‘Internationalization’: the rest of the story

When ambitious initiatives are announced, they often generate a lot of buzz. But then what?

You can learn the results of one of those initiatives on Jan. 17 when Judy Van Dyck, of the Office of International Affairs, will talk about recent activities, programs, and trends at Portland State in the wake of the Internationalization Initiative that was announced by President Dan Bernstine in 2002.

Van Dyck’s talk will be the third in RAPS’ 2007-08 Speakers Series. Van Dyck will describe the new trend in Faculty-led Study Abroad Programs, an area experiencing exciting growth in the past few years, and show off the new Education Abroad publication.

Another area of interest is the growth of international students—where do they come from? What are the growth trends? What is PSU doing (and not doing) to recruit and retain these students? And finally, when is an initiative no longer an initiative—what has happened since the Internationalization Initiative was begun in 2002? What progress has the University made toward its goals? And what are some of the new and exciting activities on PSU’s agenda?

Van Dyck, who has been at Portland State since 1992, is the director of the Office of International Student and Scholar Services and the director of the Office of International Special Programs. She also worked at Oregon State as a study abroad adviser from 1983 to 1991. She was formerly the director of the Intensive English Language Program at PSU from 1994-2005, until she moved into the Office of International Affairs.

Internationalization of PSU

Thursday, Jan. 17
Room 338 Smith Union
1825 SW BROADWAY

RAPS club reports

The RAPS Book Club did not meet in December because of the busy holiday time. We will meet on Tuesday, Jan. 15, at the home of Prue Douglas in Terwilliger Plaza, 2545 SW Terwilliger Blvd., Portland. Contact her at 503-299-4928 to RSVP and for directions. We will discuss The Whistling Season, written by Ivan Doig. The book selected for February is The Lemon Tree by Sandy Tolan.

—Mary Brannan

The RAPS Bridge Group will meet on Tuesday, Jan. 8, at a location to be announced. Call or email Colin Dunkeld (503-292-0838, colinkeld@gmail.com) for details.

—Colin Dunkeld
In memoriam: William Joel Tuttle, 1942-2007

Professor of Music William J. Tuttle, born November 30, 1942, died at his Portland home on November 24, 2007, after a long struggle with Parkinson’s disease. A memorial service will be held at 3:00 p.m., Sunday, Jan. 20, in 175 Lincoln Hall on the PSU campus.

Prof. Tuttle attended Iowa and Minnesota public schools, which provided the foundation for lifelong music interests. He graduated magna cum laude from Simpson College in Iowa (1964) with a specialty in trumpet performance, and completed a master’s degree (1966) at Northwestern University.

After launching his academic career as a music instructor at Simpson College (1965-1966), he began three years of military service. Assignment to the 437th U.S. Army Band led to appointments as conductor and commanding officer of the Third Army Chorus and the Infantry Center Chorus at Fort Benning, Ga.

In 1970 Prof. Tuttle returned to Simpson College as director of bands. Concurrently, he continued professional studies at the University of Texas, earning a doctoral degree (1977) in musical arts with a specialty in instrumental conducting. Prof. Tuttle joined the PSU Music Department’s faculty in 1977. He contributed significantly to the instrumental music program, directed the University band, and served ably as assistant department chairman.

In keeping with the University’s role in extending a music arts outreach to the greater metropolitan community, he participated in organizing the highly respected Portland Brass Society. From 1999 to 2006 Prof. Tuttle served as music director and conductor of the Pacific Crest Wind Symphony, and he was responsible for expanding and strengthening its linkage with PSU. The symphony’s successful record of inspirational performances constitutes a fitting tribute to Prof. Tuttle’s memory. Upon his retirement from PSU the PCWS designated him as “conductor emeritus.”

Prof. Tuttle married Constance Brakke in 1966, and they became the parents of three sons: William Anthony and Nathan Joel of Portland, and Daniel Philip of Killeen, Texas. In 1982 Constance succumbed to leukemia, and the following year he married Margaret McGowan, and at that time Bill added Philip Patrick McGowan as a fourth son to his family. Subsequently, Samantha and Andrew were born to Bill and Margaret.

Throughout the University community Bill enjoyed a high level of recognition for his achievements, professionalism, and contributions to our educational mission. His colleagues universally enjoyed working with him. Upon retiring, he enrolled as a life member in the RAPS organization, and we shall miss him. Our organization extends heartfelt condolences to Margaret Tuttle and their children.

—Bob Tufts

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Jan did research at MIT with Noam Chomsky, taught as a visiting professor at universities in Hawaii and Oregon, China and Germany. On the eve of her retirement, she was awarded a Fulbright Distinguished Chair position in linguistics at the University of Innsbruck, Austria.

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