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### Your Philanthropy at Work

December 2011

## Downtown Site Sets the Stage for Next Generation of Pacific Presence in San Francisco

Excitement is building throughout the Arthur A. Dugoni School of Dentistry as the school continues to take steps forward with its plans for new facilities.

University of the Pacific recently closed a purchase agreement for a building at 155 Fifth Street in San Francisco's downtown South of Market Street (SoMa) district. The site was selected after an intensive review of more than 20 locations by a facilities steering committee composed of dental school and University of the Pacific leaders.

Plans include a complete renovation and remodeling of the seven-story structure, which is currently vacant. Design and remodeling work is expected to take up to two years to complete before students, faculty and staff can occupy the building, which features approximately 395,000 square feet of gross facility space. The building's large, open spaces offer a "blank slate" for the school to design optimal new facilities for decades to come.

"This building selection sets the stage for an exciting time in the history of both the dental school and University of the Pacific," said Dean Patrick J. Ferrillo, Jr., a member of the facility steering committee overseeing the project. "This structure in SoMa offers the features and advantages that closely fit our criteria for a new school home. We're looking forward to building a world-class facility to match the world-class level of our people and programs."



The school's search for a new home is driven by several years of facility feasibility and

programming studies. Desired features identified in the search include flexible space for modern learning environments; new clinical spaces to support the small group practice model currently being implemented; a more convenient location accessible via public transportation for patients; communal space to better support the school's culture; and environmentally efficient facilities to replace the aging systems and equipment used in the school's existing building in Pacific Heights. In addition to meeting all of these criteria, the 155 Fifth Street location offers additional space for potential future use by University of the Pacific for non-dental programs.

The generosity of alumni, donors, friends and other supporters in the community will be a significant part of the success of the

project. Under the leadership of the Pacific Dugoni Foundation, the school's fundraising arm, the school is in the planning stages of a major capital fundraising campaign to support the project.

University of the Pacific also recently hired key partners for the project, including SmithGroup Inc., as lead architect, Nova Partners, Inc., as project manager and Plant Construction Company as general contractor.

## **Voices of the Pacific Dugoni Community**

More than 64 members of the school community are involved in various committees that are planning aspects of the new facilities. For example, a Programming/Design Committee and subgroups are working on final design and floor plans, a Purchasing Committee and subgroups are analyzing the type of equipment that will eventually be needed throughout the new school, and a Transition Team has been formed to start planning for the logistics of a future move. Members of the school community are voicing support for the project as it continues to move forward.



Above: A view of the school's future site at 155 Fifth Street in San Francisco's South of Market district. The location offers accessibility to public transportation, room for redesigned clinics and learning spaces, environmental efficiencies, future space for University uses and other features.

At left: A conceptual rendering of 155 Fifth Street's proposed exterior.



"I'm really excited about the new facilities project," said Dr. Ariane Terlet, president of the Alumni Association. "I think it's an incredible opportunity to look at how we can redesign our school to meet the needs of the future."

"We're building an environment for the future," said Dr. Arthur A. Dugoni, dean emeritus. "The time has come for a different location and a new facility to meet the exceptional educational program that's been developed and is continuing to be developed."



For more information and updates about this historic project, visit www.dental.pacific.edu/plans

"We recognize that the facility that served us well is now reaching its limit," said Dr. Pamela A. Eibeck, President of University of the Pacific. "New facilities will ensure outstanding learning environments, teaching clinics that are second to none, and an even greater sense of community among our students, faculty and staff."



"Pacific really pushes the envelope when it comes to education," said Alex Blaseio, a member of the DDS class of 2013. "In the last few years we've worked really hard to restructure the curriculum to make learning more enriching. The building will give us the opportunity to expand this initiative and stay at the forefront of dental education in the country."



## Pacific Dugoni Foundation Board Names Campaign Co-Chairs, Forms Leadership Gift Committees

Since University of the Pacific entered into a purchase agreement for a building on Fifth Street in San Francisco's South of Market district, the Pacific Dugoni Foundation (PDF) Board has been planning for the dental school's campaign for new facilities—a campaign that will propel the school into a new era of preeminence in dental education.

Four PDF Board members recently stepped forward to volunteer as the campaign co-chairs. With tremendous passion for the new building initiative, the co-chairs will help to develop the infrastructure for the campaign, which is currently in the leadership gift phase.

Dr. Ron Redmond '66, who chaired the Commitment to Excellence Campaign from 1998 to 2006, has agreed to serve the school again as the co-chair of the new building campaign. Dr. Redmond has been a member of the PDF Board since 1998 and is the Board's Vice President for Membership. Dr. Redmond established six orthodontic practices in Orange County between 1970 and 2003. His two sons and daughter-in-law, Drs. John Redmond '97, Bill Redmond '93 and Erini Redmond '93 and are also graduates of Pacific Dugoni. Today Dr. Ron Redmond practices in Seattle. He and his wife, Margaret, have been married 50 years. Dr. Redmond also serves on the University of the Pacific Board of Regents.



Sharing the responsibility with Dr. Redmond as campaign cochairs are Dr. Gary Weiner '66, Mr. Gary Mitchell and Dr. Gabby Thodas'77, '95 Ortho.

Dr. Weiner, who joined the PDF board in 2009, has maintained a private practice with the same partner in Inglewood, Calif. for more than 35 years. He earned an MBA in 1999 from University of Phoenix. He and his wife, Dana, live in Laguna Beach, Calif. Between the two of them, they have four children and five grandchildren.

Mr. Mitchell stepped down as the PDF Board President in order to assume his new role for the campaign. Mr. Mitchell joined the board in 1998 and served as the Board's president from 2007 to 2011. Mr. Mitchell is president of Mitchell & Mitchell Insurance Agency in Novato, Calif. He has two children.

Dr. Thodas has re-joined the PDF Board after previously serving from 1998 to 2006. She practiced general dentistry for 16 years before returning to Pacific for her MSD in Orthodontics. Today she has a practice in Redwood City, Calif. Dr. Thodas has also taught at the dental school as a clinical instructor of Fixed Prosthodontics and taught in the Graduate Department of Orthodontics. Dr. Thodas is married to Dr. Gary Thodas '77. The couple met their first year of dental school. They have four children and four grandchildren.

In addition to naming the campaign co-chairs, the PDF Board has formed two Leadership Gift Committees, comprised of volunteers. Organized regionally in Northern and Southern California, the committees are partnering with the school's administration and development staff to identify and secure the top gifts that will form the foundation for a successful capital campaign.



Pacific Dugoni Foundation Board Members: (As of October 22, 2011)

Dr. Stephen Rose '79, President

- Dr. W. Ronald Redmond '66, Vice President for Membership
- Mr. Gary Mitchell, Immediate Past-President
- Dr. Daniel Tanita '73, Pacific Dugoni Annual Fund Chair
- Dr. Patrick J. Ferrillo, Jr., Dean
- Dr. Craig Yarborough '80, Associate Dean, Institutional Advancement
- Dr. Brian Adams '02 Annual Fund Co-Chair, Recent Graduates
- Dr. Braden Beck '71
- Dr. Edmond Bedrossian '86
- Dr. Gerald Bittner, Jr. '85
- Dr. Susan Bittner '74A
- Dr. Joseph Bronzini '66
- Dr. Elisa LoBue-Campbell '84
- Dr. Michael Campbell '79
- Dr. Art Dugoni '48
- Dr. Joseph Errante '80
- Dr. Nava Fathi '95
- Dr. Michael Fox '82
- Dr. Stephen Hannon
- Dr. Scott Jacks '74B
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- Dr. Jill Cohen Lasky '98
- Dr. Michael Lasky '95
- Dr. Scott Milliken '87
- Dr. Martyn Rosa '65
- Dr. Gabby Thodas '77
- Mr. Steven Tiret
- Dr. Gary Weiner '66
- Dr. Colin Wong '65
- Dr. Rick Workman

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Dr. Gene Santucci, Alumni Association Vice President

Left to right: Dr. Ronald Redmond Mr. Gary Mitchell Dr. Gabby Thodas Dr. Gary Weiner Dr. Redmond and Dr. Weiner will steer the Leadership Gift Committee in Southern California, which includes Dr. Scott Jacks '74B, Dr. Michael Campbell '79 and Dr. Elisa Campbell '84. Mr. Mitchell and Dr. Thodas will head the Leadership Gift Committee in Northern California, which includes Dr. Arthur A. Dugoni '48 and Dr. Stephen Rose '79. Dr. Rose is also the new PDF Board President.

As the campaign progresses, the gift committees will expand their efforts in other regions as well. "We're off to a great start. My good friend and classmate Dr. Gary Weiner and I are thrilled at our good fortune to be involved with Pacific Dugoni and watch the school's evolution through three locations in its history: the Mission, Pacific Heights, and now South of Market," said Dr. Redmond. "We are identifying our initial contacts and beginning to schedule visits with alumni and friends. History has a way of providing a glimpse of the future; a future of continued dominance in dental education by our alma mater."

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## Community Impact Fast Facts – Did you Know? X

## **Donor Insight:** Dr. Daniel Tanita '73

### What motivates you to stay involved profession?

provided my family and me with a great livelifor giving me that. I'm also really passionate about what the school does for the profession and for educating future generations. Dentistry continues to be a great profession.

#### When you talk to others who may not be familiar with the Dugoni School, how do you describe it ?

It's a special place because you can get an excellent education and be treated like part of a family. From the very beginning you're treated well and respected. So, it makes learning to become a dentist just a very positive thing.

#### Anything other philanthropic insights you would like to share?

It's about the joy of giving and participating in something. There's something meaningful that we all experience when we volunteer or when we donate money to good causes. The school does such amazing things and when you volunteer, donate or help to do things, it's a very positive experience. We're lucky because we're in healthcare and provide for people's overall health and specifically their oral health. It's still a very independent profession where you can be in private practice, you can be in a very family-oriented environment, and really help people. I love what I do, and I'll continue to do it for a long time.

Dr. Tanita is in private practice in San Pablo, Calif. He has been a board member of the Pacific Dugoni Foundation since 1998 and currently serves as the volunteer chair for the Pacific Dugoni Annual Fund.



The Dugoni School of Dentistry is responsible for more than \$129 million annually of economic activity in the San Francisco Bay Area.\* Clinic is one of the country's largest providers of oral health services to people with HIV/AIDS through the Ryan White Federal CARE grant. It treats more than 1,000 patients annually. As a result of the school's clinical services and community outreach activities, nearly 20,000 people benefit from the Dugoni School's and give back to the school and your public health activities each year. When than 2,100 dental professionals visit San Francisco each year to take continuing education courses organized by the school. Well, I love my profession for one, and it's These visitors spend money on hotels, restaurants and retail, giving a boost to the hood. I have a lot of gratitude to this school local economy. I a the dental school employs more than 560 faculty and staff. The school's expenditures sustain more than 1,000 non-dental school jobs.\* Students and faculty provide dental screenings on site at quarterly Project Homeless Connect events in San Francisco. The school has been involved with Project Homeless Connect since 2007. To date, more than 800 homeless San Franciscans have received dental screenings, teeth cleanings, restorations or much-needed oral Surgery through this effort. \*Source: 2010 Community Impact Report by University of the Pacific's Business Forecasting Center

## Support Excellence through a Gift to the Pacific Dugoni Annual Fund

The Pacific Dugoni Annual Fund, formerly known as the Dean's Fund for Excellence, was established to help financially support the school's highest priorities and projects. Gifts to the annual fund directly benefit students, faculty, staff and patients. They support the school's efforts to re-

main on the forefront of dental education and cement its reputation as a leader in the field.

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In recent years the annual fund has allowed the school to undergo technological upgrades and purchase classroom and clinical technology; implement centralized sterilization and a new electronic clinic information system; and upgrade the oral surgery facility, among other projects.

"The willingness of Arthur A. Dugoni School of Dentistry supporters to give back to the annual fund is a strong measure of the Dugoni School's strength as an institution," said Dr. Daniel Tanita '73, the newly named

chair of the Pacific Dugoni Foundation's annual fund committee. "Increasing alumni participation directly translates to an increase in resources. In other words, as the number of annual fund supporters increases, so does the strength of the dental school and the Pacific Dugoni family."

Overseeing the day-to-day operations and donor outreach for the Pacific Dugoni Annual Fund is Molly Moriarty, who was hired in September as a manager on the school's Development team. Molly's background includes serving as operations manager of the Pacific Fund for University of the Pacific's main campus in Stockton.

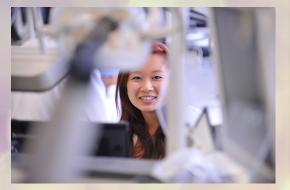


Those interested in supporting the fund can visit www.dentalgifts.org to make an online gift. For more information, contact Molly Moriarty at 415.929.6402 or mmoriarty@pacific.edu.



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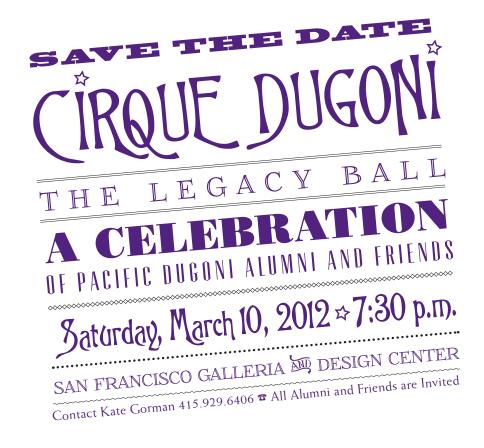


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If you have any questions, or would like to speak with someone in the Development Office about other ways to support the school or get involved in upcoming activities, please contact us at 415.929.6431.

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