coached at USF for 16 years for the salary of $1 per year. “I really want to shine a light on the fact that at USF, baseball is an important ministry, teaching life lessons through the game to student athletes and in the community through programs like Junior Dons. Nino Giarratano (the team’s current coach) is very similar to Dante in many ways and that’s what attracted me to get reacquainted with the program.”

“We believe it is important to be role models for our children,” added Patt. “Giving back to the community where we work and live is one of our family’s core values.”

If you are thinking about making a bequest or would like to let us know about your existing plans, please contact Chris Nicholson, USF’s Director of Planned Giving, at 415.422.4658 or cmnicholson@usfca.edu. Every bequest, no matter the size, qualifies you for membership in the Diamond Circle Society and represents a future scholarship, research fund or other gift that will have an impact at USF.

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