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## SEPTEMBER 2020

● **PD PERSPECTIVES ALUMNI PANEL DISCUSSION** - Be sure to join us on **Wednesday, September 23rd** at 6:00pm for our first alumni panel discussion called PD Perspectives! Our first topic will be **Entrepreneurship** as we welcome alumni panelists and business owners **Rick Lindquist '03, Aaron Zucker '07, Mahari Conston Freeman '12, and Chelsea Hawk '12**. Click [HERE](#) to register for the Entrepreneurship panel! Also, if you're interested in being a part of future panel discussions, please contact [Steve Bondurant](#).

● **HOMEcoming WEEKEND FESTIVITIES** - Homecoming 2020 is quickly approaching on **October 2nd & 3rd**! With no events being hosted on campus and state restrictions still in place, we will be **hosting virtual alumni events this Homecoming**. Please mark your calendars for these exciting events and help us celebrate our 50 year anniversary in a unique way:

### Friday, October 2nd:

- **6:00-6:30pm** - Drop The Mic Music Concert featuring Harry Murrell '11 on PD Alumni's [Facebook Live](#)

- **6:30-7:00pm** - Homecoming Alumni Virtual Tailgates by Decades (70's, 80's, 90's, 2000's, 2010-15, 2016-20) via Zoom - invitations will be emailed out by decades

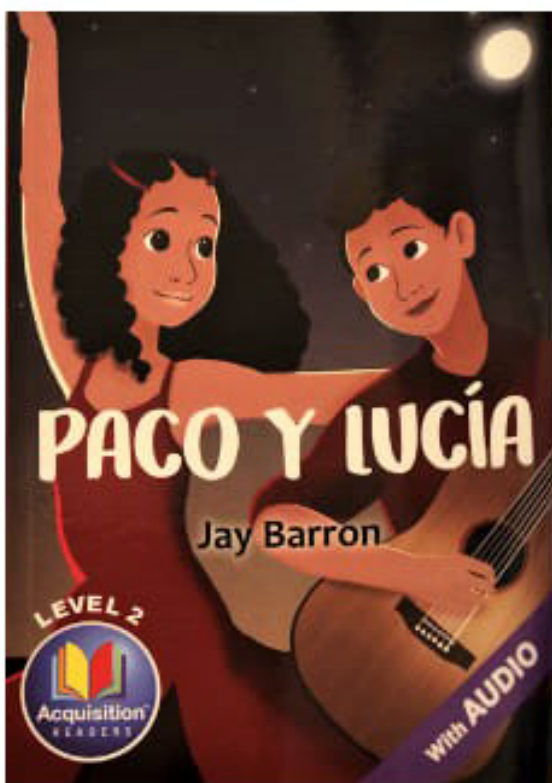
- **7:00pm** - Live stream the Homecoming Football Game

### Saturday, October 3rd:

As part of the 50th anniversary and Worldwide Week of Service, we are hosting an Alumni Community Service Day on Saturday, October 3rd. Check out the service opportunities below around the country and join us in participating during Homecoming weekend!

- **Charlotte - Renaissance West Community Initiative (10:00am-12:00pm)**: There are three ways to get involved with helping RWCI both virtually and in-person. One option is to **send in new or used books for a book drive** benefiting the low-income neighborhood in West Charlotte. In-person projects include a **garden beautification project at the Howard Levine Child Development Center** as well as **repairing the Little Library at RWCI**. Click [HERE](#) for more details and sign up today for one of these projects [HERE](#)!

- **New York City - The Bowery Mission (10:00am-2:30pm):** Join NYC chapter chair **Marian Barrett '10** at The Bowery Mission as alumni will be preparing and serving lunch for those battling homelessness and hunger in the New York City metro area. **Register today** [HERE](#).
- **Washington DC - Capital Area Food Bank (1:00pm-4:00pm):** Join DC chapter chair **Christian Rautenstrauch '09** at the Capital Area Food Bank located near Catholic University where alumni will be helping pack food for those in need. Spots fill up fast so sign up with Christian [HERE](#).
- **Boston - Groundwork Lawrence (virtual):** Join Boston chapter chair **Shawn Smith '88** working with Groundwork Lawrence on a service project in the Boston area. **More details to follow** on how to get involved with this virtual project.
- **MARK CUBAN ADDRESSES PD CLASS** - PD's Social Entrepreneurship teacher James Edge reached out to Mark Cuban, owner of the Dallas Mavericks and star on Shark Tank, to give his class some words of wisdom. To his surprise, Cuban took the time to make a personalized video for the class! Read more about this story and watch Mark Cuban's video [HERE](#).
- **WORLD LANGUAGE TEACHER JAY BARRON PUBLISHES BOOK** - PD Spanish teacher Jay Barron wrote *Paco y Lucía* last year based on the fourth song from his children's CD <https://soundcloud.com/jay-barron> and it was published a couple of weeks ago! He is currently working on two new short stories as well. **Read more about his book** [HERE](#).



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