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The Year in Review

The Zohar—a compendium of enigmas that forms the basis of the Kabbalah—gets a renewal thanks to Stanford University Press’ new translation, which earns a Koret Jewish Book Award.

The Hansen Experimental Physics Laboratory, home to the world’s first full-scale linear accelerator, is torn down to make way for new buildings in the Science and Engineering Quadrangle.

The bicycle race Tour of California brings thousands of spectators to campus to watch the end of the time trials on the Oval.

Bill Gates, chairman and co-founder of Microsoft Corp., launches his college tour before a Memorial Auditorium crowd and discusses the role software-driven technology plays in the developing world.

U.S. Treasury Secretary Henry Paulson delivers the keynote address at the 2008 Stanford Institute for Economic Policy Research Economic Summit.

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Graduate student Jennifer Martinez is named the 2008 Daniel Pearl Memorial Journalism Intern and will work in the London bureau of the *Wall Street Journal*.

Ron Fedkiw, associate professor of computer science, wins an Academy Award with two collaborators at Industrial Light and Magic for computer-generated action used in such films as “Pirates of the Caribbean.”

Provost John Etchemendy announces that parents with incomes less than \$100,000 will no longer pay tuition as a result of trustee approval of the largest financial aid increase in Stanford’s history.

Stanford archeologist Laura Jones and her students (above) excavate the site of the men’s gymnasium, which was destroyed in the 1906 earthquake, in preparation for construction of a new concert hall near Frost Amphitheater.

David Luenberger, professor of management science and engineering, and J. Michael Harrison, the Adams Distinguished Professor of Management, are elected to the National Academy of Engineering.

The Center for Advanced Study in the Behavioral Sciences, headed by Claude Steele, the Lucie Stern Professor in the Social Sciences (below), becomes part of Stanford.

U.S. National Security Adviser Stephen Hadley discusses the challenges of the United States and its allies with faculty and students affiliated with the Freeman Spogli Institute’s Center for International Security and Cooperation.

Stanford joins a team of universities collaborating with the new King Abdullah University of Science and Technology, which will be a major international and graduate-level research university in Saudi Arabia.

Yahoo! cofounder Jerry Yang and his wife, Akiko Yamazaki (below), both alumni, and San Francisco Mayor Gavin Newsom are on hand for the dedication of the new environment and energy building.

