Pitt’s “Building Our Future Together” capital campaign has surpassed its $1.5 billion mark, $149.6 million away from the goal. At the June 30, 2010 fiscal year-end, the campaign stood at $1.496 billion, reaching its $1.5 billion milestone, three-quarters of the way toward its $2 billion goal.

Although the campaign is expected to end at the conclusion of fiscal year 2014, that date is not set in stone, Novak said. “We are going to continue to work hard and do our best to wrap up this campaign as soon as possible,” he said.

The $1.5 billion total has come from 158,003 donors, including 275 who have made commitments of $1 million or more.

Clyde B. Jones III, Pitt vice chancellor for Health Sciences development, stated in a prepared release that “this milestone in our ongoing quest to build an even better Pitt was achieved mainly through the hard work and dedication of our trustees, alumni, parents and the countless volunteers who embrace our cause.”

The campaign has resulted in the creation of 1,273 new endowed funds including 458 scholarships, and in the past three years, 109 faculty chairs or professorships and 672 named student and faculty fellowships that support research, book purchases, student academic projects and similar activities. It also has contributed to the University’s ongoing capital improvement projects.

In a prepared statement, Chancellor Mark A. Nordenberg said, “The impact of the extraordinary generosity of Pitt’s supporters extends well beyond the total number of actual gifts. What is more important is the enormous difference those dollars have made — in the lives of hardworking Pitt students whose achievements are a source of great hope for the future; in the work of Pitt’s outstanding faculty whose pioneering research impacts the ways in which we live and contributes to the greater good; in dramatic enhancements to the learning and working environment, through transformational facilities projects on all five of our campuses as well as in the quality and impact of Pitt programs that are changing and improving individual lives on a daily basis and that also add vibrance to our home communities.”

The $2 billion campaign has its roots in Pitt’s $500 million “Discover W rigid Points,” a fundraising effort that began with a quiet phase in 1997 and was formally announced in October 2000. The goal was doubled to $1 billion in June 2002 and doubled again in June 2006. With the new $2 billion goal came a name change and an emphasis on scholarship fundraising in the “Building Our Future Together” campaign.

The campaign marked a record year in fiscal 2008, bolstered by several eight-figure gifts from foundation donors and a $42 million commitment from engineer- ing alumn John Swanson. Together, they accounted for about $70 million of the record $183 million raised that year.

“Those don’t often happen year after year,” Novak said.

More recently, flagging financial confidence in the face of a sluggish economy has led donors to keep a tighter grip on their wallets.

“It’s a problem, no doubt about it,” Novak said.

The number of folks signing on the dotted line has dropped, especially in large gifts,” he said, but donors remain willing to open their doors to University representatives. “Alumni and donors continue to meet us, listen to our story, come to events, listen to the provost and chancellor all over the country,” Novak said.

One area that has continued to receive strong support in spite of the economy is scholarships, particularly among alumni donors, Novak said. The number of endowed scholarship funds has more than doubled with the 458 new scholarships established during the campaign bringing the total to 875.

In addition to honoring a parent, friend or professor, a named scholarship is a terrific gift,” Novak said. “It changes the life of a student.”

Also notable is strong support from donors affiliated with Pitt’s engineering programs. “Obviously it helps when John Swanson makes the gift he made,” Novak said, adding that engineering alumni seem to have an especially strong spirit de corps.

Novak also has been pleased with the 109 new endowed chairs and professorships that have been established, noting that the positions are an important tool in recruiting, recognizing and retaining outstanding faculty. These gifts, in the $2 million range, bring the number of endowed chairs and professorships to 183.

He credited the role of faculty and staff in the campaign’s success. “Alumni wouldn’t be giving if they didn’t have a wonderful educational experience at Pitt,” Novak said. “I hope our faculty and staff take great pride in the success we’ve had in our capital campaign. [Alumni donors] are voting yes on the experience they had in the classroom.”

Pitt is not alone in setting multi-billion-dollar fundraising goals. Cornell is in the midst of a $4 billion campaign; the University of Virginia, University of Texas-Austin and University of California-Berkeley have under- taken $1 billion campaigns; the University of Illinois has a $2.25 billion campaign goal, and Penn State also is in the midst of a $2 billion fundraising campaign.

— Kimberly K. Barbie

Pitt’s benefits compare favorably with those at peer institutions, according to a recent survey.

Faculty, staff dine cash-free on campus with Sodexo’s Lunch Money program

There may be no such thing as a free lunch, but the Pittsburgh campus’s new Lunch Money program might be the next best thing.

Pitt employees register online for the dining services program by designating a set amount of money to be deducted from their monthly paycheck, according to Rachel Zisman, Sodexo representative, who presented details of the program to the Staff Association Council (SAC) last week.

Participants receive “free money,” Zisman said, depending on the deduction level. For example, deducting $15 per month nets $160 in avoidable spending money; deducting $100 per month nets $115.

Lunch Money participants also receive a $2 discount on lunches purchased at Market Central in Litchfield Towers or The Perch in Sutherland Hall.

Participants can choose from 19 on-campus dining locations and use their Pitt ID cards like a debit card, cash is not needed. (Lunch Money also works at the University Club for club members.)

Zisman noted that unused dollars automatically roll over into the following month. “You won’t lose any of your money,” she said.

Participants also can change the amount of their payroll deduction at any time online.

“Meal plans are not activated until after the first payroll deduction occurs,” Zisman said. “You will receive an email notifying you of when your plan is activated.”

To register for the Lunch Money program or for more information, including daily menus at each of the dining locations, visit www.lunchmoney.pitt.edu, or call 4-2347.

Also at the Sept. 2 SAC meet- ing, President Gwen Watkins announced the appointment of SAC representatives to the Board of Trustees standing committees. They are: Barbara Mowery, academic affairs/libraries; Watkins, affirmative action; Carmela Rizzo, athletics; Deborah Walker, audit; Monika Losagio, budget; Monica Costlow, health sciences; Yuolanda Murray, institutional advancement; J.P. Maryychak, investment; Jonah McAllister-Erickson, property and facilities; Rich Colwell, risk and compliance, and Elisabeth Hill, student affairs.

SAC members serve as non- voting members of the trustees committees.

In other SAC developments:

• Hill was elected SAC vice president for marketing and communications. She will serve for the remainder of the term of Annabelle Clippinger’s term; Clippinger resigned from SAC for personal reasons. Hill’s term runs through next June.

• Matchyck succeeds Hill as chair of the marketing and communications committee. Committee chair Kate Kraus is the new coordinator of the SAC e-newsletter, succeeding Hill.

• Matchyck reported that his committee is working to provide an audio transmission of SAC’s monthly meetings to the regional campuses via Skype or WebEx conference services. He expects to report on plans at the next SAC meeting, set for Oct. 13.

• Marissa Arlet, chair of the program and planning committee, reported that the SAC fall assembly, “Pitt Staff Gives Back,” will be held noon-2 p.m. Oct. 23 in the William Pitt Union Ballroom and Assembly Room.

The assembly will be a marker- place of local vendors. Part of the event will be geared to staff who do event-planning, either for their department or outside the University, Arlet said. A token admission charge will be required.
Benefits at Pitt compare favorably with those at peer institutions, survey shows

Pitt’s employee health benefits plans compare favorably with those at peer institutions, according to a report presented at last week’s Faculty Assembly.

Linda Rinaman, chair of the University Senate benefits and welfare committee, reported on highlights of a survey conducted by Pitt’s Benefits department. (See April 15 University Times for a related story on Pitt health benefits.)

“This survey was developed by the Benefits department and was administered in January. John Kozaar, director of Benefits, recently went through the results of the survey for our committee,” Rinaman told Assembly members Sept. 7. “It was sent to 60 AUM-member schools, with 25 schools responding for about a 42 percent response rate, which is quite good compared to many health surveys.

Many of these schools had just recently renewed their plans, so the data are current.”

Of the 25 responding institutions, the average plan enrollment of 13,190 members is comparable to Pitt’s 13,340 enrollees, she added.

Some highlights of the survey, Rinaman reported, include:

• 22 of the surveyed universities offer a PPO (preferred provider organization) plan, while only 10 of them offer an HMO (health maintenance organization), or managed health care program. Pitt offers both, with 90 percent of covered employees enrolled in the Panther Gold HMO plan and 10 percent enrolled in a PPO plan.

• Comparative data indicate that Pitt’s peers on average offer the same contribution breakdown for premiums, with 80 percent funded by the institution and 20 percent funded by employee contributions.

• Co-payments at Pitt generally are lower than at most peer institutions. A few examples include:

  • The average survey respondent’s PCP co-payment is $20, at Pitt it is $10.
  • Average specialists’ co-payment is $52, the same as at Pitt.
  • Average emergency room co-payment is $100; at Pitt co-payments are $50 or $35 depending on the plan.
  • Average rehabilitation therapy services co-payment is $20, at Pitt it is $10.

• Many peer institutions’ PPO plan designs include a $350 individual deductible. For comparison purposes, Panther Premium PPO has a $250 deductible, Panther Plus PPO, a $400 deductible.

“Something we where we really come out on top is the benefits program for our retirees,” Rinaman said. “At Pitt, over 90 percent of age 65-plus retirees pay no premium on their medical coverage, whereas at the surveyed schools, retirees contribute on average about 50 percent of the cost.”

In other Assembly business, Senate President Michael Pinsky announced faculty appoint- ments to the new University-wide open access task force, which is charged with developing policies governing open-access publishing of Pitt-generated research. Creation of the task force was en- dorsed by both Faculty Assembly and Senate Council. (See April 15 and April 29 University Times.)

The Senate-appointed members are Steven Reis of the School of Medicine, Adam Shear of religious studies, and Karen Shephard of the School of Law.

Pinsky’s report presented at last week’s Senate budget policies committee, summarized the annual faculty pay survey. The survey was conducted by Rush Miller, director of the University of Pittsburgh Press, and John Shimick of computer science and Technology.

The Senate fall plenary session will be held noon-3 p.m. Oct. 26 in the William Pitt Union Assembly Room. Titled “Social Entrepreneurship at Pitt: Innovators, Change-Makers and Local Heroes,” the event will be moderated by Audrey Murrell, associate professor and director of the David Berg Center for Ethics and Leadership at the Katz Graduate School of Business.

Pinsky said, “The session will explore the various ways in which Pitt, students, faculty and units across the University into already-full schedules of teaching, research and service. He also has served on and chaired various governance committees in GSPIA and the University, and departmental committees for accreditation self-study, curriculum and admissions, but this will be his first service at the University level. He views it as an active, hands-on opportunity to participate in University life. Elliott has been at the University since 2008. He sees Faculty Assembly as a way to be involved in the University beyond his school and expects participation to be a positive learning experience. Kearns, a faculty member since 1980, says he is coming into his new role with an open mind and no particular expectations. He hopes that his experiences as a faculty member and an administrator will help him make a meaningful contribution to assembly debates.

Our freshman volunteers are a diverse group.

A different freshman class

From James Stewart’s first-term congressman in the 1939 Ford-Capra classic, “Mr. Smith Goes to Washington,” to the newcomers behind New Gingrich in the 104th Congress, the freshman representative has been a familiar figure in American political life.

This year, three freshman Faculty Assembly representatives graciously have agreed to let Senate Matters tag along with them as they start their terms:

• Colleen Cully, associate professor, Department of Pharmacy and Therapeutics, School of Pharmacy.

• William Elliott III, assistant professor, School of Social Work, and

• Kevin Kearns, professor, Graduate School of Public and International Affairs (GSPIA).

Since coming to Pitt in 2000, Cully has served on school and department committees for accreditation self-study, curriculum and admissions, but this will be her first service at the University level. She views it as an active, hands-on opportunity to participate in University life. Elliott has been at the University since 2008. He sees Faculty Assembly as a way to be involved in the University beyond his school and expects participation to be a positive learning experience. Kearns, a faculty member since 1980, says he is coming into his new role with an open mind and no particular expectations. He hopes that his experiences as a faculty member and an administrator will help him make a meaningful contribution to assembly debates.

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Pitt's senior administration grabs most of the headlines. The faculty here get noticed when they bring in research dollars, win teaching awards or publish in their fields. But behind the scenes, University staff, some 7,200 strong across five campuses, often toil in jobs ranging from the mundane to the esoteric.

From mailroom workers to data entry specialists, costume designers to biosafety officers, photographers to accountants, staff at Pitt perform tasks great and small, year-in and year-out, for the greater good of the University.

This is one in an occasional series profiling University staff, providing a glimpse of some of the less recognized employees whose primary business is making Pitt work.

Deborah L. Walker has worn many hats in her 27 years at Pitt, from campus security guard to campus police officer to assistant director of community standards in the Office of Residence Life, to director of the RISE mentoring program, to student conduct officer in the Division of Student Affairs.

As student conduct officer, a post she has held since 2007, Walker oversees the Office of Student Conduct and recruits and trains some 35 volunteer administrative hearing officers. She also determines the level of alleged student behavior offenses — minor, level 1 or the most serious, level 2 violations — and ensures due process for students accused of violating the Legal Code of Conduct.

Walker said Pitt's education benefits that have enabled her to transition smoothly over the years from one position to another.

In addition to holding Pennsylvania Act 120 certification from the Allegheny County Police Academy as part of her campus police training, she has earned a BA in administration of justice and legal studies from the College of General Studies and a Master of Public Policy Management from the Graduate School of Public and International Affairs.

During her days on the campus police force — including a prominently visible stint as the police department's community relations officer — Walker helped develop several departmental crime prevention programs, including Operation Campus Watch and the residence officer program, a program in which residence hall students collaborate with the Pitt police on issues of safety and security.

For her efforts she received a 2002 Chancellor's Distinguished Service Award for Staff.

But there's more: This busy Pitt staffer also has served on the Pitt Alumni Association board (2000-04) and the Pitt Community Research Advisory Board since 2005. In the spring she was re-elected to the Alumni Association board for a two-year term as a director-at-large. She joined the Staff Association Council in May.

In her capacity as student conduct officer, Walker has addressed conferences in Pittsburgh, Washington, D.C.; Seattle, and this past summer in Oxford, U.K. (See sidebar on page 4.)

Outside the University, Walker helped initiate the FBI-sponsored adopt-a-school program, which takes crime prevention education into local public schools. She has served on the Pittsburgh Commission on Human Relations, 2002-04, and since 2003 on the Pittsburgh Citizen Review Board. Currently, she also is an adjunct faculty member in the Department of Criminal Justice and Intelligence Studies at Point Park.

She has been honored for her community service activities by the Urban League of Pittsburgh, the New Pittsburgh Courier, Renaissance Publications and the Pittsburgh Pirates; she also has been inducted into the Westinghouse High School Hall of Fame.

These seemingly disparate roles inside and outside the University nonetheless define a cohesive career path, Walker said. She draws on her experiences in law enforcement and student advising, as well as her service on various boards.

"If I look at my law enforcement training, it's like a lot of what we do is very similar to law enforcement. It's not the criminal justice system, but the Student Code of Conduct is similar. I do work very closely with General Counsel, our Counseling Center, our Student Health Center and other offices," Walker said.

Student Conduct is a neutral group, she noted, taking neither the position of the complainer nor of the accused, but providing fair process and education for all parties.

"You're looking at a situation where a violation has been made and students have rights that can create very serious implications for the student and, for the University, so you really have to be on top of your game and know the laws and policies exactly."

Those rules and policies are spelled out in great detail in the "Student Code of Conduct and Judicial Procedures," which Walker's office updates annually and distributes each fall to every student — undergraduates, graduate students and professional students alike. It is also posted online at www.studentaffairs.pitt.edu/conduct/code.html.

One of Walker's most important responsibilities is determining the level of a violation of the Student Code, which is triggered by a written, signed complaint from any member of the University community.

All told, in the 2009-10 academic year there were 299 incidents, including those off campus, reported to the Office of Student Conduct. Of these, 37 were level 1 and 62 were level 2 violations, with the rest labeled as minor infractions.

Allegations always are judged in the context of the circumstances surrounding an incident, such as potential danger to others, amount of property or other damage or cost to the University. Repeat offenses also are taken into account.

Most minor infractions, such as violating quiet time or other policies in a residence hall, are referred on to the appropriate director in Residence Life, Walker explained.

"Level 1 incidents are more serious, for example when a student age 21 or older is caught walking the streets of Oakland with an open container of alcohol, or when a student is accused of petty theft."

"Level 1 violations merit an administrative hearing by a hearing officer whom Walker designates."

"During the hearing my role is one of moderator. My job is to provide due process and make sure that our process is fair. I don't get a vote. I'm like a judge. I answer any procedural questions," she said, adding that her legal background and experience aids in this role. She also relies on the Association for Student Conduct Administration, of which Pitt is a member, for best practices, Walker said.

"In level 1 cases, students do not face suspension or expulsion, but could face sanctions. Every case is different," Walker said.

If sanctions are recommended, students can accept the sanctions, or they can request a sanctions hearing. See page 4. CONTINUED ON PAGE 4.
Paper on Pitt's handling of Super Bowl celebration yields trip to Oxford

The Steeler's 2009 Super Bowl victory indirectly was responsible for Pitt student conduct officer Deborah L. Walker's invitation to July in the Oxford Round Table in Oxford, England, Thursday night. Walker, who bills himself as a human cyborg, discussed his work. His research has included the information worldwide.

Presenters, known as del - egates, were selected on the basis of papers they submitted. Reviewers at Oxford University evaluated those papers on their quality and contribution to the particular field of knowledge. About 40 delegate, who were housed at Oxford's St. Anne's College, attended the 20th annual roundtable.

"I was so honored to have an opportunity to go on one of the great scholarly places of the world," Walker said. Her paper, "Responding to Crime at an Urban-Based Research University — The 1 C: Célation, Chaos, Collabora - tion," focused on Pitt's response to the chaotic aftermath of the Steeler's Super Bowl victory on Feb. 2, 2009. More than $100,000 in property damage resulted during the victory.

Walker used a PowerPoint presentation on her paper, includ - ing videos made by a Pitt student of the fires and damage that took place on the night of the Super Bowl.

The turmoil resulted in 25 Pitt student arrests. Students were charged with a variety of offenses, including arson, underage drinking and aggravated assault. The heart of her presenta - tion, Walker said, focused on the proactive approach taken by Pitt's central administration immedi - ately following the events. Pitt's response included establishing a celebration task force to address community concerns and alerting students about responsible celebration through ads in The Pitt News and in letters to the editor.)

"And when we receive letters from them, it's wonderful." —Peter Hart

"We'll only talk to parents if the student is having difficulty in writing. Surprisingly, the majority of students will give us permis - sion. I think that's a change in generations. The millennial stu - dents, with the helicopter parents, are closer to their parents. The parents help them," said Walker. "Working with parents is a very good thing. If we can get a parent working with us to help us in a positive way to turn our son or daughter into an all-win - for everybody," she said.

"Those of us in Student Affairs, through our involvement, that's our burden, that we care for the development of the student inside and outside the classroom. The presentations and students come back to you the next semester and say, 'Thank you. Did you do so much for helping our son or daughter' — that's very satisfying. Recalling when we receive letters from them, it's wonderful." —Peter Hart

Pitt Professor Day targets professional “elites”

Pitt Professor Day targets professional “elites” viewed at http://mediasite.cidde. pitt.edu/ nick/ the Gradu - ate School of Public Health folder to select a talk. In addition to the panelists, the site includes video of GPSH Dean Donald S. Burke's introduction to the event.

The Pitt event marked the first time the TED talk model was used at a university, LaPorte said, adding that he believes it has potential to enable people in the community and socially as well," Walker said. "That academically they're okay, that we won't have a problem matriculating toward graduation, focus, to make sure that they're moving on in a timely manner. That we are following, because I want them to have lunch, because I want them to

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Pitt-Bradford's art auction goes Hollywood

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carles and paprazzi will greet patrons on the red carpet this Saturday at Pitt-
Bradford's annual gala art auction. The annual Hollywood-themed event is set for 6:30 p.m. in Blais-
dell Hall. Proceeds from the evening benefit the Pitt-Bradford Arts Endowment Fund, which supports fine and performing arts on campus.

More than 40 items will be up for bid in silent and live auctions. Some are featured online at www.upb.artsauction.aspx.

Items include travel packages such as a weekend in Boston at the Marriott's Custom House; a weekend in Ellitsville, N.Y., and a Bedford Springs resort and spa package. Other items include an eight-piece set of W.R. Case & Son's Cutlery stag-handled steak knives; a numbered lithograph by folk artist Jane Wooster Scott; a Bilt New York Jets football package; collectibles including Baccarat, Murano and Waterford crystal; a kayak, and a terrarium designed and built by UPB master gardener Bob Harris from rare woods.

Although online bidding has closed, Patty Colosimo, UPB assistant director of arts programming, said she is happy to place proxy bids for those who cannot attend the event.

In addition to the chance to bid, the evening includes cocktails, hors d'oeuvres and entertainment.

"We try to make it an evening that everyone enjoys. That's as important a goal as the money we raise," Colosimo said, noting that the event committee strives to create an evening that will wow guests.

After their Hollywood premiere-styled red-carpet entrance, guests will be treated to classical music and movie themes played by Southern Tier Symphony musicians Julia Tunstill on flute and Emily Tunstill-Frack on cello. The evening will conclude with show tunes and popular music from the Golden Age of Hol-
lywood sung by Lynne Shannon, who will be accompanied by John Kyte on grand piano.

Colosimo said the auction is an important part of fundraising for the arts endowment. Last year's event raised $23,000. "We're trying to surpass that this year," she said.

UPB's arts endowment is comprised of two funds, said campus President Livingston Alexander: the Fine and Communication Arts Fund, which was established in 2004, and the Richard S. and Pamela A. Johnson Endowed Fund for the Arts, established in 2005. Combined, the two funds stand at approximately $305,000.

Both support arts programming, although the Johnson fund may also be used for scholarships benefiting students who are studying interdisciplinary arts (including theatre, music and fine arts) at Pitt-Bradford.

"The aspiration is that those two funds will total $1 million," Alexander said. No has been set for completion of that goal.

He noted that the Fine and Communication Arts Fund was established as Pitt-Bradford was completing its new performing arts center in Blaisdell Hall, with the recognition that an endow-
ment was needed to support the arts in that venue. Money raised in this year's auction will be added to that fund, Alexander said.

"Our dream of having quality arts programming for the campus, for the community and for the region is really coming into real-
ity," Alexander said. Increasing the endowment ensures the continu-
ance and possible expansion of programming such as UPB's cur-
riculum-based Spectrum series, which features visual, literary and performing arts chosen by faculty; the Prism series, which features national productions (including the upcoming national touring company production of "The Diary of Anne Frank" in October) and the Kaleidoscope matinee series for K-12.

"The auction is a very exciting, fun event," Alexander said. "The community looks forward to it each year."

Tickets for the auction are $65 and must be purchased in advance by calling Patty Colosimo, UPB assistant director of arts programming, at 814/362-5155.

Kimberly K. Barlow

UPMC teams with IBM on “smart” hospital rooms

UPMC and IBM are teaming up to bring “smarter” hospital rooms to patients nationwide. Created by UPMC three years ago to bring the correct patient information to the bedside when it’s needed, the high-tech “smart room” now features new capabili-
ties, namely a system for automati-
cally organizing and prioritizing the work of nurses and other caregivers. Under an agreement, IBM will be the exclusive sales channel for the SmartRoom solu-
tion and will help to implement the technology for customers.

First tested at UPMC Shady-
side, the SmartRoom capabilities have been expanded to 24 rooms at UPMC Montefiore. Using small ultrasound tags from Soni-
tor Technologies, the SmartRoom system identifies health care work-
ers wearing the tags as they walk into a patient’s room, displaying the person’s identity and role on a wall-mounted monitor visible to patients.

At the same time, the Smart-
Room solution automatically pro-
vides the clinician with relevant, real-time patient information pulled from the electronic medical record, including allergies, vital signs, test results and medications that are due. The information shown on the caregiver’s moni-
tor is tailored to the needs of the specific worker.

IBM’s funding for Smart-
Room comes from a $50 million co-development fund created by UPMMC and IBM in 2005, when they entered into an eight-year agreement to transform UPMCCs information technology infra-
structure while developing and commercializing clinical solutions.

After developing its own proto-
type of the system, UPMC worked with IBM to create more open interfaces with back-end systems. By redesigning the solution with a service-oriented architecture, SmartRoom can deploy the tech-
ology more broadly at UPMC and other health care providers.

For more information, visit www.smartroomsolutions.com.

Lunch program explained at SAC meeting

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"People can donate a dollar or a used book, which will be given to charity," she said.

For more information, contact the SAC office at 4-4216.

Arlet's committee also is plan-
ning brown bag lunch presenta-
tions for November ("Safety on Campus") and February ("Over-
coming Educational Obstacles for Staff"), on dates to be announced.

Arlet also reported that for the first time all 2,000 ticketers were available for last July’s SAC-sponsored Pitt Kennywood Day.

—Peter Hart
U.S. schools, including Pitt, drop in world ranking

Swanson ranks 2nd for % of doctors awarded to women

The Swanson School of Engineering was ranked second in North America by the American Society for Engineering Education (ASEE) for the percentage of doctoral degrees awarded to women in 2009.

Pitt’s Swanson school was positioned just slightly behind the University of Iowa in ASEE’s 2009 Profiles of Engineering and Science Colleges. The annual publication provides statistics and profiles for all of the more than 400 engineering schools in the United States and Canada.

Of the PhD degrees awarded by Swanson last year, 37.5 percent went to female doctoral students, only 2 percent fewer than the percentage of PhD degrees awarded to women at the University of Iowa, according to the report.

The ASEE only ranked the 103 institutions that awarded at least 25 PhD degrees last year. The other top 10 institutions in the study were Stanford, Berkeley, Caltech, Virginia Tech, UCLA, Oklahoma, Rutgers, Northwestern, Washington University in St. Louis and the University of Louisville.

The supplement also provides data on research citations, staffing levels and international activity. In addition, it offers rankings from around the world offered their opinions on the top universities for the latest QS World University Rankings.

In other news, universities also were judged on quantitative data on research citations, staffing levels and international activity.

The quality indicators were weighted as follows: academic reputation, 40 percent of the total score; employer/recruiter review, 20 percent; citations per faculty member, 10 percent; student-faculty ratio, 10 percent, and international factors (the proportion of international students and of international faculty who are attracted to that institution), percent each.

The rankings focus on three main characteristics of a university: size (based on the number of full-time-equivalent degree-seeking students); scope (based on the institution’s programs in arts and humanities; engineering and IT; life sciences and biomedicine; natural sciences and social science), and research intensiveness (based on the number of document citations, the number of times retrievable from Scopus, a database of abstracts and citations in the world’s leading journals).

The supplement also provides separate tables for the top universities categorized under the scope of an institution’s offerings. This year, Pitt ranked 99th overall, 77th in life sciences and engineering and IT (down from last year’s top 120th), 231st in engineering and IT (down from 173rd last year), 223rd in life sciences and biomedicine (down from 149th), and 213th in social sciences (up from 224th).

The University was unranked in the natural sciences category both this year and last.

The complete list are available at www.topuniversities.com/qs-rankings.

—Peter Hart

Children’s, Magee win awards

The new Children’s Hospital building was recognized with three local awards: the Outstanding Engineering Achievement Award from Engineering and IT (down from last year’s top 15, the three non-U.S. universities are 53 U.S. universities in the top 150 in engineering and IT; down from 120th last year); 231st in educational programs in arts and humanities; engineering and IT; life sciences and biomedicine; natural sciences and social science; and research intensiveness (based on the number of document citations, the number of times retrievable from Scopus, a database of abstracts and citations in the world’s leading journals).

The supplement also provides separate tables for the top universities categorized under the scope of an institution’s offerings. This year, Pitt ranked 99th overall, 77th in life sciences and engineering and IT (down from last year’s top 120th), 231st in engineering and IT (down from 173rd last year), 223rd in life sciences and biomedicine (down from 149th), and 213th in social sciences (up from 224th).
2010 Walking Campaign – “Football Footsteps”

For the past few years, a walking campaign has been promoted as part of the Fitness for Life Program. During 2009, walkers participated in the “Reach the Beach” campaign. For 2010, the theme is “Football Footsteps.” Working with the Department of Athletics and the Department of Health and Physical Activity, the Benefits Department is supporting this activity to promote health, earn a chance to win some great prizes and support the University’s football program.

All faculty and staff members along with their spouses/domestic partners are eligible to participate in this six-week walking/exercise challenge. Features of the program include the ability to:

- Log your weekly physical activity minutes or steps (new).
- Earn points for your logged minutes or steps to virtually “walk” to each opponent’s campus.
- Participate individually or as part of a team.
- Engage in health coaching through UPMC Health Plan.
- Receive weekly tips on nutrition and physical activity.

To register for the “Football Footsteps” challenge:

1. Log in to your Fitness for Life Account at: www.hr.pitt.edu/fitness
2. From your account page you will see a section titled “Initiative Enrollment.”
3. Select “Football Footsteps” and click the “Enroll in This Challenge” button.

Prizes

This year all participants will have a chance to win random prizes, such as tickets for home games, T-shirts and autographed footballs, just for logging their weekly physical activity minutes or steps! Tickets to the Pitt vs. West Virginia football game will be the grand prize!

Football Footsteps Schedule

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Falk Pharmacy will also offer flu shots on each Tuesday and Thursday from 9 am - 3 pm September through December.

Similar arrangements are being made for the regional campuses that may involve local providers.

Faculty and staff enrolled in UPMC Health Plan coverage can obtain a flu shot on campus with no out-of-pocket cost involved and no paperwork to complete. At the clinic, members must present their current UPMC Health Plan insurance card. Falk Pharmacy has arranged to bill UPMC Health Plan directly for all eligible members. In addition to faculty and staff members, students with UPMC Health Plan insurance also are eligible for this benefit.

Flexible Spending Accounts

After two months of operation with UPMC Health Plan as the new third-party administrator for flexible spending accounts, there are several updates and progress notes.

Most notable, the use of the paperless debit or stored-value card transactions has increased from 60% to 90%. This means that only 10% of the claims are being filed online or manually.

In total, approximately $6.5 million is deferred into a spending account. As an indication of activity, there were 6,400 debit card transactions in August. The usage is as follows:

- Pharmacy: 55%
- Medical: 31%
- Dental: 6%
- Vision: 6%
- Chiropractor: 2%

UPMC Health Plan is required by the Internal Revenue Code to obtain documentation substantiating that each submitted claim is eligible for reimbursement. As a result, the language on the Request for Receipts Statement indicates that reimbursements will result in tax consequences if they are not substantiated. The Benefits Department now is working with our dental and vision providers to submit claims data to UPMC Health Plan. The data will be used to substantiate dental and vision claims, thus reducing or eliminating the need for members to supply any documentation. This effort should be completed within the next 30-45 days.

On a related matter, under provisions of the new health care reform legislation, effective January 1, 2011, over-the-counter medicine will no longer be eligible for reimbursement from a flexible spending account.

Upcoming Dates

- Oct. 4: Week 2 University of Notre Dame
- Oct. 11: Week 3 Syracuse University
- Oct. 18: Week 4 Rutgers University
- Oct. 25: Week 5 University of Louisville
- Nov. 1: Week 6 University of Connecticut
- Nov. 6: Last Day of Campaign

For more information about the Football Footsteps Walking Campaign, visit: www.hr.pitt.edu/fitness and click on “Fitness for Life Initiatives/Incentives” for details.

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Important Vendor Contact Information

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Brains differ in new moms

Certain areas of the brain in women with postpartum depression react less to images of scared or angry faces compared to mothers who are well, according to a study by School of Medicine researchers to be published in the September issue of the American Journal of Psychiatry. The researchers also found a reduction in brain activity that was associated with greater impairment of maternal attachment processes.

Eytel L. Moses-Kolko, lead author and psychiatry faculty member, said: “The birth of a child is a greatly anticipated and desired event, said: “The birth of a child can Journal of Psychiatry. The researchers examined their ability to engage the brain in processing, the researchers used a well-known face-matching test.

For the study, researchers compared 14 depressed and 16 healthy mothers, all of whom delivered a healthy term infant in the preceding 12 weeks, were medication-free and had given birth previously to another child. Mothers were assessed using functional MRI to look at brain activity in relationship to prenatal depression, anxiety and function, as well as with a questionnaire to determine attachment quality, hostility and pleasure in interaction with their infants.

To fully engage the brain regions involved in emotion processing, the researchers used a well-known face-matching test. The mothers were shown images of angry and scared faces and the researchers examined their neural reactions to the images.

Researchers found that negative emotional faces activated the left dorsomedial prefrontal cortex, which is a social cognition region of the brain, significantly less in depressed mothers than in healthy mothers. Deficits in this region, therefore, might represent diminished awareness of the emotions of others and less empathy for them.

The researchers also found that while negative images were viewed, communication between the left dorsomedial prefrontal cortex and the left amygdala was present in healthy moms but not in the depressed ones, suggesting that this might be an important neural circuit that regulates emotional response to unpleasant stimuli, such as a crying baby.

“We also discovered that greater infant-related hostility and more severe depression were associated with reduced face-related amygdala activity, which may be a mechanism for the reduced maternal and empathetic responses in some depressed moms that is described in the literature,” noted Moses-Kolko. “We need studies whereby brain responses can be directly related to live mother-infant behavior in order to definitively clarify brain mechanisms of mother-infant attachment. Ultimately, this information has the potential to guide the development of more effective treatments for postpartum depression.”

Co-authors of the study included Susan R. Perlman, Katherine L. Wisner, Jeffrey James, An Troia Saul and Mary L. Phillips, all from the Department of Psychiatry.

This study was supported in part by the National Institute of Mental Health and the National Alliance for Research on Schizophrenia and Depression.
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Pitt included in Chronicle ranking of key financial quality indicators

Pitt has been ranked in a number of key institutional financial quality indicators reported in The Chronicle of Higher Education’s Almanac of Higher Education 2010-11, which ranks leading American colleges and universities in a range of categories.

• In the category Top Institutions in Federal Research-and-Development Expenditures for Science and Engineering, Pitt ranked 26th nationally (46th last year), with $456.2 million. The rankings are based on fiscal year 2008 data supplied by the National Science Foundation (NSF).

• In the category Top Institutions in Total Research-and-Development Expenditures for Science and Engineering based on NSF data, Pitt ranked 17th (19th last year) among all U.S. universities in this year’s Almanac, with $955.6 million.

• Topping the list in this category again was Johns Hopkins University with $1.7 billion.

• In the category College and University Endowments Over $2.50 Million 2009, based on information supplied by the National Association of College and University Business Officers (NACUBO), Pitt ranked 29th (the same as last year) with $1.84 billion. Harvard topped the list with an endowment of $2.57 billion.

• The category includes a column that shows how much market values of endowments changed during the 2009 fiscal year. In it, Pitt’s one-year change was minus 21.3 percent. (See Feb. 4 University Times.)

• In the category Library Investment Index at University Research Libraries 2008-09, based on information drawn from the Association of Research Libraries, Pitt ranked 11th (30th last year). Harvard again ranked No. 1 in this category.

• According to the Almanac, “The ARL Library Investment Index takes into account total library expenditures, salaries of professional staff members, spending on library materials and the number of professional and support staff members. It is a summary measure of the relative size among university libraries belonging to the association.”

Pitt’s total library expenditures were $15,149,301, its salaries of professional staff members totaled $6,927,117, the University’s total library materials expenditures was $14,296,270, and there were 292 professional and support staff members, according to the publication.

• In the category Largest Endowments per Student, based on information supplied by NACUBO for endowments as of June 30, 2009, Pitt ranked 72nd nationally (46th last year).

• Pitt ranked 126th in this category among public institutions, that information was not included in last year’s Almanac.

• Rockefeller University, with a full-time-student equivalent total of 2,225, topped the list again this year with an endowment of $6.8 million per student. The top public institution was Virginia Military Institute, with $24,561 per student.


—Peter Hart

Melissa McGivney, a faculty member in pharmacy and therapeutics at the School of Pharmacy, was invited to serve as a member of the Curriculum Project undertaken by the American Pharmacists Association and the American Association of Colleges of Pharmacy. The goal of the project is to research “best practices” of teaching MTM and creating a framework for MTM curriculum across schools of pharmacy nationally.

McGivney, who also is director of the School’s Community Pharmacy residency program, focuses on the development of pharmacist competence in community care practices in the community.

Joanne Kowiatek, an adjunct faculty member in pharmacy and therapeutics and pharmacy manager of medication patient safety at UPMC-Presby terian, has been chosen as director-at-large for the American Society of Health-System Pharmacists section of inpatient care practitioners. She will assume the director-at-large responsibilities in June 2011.

Kowiatek’s hospital pharmacy experience involves pharmacy operations management, including managing centralized and decentralized pharmacy services and operating room pharmacy satellites.

In the School of Pharmacy, Kowiatek teaches medication safety and regulatory compliance and serves as a preceptor for pharmacy students and residents. She has authored numerous peer-reviewed journal articles and chapters contributing to medication safety literature.

As part of interdisciplinary teams, Kowiatek has received national awards, including the Circle of Excellence in Patient Safety Award and the Institute for Safe Medication Practices (ISMP) Medication Safety Alert! Cheers Subscriber Award, as well as being an individual recipient of the ISMP Cheers Award.

Chemistry department faculty member Tony Chapman, who has been named a distinguished member of the Pitt chapter of the National Society of Collegiate Scholars for the academic year 2010-11, Chapman was said to model the mission of the society — honoring and inspiring academic excellence and engaged citizenship over a lifetime.

The honor society recognizes outstanding scholastic achievement of first- and second-year students and promotes a national integrity initiative.

Giuseppina Mecchia, a faculty member in the Department of French and Italian Languages and Literatures, has begun a three-year appointment as director of the cultural studies program, an interdisciplinary certificate program concerned with the dynamics of culture on a global scale.

The People of the Times column features recent news on faculty and staff, including awards and other honors, accomplishments and administrative appointments.

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Thursday 30

HSLS Workshop
“PuliMedBase,” Jill Fonst; Falk Library classroom, 1-10:10 am
Endocrine Research Conference
“American-African Women Demonstrate Similar Adherence to Weight Loss Intervention But Loses Weight Due to Lower Energy Requirements,” James Delany, 1199 Sturtevant B1, noon
Epidemiology Seminar
“Infant Meningococcal Vaccines: We Finally Have Them So Time to Immunize…or Not?” Lee Harrison & Michael Green, A115 Cabremes, noon
HSLS Lunch With a Librarian
Asian Studies Lecture
“Asia’s Trade Routes: Commodity, Networks & Intangibles,” Stewart Gordon, U of MI, 11:10 Povert, noon
Humanities Lecture
“Rethinking the Anusatal Rebellion,” Marcus Rediker, history; 602 CL, 4 pm
Geology & Planetary Science Colloquium
Latin American Film
“Vampiros en Habana,” FFA aud., 6:30 pm
Tirasuavle Campus Performance
Dioso Duck, Heme And., UPT, 7:30 pm

PhD Defenses

GSPI/Biostatistics
SIS/Information & Technology
“Providing Service-Based Personalization in an Adaptive Hypermedia System,” Michael Yuelsen; Sept. 17, 522 IS, noon
SHRS/Rehabilitation Science
“The Association Between Lower Extremity Movement Patterns & Physical Function in People With Knee Osteoarthritis,” Alexandra Gil; Sept. 17, 4060 Forbes Tower, 1:30 pm

Medicine/Cell Biology & Molecular Physiology
“Role of the 6th Transmembrane Domain in the Activation Mechanism of the Intermediate Conductance Calcium Activated Potassium Channel KCa1.3,” Mark Bailey, Sept. 23, 5120 Sturl, 8:30 pm
A&S/Geology & Planetary Science
“Isotopic Investigation of Anthropogenically-Sourced of Atmospheric Nitrogen & Carbon Vegetation Along Spatial Gradients,” Katherine Middleton, Sept. 24, 214 SRCRC, 2 pm
A&S/English
“Research in the Form of a Spectacle: Godard & the Cinematic Essay,” Charles Warner; Sept. 28, 1216 CL, 9 am
A&S/Philosophy
“Kant’s Concept of Practical Reason,” James Meredith; Sept. 30, 1001D CL, 10 am
Medicine & A&S/Integrative Molecular Biology
A&S/Philosophy
“Kant on Logical Form,” Alexis Newton; Sept. 30, 1001D CL, 2 pm

Theatre
Pitt Repertory Theatre
“A One-Man Archy & Michtab,”through Sept. 19, Heymann Theatre, Foster Memorial, Th. & F, 8 pm; Sat. & 2 & 8 pm; Sun. 2 pm (for tickets 4-7529)
Pitt Student Lab Performances
“Eleemosynary” & “All in the Timings: Words, Words, Words & Variations on the Death of Trotsky”; Sept. 29-Oct. 3; Studio Theatre CL, M-F 8 pm; Sat. 2 & 8 pm; Sun. 2 pm (4-7529)

Exhibits
Mental Health Suitecase Exhibit
“The Lives They Left Behind”; through Sept. 23; FFA Gallery,

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(412/758-1716)
Global Health Discussion
"Toward Targets for Actions in Public Health," Javier Vasquez, Pan American Health Organization, 107 Barco, 1-4:30 pm (info: jes18@pitt.edu)
Academic Career Development Workshop
"Maximizing Your Postdoc Success: An Orientation to a Full Academic and Social Life in Pittsburgh," Arthur Levine, S100 Starzl BST, 1-3 pm
Geology & Planetary Science Colloquium
"Geochemical Characterization of Groundwater Flow Processes in a Patterned Látrabjarg," Sounmkit Sarkar, Pitt Environmental Law Clinic, 11 Thaw, 4 pm
Mental Health Lecture
Robert Whetstone, FFA and, 7 pm (412/661-7860)
Greensburg Campus La Cultura Lecture/Performance
"What India Means to Me," Lipika Mazumdar, anthropology; Steve Garcia, string performance; Ferguson Theater, Smith, UPG, 7 pm
Friday 17
Constitution Day Webcast
"The Right to a Fair Trial Should the Rules in Terrorism Cases Be Different From Those in Other Criminal Prosecutions?" panel discussion sponsored by The Constitution Project & the Georgetown Ctr. on National Security & the Law, 10 Barco, 9-10:30
S. VC's Research Seminar
"Development & Use of NMR/ MRI Methods to Directly Observe Structures & Dynamics in Biological Membranes," Megan Spence, chemistry; Scalfe and, 6, noon (17382)
CRSP Lecture
"Writing the History of Cuba’s Future: Debates on Race & History in Contemporary Cuba," Alejandro de la Fuente, history & Latin American studies, 2017 CL, noon (4-7182)
Philosophy of Science Lecture
"Why Einsteinian Equations Feel Truthy?" JD Trout, Loyola U of Chicago, 817 LR, 12:05 pm (14192)
German Lecture
Renardeena Malikowski, U of Augsburg, 2448 CL, 1 pm
Anthropology Lecture
"Prelude to a Bronze Age Comparison: Autonomy & Complexity in Prehistoric Hungary (ca. 2500-1800 BC)," Paul Duffy, 1106 Povar, 1 pm
Classic Lecture
"Is Plato’s Political Philosophy Totalitarian?" Wolfgang Ber- nard, U of Rostock, 244A CL, 3 pm
Office of Research/NCURA Broadcast Workshop
"Negotiating Federal Contracts & Proposals Through 5/6:12," Starzl BST, 11:30 am-3:30 pm (4-7405)
UPCI Basic & Translational Research Seminar
Pharmacological Sciences Seminar
"Mechanisms of PDGF/Alpha-Phosphoryl- mediated Neutrophil Migration: Next Gens—Invasion?" 456 Salk, noon
Health Sciences Research Seminar
"Long-Term Acute Care Hosp- itals: Efficacy & Impact," Jeremy Kahn, 301 Parkville, noon
Mage-Womens Research Institute’s Work-in-Progress Conference & Seminar
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AUCTION

David R. Cooper, professor of surgery in the Starzl Transplantation Institute, has written a book on the surgeons who pioneered heart surgery, "Open Heart," which will be published in September. Dr. Cooper will give a presentation at Joseph-Beth (JB) Booksellers at South Side Works on Thursday, Oct. 5, at 7 pm.

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