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## Sumner Erdman '88

Since 1963 Sumner's family has been working the 165-year-old, 18,000-acre Ulupalakua Ranch, which stretches from volcano to sea on Maui. The Erdmans recently donated a 12,000-acre easement to the Hawaiian Islands Land Trust to ensure that the property will be used for agriculture in perpetuity and will not be subdivided or developed as a resort.





## Robert Mads Anderson '81

Getting *out there* seems to be in the Logger DNA, but Robert has taken it to extremes. He's climbed the Seven Summits, the highest mountains on the seven continents. And he's the author of three books: *Seven Summits Solo*, *To Everest Via Antarctica*, and *Antonovs Over the Arctic: Flying to the North Pole in Russian Biplanes*. As a mountain guide with Jagged Globe he led the support team for Sibusiso Vilane, the first black African to climb Mount Everest. Day job: managing director for Big Fuel, a social-media marketing agency.



### **Corrinne Selix Henderson '00**

She's a founding member and board president of the Tacoma Food Co-op, recently opened on 6th Avenue. Corrinne also created and operates Search By Inseam, a website for women who have trouble finding pants that fit. Writes grants for local nonprofits. Says she gets most of that done while her son is napping.

## Thomas Ciesielski '05

An internal medicine resident at Barnes-Jewish Hospital/Washington University in St. Louis, Mo. Married to Helen MacDonald Ciesielski '07, an analyst at an investment bank. His mother, Paula Ford Ciesielski '74, also is a physician.





**Claire Shotwell Egge '57, P'82**  
**Don Egge '55, M.A.'59, P'82**

The story goes like this: Don—"Eggs" his Logger football and basketball teammates used to call him—was a senior when he first saw Claire, a transfer student from WSU. While standing in the SUB lunch line one day he poked his roommate. "See that blonde? I am going to marry her," he said. At the time he knew nothing about her, not even her name. Six months later, on the last day of a music class they took together and just before finals prior to his graduation, he got up the gumption to ask her for a date. Claire did indeed meet her husband that day. Which proves history repeats itself; her mother and dad, Lillian and Don Shotwell, had met on the campus 25 years earlier. Both Don and Lil served on the Puget Sound board of trustees, and Shotwell Track is named in their honor. Claire and Don, we note, are one among 2,200 alumni couples.

## Christine Bachman '02; Chris Brooks '96

Two of a vast alumni and staff contingent who live on the Tacoma Narrows at Salmon Beach. Residence at the old fishing enclave is a tradition for strong-legged Loggers (275 steps from boardwalk to bluff!) that goes back decades. She: a returned Peace Corps volunteer; now works in international public health, focused in Mozambique. He: also ex-Peace Corps; now a solar energy system designer, installer, and educator.



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## Thabo Mokoena '91

Senior economist, South African Reserve Bank, Pretoria. Has worked as a research economist, a central-bank researcher, and a management consultant in the private sector. Thabo tells us: "I was the second student from South Africa to be sponsored by the ASUPS during the time when Ronald Reagan championed constructive engagement with South Africa. Ever since, I have tried not to let down all those students who supported an unknown foreigner."

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### Debbie Brewitt Regala '68

Debbie grew up in the Puget Sound neighborhood and now lives a crosswalk away from the president's house. She was elected to the Washington state House of Representatives in 1994 and became a state senator in 2001. She will retire in December 2012. Co-authored offender re-entry reforms and the model 1999 Forests and Fish Law. Has been successful with legislation ranging from tax reform, to removal of toxic chemicals from the environment, to support for children and families.



### **Rob Scotlan '01, M.A.T.'02**

Rob's an English teacher at Charles Wright Academy in Tacoma. He has composed rap-song albums on the parts of speech and the Greek gods. Songs like "The Saga of Duncan Hines (adverbs)." (A sample of which you can hear in all its bass-thumping glory at <https://sites.google.com/a/tarriers.org/rob-scotlan---the-music/music>.) He writes a terrific blog about books for the school: "The Pages in Between—Reviews and Recommendations by a Reading Fanatic."

## Michael Pavel '81

CHiXapkaid (his Skokomish name) recently joined the faculty at the University of Oregon as professor of Native American studies in education. Before that he worked his way up through the academic ranks at Washington State University. CHiXapkaid has, since age 13, been working to learn and preserve the language, songs, dances, art, traditions, rituals, and history of the Tuwaduq and other Pacific Northwest Salish peoples.





**Marjorie Billings McKinney '66**  
**Irish McKinney '80**

She: a retired Weyerhaeuser transportation specialist.  
He: an enrolled agent tax professional, the kind of guy you go to when you're in big trouble with the IRS. Both are officers of ABATE of Washington, a motorcycle-rights organization. ABATE advocated Washington state's recently enacted motorcyclist anti-profiling law, the first of its kind in the U.S.



Douglas Ober

## Doug Ober '04

Currently working on a Ph.D. in Asian studies at The University of British Columbia. About this photo, Doug told us: "The reason I stand out in white cloth is that the Buddhist nuns had just offered me *khatas*, or ritual scarves made of silk, as a thank-you and blessing for work I had done at the nunnery teaching English and computer skills. The sad part about this photo is that the day after it was taken, two of the nuns were beaten and arrested and are currently awaiting sentence for calling for the return of the Dalai Lama to Tibet."

## Bob Trimble '37, Hon.'93, GP'99

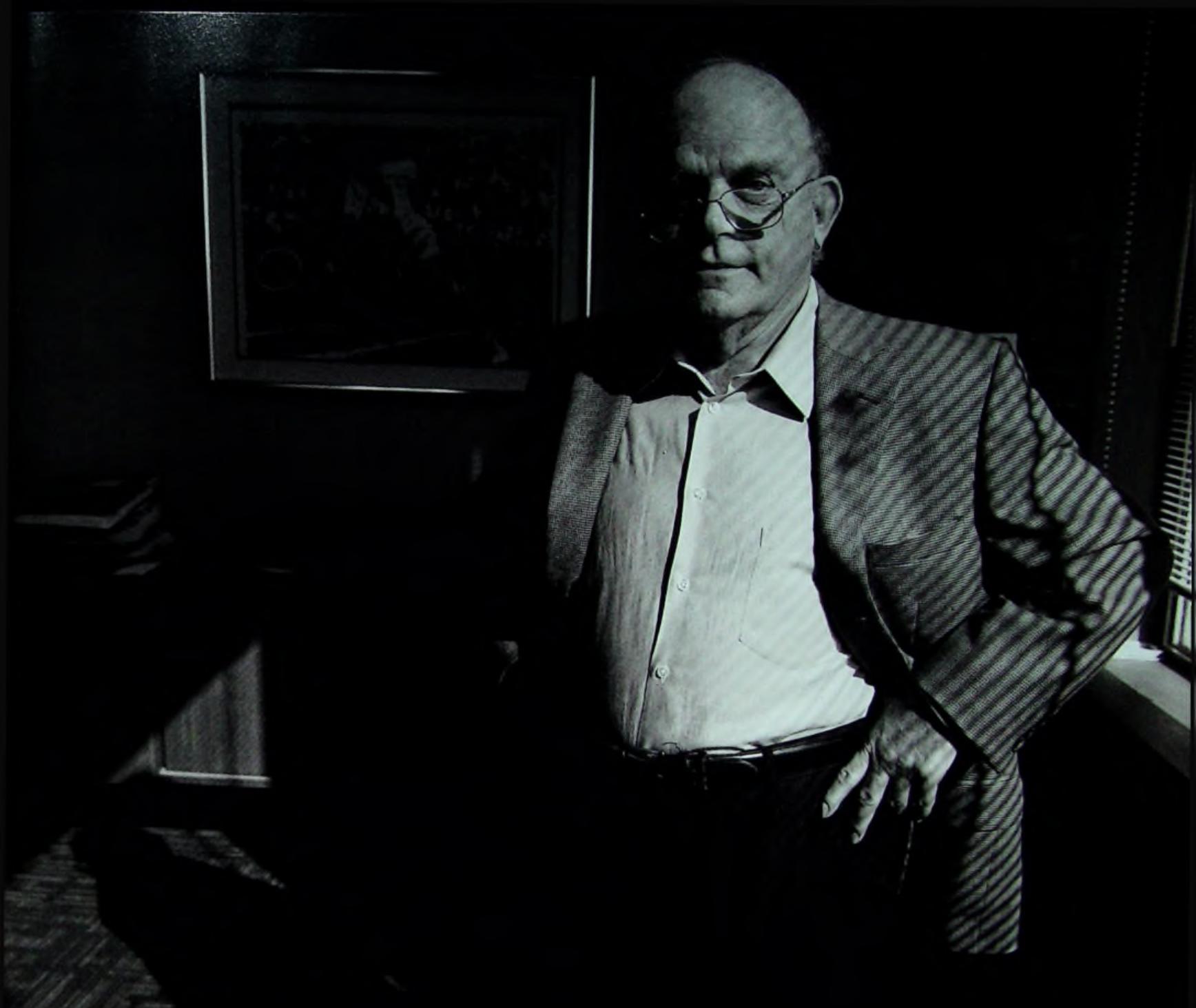
Trimble Hall on campus is named for his father, Charles Garnet Trimble, a Tacoma native, Methodist missionary to China (where Bob was born), and former campus doctor. Bob himself is a retired avocado farmer and chemical engineer, and former secretary-treasurer of Trimble Navigation Ltd.





### Jenny Lai '05

Attended Puget Sound as a Matelich scholar; now a business and planning analyst at Boeing. She's one of nearly 500 alumni volunteers assisting her alma mater: as Alumni Council Executive Committee regional chair and as an organizer of numerous Seattle alumni events. Received the university's Young Logger Award in 2010.



## Henry Haas '60

With his parents, escaped Nazi Germany via Czechoslovakia, Italy, France, and Shanghai. After the war the family moved to the western U.S., finally landing in Tacoma. Henry graduated from Stadium High and attended the University of Washington School of Law after CPS. At age 73 says he's semiretired—"just working five days a week." At Henry's 50th reunion two summers ago he told us how grateful he was to Tacoma and Puget Sound for giving him a place to call home.



**Elizabeth Cousens '87, Hon.'07**

As *Arches* went to press we learned that Elizabeth was nominated by the White House to be U.S. ambassador to the Economic and Social Council of the United Nations. She was a Rhodes Scholar and earned her M.A. and Ph.D. at Oxford. If her name sounds familiar to you English majors, the answer is, yes, she is the daughter of Professor Emeritus Frank Cousens.

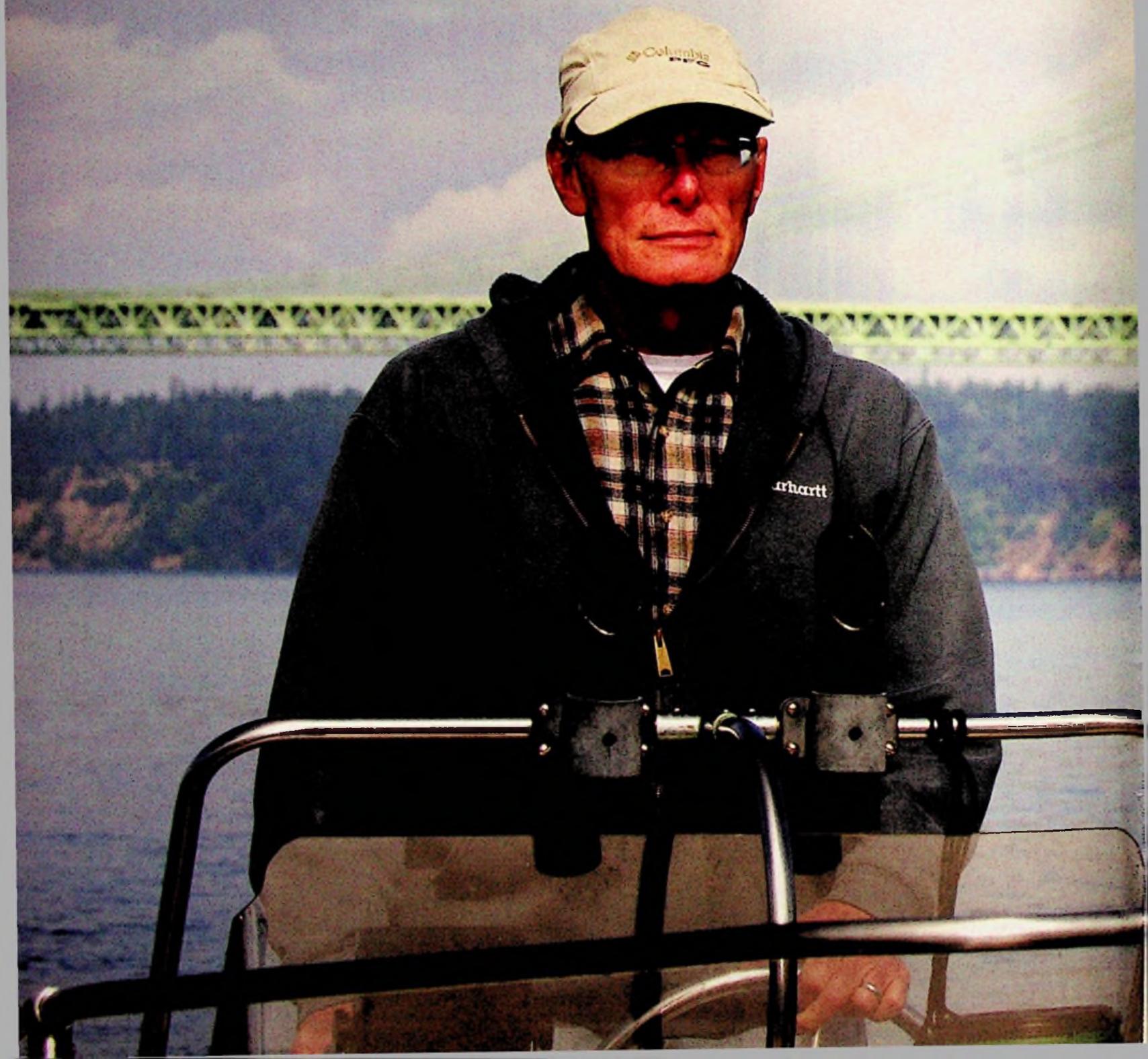


### **John Hatcher '77**

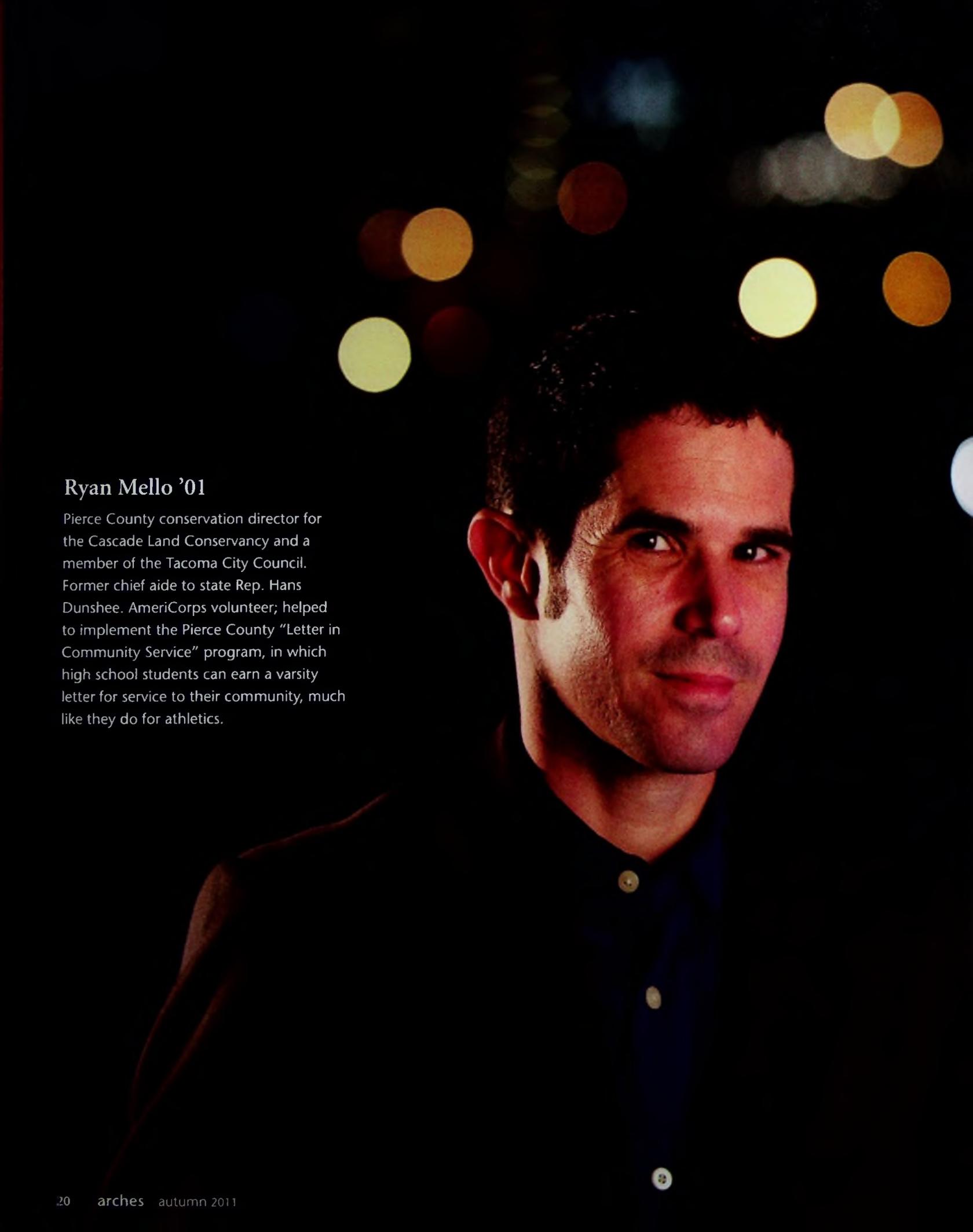
Vietnam vet. Attended Puget Sound on the GI Bill. Paid his way through school working the night shift at 7-Eleven and at times living in his car. Received the first occupational therapy license issued in Washington. John currently owns with wife Kathy Sutherland Hatcher '78 three occupational hand therapy clinics in Spokane. This past summer he rode a bicycle from Washington the state to Washington the U.S. capital. It was, he told us, time to visit the memorial wall, and flying there seemed too easy an approach for such a sacred task.

## George Mills '68, M.S.'72

A master fisher for Loggers, and Puget Sound vice president for enrollment. If you attended Puget Sound any time during the past 37 years, thank George for the experience. He admitted you. A waterman. Knows *everybody*.







## Ryan Mello '01

Pierce County conservation director for the Cascade Land Conservancy and a member of the Tacoma City Council. Former chief aide to state Rep. Hans Dunshee. AmeriCorps volunteer; helped to implement the Pierce County "Letter in Community Service" program, in which high school students can earn a varsity letter for service to their community, much like they do for athletics.



## Kristin Williamson '02

After graduation Kristin spent several years with the Puyallup Tribe assessing the health of Puyallup River salmon populations. From there she transitioned to salmon-habitat restoration as a biologist with the South Puget Sound Salmon Enhancement Group, spending less time with fish and more time with engineers and contractors, trying to improve the physical features of rivers, streams, and shorelines. "My work is very hands-on," she tells us. "I see a restoration project move from an idea in principle, to a plan on paper, to a project on the ground."

## Deanna Watson Oppenheimer '80; P'11,'14

Puget Sound legacy families abound, but for sustained and selfless service to alma mater we can't help mentioning Dee Dee, as she was known around here as an undergraduate, and her family. The list of reasons could go on for pages. To name a few: Deanna was the first woman and the first Puget Sound alum to lead the board of trustees and has volunteered with the college in every imaginable capacity for more than 30 years. With her husband, John Oppenheimer '80, the magna cum laude graduate established endowed funds for scholarships and student activities. Deanna will step down from her job as vice chair of global retail banking in London for Barclays to return to the U.S. early next year. That should cut down on the 4,250-mile commute she's been making to attend board meetings, reunions, homecomings, and parents weekends for daughter Jeni and son James.



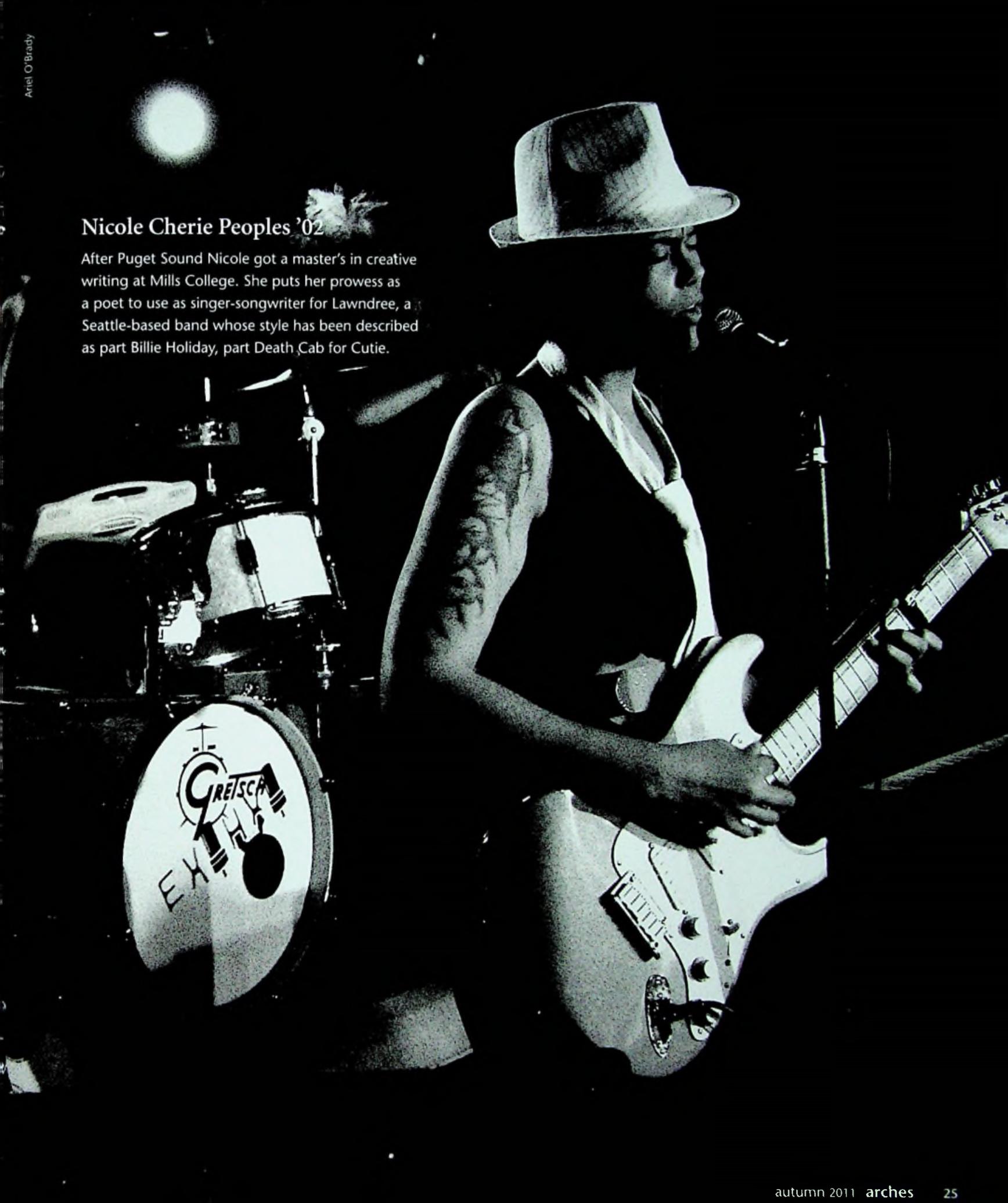


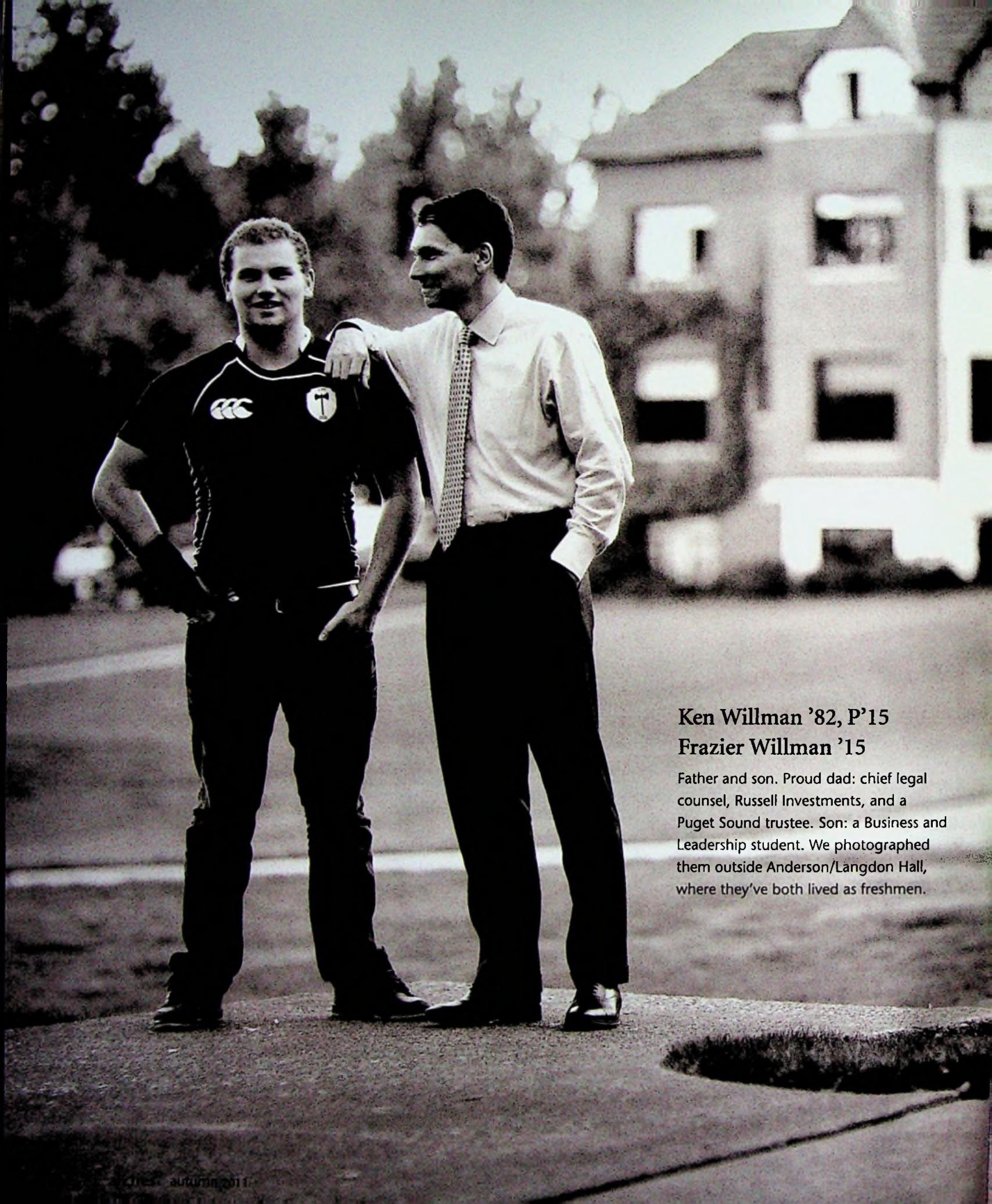
## David Watson '92

We see him around campus so often doing his thing as president of the Puget Sound Alumni Association it's hard to believe he has time for a paying job. He does, as director of product innovation at Netflix. Formerly VP for digital media at Disney and ABC. Winner of two Emmys.

## Nicole Cherie Peoples '02

After Puget Sound Nicole got a master's in creative writing at Mills College. She puts her prowess as a poet to use as singer-songwriter for Lawndree, a Seattle-based band whose style has been described as part Billie Holiday, part Death Cab for Cutie.





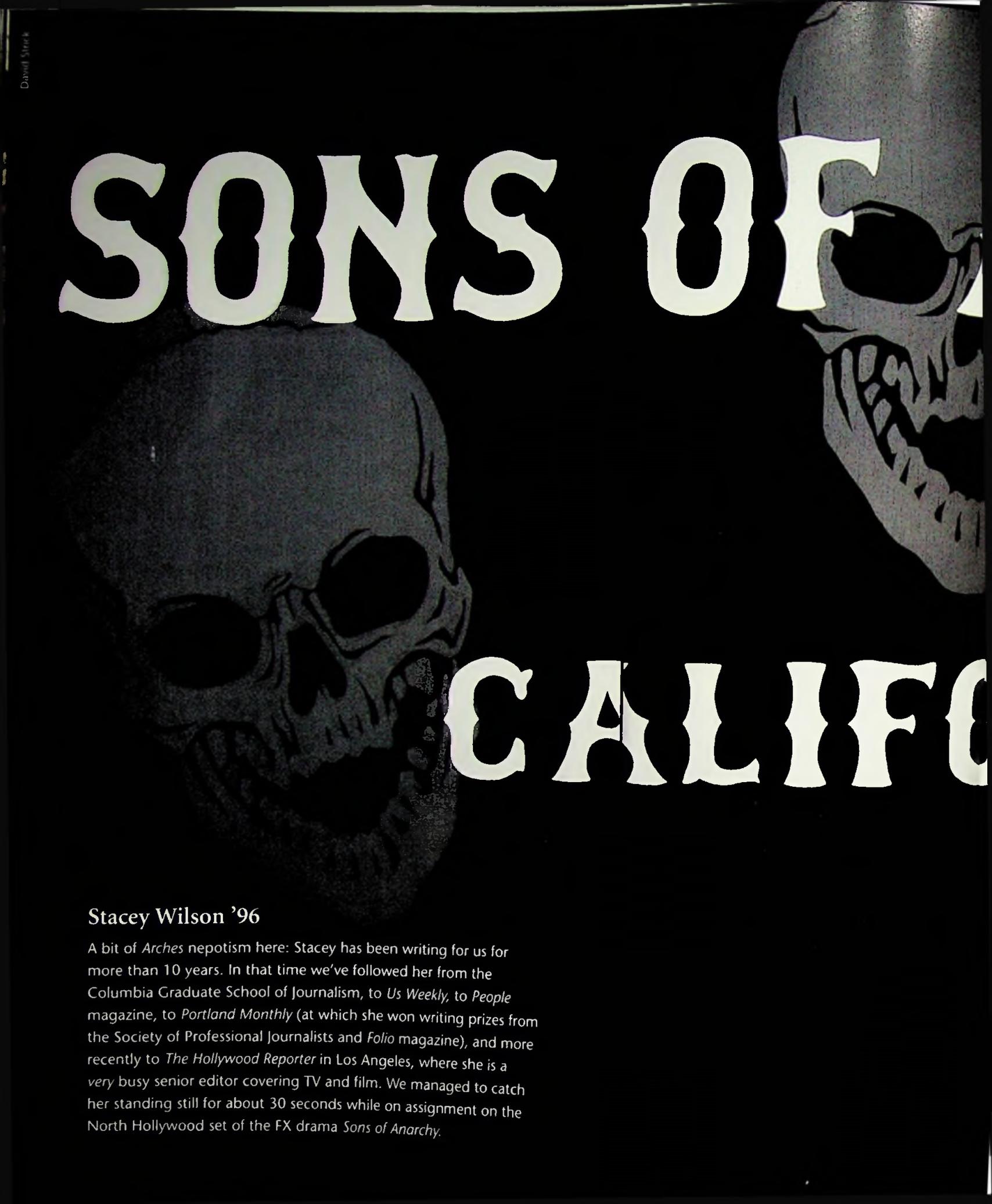
**Ken Willman '82, P'15**  
**Frazier Willman '15**

Father and son. Proud dad: chief legal counsel, Russell Investments, and a Puget Sound trustee. Son: a Business and Leadership student. We photographed them outside Anderson/Langdon Hall, where they've both lived as freshmen.

A close-up portrait of Jamilia Sherls, a young woman with long, dark hair, smiling warmly. She is wearing a purple t-shirt. The background is a soft-focus outdoor setting with green foliage.

## Jamilia Sherls '05

Jamilia and her brother, Matt Sherls '08, M.A.T. '10, came to Puget Sound as Neukom scholars. After UPS, Jamilia received a Master of Public Health degree in community health and prevention from Drexel University and a nursing degree from Thomas Jefferson University. She's now a medical/surgical registered nurse at Mary Bridge Children's Hospital in Tacoma.



# SONS OF CALIFORNIA

## Stacey Wilson '96

A bit of *Arches* nepotism here: Stacey has been writing for us for more than 10 years. In that time we've followed her from the Columbia Graduate School of Journalism, to *Us Weekly*, to *People* magazine, to *Portland Monthly* (at which she won writing prizes from the Society of Professional Journalists and *Folio* magazine), and more recently to *The Hollywood Reporter* in Los Angeles, where she is a very busy senior editor covering TV and film. We managed to catch her standing still for about 30 seconds while on assignment on the North Hollywood set of the FX drama *Sons of Anarchy*.

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During eight years as executive director of the 65-year-old Ojai Music Festival in California, **Jeff Haydon '97** has brought the festival's budget into balance, has paid off past deficits of more than \$250,000, has helped increase income by 70 percent, and has saved the festival's BRAVO! music-education program in the public schools. Perhaps Jeff's biggest achievement has been heading up the \$4 million project to rebuild the festival's Libbey Bowl main stage. Jeff came to Ojai from the Chicago Symphony Orchestra, where he helped raise more than \$7 million in annual fund support. He previously was director of development for the Fort Wayne Philharmonic, managing producer for the Seattle Symphony Orchestra's inaugural Day of Music, and orchestra manager for the Aspen Music Festival and School. After Puget Sound, Jeff attended the Stanford Graduate School of Business Executive Program for Nonprofit Leaders. You can learn more about the festival and the stunning new Libbey Bowl at [www.OjaiFestival.org](http://www.OjaiFestival.org).

**1945** **Donald McClain '45, M.B.A. '54** was mentioned in a May 30 Tacoma *News Tribune* article that chronicled the Stadium High School Class of 1941 and its members' participation in World War II. The group's 70th class reunion took place on July 23.

**1951** **Joe Harned** received an honorary degree from Tacoma Community College at its Distinguished Alumni and Honorary Degree Awards Dinner on May 25. Joe is a longtime TCC supporter, has funded scholarships to assist low-income students through the TCC Foundation, and last year made the largest donation to TCC in the institution's history. The gift will help build the Harned Center for Health Careers, which was named in his honor.

**1966** **Linda Federico Pearn** received the Delta Kappa Gamma–Alpha Sigma State Achievement Award for 2011. The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International is a professional honor society for women educators from around the world. The Alpha Sigma State Achievement Award honors a member in the state who, through continuing and outstanding service to education and the DKG, has promoted the purposes and policies of Delta Kappa Gamma. Linda has been a DKG member for 34 years and is at present the state executive secretary. She has taught kindergarten in the Tacoma Public Schools for 30 years. Linda volunteered for Puget Sound's National Alumni Board and currently serves on the Alumni Council. She was the first woman president of the Tacoma Education Association and has been first runner up for Tacoma's Teacher of the Year. She received the Ursa

Major Community Service International award from Alpha Phi sorority and received special service recognition from the Washington Education Association.

**1967** **Kathy Bice Gallaher** writes: "I have semi-retired from my work directing clinical laboratories and am starting a new career in information technology. We are moving to Vancouver, Wash., to be closer to family and a new grandson. I will continue my work remotely from home."

**1968** **Randy Melquist** was re-elected president of the South Puget Sound chapter of the National Association of Insurance and Financial Advisors. He has been in the insurance and securities business since 1972. He is active in Rotary Club of Tacoma #8, the Tacoma Jaycees, and other community service organizations. Randy works with MassMutual Financial Group in Tacoma. You can contact him at rlmelquist@financialguide.com.

**1970** The Rev. **Mary Allen Boyd** began duties as pastor at Langley United Methodist Church on Whidbey Island, Wash., in July. She previously spent six years on the island as the pastor of the Coupeville United Methodist Church.

**Edward Horne** was the captain of the aircraft that flew polar bear cub Qannik (which means Snowflake in the Inupiaq language), along with an entourage of veterinarians, handlers, and zoo officials, from Anchorage, Alaska, to her new home in Louisville, Ky. USGS surveyors found the abandoned 5-month-old cub in April. The Alaska Zoo nursed the bear back to health and

prepared her for the journey to the state-of-the-art bear facility at the Louisville Zoo. Ed is a pilot for the "other" UPS.

**1971** **Ruggles Larson M.Ed. '71** was highlighted in *The News Tribune* in June for his longstanding participation in the Sound to Narrows run. This summer, at age 77, Ruggles made his 33rd appearance in the race. For the past 11 years he's run the shorter 5K portion of the race and has consistently placed among top finishers in his age group—first two times, second three times, third five times, and fourth once. When Ruggles ran the longer 12K version of the race he finished fourth once and sixth twice. His personal best time was 53 minutes, 15 seconds in 1981. His running career hasn't been limited to local races. Ruggles has run in 28 marathons and even qualified for the 1986 Boston Marathon. This summer he finished third in his age group at 37:09, a mere 0.06 of a second behind the second-place time.

**1972** **Peter Freer** was asked to fill a vacant seat on the City and Borough of Juneau Assembly in June. He has been a resident of Juneau since 1949 and previously served on the assembly from 1983 to 1987. Peter is active in state and local government and the local arts scene.

**David Mills** and wife Dalene celebrated their 45th anniversary on May 28 at Skamania Lodge overlooking the Columbia River in Stevenson, Wash. The two met while attending Olympic College. David was in the Marine Corps before attending Puget Sound. David and Dalene retired from Puget Sound Naval Shipyard and enjoy fishing, golfing, traveling, and playing with their grandchildren. They have two sons.

**Walter Nolte '72, M.A. '75** received the 2011 Distinguished Alumnus award from Tacoma Community College at its Distinguished Alumni and Honorary Degree Awards Dinner on May 25. He graduated from TCC in 1970, earned degrees at Puget Sound, and then returned to TCC in 1984 as dean for vocational education. Walt earned his Ph.D. in educational administration from The University of Texas at Austin and has served as president of Casper College in Wyoming since 2004. Prior to his current position, he was president of North Central Missouri College for seven years.

**1974** **Bruce Larson's** athletic career was the topic of a *Kitsap Sun* feature article in June. Bruce grew up in Bremerton's Navy Yard City. Playing basketball in his senior year at West Bremerton High School, he broke the single-game scoring record of 37 when he scored 40 points. He earned a scholarship to attend Tacoma Community College, where he helped lead TCC to the NWAACC championship in 1971. Bruce then came to play at Puget Sound for Don Zech and was later a graduate assistant for one year. In 1974 he started his 37-year teaching and coaching career with the Central Kitsap School District. All but six years of his career have been at Central Kitsap Junior High, where he serves as basketball coach and athletic director. This year both boys and girls basketball teams went undefeated.

**Barbara Wilson** was one of eight new members named to the American Hospital Association board of trustees. She is the only non-hospital employee to be chosen for the board. Barbara is past chair and has served on the board of directors for St. Luke's Health System in Treasure Valley, Ida-

ho, for 15 years. She previously served on governing boards for the Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco, Idaho Business Council, Boise State College of Business and Economics, and other organizations. Barbara has held positions with Pacific Northwest Bell, US West Communications, and Qwest Communications.

*Ed Horne '70 was captain of the United Parcel Service aircraft that flew the founding polar bear cub Qannik, along with an entourage of veterinarians, handlers, and zoo officials, from Anchorage, Alaska, to her new home in Louisville, Ky.*

**1975** **John Black**, former chair of UPS Campus Films from 1973 to 1975 and UPS *Trail* film reviewer from 1972 to 1975, was interviewed for the currently in-production documentary *Rewind This!* ([www.rewindthis-movie.com](http://www.rewindthis-movie.com)). He tells us: "The documentary presents a nostalgic portrait of the golden age of VHS and the dawning of the U.S. home video revolution." John was selected for the documentary after having owned and operated one of America's first genre-specific video stores. While many in the industry criticized his specialized orientation, John's horror-, sci-fi-, fantasy-, film

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noir-specific video business flourished from 1984 to 1996, despite the fact that he didn't stock "top 100" picks.

**1976** **Jeff Strong** placed fourth in the Tournament of Champions sand sculpting competition held in Federal Way, Wash., Aug. 18–Sept. 5. His sculpture, "Chamber Music," stood 8 feet tall and took four days to complete. Twenty-two solo competitors from 16 countries participated in the tournament. See some spectacular sand at [www.strongsand.com](http://www.strongsand.com).

**Greg Unruh** was named senior vice president for Timberland Bank's Business Banking Division in Tacoma. Greg has more than 35 years of banking experience. He also is chair of the Franciscan Foundation board, is a board member at Bellarmine Preparatory School, and is on the Greater Lakes Mental Health Foundation board as member and chair. Greg's wife, Amy, is vice principal at St. Charles Borromeo Catholic School in Tacoma. Their oldest daughter just graduated from Gonzaga University in May with a degree in biology. Their son is entering his sophomore year at Central Washington University, and their youngest daughter is starting her senior year at Bellarmine. Greg and his family live in Gig Harbor, Wash.

**1977** **Steven Johnson** is the new president and CEO of Health First in Florida. He was previously president of hospital operations for SSM Health Care in St. Louis. Steven earned his master's degree in human development and a Ph.D. in psychology from The University of Kansas. He has 30 years of clinical and management experience in health care.

**1978** Lake Stevens, Wash., teacher **Bill Kusler** spends his summers working as a USA Cycling race official. He's both a track

referee and judge at the Marymoor Park Velodrome in Redmond, Wash., home to the state's only 400-meter track dedicated to bicycle racing. On nights he's not scheduled to officiate he races in Cat 4 division events.

**1979** **Sallie Ann Zydek** was the featured artist at the city of Enumclaw Gallery 2011 art show, which ran from Aug. 3 through Sept. 6. The exhibit, "Images of Wildlife," was the subject of an *Enumclaw Courier-Herald* article in August. Sallie spent 19 years in Omaha, Neb., with the Corps of Engineers, for which she became a graphic illustrator. She now lives in Buckley, Wash., and is a member of the Artists for Conservation group. See her work at [www.natureartists.com](http://www.natureartists.com).

**1980** **Carol Nilsen Damonte** and **Dirk Damonte '82** are in their 29th year as directors of the Starfire Singers at Los Altos United Methodist Church. Both are on staff at the church, Dirk as minister of music and worship arts, and Carol as director of ministry and music for youth. This summer they premiered *The Project*, an original musical they wrote that was inspired by the United Methodist Church's "Rethink Church" campaign. Through original music, dance, video, and drama, *The Project* was composed to inspire people to imagine a church that is defined "not by the walls that house it, but as limitless as the possibilities of the human spirit." The show was performed this summer at UM churches in the Pacific Northwest and Canada during a 14-day tour with 50 youth and 20 chaperones.

**James Dixon '80, J.D. '90** earned the Thurston County Bar Association's Daniel Bigelow Award as the county's lawyer of the year. He is an Olympia, Wash., defense attorney and partner in the firm Ditlevson Rodgers Dixon, P.S.

James earned a master's degree in public administration from Rice University in 1983 and worked in counterintelligence and undercover for the FBI for 10 years. He is a former president of the Thurston County Bar Association and has lived and worked in Olympia for 21 years.

**1981** **Peter Thompson** was named CEO and president of Suburban Manufacturing Inc. in Monticello, Minn., in July. He has 30 years of leadership experience, including as CEO and president of Spectrum Plastics Group in Minneapolis.

**1982** **Joe Davis** is the owner of Arcadian Winery near Santa Barbara, Calif. According to the *Santa Barbara Independent*, while Joe was in college he took a job in a wine shop. One Christmas a customer brought Joe a bottle of 1978 Clos de la Roche Grand Cru, Domaine Dujac. The gift changed his life. He enrolled in the University of California, Davis' graduate program in enology, and in 1985 he went to work for Morgan Winery. He also spent two years in Burgundy, France, learning from Domaine Dujac, the winemaker he most admired. In Burgundy Joe observed the deep connection French producers have with their land. When he returned to the U.S. in 1996 he began crafting wines under the Arcadian label. Today he produces 5,500 cases yearly, using French methods of cold soaking, *pigeage* (foot stomping), whole-cluster pressing, and fermentation that continues in the barrel. Consistent with these old-world practices, Joe uses custom-made barrels for all of his wines. More at [www.arcadianwinery.com](http://www.arcadianwinery.com).

**Joni Earl M.B.A. '82** was this year's Seafair queen. Actor Tom Skerritt was this year's king. Joni is CEO for Sound Transit, which includes Link light rail in Seattle and Tacoma, Sounder commuter

trains, and Sound Transit express buses.

**1985** **Bryan Ohno** continues as the director of MadArt in Seattle. Part of the group's mission is supporting emerging artists and bringing art into neighborhoods in unexpected ways by fostering community arts engagement through novel installations. This year's summer event, Mad Homes, held July 16 to Aug. 7, allowed artists to use a group of houses in North Capitol Hill to create site-specific installations. See the results at [www.madart.seattle.com](http://www.madart.seattle.com).

**Wendy Rolfe Evered** sends this update: "I've had a three-year-long tough medical challenge with a rare musculo-skeletal condition, which was only diagnosed this past April. I am slowly rehabilitating—taking one small step at a time. I want to thank UPS friends who have sent me love and support and have always been encouraging. I finally see the light at the end of the tunnel. I am also thankful for the opportunities my husband (writer/director Charles Evered) has created for me to 'hide my cane' and occasionally keep acting. Charles and I formed a film production company called Ordinance 14. We just finished post-production this summer on a feature film, *A Thousand Cuts*, starring Academy Award-nominated actor Michael O'Keefe. It will premiere at film festivals this fall. Our film *Adopt a Sailor* continues to air on Showtime and is available on Netflix and Amazon.com. In September I originated a role in a staged reading of a new play written by Charles titled *Ten*. I also performed at the Solley Theater as part of the Arts Council of Princeton's day of events to remember Sept. 11, 2001. We began with a reading of the short play version of *Adopt a Sailor*, which was inspired by 9/11 and continued with *Ten*, which tells the story of a woman who is still waiting for her husband to get off the train

she put him on 10 years ago—the morning of the attacks. Ordinance 14 is preparing for its next production, which will shoot in Southern California." You can contact Wendy at [ord14prods@aol.com](mailto:ord14prods@aol.com).

**1986** **Stacie Dietsch-Becker** is lower-school art docent for The Bear Creek School in Redmond, Wash. She writes: "I had the pleasure of coordinating and hosting Chihuly Studio for a K–12 school presentation with Dale Chihuly's publicist and exhibit manager on April 27. More than 200 students and faculty from The Bear Creek School attended the presentation to learn, see, and hear about Dale's creative process and works located around the world and in Washington state. It was a most successful and exciting event!"

**Scott Tarry** began as the new director of the Strategic Air & Space Museum in Omaha, Neb., in August. He is a distinguished professor and the director of the Aviation Institute at the University of Nebraska at Omaha. Scott also is director of the NASA Nebraska Space Grant and Experimental Program to Stimulate Competitive Research Programs. He earned his master's and doctoral degrees at the University of Michigan and has more than 15 years of aviation and space research background.

**1988** **Jamie Schmitt Stevenson** writes: "I moved to McMinnville, Ore., two years ago after spending 18 years in Minnesota. Recently I moved back to my hometown of Salem, Ore., and am now working as an outpatient occupational therapist at Salem Hospital. I married my childhood best friend and first love, Andrew, on July 23."

**1990** **Debra Annette Godfrey** lives in Wildwood, Ga., and works in Chattanooga, Tenn., for Volunteer Behavioral Health Care.

In response to the catastrophic flooding in Nashville and middle Tennessee this past April, Debra has provided outreach support to people in the damaged neighborhoods. After the floods, authorities observed an increase in suicides, suicide attempts, and attempted homicides. Debra says: "It was an honor to help with crisis counseling for survivors of one of the worst Southeastern tornados that hit in April." Debra is finishing up her master's in homeland security with an emphasis in terrorism and emergency management at American Public University.

**Christina Kressner Easton** sends this update: "In May I was elected president of the board at the Eastside German Language School in Issaquah, Wash. The EGLS offers German-language immersion classes and cultural activities to students of all ages, from preschool to adult. Visit us at [www.egls.us](http://www.egls.us)." Christina lives with her husband and three daughters in Clyde Hill, Wash.

**1992 Heather Matthews** began as the new principal of Graham Mesa Elementary School in Rifle, Colo., in June. She was an elementary teacher and a reading and academic coach in the Garfield, Colo., Re-2 school district for 18 years. Heather earned her master's degree in elementary education from Colorado College.

**Ty Stober's** work as vice chair of the board of Equal Rights Washington was the topic of an article in *Just Out* news magazine. Ty is involved in other Clark County, Wash., advocacy initiatives and is the founder and owner of nLiven Media, which develops Web applications for the residential-property market. Ty earned his M.B.A. from The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill in 2002.

**1993** On July 16 **Myja Stuart Peterson** was named the 5-millionth fan to pass through the home

turnstiles in the nine-year history of the Albuquerque Isotopes' triple-A baseball franchise. She won a certificate for round-trip airfare for two to Los Angeles, two tickets to an L.A. Dodgers game of her choice, and a two-night hotel stay. Myja is married to **Gundar Peterson**. The two have lived in Albuquerque for 18 years.

**1994** **Teddy Day** was profiled in a July *Seattle Times* article about his role as a transit planner for King County Metro. He is part of a team that figures out routes for the system's 9,600 bus stops. Teddy's propensity for planning is deep-seated; His interest in bus schedules started at age 3. By age 10 he had memorized all the routes of the Metro Transit bus system. He earned his master's in transportation engineering at the University of California, Berkeley. He is married to **Elizabeth Fox Day '96, M.A.T.'97**. They are the parents of Sarah, 2, and Andrew, 4. The family lives in a Seattle neighborhood with excellent bus service.

**Elisa Rowe Louis** joined Seattle-based ExoMotion LLC in 2009 as the company's sales and marketing manager. ExoMotion is the U.S. division of Thomashilfen, Germany, which produces special-needs seating, mobility, and sleep systems for children and adults. About the time she joined the company, they introduced a mattress, called ThevoVital, designed to help patients with Alzheimer's and related dementias get a better night's sleep. Approximately 70 percent of patients who suffer with dementia-related diseases have difficulty sleeping. In January 2011 Elisa became the minority owner and president of ExoMotion. Find out about the sleep trials they've conducted and more at [www.exomotion.com](http://www.exomotion.com) and [www.thevo.us](http://www.thevo.us).

**Frank Pupo** was featured in a July *News Tribune* article for his role as president and CEO of

Tacoma's Associated Petroleum Products (APP). The company sells and distributes gasoline, diesel fuel, propane, and lubricants. Frank and a childhood friend are business partners in APP, which is estimated to be one of the top five companies in the state by gallon-volume. According to the article, their company earns \$600 million in annual sales and employs 200 people.

**Shannon Pustka Sevier** was elected to the board of directors for the National PTA, as announced at the 115th Annual National PTA Convention and Exhibition in Orlando in June. Shannon has been a PTA member for more than 11 years and serves on the European PTA executive board as vice president of legislation. She also is on a Department of Defense Europe Advisory Council on Dependents Education. Shannon served as president of the European PTA in 2009-10, and also chaired the European PTA's Reflections and Scholarship committees. She earned her master's in teaching from the College of Charleston in South Carolina, and earned her J.D. from St. Mary's University School of Law in San Antonio, Texas, where she was awarded the Dean's Scholarship for leadership and the Pro Bono Service Award for community service in the field of family law. Shannon currently teaches transition assistance workshops to separating and retiring soldiers and airmen in East Germany. She is married to an Army veteran and has a blended family of five children.

**Jane Taylor Sobottka** sends this update: "I've been an underwriter at State Farm for nearly eight years, and I love it. I was an art major at UPS and never imagined myself in this type of job, but it's a great fit! It's also awesome that I live only two miles from work, so no long commutes for me. I earned my Chartered Financial Consultant designation from The American College on May 1, and have only three courses to go to earn my Chartered

Life Underwriter designation. These are two of the highest designation levels in the insurance and financial services industries. I hope to put them to good use as a financial planner. Hello to all of my art major friends from '94—I hope you are all doing well."

**1995** **Vicki Gillam Norris** continues as president of Restoring Order. Established in 1999, her company has been helping people get organized through consulting services, products, speaking engagements, books, media, and events. This summer Vicki posted a new organizing video on YouTube every day for 40 days. Find out how you can reclaim your life at [www.restoringorder.com](http://www.restoringorder.com).

On July 17 **Lisa Herlinger-Esco** and sister Becky celebrated the one-year anniversary of their Ruby Jewel Scoop ice cream shop on Mississippi Avenue in Portland, Ore.

**1996** **Gina Covey Jay** wrote in June: "We recently returned to Fairbanks, Alaska, after three years in Colorado. Come visit!"

**1997** **Justin Erickson** is CEO of Harbor Wholesale Foods, formerly Harbor Wholesale Grocery Inc., in Lacey, Wash. The company was No. 21 on *Puget Sound Business Journal's* list of the 100 largest private companies in the region. The family-owned grocery distributor is set to expand its services in the Northwest by adding more fresh "grab and go" items to its inventory, among other growth initiatives.

**Kyle Haugen**, senior associate director of admission at Puget Sound, also is assistant conductor for the Northwest Repertory Singers, which celebrated its 10-year anniversary this summer. The group's varied repertoire and hard work over the past decade were highlighted in a June Tacoma *News Tribune* article. Many of

the choir's 60 auditioned singers are former Puget Sound Adelphians. The choir's holiday concert schedule can be viewed at [www.nwrs.org](http://www.nwrs.org).

In July **Joe Theine** was named director of the San Juan Basin Health Department in Durango, Colo. He earned his M.B.A. from Regis University in Denver and had most recently been in charge of occupational medicine and patient finances at a Mercy Regional Medical Center clinic in Durango.

**1999** **Ben Reuler** is executive director of LIFT-Chicago Region, the mission of which is to combat poverty and expand opportunities across the U.S. by training college student volunteers to deliver social services to low-income families. He supervises the work of the region's six site coordinators, leads the regional advisory board, raises revenue to support local

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operations, oversees client service delivery to 2,000 families each year, and supports the management of 200 volunteers annually. Ben earned his M.S.W. from The University of Chicago's School of Social Service Administration. While there he served with Centers for New Horizons, providing mental health assessment and treatment to individuals living on Chicago's South Side. Ben

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also conducted policy research for the city of Chicago Mayor's Office. More at [www.liftcommunities.org](http://www.liftcommunities.org).

**2000 Sarah Chapman Mittge M.A.T.'00** published an article in *Southwest Washington Family* on how to keep kids engaged in learning through the summer months. The article's author bio notes that Sarah has a passion for environmental education, curriculum alignment, native species, and jogging. Sarah left her classroom teaching job in 2007 to be a stay-at-home mom. She and her family live in Chehalis, Wash.

**Nick Mullen** is in his fifth year as head football coach at Timberline High School in Lacey, Wash.

**2001 Peter Glein** was hired by Columbia State Bank in June as a residential loan officer for western Pierce and Thurston counties. He has nine years of banking experience, most recently with Cherry Creek Mortgage.

**2002 Michael Charno** was featured in a *Lake Oswego Review* article about his time as a high school baseball player and his interest in cricket today. While pursuing graduate studies in England at the University of York, Michael took up the sport and has steadily improved his game over the past couple of years. He recently set a record in the league he plays in when he scored the most runs in a single inning, scoring 144 times without recording an out.

**2004 Wesley Andrews** has turned his growing-up experiences in Fairbanks, Alaska, into a one-man show titled *The Riverboat Runs Aground: Based on a True Story*. He describes the show as a Fairbanks version of *A Prairie Home Companion* with more adult themes and swear-

ing. The show is divided into six chapters; each serves as a period of Wesley's life. Wesley works full time as education and outreach director for the Kirkland Performance Center and part time as a performer and writer. He has performed *Riverboat* for Seattle audiences at the On the Boards theater and the Solo Performance Festival.

**Daniel Corral** has been working as a composer in Los Angeles since earning his M.F.A. in music composition at CalArts in 2007. He writes: "In September I premiered a puppet opera at REDCAT, a space in Disney Hall that is one of the premier venues for new artists in town. I collaborated with a music group I write and arrange music for, called Timur & The Dime Museum. The group features the rising opera star Timur Bekbosunov. In November renowned new-music pianist Vicki Ray will premiere a piano piece I was commissioned to write. She will play at the Piano Spheres concert series in downtown L.A. This previous March I was in Almaty, Kazakhstan, working on the premiere of a piece about the history of the Kazakh people, arranging an orchestra of Kazakh folk instruments. We will be returning there in January to present the piece in Astana, the capital. I also lead an accordion octet specializing in contemporary and experimental music. I have been supporting myself through chamber music commissions, doing sound design for theater, and teaching." Follow Daniel's work at [www.spinalfrog.com](http://www.spinalfrog.com).

**2005 Joy Gibson Hazleton** and husband Keith successfully defended their doctoral theses at the Albert Einstein College of Medicine in New York City. Both are in a combined MD/doctoral program and began their final two years of medical school this summer.

**Aubrey Shelton '05,**

**M.A.T.'06, Kaleb Shelton '12,** and brother Austin won the elite-division title game at the Spokane Hoopfest in June. They were the first set of brothers to win in the elite bracket and the first all-Tacoma squad to capture the title since the contest began in 1990. The event is touted as the largest three-on-three basketball competition in the world. The Sheltons started competing in the tournament in 2005 and won four family-division championships before deciding to move up to the elite class. Congratulations, Team Shelton!

**2007 Brendan Faegre** spent most of August at the Aspen Music Festival, where two movements from his string duo *Four Koans* premiered. Brendan explains that the work is an attempt to translate the Zen Buddhist "koan" concept into the musical realm. His time in Aspen marked his first experience in collaborative composition. Brendan also spent four days at the Young Nordic Music Festival in Copenhagen, where his percussion duo 4-3-5: *Can You Hear It?* premiered. He is now in The Netherlands working on a musical project through the Royal Conservatory in The Hague. Find out more at [www.brendanfaegre.com](http://www.brendanfaegre.com).

**2008 Whitney Hanlon** completed a double master's degree in a special three-year program at Claremont Graduate University in Claremont, Calif. She earned her M.F.A. in 2010 and her master's in art management in 2011 from the Peter F. Drucker & Masatoshi Ito Graduate School of Management. She is the third person in the school's history to qualify for and to complete this program.

**Rahul Madhavan** joined the U.S.-India Business Council as a senior staff member. In this role he will help push for increased opportunities for American companies in India's

aerospace and defense markets. Rahul joins USIBC after three years as program manager for the South Asia Studies program at The Johns Hopkins University's School of Advanced International Studies.

**2010 Jordan Bremond,** aka hip-hop and rap artist J. Bre, released a new EP titled *Revelation* this summer. This is a follow-up to his 2010 album release *Street Signs*. Find out more on his J. Bre Facebook page.

**Nat Shepard** and his dad were highlighted in the *Twin Cities Daily Planet* in an item about the documentary they produced titled *3rd Coast Connect*. The Shepards spent January to May this year traveling the Gulf Coast aboard a 34-foot cruiser to observe the health of the coastal environments and to explore the links between nature and culture. They documented their journey at <http://thirdcoastconnect.wordpress.com>. The information they gathered will be used in the Hamline University Center for Global Environmental Education's *Waters to the Sea* multimedia educational programs.

**2011 Greg Kirkpatrick** was named to the Capital One Academic All-American Second Team, as voted by the College Sports Information Directors of America. He is the first Puget Sound golfer to receive the honor. Greg also received the Harry Werbiski Award for Scholarship, Skill, and Determination at the Loggers All-Sports Celebration. He finished his collegiate career with All-Northwest Conference honors and was fourth at the NWC Championships with a season-best 148 (4 over par) in the tournament.

**Rose Thompson** wrote an article for *The Santiago Times* about the storm that swept across Chile in early June. After exploring in and around Chile for six months, she is now looking at graduate school op-

portunities. Rose currently is a freelance writer.

**Tim Van Loan** was featured in an MSNBC.com article about how to keep your first job. He was offered a one-year paid internship working with manatees at Walt Disney World in Orlando, Fla.

**Cassie Woolhiser** was included in an article about her summer job at Sylvester Manor, a 243-acre landmark plantation estate and nonprofit educational farm on Shelter Island, N.Y.

## In memoriam

### Faculty

**Elsie Mosquera Luetggen '68** died on June 27. She was 92. Elsie moved to Tacoma in 1952 with her husband, Edward Luetggen, a career military officer. She earned her master's from Middlebury College in 1970 and successfully defended her Ph.D. dissertation at the University of Madrid, Spain, in 1984. She taught Spanish and French in the Tacoma Public Schools and was on the faculty at Puget Sound for many years in the foreign languages and literature department. Elsie also served as chair of the modern languages department at then-Saint Martin's College. She was active in retirement and traveled throughout Europe. Elsie lived overseas for a time in Indonesia and Saudi Arabia. She enjoyed visiting friends and family, and giving talks at education and religious forums. Her husband died in 1995. Survivors are her three children, eight grandchildren, seven great-grandchildren, six great-great-grandchildren, and numerous other family and dear friends.

**Harold Simonson '50, '51** died on June 6 at the age of 84. He was born and raised in Tacoma. Hal attended area schools, graduated from Stadium High School, and served in the U.S. Army. He earned his master's and Ph.D. at Northwestern University, where he



Professor Hal Simonson '50, '51, photographed for *Arches* at his Tacoma home in 2006.

met his wife, Carolyn. Hal also earned a theology degree at The University of St Andrews in Scotland. Hal studied at Princeton Theological Seminary, Yale Divinity School, and The University of Edinburgh as part of research and honorary fellowships. His teaching career includes 13 years at the University of Puget Sound and 23 years at the University of Washington. Hal's areas of interest included American literature, the American West, and religion. He authored 11 books and numerous academic articles and reviews. After retirement in 1991 Hal was ordained by Tacoma's First Congregational Church and served as interim minister. He was a volunteer hospice and Operation Nightwatch chaplain. Hal enjoyed travel and hiking; he summited Mount St. Helens once and Mount Rainier twice. Survivors include his wife of more than 50 years, three children, six grandchildren, and 10 nieces and nephews.

#### Alumni

**Violet Paulson Anderson '37**, a longtime resident of Onalaska, Wash., passed away on June 22 at the age of 96. She was born and raised in Tacoma. She attended Washington State University and graduated from the University of Washington. Violet and her husband, Bill, moved to Onalaska in 1941 and were dairy farmers for 30 years. She

was active in the Lewis County Homemakers, 4-H, the Lewis County Dairy Women, and her church. Violet enjoyed playing cards with her family, gardening, and bird-watching. One son, two grandsons, and two great-grandchildren survive Violet.

**Yoshiye Omori Mayeda '41** passed away peacefully on July 12. She was 93 years old. Yoshiye was born in Tacoma. During World War II, soon after she earned her degree in English, she and her husband, Thomas Mayeda '35 (now deceased) were interned at Minidoka, Idaho. Later in life she enjoyed the companionship of her family and a walkers' group at Seward Park in Seattle. Three children, six grandchildren, and three great-grandchildren survive Yoshiye.

**Janet Robbins Worthen '41** was born and raised in Tacoma and passed away in Lakewood, Wash., on July 31. She was 91 years old. Janet joined the Navy WAVES during World War II, and met and married civil engineer F.R. Worthen in 1946. The two and their young family lived in Somalia, Vietnam, Thailand, and Guatemala. Later they lived in Alaska and Saudi Arabia. They returned to Lakewood in retirement. Janet was a member of the Interlaaken Garden Club for 63 years. She also was a member of a Lakewood book club. Survivors are three children, six

grandchildren, and nine great-grandchildren.

**Willard Bellman '42** died on Dec. 12, 2010, at the age of 90. After Puget Sound he earned his master's degree and Ph.D. at Northwestern University. Will was a founding faculty member at California State University, Northridge, and was internationally recognized for his work in theater design and production, specializing in stage lighting. He was named professor emeritus of theatre in 2000. Will authored a book titled *Lighting the Stage: Art and Practice*, which is still available. He was a longtime member of the U.S. Institute for Theatre Technology Inc. and received one of the group's highest honors, the Joel E. Rubin Founder's Award, with a special citation for achievement in lighting-design education. Will and wife Kay enjoyed traveling and spent a sabbatical year in Germany in the late '60s. Will cared for Kay during her 20-year journey with Parkinson's disease. She preceded Will in death. Two children and two grandchildren survive Will.

**Louis Petro '44** passed away on March 25 at the age of 86. He was born in Uniontown, Pa., and raised in Jamestown, N.Y., graduating from high school in 1943. Louis was a member of the Army Specialized Training Program, 11th Armored Division, during World War II, and served in the European Theater. He was awarded the Bronze Star. Louis graduated in 1949 as valedictorian of Clarkson College of Technology and earned a master's degree in civil engineering at Brooklyn Polytechnic Institute in 1954. Louis earned a Ph.D. in civil engineering at the University of Illinois in 1962. He was a consultant in New York state before his teaching career, which he began as the head of the civil engineering department at Jamestown Community College and continued as chair of the civil engineering department at Indiana Tech in Fort Wayne. Louis served the city of Fort Wayne as director of

the housing authority. He held memberships in the American Society of Civil Engineers and the National Society of Professional Engineers. His wife of 58 years, three sons, one daughter, and 11 grandchildren survive Louis.

**Margaret Van Amburg Jarvis '46** died on May 29 after a brief battle with pneumonia. She was 86 years old. Margaret was born and raised in Yakima, Wash., and was a championship tennis player. She attended Washington State University on a piano scholarship and spent her career as a grade school teacher. Margaret was an active member of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. She enjoyed being in nature, performing music, and spending time with her family. Survivors are four children, 11 grandchildren, and six great-grandchildren.

**Gerald Lider '48** died of natural causes on July 30. He was 88 years old. Gerald was born in North Dakota and moved to Seattle in 1936. He served in the Navy and married Mildred Hanson of Mount Vernon, Wash., in 1946. He retired as the principal of Issaquah Junior High School in 1977. Three children survive Gerald.

**Harriet Warne Neal '49** was 83 years old when she passed away on May 17. Born in Winlock, Wash., Harriet was raised by her mother in Hartline and Orting, Wash. She married Charles Neal, and the two had more than 56 years together in Springfield, Ore. They enjoyed traveling and other adventures while raising their two children, Robert and Mary Beth, who survive them.

**Anna Kinrod Watts O'Connor '49** died on March 24 at the age of 83. She was born in Tacoma and was a resident of Oakland, Calif., for many years. Anna played the flute throughout her life and was a member of a community orchestra in Oakland, the Amphion Club, and other smaller music groups. Anna also was a member of Sigma Alpha Iota International Music Fraternity.

She served as a substitute teacher in the Oakland schools for many years while raising her two children. Her first husband, Franklin Watts, preceded her in death. Survivors are her second husband, former Puget Sound Concert Band Conductor John O'Connor; two children; and two grandchildren.

**Donna Bennett Parker '49** passed away on June 27. She was 83 years old. After graduating from Puget Sound Donna went on to earn her degree in nursing. She was a community health nurse for 14 years and a school nurse in the Clover Park School District for 24 years. She was an active member of Epworth LeSound United Methodist Church in Tacoma for more than 50 years. Donna served as a youth leader, taught Sunday school, played in the hand-bell choir, was the president of her chapter of the United Methodist Women, and was the financial secretary for the church for the past 10 years. Her husband of nearly 61 years, Dave Parker '50; three children; five grandchildren; one great-granddaughter; and other extended family members survive Donna.

**Patricia Gordon Zumhoff '49** passed away peacefully with her family by her side on June 27, one month prior to her 85th birthday. She was born in Vancouver, B.C., and grew up on Lake Chelan in the mining town of then-Holden, Wash. Patsy moved with her family to Tacoma in 1939. She attended Stadium High School, where she met Norman Zumhoff, whom she later married. Patsy enjoyed cooking and gardening and was fond of animals. Her husband of 64 years, one son, two daughters, and numerous extended family members survive Patsy.

**Robert Church '50** died on June 15. He was 86. Bob was a longtime Wenatchee, Wash., resident and owner of R.M. Church Inc., an office supply and equipment store started by his father in 1932. He was a member of Boy Scouts and attained the rank of Life. After

high school graduation Bob volunteered to join the Navy and served in the South Pacific and on the West Coast, followed by five years in the Navy Reserve. In 1949 he married his first wife, Ethel Rae. The couple had three children. Ethel Rae died of cancer in 1964. Bob worked as marketing director for Mission Ridge Ski and Board Resort and served on former Gov. Spellman's tourism commission. He was a certified ski instructor and taught at Mission Ridge and Stevens Pass ski areas. He was a life member of the National Ski Patrol. In 1996 he was inducted into the Mission Ridge hall of fame, and the following year he received the Pacific Northwest Ski Instructors Association Legends Award. In 2001 the Professional Ski Instructors of America honored him for 50 years of teaching. Bob later worked for *Adventures NW* magazine. He was active in the local chamber of commerce, the Apollo Club of Wenatchee, the Wenatchee Elks Lodge, Wenatchee School Board, and the Wenatchee Rotary Club, among many other community groups. He and his wife of 41 years, Lorraine, enjoyed sailing and other travel opportunities in the Northwest. Survivors are his wife, three children, nine grandchildren, and two great-grandchildren.

**Clay Huntington '50** passed away on June 1 at the age of 89. He was a fixture in Pacific Northwest print journalism and sports broadcasting for more than 70 years. During his career Clay owned five radio stations, including KLAY-AM 1180 in Lakewood, Wash., where he was active until his death. He was influential in helping build Cheney Stadium, which brought triple-A baseball back to Tacoma in 1960 with the relocation of the Pacific Coast League's Phoenix Giants. Clay helped form the Tacoma Athletic Commission and the Tacoma-Pierce County Sports Hall of Fame. He also served as a Pierce County commissioner for eight years. He

married Janet Lubbe in 1949, and the two had three children. Janet preceded Clay in death in 2006. One son died in 1996. Survivors are two children; two grandchildren; and his brother, James.

**Laurence Rodgers '51, M.Ed.'59** died on June 2. He was 82. Larry was born in Edmonds, Wash., and attended Everett Community College before completing his undergraduate and master's degrees at Puget Sound. While at Everett he played in the "Little Rose Bowl" in California and scored the winning touchdown. Larry and the entire 1947 Trojan football team at Everett were inducted into the Everett Community College Athletic Hall of Fame. He taught and coached at Peninsula High School in Gig Harbor, Wash., for several years, and later returned to Everett Community College, where he coached football and basketball, and served as athletic director. Larry was a longtime member of the Elks club. His first wife, Patricia Karbbe, preceded him in death. Survivors are three daughters; three stepsons; nine grandchildren; three great-grandchildren; and his companion and caregiver, Lorna Williams.

**Ray Rush '52** died at home on July 30 at the age of 85. He was born and raised in Tacoma and graduated from Lincoln High School before enlisting in the Army Air Force. After Ray returned from the service he attended Puget Sound, where he met his future wife, Beverly Warner Rush '52. He was a member of Theta Chi fraternity while at CPS. Ray was the founder of Sound Vending Service Inc., and operated the business until retirement. He was active as a Daffodilian for many years and enjoyed participation in the annual Daffodil Festival and other community celebrations. Ray loved boating and visited the San Juan Islands and South Sound ports each summer. He enjoyed ocean cruises and exploring and traveling the world; he visited Southeast

Asia, Africa, India, and Egypt. His wife of 59 years; his daughter, Cindy Rush Grady '77; son Stephen; and many extended family members survive Ray.

**Dolores Bartelmy Springer '52, M.Ed.'55** passed away at the age of 81. She was born and raised in Havre, Mont. Dolores met and married Kenyon Springer while at Linfield College, and went on to complete her undergraduate degree and master's in education at Puget Sound. The couple settled in Gig Harbor, Wash., for 57 years. Dolores touched many lives as a kindergarten teacher in the Tacoma schools. She is remembered for her giving spirit, ability to play the piano by ear, and deep spiritual faith. Her husband preceded Dolores in death. Survivors are her son, Scott; a sister; and many friends and former kindergarteners.

**Norman Huber '53** died on Aug. 8. He was 83 years old. Norm was born and raised in Tacoma and attended Lincoln High School. After graduating he played for the Tacoma Tigers minor league baseball team as its starting shortstop. Norm later enlisted in the Army. He served in Germany and played drums in the Army dance band. He returned from the service and attended Puget Sound. Norm met Marigene Miller, and the two were married in 1952. He went to work for Firestone Tires in Tacoma and was later transferred to Wenatchee, Wash., to head up the Firestone location there. Norm turned down a transfer to Spokane, Wash., and shifted to a career in real estate. He worked for other agencies for eight years, and in 1969 he and Marigene opened their own realty office. Over the years Norm developed 35 subdivisions and built nearly 1,000 residential homes in the Wenatchee area. He was a lifelong member of the Elks and coached Little League baseball for 16 years. Norm enjoyed traveling overseas and spending time at their family's cabin on Lake Chelan. One grandson preceded Norm in death. Sur-

vivors are his wife, six children, 19 grandchildren, and 16 great-grandchildren.

**James Oaks '53** passed away on Jan. 28 at the age of 82. He was born in Ketchikan, Alaska. After attending Puget Sound he went on to graduate from the University of Washington. Jim served with the Army Combat Military Police during the Korean conflict. He married his wife, Patricia, in 1958. In 1966, the couple moved to Canton, Ohio, where Jim retired as director of communications for The Timken Company in 1994. His wife of 53 years, four children, and five grandchildren survive him.

**James Gourley '55** passed away at home on April 6. He was 77. A Tacoma native, Jim graduated from Stadium High School. While at Puget Sound he was a member of Phi Delta Theta fraternity, the CPS ski team, and the Chinook Club, and he served as student manager of the college's Deep Creek Lodge. Jim earned his D.D.S. in 1959 and M.D.S. in 1970, both from the University of Washington School of Dentistry. He retired as a captain from the U.S. Naval Dental Corps after 26 years of active duty. He then entered a 20-year private practice on Bainbridge Island, Wash. Early in his career Jim was an instructor at the UW dental school, taught briefly at Northwestern University, mentored a gold foil study club at Great Lakes, Ill., and served two four-year terms on the American Dental Association Test Construction Committee. Jim was an invited fellow of the American College of Dentists and the International College of Dentists. He earned national board certification in operative dentistry from the ACD. Jim was a life member and officer of many professional organizations. He enjoyed traveling, fishing, ice-skating, skiing, golf, needlework, and carving. He owned and raced a Lightning-class sailboat. His son, James T. Gourley, preceded him in death. Survivors include his wife of 53 years, Doris Gourley;

daughter Bridget Gourley '84; son-in-law Robert Bruce; sister Ethelwyn Hoffman; and nieces and nephews.

**Mary Gibbs Wright '56, M.A.'76** passed away at 76 years old. Her family moved from Chicago to Tacoma in 1941 when her father, E. Delmar Gibbs, joined the faculty at Puget Sound. Mary met Robert Wright Jr. '56, and the two were married in 1955. She taught at Washington Elementary School in Tacoma for four years. Mary also taught private music lessons for 15 years. In 1966 the family moved to Federal Way, Wash. Her husband of 56 years; two children; five grandchildren; her brother, Robert Gibbs '63; and sister Margaret Gibbs Tetreault '66 survive Mary.

**John "Jack" Armour '59, M.Ed.'67** died on July 5 at the age of 75. Born and raised in Tacoma, he graduated from Bellarmine Preparatory School. Jack served two years in the Army before beginning his career as an educator in the Tacoma Public Schools. He was a teacher for many years before he became a school principal. Jack retired as principal of Lowell Elementary School after 36 years working in the district. He was a member of many service organizations and was past president of the Association of Washington School Principals. Jack was an avid outdoorsman and enjoyed hunting, fishing, and hiking. He especially enjoyed his many friends at Pheasants Forever. His wife of 52 years; three children; seven grandchildren, including Ben Schau '09; one brother; and many nieces and nephews survive Jack.

**Richard "Coach" Palamidessi '59** died on May 15. He was 80 years old. A lifelong Tacoma resident, in 1949 Dick graduated from Lincoln High School, where he was a standout athlete in basketball and baseball. He married his high school sweetheart in 1953. He attended Puget Sound after returning from service in the Army. Dick started his career in education at

then-Gault Junior High School as a social studies teacher. He moved to Wilson High School to become a physical education teacher. He also coached basketball and baseball at Wilson and led the Rams to many victories. Dick retired in 1985 as athletic director and head of Wilson's physical education department. In retirement he enjoyed golf, hunting, and time with his family. His wife, Pat, preceded him in death. Two children, many nieces and nephews, and a multitude of friends survive Coach Palamidessi.

**Mildred Arenz '61** passed away on June 30, just six months shy of her 100th birthday. She enjoyed travel throughout her life. She is remembered for making each trip "an adventure to make memories." Mildred was an accomplished artist, quilter, seamstress, weaver, and writer. Several of her woven jackets were featured in a weaving exhibit that toured the U.S. Mildred was preceded in death by her husband, Lt. Col. Arnold Arenz, in 1985. Two children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren survive Mildred.

**Michael Sanderson '61** died at home on Aug. 7 at the age of 75. His family moved from Detroit to Tacoma when he was 3 years old. Michael attended Washington and Lee University before serving in the U.S. Navy. When he returned from the service, he completed his degree at Puget Sound. Michael worked as an underwriter for Safeco Insurance Company in Seattle for 33 years. In retirement he moved to Anderson, S.C., where he was a member of Dickson United Methodist Church and a volunteer for Meals On Wheels. Michael's wife, two sons, and three grandchildren survive him.

**William Tennyson Jr. '61** passed away at home on June 21 with his family by his side. He had a passion for the outdoors and enjoyed entertaining family and friends. Bill's wife, June Otto Tennyson '57;

three children; four grandchildren; and many close family and friends survive him.

**Patricia Danforth Carnes '62** died on May 19. She was 71. Pat was born in Tacoma and after Puget Sound went on to earn her master's degree at The University of Oklahoma in 1964. She worked as a resident counselor at the University of Florida until 1972, when she moved to Arizona. Pat's career in mental health spanned 40 years. She received much recognition for her dedication to the Tucson community, including the Robert Moore Lifetime Achievement Award. Her two children, six grandchildren, and two sisters survive Pat.

**Janet Miller Hedman '62** passed away on May 30 at the age of 93. She was born and raised in Havre, Mont., and graduated from Havre High School. In addition to Puget Sound, Janet attended then-Northern Montana College. In 1938 she married Rayburn Hedman in Olympia, Wash. She was a teacher in the Tacoma schools for many years and was a member of the Washington State School Retirees' Association. Janet was the oldest member of the Peninsula Baptist Church in Gig Harbor, Wash., where she taught Sunday school and adult Bible classes. Her husband preceded her in death in 1986 after a long illness. She lost son Gary in an accident in 1956; daughter Ardyth died in 2002. One son, eight grandchildren, and three great-grandchildren survive Janet.

**Calvin Christoph '63** died on April 16. He was 70. Cal was raised on a farm in Graham, Wash., and enjoyed being outdoors. He attended Bethel High School and was a standout athlete there. He married his high school sweetheart, and the two had four children during their 14-year marriage. Cal worked in sales his entire career. His passions included hunting, fishing, guns, sports, and negotiating a great deal. His children, 11 grandchildren, several nieces

and nephews, and many good friends survive Cal.

**Eloise Mahan Ash '64** died on Mother's Day, May 8, at the age of 92. She attended Drake University in Des Moines, Iowa, where she earned her teaching certificate in 1938. Eloise married Francis Ash in 1941 and the two moved to DuPont, Wash., later making their home in Tacoma for 63 years. After receiving her degree in education, Eloise began a teaching career in the Tacoma Public Schools. She taught kindergarten for 30 years, primarily at Seward Elementary School. She retired in 1984. Eloise was a longtime member and active volunteer of the First United Methodist Church in Tacoma and later at Fircrest United Methodist Church. She also was active in PEO International, the PTA, Girl Scouts, and United Methodist Women, among many other groups. Her husband of 54 years preceded Eloise in death. Her oldest daughter died in

2004. Her younger daughter, four grandchildren, and two great-grandchildren survive Eloise.

**Daryl Zylstra '64** passed away at home on May 19. He was 72 years old. Daryl was born in Coupeville, Wash., and lived in Tacoma for many years. In 1967 he and Sydney Carlson were married. The couple raised their two daughters near Lake Tapps, Wash. Daryl enjoyed taking his grandchildren fishing, hiking, biking, skiing, jogging, and frog-finding. Survivors are his wife, two daughters, and four grandchildren.

**Jerrold Giste '65** passed away on May 17 at the age of 72. He struggled for a long time with the advanced symptoms of Lewy body dementia. Jerrold taught junior high school in the Federal Way Public Schools for 29 years. He found happiness in music, books, gardening, movies, and his family. Jerrold is remem-

bered for his beaming smile and contagious laughter. His wife of 47 years, Sandra Adler Giste '62; two daughters; and extended family survive Jerrold.

**James Schultz '67** died peacefully at home on July 30. He was 72 years old. Jim attended Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University before joining the Air Force. He spent seven years as a navigator before completing his degree at Puget Sound. Jim then went on to earn an M.B.A. at Pacific Lutheran University. He worked in the information technology field for 30 years at Seafirst Bank and Russell Investments, and with Pierce County. Jim played in the Chancel Brass at University Place Presbyterian Church, and he played trumpet in the Tacoma Concert Band. He taught skiing at Crystal Mountain and was a runner, hiker, cyclist, and kayaker. Survivors are his wife of 46 years, Diane Peterson Schultz '64; two

## About classmates

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sons; two granddaughters; and many friends.

**Sally Strayer Page Eustis '70**

was killed on May 21. She was riding her bike near Walla Walla, Wash., when she was struck from behind by a SUV. She was 61 years old. Sally grew up in Portland, Ore., and was a competitive swimmer throughout high school. She also was an accomplished water and snow skier. While at Puget Sound Sally was a member of Alpha Phi sorority. After graduation from college she married Phillip Page. He was in the Army, and the two lived in Germany for two years before their daughter, Stefani, was born in 1972. The marriage ended in 1975. Sally started a career in the fashion industry as a buyer for Nordstrom stores and after seven years became a buyer for The Bon Marché for another seven years. In 1992 she married Howard Eustis. The two enjoyed travel, friends, food, and wine. Sally later became the director of sales and marketing for Heartwood, a Seattle-based custom contract wood and metal manufacturer established by her husband in 1977. Survivors include her husband, daughter, one sister, and numerous friends.

**Robert Gelger '70** died May 28 at the age of 70. He was a registered nurse and worked for many years as a nurse manager at Rainier School for the developmentally disabled near Buckley, Wash. Robert was an avid fisherman and enjoyed spending time on the Puget Sound. In retirement he became a creel maker. His wife, daughter, one brother, and numerous nieces, nephews, and cousins survive Robert.

**Carl "Matt" Mattingly '70** died in Tacoma one week prior to his 86th birthday. Matt was born in Evansville, Ind. He was a retired Air Force master sergeant and a veteran of World War II, the Korean War, and Vietnam. Matt received his draft notice the same week he was supposed to sign a Major League Baseball contract with Cleveland. His wife of 43

years preceded him in death in 1992. He lost his son Jeff in 1987 and his daughter Carla in 1993. Survivors are his long-time companion and caregiver, Diane Stephens; two children; six grandchildren; and eight great-grandchildren.

**Virgil Mattson M.Ed. '72**

passed away in July at the age of 75. He retired in 1992 after 30 years of teaching at Ford Middle School in Tacoma. Virgil's wife, one son, two grandchildren, and numerous extended family members survive him.

**Meredith "Sandy" Harvey Walker '73**

passed away on July 22, with family and friends by her side. She was 60 years old. Survivors are her husband of 38 years, Glynn; three children; and two grandchildren.

**Patricia Hesse '74**

died on July 8 from pancreatic cancer. She was 59 years old. Pat grew up in Milton-Freewater, Ore., and settled in Nampa, Idaho, after college. She worked as an occupational therapist in the Nampa schools for more than 20 years. Pat enjoyed creating intricate stained glass pieces in her spare time. Daughter Jennifer; son-in-law Ian; and one brother survive Pat.

**Beverly Walker Giberson '75**

died at home on July 16 at the age of 58. She was diagnosed with ALS almost two years ago. Beverly and Joe Giberson J.D.'76 were married in August 1975. He was a teaching assistant for Prof. Prins in a law and society course offered in the Puget Sound School of Business. After Joe's graduation in 1976 the two moved to Boston, where Beverly enrolled in a master's in divinity program at Andover Newton Theological School. She didn't complete her degree there but went on to earn a master's in marriage and family counseling, a teaching certificate, and a Master of Education degree. Beverly worked in restaurant management early in her career and later became a substitute teacher in the public schools. She was active in her church and community and

enjoyed international travel. Before her disease progressed, Beverly was able to take trips to Australia, New Zealand, Fiji, Peru, Ecuador, and Mexico. Her husband of 36 years and her sister, Karen Walker Freiburg '77, survive Beverly.

**Daniel Iverson '76**

passed away on June 11 with his wife of 42 years, Donna, holding his hand. He was 62 years old. Dan battled acute myeloid leukemia for three years. Survivors are his wife, two children, and four grandchildren.

**James Sullivant '76**

passed away on May 26 at the age of 65. Jim retired as a buyer for The Boeing Company. He was an avid golfer and sports fanatic. His wife, Kathy Sullivant '79; two daughters; five grandchildren; and three siblings survive Jim.

**Patricia Trowbridge '76,**

**J.D.'84** died from complications associated with Alzheimer's disease. After raising her family, Pat went back to college. She worked as an attorney in private practice before she took a position as a Pierce County deputy prosecutor. She retired from the Family Support Division of the prosecutor's office in 2000. Pat inspired and served as a role model to many women. She enjoyed gardening, canning, and painting. Her husband of 54 years, Robert Boxberger; six children; seven grandchildren; and other extended family members survive Pat.

**Douglas Young '80**

died on July 12 at the age of 62. He grew up in Tacoma and graduated from Mount Tahoma High School. His son; granddaughter; special friend, Diane Ledbetter; and numerous other family members survive Doug.

**Lynda Czajkowska Thompson '81**

lost her 11-year battle with breast cancer on July 16, a week prior to her 57th birthday. She was born in Fort Collins, Colo., and after high school became a licensed practical nurse. Her real passion was theater, which took her to the University of Oregon,

where she earned a master's in theater arts. Lynda produced and directed various professional and community theater productions in the Eugene area for more than 20 years. She also served as guest director for 16 plays and musicals at Sheldon High School in Eugene. Lynda is remembered for her quick wit, kindness, and grace. Survivors include her granddaughter, mother, a brother and sisters, nieces and nephews, and many friends.

**Audree Rush '82**

passed away in her sleep July 11. She was 79 years old. Audree married Orey Rush in 1954, and they had five children. She kept busy as a Boy Scout leader, a garden club member, a Daffodilian, and a member of the General Federation of Women's Clubs. Audree was proud of her Norwegian heritage and was a member of Daughters of Norway. In 1966 Audree ran for and won the title of Mrs. Washington. She was a longtime employee at Puget Sound, where she earned her degree after she raised her children. Audree enjoyed rosemary, gardening, and spending time with family and friends. Survivors are her five children, six grandchildren, and 10 great-grandchildren.

**Candis Johnston '84,**

**M.Ed.'90** died June 22 at the age of 65. She graduated from Shelton High School in 1963 and married Stanley Johnston in 1964. Candis worked as a waitress before becoming the owner of Johnston Realty, with offices in Brinnon, Quilcene, and Hoodspport, Wash. She also was a teacher at area Adventist schools and taught second grade at Brinnon Elementary School. As a 37-year resident of Brinnon, Candis was active in her community and served as president of the Hood Canal Women's Club. She was a member of the Brinnon Volunteer Fire Department Women's Auxiliary and the Brinnon Booster Club, among many other community affiliations. She also was involved with the South Jefferson Little League

for 30 years and coached baseball and softball. Candis and her husband donated land where the Brinnon Seventh-day Adventist Company built a church. Her husband preceded her in death. Four children, five grandchildren, and numerous family members survive Candis.

**Martin Susser '93**

passed away on May 24. He was 40 years old. Martin was born in Montreal, Canada, to Czechoslovakian immigrant parents and spent his first six years in Canada before he moved with his family to Shelton, Wash. He graduated from high school there in 1989. Martin was an avid hiker, played soccer, and was on the swim team. After college he married his high school sweetheart, Dagmar. Martin's career started with BSQUARE Corporation. He then moved to Siebel CRM Systems and later worked for Nobeltec navigation software. In 2003 he moved to Bingen, Wash., to work for Insitu. He began as a software engineer and moved to a field-service role that took him to Iraq and Afghanistan as a civilian contractor with the Marines. His wife, two children, parents, and two sisters survive Martin.

**Nancy Kono M.Ed. '98**

died at home on May 18 after battling ovarian cancer. She was 58 years old. Nancy grew up in Yakima, Wash., and graduated from Davis High School. She went on to earn her undergraduate degree in education at Central Washington University. Nancy met Steve Kono while attending CWU and married him in 1976. They had two children. She worked in parent education at Highline Community College and Bates Technical College. After earning her master's at Puget Sound, Nancy became a child and family advocate for Children's Home Society of Washington in Auburn. She enjoyed travel and made trips to Norway, Thailand, Cyprus, Germany, South Korea, and, recently, Alaska. Survivors include her two children.



▲ The Bel Canto Performing Arts Society, led by Artistic Director and Conductor **H. Richard Koehler '59, M.M.'67**, supports the Bel Canto Singers, comprising 60-plus members. The group includes **Eileen Tracy Anderson '72, Sue Peringer-Borroff '71, Deborah Burton '71, Ann Sakaguchi '74, and Tracey Jackson Cruise '71**. The group's mission is to provide "opportunities to receive quality vocal and instrumental instruction, mentoring, listening activities, and performing experiences... inspiring a lifelong appreciation of the performing arts." After graduating from Puget Sound Richard went on to earn his Ph.D. in music at the University of Oregon School of Music and Dance. Throughout his more than 40-year career as a music educator, administrator, festival producer, and conductor, Richard has been dedicated to urban outreach. He's held positions at Georgia State University, as executive director of the Rialto Center for the Arts and as director of the School of Music. He was chair of the Department of Music at Virginia Commonwealth University, assistant to the dean at Rice University's Shepherd School of Music, and assistant to the dean at the University of Oregon School of Music and Dance. Richard received an Atlanta Abby Award for Arts Professional of the Year in 1998. The Bel Canto Singers, whose initial concert was in 2010, held performances in Seattle, Bellevue, and Olympia, Wash., in early October. For the group's fall schedule and more see [www.belcantopas.org](http://www.belcantopas.org).



◀ Delta Alpha Gamma alumnae celebrated their chapter's 90th anniversary in May. Agnes Scott Ayers '22 founded the sorority on campus in 1921. She wrote the bylaws and designed the sorority's pin. She was a pianist and author who became a teacher. Gamma President **Ruby Smith Burgeson '46** was in one of Agnes' classes at Clover Park. In 1953 the Gammas became the Chi Omegas. The ladies continue to meet monthly and donate to the Puget Sound Fund. The group's officers are, from left: **Lois Fassett Miller '48, P'79, Ruby, Jean Morgan Lyle-Roberton '50, and Beverlee Burrows Storkman '43**. Contact **Margie Berry Bunge '55** at 253-564-1130 for information on monthly meetings. A special thanks to **Bernadine Budil Shanks '53**, who kindly provided the background information on Agnes' leading role in the Gamma organization on campus.

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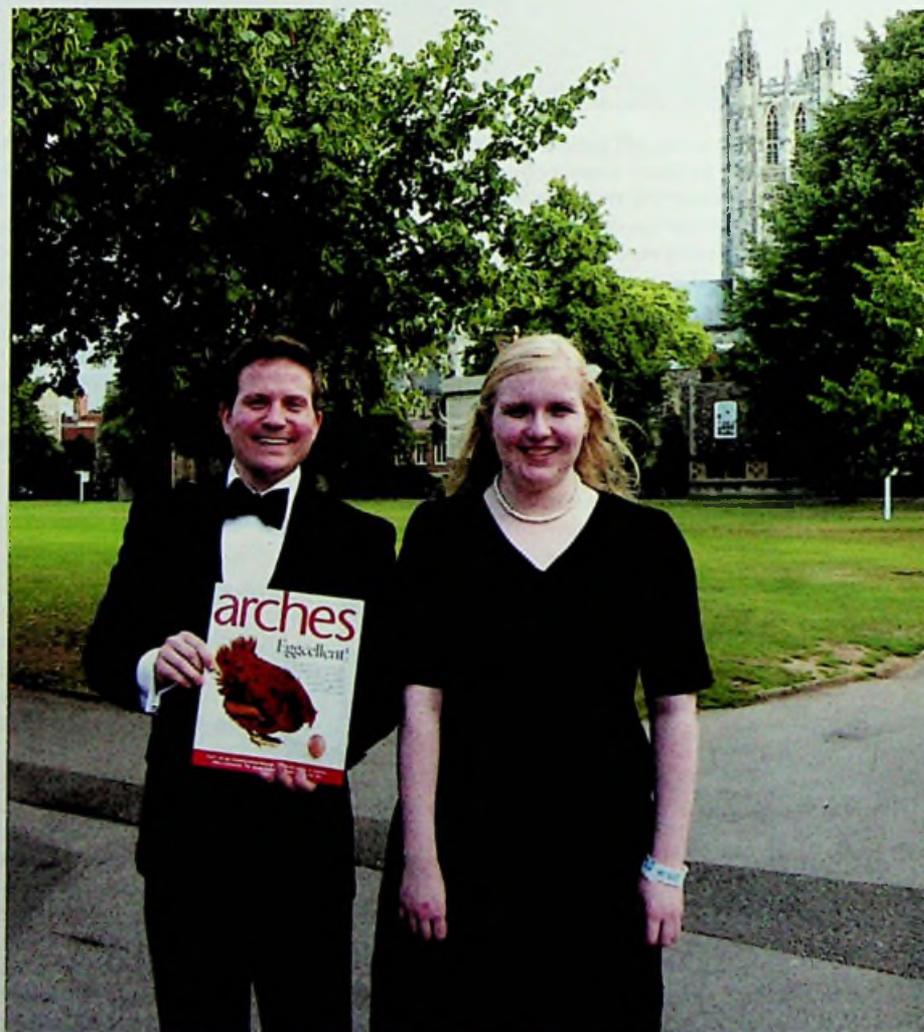


▲ **Babe Lehrer '42**, at right, and bronze artist Marilyn Mahoney were at the *Goddess of Commerce* statue dedication in Tacoma on Aug. 31. The original *Goddess of Commerce* statue was constructed in 1885 and included symbols of area commerce of the day. It was placed on top of the then-new, three-story Chamber of Commerce building at 12th and Pacific Ave. In 1950 the building came down and so did the statue. Babe organized and chaired the group that commissioned a remake of the bronze that now resides at 6th and St. Helens streets in Tacoma. The goddess' crane earrings represent today's port and shipping industries, and the fish on the goddess' back represents the industry's longtime connection to the region. Other symbols of industry, art, and architecture also are depicted in the statue's design.

► **Kyle Haugen '97** and **Jordan Eade '15** toured England and France July 17–27 with the Tacoma Youth Chorus, performing at Canterbury, Chartres, and Notre-Dame cathedrals, and other historic churches. They also performed for Lord and Lady De L'Isle and their guests in the historic Baron's Hall of Penshurst Place, one of the most complete examples of 14th-century domestic architecture in England surviving in its original location. Jordan started classes at Puget Sound this fall and plans to major in music. Kyle, who is a senior associate director in the college's Office of Admission, directs the Young Men's Choir and co-directs the Chorale for the Tacoma Youth Chorus.



▲ Alpha Phis enjoy an evening together at Summer Reunion Weekend 2011 in June. From left: **Jean Groth Grover '67, '68, P'92, P'97**; **Candice Ackerman Guise '67**; **Linda Federico Pearn '66**; **Gail Young Brandon '66, P'95**; **Joann Poulsen Peterson '67**; and **Kathy Schiller Judkins '68**.



# Alumni events

This past summer was an especially busy season for Loggers across the country. Alumni Council volunteers hosted 14 events from Honolulu to Washington, D.C.—wine tastings, sporting events, picnics, barbecues, and trivia nights. These events saw record turnouts, with more than 600 Loggers sharing their stories, introducing their kids, and helping recent graduates get started on careers.

Want to join in? Write Jenny Lai '05, [jennylai@alum.ups.edu](mailto:jennylai@alum.ups.edu), regional club chair, to link up with Puget Sound alumni living near you.

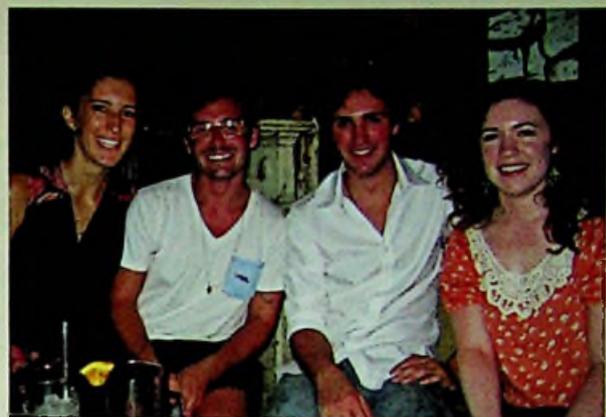


**BOSTON-area alumni organized a visit to the Chihuly Through the Looking Glass exhibit** at the Museum of Fine Arts, Boston, on July 28. Some sported an eyepatch as homage to the exhibit's namesake creator. Back, from left: **Matt McGinnis '00**, William Renderos, **Kim Draggoo Renderos '01**, **Hilary Wiek '92**, **Melissa Krick Koch '02**, **Andy Marrone '02**, **Lindsay Fogerty '07**, **Kim Carpenter Johnson '79**, **Emily Lau '07**, and **Rick "RJ" Johnson '79**. Front, from left: **Amanda Fisher '03**, **Adrian Herlache '07**, **Alicia Piedadue '00**, Michael Marrone, Liz Hughes, **Kittie Zittel Marrone '66**, **P'02**, **Ty Koch '02**, and **Dave Chebuske '07**. Hey, you New England Loggers, to help establish an alumni club in your region, take a look at Puget Sound Boston Loggers on Facebook.



**WASHINGTON, D.C., Logger picnic at the Tidal Basin** From left: **Tiffany Barrans '04**, (unidentified), **Minna Friedlander '06**, **Katie Rader '10**, **Rebecca Bryant '10**, **Katy Quinn '04**, **Ginny Steinbach '08**, **Kristy Maddux '01**, **Page McGill '01**, **Emily Pinnow '10**, **Leana Schwartz '10**, **Sherry Cook '61**, **Torey B. Holderith '09**, David Cook.

**PORTLAND A wine tasting at Boedecker Cellars**, owned by **Stewart Boedecker '90** and wife Athena Pappas, was attended by almost 50 alumni. Here **Brad Boyl '04**, Portland alumni coordinator, clinks glasses with **Professor Mike Veseth '72**. Mike is author of the blog The Wine Economist and a new book, *Wine Wars*. At the event he gave a talk about wine and the environment: "What's Red and White and Green All Over." Mike wrote a terrific summary of the presentation on his blog: [wineeconomist.com/2011/08/16/whats-red-white-green-wine-packaging-greens-up](http://wineeconomist.com/2011/08/16/whats-red-white-green-wine-packaging-greens-up).



**NEW YORK CITY** **Micaela O'Leary '07**, **Scott Valentine '07**, **Jesse Hamburger '11**, and **Marin Addis '07** were four of a dozen West Village Loggers who attended a happy hour there.



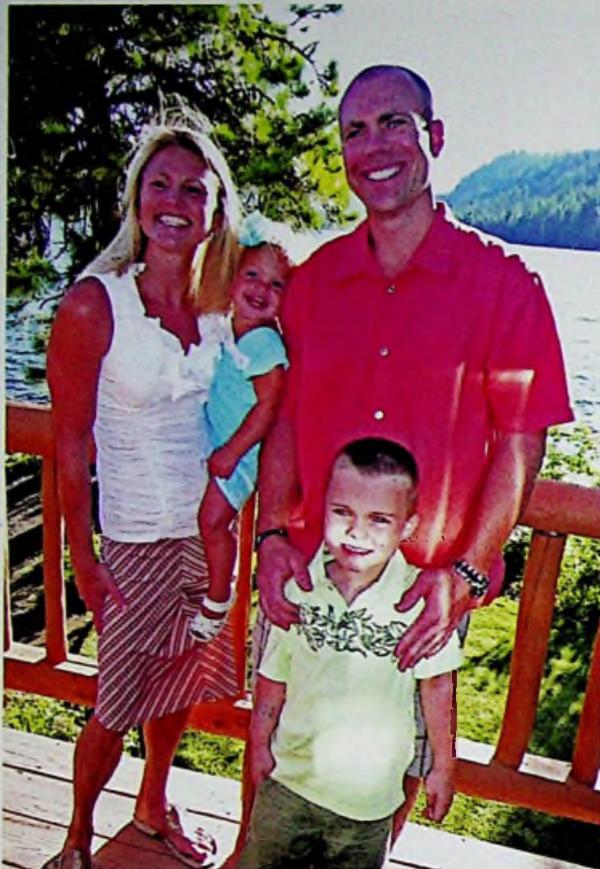
**LOS ANGELES picnic and barbecue in Santa Monica** Displaying their class years are **Ben Shelton '03**, **Brigetta Schmuck Shelton '04** (holding Leo Shelton), **Mairi Chisholm '02**, **Jewel Greenberg '02**, **Brady Adelhart '06**, **Brian Roberts '10**, **Katie Carroll '95**, **Kristopher Brodsho '07**, **J.D. Barton '08**, **Zareen Charna '07**, **Jeff Grimm '04**, **Jeff Sword '10**, **Simon Wreckl '06**, **Tina Simons '10**, and **Kristen Crabtree '01**.



**HAWAII summer potluck** Sitting/kneeling, from left: **LesliAnn Kikuchi '07**, **D.P.T. '10**, **Amanda Zen Morita '05**, **Michele Cheng Sugihara M.S.O.T. '04** (with daughter Maya), **Christine Mizuno Ka'akua '00** (with son Christian), and **Randi Tsushima '00** (holding son Lansan). Standing, from left: **Davin Kazama '98**, **Matt Wakabayashi '98** (holding daughter Mari), **Llane Klmura Chong '98** (with daughter Leah ), **David Sugihara '01**, **Mia Takesue** (holding son Brady), **Chad Takesue '98** (holding daughter Taylor), **Matt Paet '99**, **Leina Tanaka Nakasone '98**, and **Monte McComber '98**.



▲ **Rachel Hood '09**, a former research student for Associate Professor Mark Martin in biology, received second author credit for an article, "Type VI secretion delivers bacteriolytic effectors to target cells," published in *Nature* magazine in July. Here's how Rachel described the research: "Bacteria are found everywhere in the environment, including the human body, and must compete with other bacteria for niches to inhabit. Our research focuses on a secretion system (called the type VI secretion system) that allows a bacterium called *Pseudomonas aeruginosa* to move proteins from the interior of one cell directly into other bacterial cells. The proteins we describe in this article, which are transported by this secretion system, degrade a structural molecule in the bacterial cell wall and lead to the death of rival bacteria. We propose that the type VI secretion system bestows a survival advantage upon *Pseudomonas*, which can cause infections in patients with compromised immune systems, by allowing it to more effectively compete with other bacterial species for space and nutrients." Rachel began a Ph.D. program in molecular and cell biology at the University of California, Berkeley, this fall.



▲ After 10 years working for DMA Housing, **Lisa Poole Ford '00** moved on to new challenges working as senior business development manager for Superior Cleaning & Restoration, a Coit Services Company. In addition to her career, Lisa is staying busy with her kids: Carson, 5, and Kendall, 2. The Ford family, from left: Lisa, Kendall, Damon, and Carson, live on the Bellevue/Redmond, Wash., border, where Lisa runs into a lot of UPS alums. Lisa welcomes contact from friends and Puget Sound faculty at lisac4d@gmail.com.



▲ **Josh Anander '95** and **Tammy Barnes Anander '97** welcomed their second child, Zachary, in the spring of 2010. He's pictured here at age 1. Older sister Hayley is nearly 4 years old. The family enjoys life in Denver, where Josh is an elementary school teacher. Tammy works part time at an engineering firm and has recently started a photography business. See [www.estrellaphotographydenver.com](http://www.estrellaphotographydenver.com).



▲ **Heather Zappone Bliss '97** and husband Matt joyfully announce the birth of their second son, Christopher Ryan, on Jan. 29, 2010. Christopher joins big brother Patrick, 4. The Bliss family live in North Tacoma. Heather is a family-law attorney, and Matt is the owner of Beyond Fitness LLC. The family enjoys time in the park with their faithful companion Gracie Girl.

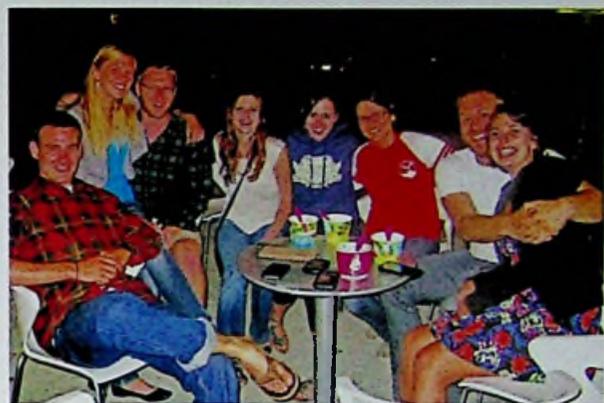


▲ **Kathryn Gardner '01** married Plato Spilios on July 29 in Sandwich, Mass. The newlyweds make their home in Boston, where Kathryn is on the faculty at Boston University. She earned her doctorate in entomology from Cornell University. Plato is vice president at Crown Uniform and Linen Service, which was founded by his great-grandfather more than 90 years ago.

Trina Jones



▲ Several PT alums organized and held a 10-year reunion, July 15–16 in Tacoma. Classmates traveled from Oregon, Alaska, Iowa, Colorado, and Wyoming. Friday was a chance to mingle and catch up at a local pub, and Saturday included a catered family picnic with an opportunity to meet everyone's children. Out of 32 people in the 2001 class, 21 were able to attend for one or both days of the reunion! Back, from left: **Rhonda Massey Martin M.P.T.'01**; **Katherine Stephenson Deines D.P.T.'06**; **Laura Kalinski Opstedal '98, M.P.T.'01, D.P.T.'04**; **Julie Skelton DeCuire M.P.T.'01, D.P.T.'05**; and **Sarah Andrews Fox '98, M.P.T.'01**. Middle, from left: **Jeff Askins '97, M.P.T.'01, D.P.T.'09**; **Eric Deines '98, M.P.T.'01, D.P.T.'06**; **Sharon Korzilius Stanley M.P.T.'01**; **Kristen Goehler Rowland M.P.T.'01, D.P.T.'05**; **Heidi Rowe Gaines M.P.T.'01, D.P.T.'06**; **Nicole Fadlovich Wilson M.P.T.'01, D.P.T.'07**; **Sage Knapp Brooks M.P.T.'01**; **Carrie Ayers M.P.T.'01**; and **Julianne Aaby Gordon M.P.T.'01, D.P.T.'07**. Front, from left: **Tracey Hawk M.P.T.'01**; **Julie Fulton '98, M.P.T.'01**; and **Jenny Veldhouse Brougher M.P.T.'01**. Also in attendance but not pictured were **Kristen Blount Bell M.P.T.'01**; **Debbie Cox M.P.T.'01, D.P.T.'06**; **Sascha Gervais M.P.T.'02**; and **Kelcy West Kriegel '98, M.P.T.'01, D.P.T.'05**.



▲ Seattle Loggers from the Class of 2011 enjoy frozen yogurt and postgrad updates on a sunny Aug. 15 at Menchie's, in their Queen Anne neighborhood. It's just happenstance that they all ended up in the same area! From left: **Céad Nardie-Warner**, **Lauren Fries**, **Christian Brink**, **Lizzie Cohen**, **Emily Velling**, **Isabel Chirinos**, **Jordan Lane**, and **Alex McConnehey**.



▲ **Christopher Pohlad '07** and **Kacey Wood** were married on July 30 at Our Lady of Good Voyage Chapel in Roche Harbor on San Juan Island, Wash. The Puget Sound contingent included, back, from left: **John Moore '05**, **UPS President Ron Thomas**, **Faris Al-Fatir**, **Prof. Patrick O'Neil**, **Locke McKenzie '07**, and **Ryan Dumm '07**. Middle, from left: **Alex Patterson '07**, **Jani-na Tymoczko Patterson '05**, **Jason Bensch '07**, **Jason Helno '07**, **Travis McNamara '07**, **Mary Thomas**, **J.B. Wilson '08**, **Mollyrose Sommer '07**, **Ben Hitch '07**, and **Mike Elliott '05**. Front: the bride and groom!



▲ Loggers love their Pumas! **Kyle Johnson '09** and **Taylor Hyde '09** are members of the Kitsap Pumas Soccer Club. The Pumas defeated the Laredo Heat 1-0 on Aug. 6 to win the Premier Development League Championship. It was the first championship in the club's three-year history. The Pumas also have clinched the Northwest Division title twice, in 2009 and 2011.

Courtesy Kitsap Soccer Club



▲ **Lesley Jones '02** and Trevor Larson were married on July 23 in Hood River, Ore. The couple live in Portland, Ore., where Lesley is a manager of critical care and pulmonary medicine at Legacy Health System, and Trevor is a manager for enterprise services and application delivery at Oregon Health & Science University. Several Puget Sound alumni attended their nuptials. Guests, from left: **Justin Teruya '03**; **Carly Wong Teruya '03**; **Matthew Jones '05**; **Mary Moser Jones '04, M.A.T.'07**; the bride and groom; **Amanda Didler Tremi '03**; son Aidan Tremi; Tony Tremi; **Kilee Graves Owens '04** with daughter Natalie; and David Owens with daughter Amelia.



▲ **Erin McKibben '06** and **Nicholas Jurkowski '05** were married on Aug. 6 onboard MV *Lady Mary* as she cruised from Lake Union, through the Ballard Locks, around to Elliott Bay, and past the downtown Seattle waterfront. The wedding party included **Amelia Peterson '06**, best man **David Roberts '05**, and **Cameron Elliott '05**. Other Puget Sound attendees included affiliate artist in flute in the School of Music **Karla Flygare**; **Meese Agrawal '07**; **Beverly Brossmann '07**; **Shawn Postma '05**; **Jennl Cole '05**; **Robln Aijian '04**; **Angela Williamson Aijian '03, '05, D.P.T.'08**; **Erik Steighner '03**; **Cheryl Budisch Steighner '04**; and **Chuck Lauer Vose '05**. Erin, as a member of the flute duo Silver Winds (with Beverly Brossmann), performed with the UPS String Orchestra in April, and most recently competed in the Fischhoff National Chamber Music Competition at the University of Notre Dame. She is principal flutist for the Los Angeles-based modern music collective wild Up ([www.wildup.la](http://www.wildup.la)), and she works as a teacher for Incredible Children's Art Network (ICAN), a pilot music program in Santa Barbara, Calif. Erin also teaches flute and voice for the Santa Barbara School of Music. She earned her M.M. at the University of Michigan. Nick received his master's in music from Bowling Green State University and is pursuing a Ph.D. in music theory at the University of California, Santa Barbara. He also wrangles ostriches at a farm in the Santa Ynez Valley. Nick and Erin enjoy visits to see the big birds and often follow up their ostrich outings with a tour through Santa Barbara wine country.



▲ **Leah Haloin '04** and Michael Dusing were married on April 4 in Sonoma, Calif. Friends in attendance, from left: **Andrea Magee '04**, **Kasia Podbielski '04**, Patrick Pryor, **Noelle DeHarpporte '04**, **Alexis Tabor Holzer '04**, **Mike Holzer '04**, Todd Ehresmann, **Erika von Schneidemesser '04**, Philip Miller, son Oliver Miller, **Emily Carlsen Miller '04**, the bride and groom, **Wes Andrews '04**, **Virginia Philbrook '05**, **Nik Perleros '04**, **Susan Graf Perleros '03**, **Joey Owens-Barham '03**, and Ariel Owens-Barham.



## Scenes from Summer Reunion Weekend June 3-5



**Alumni College:** Viewing a performance example in Professor of Theatre Arts Geoff Proehl's course "Healing Fiction."



**Pi Phis across the decades:** Alumnae from the Class of 1991 connect with Pi Phi big sisters from the Class of 1966 and other classes.



**Performing Groups Reunion:** Adelphian alumni gather before performing on stage in Schneebeck Concert Hall.



**50th Reunion:** Class of 1961 celebrates, welcoming a surprise guest: The Hatchet!  
Gobs more reunion photos at [www.pugetsound.edu/gateways/alumni/events/summer-reunion-weekend](http://www.pugetsound.edu/gateways/alumni/events/summer-reunion-weekend).

See you at the next Summer Reunion Weekend, June 8-10, 2012, for classes ending in 2 and 7.



▲ Lucky in love! **Kelsey Wells '08, M.A.T.'09** and Jarrod Alig tied the knot on July 11 in Las Vegas, where their magical romance began. The wedding party, from left: **Lauren Middleton '10; Natasha Johnson '08, M.A.T.'09;** Abbey Wells; the bride and groom; Joey Klump; and Joey Siegel. Kelsey works in the Federal Way Public Schools as a middle school choir director and leadership advisor.



▲ **Lane Soden '06** and **Jason Bartley '04** were married Oct. 9, 2010, at Cave B Inn and Estate Winery in Central Washington, where they shared their love of wine with family and friends. The couple met at UPS when Lane was a sophomore and Jason was a senior. They pursued separate adventures following college (Lane in New York and Jason in Nebraska), but the two now live in North Tacoma with their new puppy, Fira. Lane is a pediatric occupational therapist at Children's Therapy Center of Kent, and Jason is a physical therapist and clinic manager for Apple Physical Therapy in Fife. Puget Sound alumni in attendance, from left: **Nicole Sherwood '06; Shannon Grigg '06, M.Ed.'09; DeAnna Schabacker '06;** the bride and groom; **Justin Chaput '07; Morgan O'Neal Chaput '06;** and **Svetlana Matt '06.**



▲ **Fauna Hancock '03** and Chad Reynvaan were married in Little Bay, Jamaica, on March 10, 2010. They celebrated their wedding with 19 family members and friends. From left: Alicia Nelson, **Lacey Leffler '03,** Meghan Clark, Marla Carter, the bride and groom, best man **Mark Nelson** (attended fall '98), **Matt Wright '03,** Drew Hamilton, and Kevin Coe. Before the wedding the couple toured the island with friends and afterward had a relaxing honeymoon on the beach. A large Alaskan reception held in July 2010 included **Mark Nelson; Lacey Leffler '03; Matt Wright '03; Kyle Meldell '03, M.A.T.'05; Nicole Bavo '03;** and **Marika Henderson Sears '02.** Fauna and Chad just bought a home in Anchorage, Alaska, where Fauna teaches high school German, and Chad works in sales and as a musician.



▲ **Valerie Rountree '06** and Jeff Hanlon were married on July 31, 2010, at Crystal Springs Rhododendron Garden in Portland, Ore. The couple first met in Tacoma, then moved from Portland to Milwaukee, Wis., and most recently to Tucson, Ariz., where they've purchased their first home together. Many Loggers attended their wedding. Back row, from left: **Andy Prince '06**; **Elena Dineen '06**; **Pete Daniels '06**; **Sarah Betz '06**; **Katheryn Pettie '06**; **Laura Read '06**; **Karll Thorstenson '06**; **Drew Gemmer '06**; **Breanna Trygg '06**; the bride and groom; **Casey Betcher '06**; **Kristi Hamilton '06**; **Will Pearson '06, M.A.T.'07**; **Matt Bornstein-Grove '06, M.A.T.'08**; and **Mo McDonald '06**. Front, from left: **Ella Brown '06**, **Charlotte Black '06**, **Ben Johnson '06**, **Chris Andree '06**, and **Allssa Morino '08**.



◀ Alumni were (ahem, boys) caught with their pants down at the wedding of **Fletcher Davis '02** to Jane Pahl at the Denver Botanic Gardens on Sept. 4, 2010. From left: modest **Keith Chaffee-Ellis '02**, **Will Whitaker '02**, **Brendan Haigh '06**, **Susan Duis '02**, **Nick Halsey '03**, **Karl Hoffman '03**, **Laura Henry '03**, **Sarah Well '04**, **Nancy Case '01**, the groom, **Dan Morell '02**, **Garth Butcher '03**, **Nick Honomichl '01**, the bride, **Pat Solano '02**, **Bekah Hughes Nelson '02**, **Pete Nelson '02**, **Emily Shupe Talley '01**, **Rick Talley '01**, **Doug Steen '02**, **Michel Chatara-Morse '02**, **Lindsay Stailey Del Mastro '02**, and **Kristen Nelson '01**. Fletcher and Jane live in Denver, where Fletcher works as a financial consultant for StepWise Utility Advisors.

## Who's who

### *Cover, from left:*

**Seth Weinberger**, associate professor of politics and government

**Cathy Tollefson '83**, *Arches* associate editor

**Hans Ostrom**, professor of African American studies and English

**Kelsey McKinnis '13**, exercise science major

**Chris Myhre**, head swim coach

**Laurisa Rodrigues '13**, psychology major

**Rob Cooper '72, P'09**, retired HVAC business owner

**Bill Hanson '74, P'12**, real estate appraiser

**Suzanne W. Barnett**, professor emerita of history

**Helen Shears '12**, history and French majors

**Kelton Mock '15**, Lillis Scholar

**Shoshana Gould '13**, international political economy major

**Lyle Quasim '70**, public service administrator

### *Back cover, from left:*

**Peter Altmann '69**, retired union president, Pierce Transit

**Jerry Collins '67**, retired British literature teacher

**Amy Ryken**, associate professor of education

**Dexter Gordon**, professor of communication studies and director of African American studies

**Scott Wurster '96**, merchant mariner

**Kristin Williamson '02**, salmon biologist

**Melissa Merrigan '14**, Spanish major

**Marcus Luther '12**, ASUPS pres., English major

**Robin Hamilton**, associate athletic director

**Billy Rathje '15**, Lillis scholar

**Amy Ma Winterowd '99**, marketing manager, Yost Grube Hall Architecture

**Willow Rezendes Berntsen '83**, library cataloging supervisor

**David Tinsley**, professor of foreign languages and literature

### *Inside back cover, from left:*

**Eric Herzog '94**, senior marketing manager, Microsoft

**Laura Coe '10**, business and planning analyst, Boeing

**Eric Grouse '98**, corporate counsel, Amazon

**Audrey Albertson McKnight '42; P'66, 70**, retired early childhood education specialist

**Lynn Johnson Raisi '77, P'12**, homemaker/volunteer

**Justin Roberts '12**, science, technology, and society major

**Sunshine Morrison '94**, principal, Radiance Communications

**Ron Thomas**, president of the university

**Phil Edry '04**, constituency relationship management consultant

**Jack Pearce-Droge**, director of Community Involvement and Action Center, and Chesler

**Jon Orozco '07**, branch manager, Community 1st Credit Union

**W. Houston Dougharty '83**, vice president for student affairs, Grinnell College

**Nani Vishwanath '09**, alumni and parent relations coordinator

**Pam Holt Taylor '86**, capital giving assistant

### *This page:*

**Lan Nguyen '08**, graduate student, University of Hawai'i at Monoa

**Kurt Graupensperger '87**, development officer

**Ali Hoover '13**, international political economy major

**Matt Sherls '08, M.A.T.'10**, teacher



from the president



So what's up with this long line of Puget Sound people? Where does it end?

The answer lies in where it begins—right here on our unforgettable campus. And the line gets longer every spring, when another 750 or so Logger alumni commence their journeys into the world. You populate every state in the union and dozens of countries. You work in every conceivable profession and make up new ones all the time. You are independent thinkers, intrepid innovators, and brave about your beliefs. You are different. But one thing unites you: an unquenchable aspiration to engage the world and make it better. You are one of a very particular kind.

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A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Ron", with a long, sweeping horizontal line above it.

Ronald R. Thomas

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