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In Memorial Fieldhouse at the NCAA Division III Championship second-round game against Whitworth, Puget Sound students beam good vibes as a Logger player takes a free throw. Photo by our tireless and talented university photographer, Ross Mulhausen.



## Re-viewing the situation

It seemed smaller than I expected it would be. The ceiling was a little lower and the hallways narrower. But it was pretty awe inspiring, especially that short corridor leading to the big, dark, wood-grained door with the presidential seal on it. The name itself invoked a mixture of respect and anxiety: The Situation Room. Big things happen here. Critical decisions made, disasters averted, policies hammered out, secrets kept, power wielded. The West Wing of the White House, up close and personal.

I was standing in front of that big door, together with a few Puget Sound alumni and colleagues, at 10 p.m. on a cold February night, just weeks after a new president had been inaugurated. Through the window, up on the second floor of the residence only a few steps away, we could see a light glowing into the winter night. I imagined the prez there, working through the day's challenges, anticipating the tougher ones no doubt confronting him in the morning. I was hoping he might just wander over to the Situation Room to pick up a top-secret file, run into us, and strike up a conversation. Maybe invite us over to shoot a few hoops and, between jump shots, talk through the big conundrums he was

facing. But no luck. The light burned steadily upstairs at the residence as I kept staring at that big wooden door.

"We'd better go," Lacey said, tugging gently at my arm. "We've stayed long enough."

That was the voice of Lacey Chong '03, co-chair of the Puget Sound Washington, D.C., regional alumni club, conducting us on this private tour of the West Wing, the White House grounds, and her office, right there next to the West Wing in the then nearly empty Eisenhower Executive Office Building. Pretty cool. Not what we usually do after an alumni club event. Normally, we just go out for a burger.

I turned and stepped over the cord of a big vacuum cleaner and said goodnight to the two janitors who were cleaning the place, nodded my appreciation to the military security guard who let us in—one of the many security guards we ran into on the grounds—and followed Lacey out. Lacey knew all the guards, and they knew her.

"You can't see them," she whispered when we got outside, "but there are sharpshooters up on the roof of the residence protecting the president and his family right now."

Lacey works for the National Security Council, in the Homeland Security department. I can't tell you what Lacey does because she can't tell me or anybody else. It's top secret and pretty important. *I can* say this: It's not strange for Lacey to walk over there to the West Wing on a mission in the course of a day's work. Very cool.

You might remember Lacey's office building by its earlier name, "The Old Executive Office Building"; or "The State, War, and Navy Building" (as it was originally called); or, as Mark Twain liked to refer to it, "The Ugliest Building in America." I found the structure pretty impressive. Built in the elaborate style of the French Second Empire, it had the look of a place of power, whereas the West Wing had a more familiar and domestic feel. Here were great big hallways, wide spiraling staircases ending in elaborate stained-glass skylights way up there, huge doors along the corridor with important titles on them, historic paintings and statues and plaques everywhere

you looked. Teddy Roosevelt triumphant with the Rough Riders on the top of San Juan Hill, that kind of thing. Power. Permanence. Authority.

But then, right there on the oversized doors of a lot of the offices we walked by that night were little yellow sticky-notes with names and titles hand-scrawled on them, stuck over the tops of engraved signs—names of very important people (like the council of economic advisors and state department types) who were about to move into their new offices and replace the old administration. Emblems of contingency amidst the structures of authority. Symptoms of power's elusiveness at the core of its machinery. Strewn through some hallways were piles of old computers (not so old, really) from the previous occupants, all bundled up in plastic wrap and inventoried with barcodes, ready to be removed the next day. Security is so tight that hard disks in this building are not only purged when the new people come in, the whole machine is wrapped up, destroyed, and replaced. Just like the giant framed pictures of the former administration that once lined the walls of the West Wing. They had all already been supplanted by photos of the recent inauguration of the new guy. A big pile of twisted old black frames—freshly emptied of their prior occupants' images to make way for the new ones—cluttered an entryway over at the old office building, too.

There have been a lot of transitions here at the old office building, a lot of situations wrangled over and dealt with right next door in the Situation Room. Sixteen secretaries of the Navy in this big old building, 21 secretaries of war under those skylights, 24 secretaries of state. And all those presidents walking those spiral stairs. Churchill was here. Roosevelt. Truman. Kennedy. Johnson. Bush, Cheney, and Rice. Now Obama, Biden, Clinton.

And Lacey Chong '03 right in the middle of it all, working on behalf of the nation's security and safety—and ours.

Ronald R. Thomas

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Courtesy John Strain '66

**More on Kennedy in Tacoma** We received a very cordial note from John Strain '66, saying how pleased he was to see the photo in our last issue of President John F. Kennedy speaking at Cheney Stadium on Sept. 27, 1963. John told us he was inspired that day by Kennedy, who had established the Peace Corps two years earlier. After graduation, John entered the Peace Corps and served at a child welfare clinic in Malawi, southeast Africa. That's him in the photo above, outside his hut in 1967. John says the experience was life-altering; he remains involved with Malawi Children's Village, a group that supports AIDS orphans, and he has maintained a Web site called A Friend of Malawi for 10 years. Of note, too, is that John was a pioneer in what has become something of a tradition for Puget Sound grads. Since 1961, more than 260 UPS alumni have joined Peace Corps ranks; 21 are serving currently, which puts Puget Sound third in the nation for the number of volunteers coming out of small colleges.

## And a lot more on Andrus

*We don't usually print letters as long as the one that follows, but the information it contains on Col. Burton Andrus '55 (the former Puget Sound prof whose ghost reputedly has been seen in his old house north of campus ["Old Haunts and Things That Go Bump," autumn 2008]) and the moving observations about the often delayed influence professors have on the lives of their students make it worth the space, we think.*

— ed.

Col. Andrus completed his bachelor's degree the year I entered the College of Puget Sound as a freshman, and the following year he received his master's degree and became an adjunct professor in the economics and business administration department. That year I had the pleasure of being one of

his graders and the recipient of a Howarth Scholarship. For many of us, even these small scholarships made college possible.

Andrus was a tireless advocate for all of the veterans of military service who enrolled at the college. Despite the difference in our ages and my less-than-enthusiastic participation in the compulsory ROTC program, we became close friends.

In my junior year I began thinking that my relationship as a grader for both Andrus and Professor Calvin Brewster Coulter in the history department was more likely responsible for my grades than my work in class. So I stopped going to either lecturer's class for several weeks. The college had a rule in those days that one could "cut" no more than five days without penalty. I ran my total to 20 before Andrus called me in to his office. He fired me



Burton Andrus '55 announces the suicide of Hermann Goering during the trial of German war criminals at Nuremberg.

as his grader and announced that, although he was compelled to flunk me, if I wanted to continue to attend the class I was welcome to do so. I could have kissed him. It was the only class I ever failed. But it was exactly what I needed to know. My academic achievements, such as they were, were acquired by merit alone. Sometimes a blessing comes as a penalty.

Andrus was born at old Fort Spokane, where his father, Col. Frank Andrus, was commanding officer. Frank Andrus and his unit were later deployed to the Philippines during the Spanish-American War, and, as an index of the expectations held for a warm welcome there, the whole Andrus family went along with the troops. Young Burton found himself one day on the bridge of the battleship *Olympia*, while his father and Commodore Dewey planned how to defend the recently captured Manila from the wrath of forces loyal to the insurrectionists' proclaimed president of the Philippines, Emilio Aguinaldo. Years later, Burton Andrus returned to the Philippines as a U.S. Army officer in the 1930s. It was there

that his wife, Kathryn, started the first of her charity day care centers.

Burton Andrus had the distinction of being the first member of his family not to graduate from a U.S. military academy. His father advised him, "Someone in this family ought to be smart enough to go into business and make some money doing something that does not involve getting shot at." Burton heeded this advice and went to work for Standard Oil. He became a plant manager, married the local banker's daughter, and discovered that striking workers in that era were not disinclined to violent protest. One fired a few shots in the direction of his office. Burton came out of the plant to confront his assailant and talk him out of his gun. But when World War I broke out, Burton Andrus joined the Army. When the war ended, he decided he was fated to follow the family craft and stayed in.

Although his main branch of service in the Army was the cavalry, he became a member of the U.S. Army Air Corps, earning his "wings" under Gen. "Hap" Arnold, who had also been cavalry.

During World War II, Andrus was one of the oldest division commanders in the European Theater. While in England, he was reacquainted with an old friend and former cavalry officer, Gen. George Patton, then in command of a phantom army designed to draw the German's military intelligence away from Operation Overlord, the planned invasion of Normandy. Patton was in disgrace, and Andrus visited his headquarters because of their long-standing friendship. Patton's greeting was pure old Army. "See that his driver is fed and his jeep refueled," said the four-star general before shaking the hand of the bird colonel.

Andrus' division was bivouacked near the coast on the English Channel, and it came under German artillery fire from time to time. On Pentecost, knowing his men were all about to embark on troop transports for the invasion of Europe, Andrus led them to the ruined crypt of St. Mary's Church, a 16th-century parish church destroyed by German artillery because from its tower it was thought that one could observe enemy positions in France. In groups of three—because the crypt was so small it could hold no more—he asked them to kneel in the crypt for silent prayer. "I did not know which or how many of them would survive the landing," he told me, "but I knew it would be their last opportunity to find peace, and we had no chaplain."

One of Andrus' notable achievements was the liberation of Bergen-Belsen, a notorious Nazi concentration camp. And one of his great regrets was that he was not allowed to testify at the trial of the camp's commander at Nuremberg. The commander was sentenced to a few years' imprisonment, for crimes less awful than those for which he might have been convicted. By then Andrus was the head of security for the Nuremberg trials, and the protocol of the trial precluded his testimony.

There never was a question regarding Andrus' complicity in Hermann Goering's suicide. One of Andrus' subordinates who had become attached to Hermann Goering was the one who provided the cyanide that ended the World War I flying ace's life. When Andrus learned of Goering's suicide he immediately took the sealed note left by Goering to the tribunal, unread, and asked to be relieved of his duty, accepting full responsibility for the

mishap. Andrus never knew of his subordinate's betrayal. In the moments just before he died, Andrus told his son, John, "I must go now to bring this letter to the tribunal."

It was because of his role at Nuremberg that he was posted to Palestine as U.S. military attaché to the not-yet-established U.S. Embassy. For some time Andrus was the only face of the State Department in Israel because the post of ambassador was bogged down in the process of congressional confirmation. He spent his time driving a jeep across the battle lines between the Arab and Jewish armies, occasionally drawing fire from both. He tried in vain to suggest a peaceful resolution to the ongoing conflict. And he remembered without fondness witnessing the repatriation of Egyptian troops captured by Israel, among whom was one Gamal Abdel Nasser. Andrus watched the Egyptian officers exit the compound, leaving behind their non-commissioned officers and troops without any sense of responsibility for their welfare, and was displeased. In his world an officer ate last, only after the men and animals had been fed, and he thought the common soldiers in the Egyptian infantry ought to have been the first to be repatriated.

His next post was in Brazil. Brazil had been a very quiet ally of the anti-Nazi coalition in World War II. Its southern neighbor, Argentina, had acquired a large population of German immigrants after World War I, and the Italian immigrants from that period numbered more than the population of southern Italy by 1939. Even a demure alliance had its risks. But during the early 1950s the perceived threat was from the rise of communist parties in the Southern Hemisphere, and, to counter this assumed threat, the United States offered aid and military assistance. Brazil's government feared inflation more than communists, and it resisted accepting U.S. offers of money and material. At one point there were, in addition to the accredited U.S. ambassador, three ministers plenipotentiary wandering around Brazil trying to persuade various branches of government to accept loans, grants, and assistance packages. The Brazilian Foreign Office contacted Andrus and asked him to see if he could get Washington to call off the excess in diplomatic representation. He obliged, writing to the secretary of state and suggesting that there were too many American diplomats

muddying the water and that some should be recalled.

The response: Andrus was recalled. He retired from the Army and with his wife, Kathryn, settled in Tacoma and entered the College of Puget Sound.

He spent his later years as an Episcopal lay reader—the equivalent of a Methodist lay preacher—and was honored with the Bishop's Cross for his efforts. But he had at least one significant and largely unnoticed effect on the campus of the Methodist-affiliated College of Puget Sound.

Shortly before he retired, Andrus got an income tax refund in the amount of \$15. He showed me the check and asked, "Do you know what I am going to do with this money?"

I had not the slightest clue.

"I am going to give it to CPS to build a building for the economics and business administration department." I must have looked incredulous; I was certainly at a loss for words. So for once I said nothing.

"Oh, I know they can't build anything with this small amount of money, but if they accept it they will have to set up an account for it. Nothing will happen then for several years and finally someone will say, 'It is costing us more to keep this account active than it is worth. Let's either raise the money to build the building or give him his money back.'"

I fully expected Andrus would get his money back if the school was daft enough to take it. But it did. Three years later somebody raised the rest of the money, and the front quad got a new classroom building. After Kathryn's death, the sorority for which she had been an advisor planted a tree in her memory just to the east of the new building, McIntyre Hall.

Andrus did, in fact, have a plaid lounging robe, and it may be that his spirit still occasionally visits his old house. It was, I believe, the only house he ever owned. John Andrus, his son, had hoped that Puget Sound would take the house on as a residence for a guest annual lecturer who would have as his or her focus a discourse on the methodology necessary for the maintenance of peace. Oddly, for a family of warriors, each of them, Frank, Burton, Burton Jr., and John, were not ardent supporters of war as a means of solving

problems. They regarded warfare as a business that needed to be speedily ended with the least possible loss of life and property. And each, in turn, sacrificed his career and possible promotion to the rank of general because of a dedication to this principle.

It was John Andrus who first noted the anomaly of the attic light. All the electric power to the house had been shut off for several months after the colonel died, but, when John and his wife returned on a visit, the attic light burned brightly. The Halls, his next door neighbors, said it had been on for months.

Like many of his contemporaries on the faculty of the College of Puget Sound—and now the University of Puget Sound—Andrus exemplified that old adage that while one is employed to instruct students in a subject matter, what one really teaches is who and what you are. For many of us, whatever we have achieved is owed to the faculty members who gave us the tools to discover not only knowledge but the intestinal fortitude to be honorable in a not-always just or honorable world.

Mark Twain once defined conscience as that impetus to do the right thing when no one is watching. Those men and women who, at some sacrifice, provided us with our undergraduate education instilled in us their sense of conscience. It is, I think, Burton Curtis Andrus' concern for justice that abides in his house. And if you have to be haunted, well, a better spirit would be hard to find.

Or a better college.

The Rt. Rev. John D. Keliher '59  
Tacoma

## Shared experiences

I very much enjoyed meeting President Thomas and the other members of the Puget Sound faculty and staff at the alumni get-together in New York City on Feb. 11. Of special significance was being able to comment with President Thomas on remarks he made in the winter edition of *Arches* regarding Vietnam and how they were relevant to my own experiences.

Our first shared experience was December 1, 1969, although it occurred in two different locations. Like President Thomas, I eagerly awaited the announcement of our country's

first military draft lottery since 1942, but instead of being in Chicago, as he was, I was in the parking garage of The Bon Marché in Seattle, listening to my car radio. Unfortunately I missed the drawing for my birth date and had to wait until the next morning to discover in the paper that my lottery number was 278. (President Thomas was somewhat more secure at number 349.) While he anticipated being drafted out of college, I thought I was going to have to leave my first job only one year out of graduate school. We both were most fortunate that our numbers were never called.

Our second shared experience was visiting Vietnam. My wife, Jennifer, and daughters Erica and Lauren (with husband Chris) were fortunate to have spent our Christmas holidays there in 2007. President Thomas's *Arches* column referred to the oddity of listening to Bing Crosby's "White Christmas" while in Hanoi, but did not mention the song's other significance marking the fall of Saigon and the end of the Vietnam War in April 1975. As the North Vietnamese surrounded the city, an

evacuation plan was set in motion to bring the remaining Americans and some South Vietnamese to safety. The cue to evacuate would be a radio announcement that the temperature in Saigon was "105 degrees and rising," which would be followed by Bing Crosby's "White Christmas." When the defining moment arrived, Bing's voice triggered a mad scramble to the U.S. Embassy, where helicopters were waiting.

Gordon R. Cooke '67  
Sagaponack, New York

## Why not call it *Green Arches*?

Upon reviewing the contents of recent *Arches* issues it appears the administration is neglecting a marketing opportunity. When the next university bulletin is published, the front cover should have a banner at the top, reading "Come to UPS, where everyone is a celebrity." Now, the legal department may have some concerns, so on the back cover there would be something like, "When everyone is a somebody, then

everyone is a nobody." Given our celebrity culture, this should come as a surprise to no one.

While on the subject of improvement, given the emphasis in several recent articles on the religion of the environment, it would be appropriate to change the title of *Arches* to *Green Arches*. But in blaming humanity for destroying the environment, the environmentalists are ignoring a far graver issue, the greater danger from evolution or Darwinian theory. In the latter decades of 19th-century America, popular writers on Darwinism such as John Fiske noted that in the evolutionary process man would eventually be considered a "storied beast of burden." Sorry, ladies, but Fiske was gender-challenged.

Walter L. Berg '44  
Bainbridge Island, Wash.



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**C. Mark Smith '61**, "The Contrarian," page 18, is at work completing the first book-length biography of flamboyant Tacoma Mayor Harry Cain's life. A version of the article that appears here in

*Arches* will be published in *Columbia*, the journal of the Washington State Historical Society, next year. Mark and his family have long and deep ties with the University of Puget Sound. Smith Hall is named for his father, and Mark served on the UPS National Alumni Board before a tour of duty on the board of trustees from 1979 to 1985. He is president of C. Mark Smith and Associates, a Richland, Wash.-based consulting firm specializing in planning and economic development services. Mark is on the board of directors of the Tri-Cities Research District and is involved in fundraising for various community enterprises. After graduating from Puget Sound he attended the School of Mortgage Banking at Northwestern University and the Federal Executive Institute at the University of Virginia.

**Chuck Luce**, "Ahead of the Game," page 24, regrets that his jump shot ain't what it used to be. He has been the editor of *Arches* since 1998.

# zeitgeist

News, trends, history, and phenomena from the campus



**MOVING FAST** The library is still a place for quiet reflection, but it's also more and more a high-energy resource working in concert (sometimes literally!) with educational programs and events all over campus.

## the library

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### Where these days you don't hear 'Shhhh!' very often

If the film version of *The Music Man* was made in 2009 instead of 1962, Robert Preston might never get the chance to sing "Marian the Librarian" to Shirley Jones. In that brief but maddeningly catchy song, Preston laments the impossibility of talking to Marian, the object of his affection, because every time he goes to the library and raises his voice enough to speak to her he gets shushed.

These days the library is not a place where people hear "Shhhh!" very often. In fact, if Puget Sound's Collins Library was in River City instead of Tacoma, Preston would have encountered musical performances, art exhibits, lectures, and vast digital resources intermingled with the stacks, and Marian would have spent a lot more time teaching than enforcing silence.

"We're not just helping students with term papers anymore," says Jane Carlin, director of the Collins Memorial Library who came to Puget Sound last June from the University of Cincinnati. "The library today is an active learning space, an extension of studios, classrooms, and laboratories. It's a place for inspiration and creativity that reinforces learning with active events and showcases our special collections and materials. For example, coinciding with the Obama inauguration, we exhibited materials relating to democracy, voting, and presidential history."

During an Asian cultural event in January, the library presented books, materials, and music about Asia as a way to align itself with campus events. Also in January, Jasper Tollefson '10 performed classical



**NOT ALWAYS SO QUIET** Recent events sponsored by the library: art created from discarded books by PLU librarian Holly Senn, musical performances by harpist Margaret Shelton '11 and guitarist Jasper Tollefson '10, and Bill and Vicky Stewart, from Birmingham, Ala., proprietors of the artists' book shop Vamp and Tramp.

guitar music, and Tacoma artist Holly Senn, a librarian at Pacific Lutheran University, exhibited artwork she creates from discarded library books. A few weeks ago, Tibetan monks spent three days making a sand mandala (see page 57).

"We want to feature art that reflects traditional craftsmanship involved in the making of books and printing," Carlin adds. "This is a great way to introduce students to how objects are made and give them the opportunity to contemplate how communication has changed over the years."

And libraries are no longer confined by reading room walls. They now reach around the world and deeply into cyberspace. With just a click of the keyboard, ARTstor ([www.artstor.org](http://www.artstor.org)) offers up nearly 1 million images in art, architecture, and the humanities, and the Atlas of Our Changing Environment (<http://na.unep.net/unep-atlas.php>) reports on the human footprint around the globe.

"We have one foot in the analog world and one in the digital world—a balancing act of meeting the needs of students in both places," Carlin says. "Traditionally, people think of libraries as somber, quiet places. We're trying to demonstrate that this is an exciting place to be."

As we enjoy the lightning speed and accessibility of digital information, it's easy to forget the darker side: Misinformation travels just as fast. But librarians aren't taking that sitting down. They're getting out from behind their desks and into classrooms to teach faculty and students research methods.

"Even though we're in this wonderful time of access to so much information, understanding that information is critical for our students' success," Carlin says. "In the fall semester of 2008, our librarians taught more than 86 classes, working with the faculty to make sure students weren't just using Wiki and Google searches, but doing the kind of research that represents the academic intensity we're so proud of at Puget Sound."

With all the exhibits, special events, and musicians, what happened to the quiet space so essential to contemplation and creativity? It's still there, Carlin says, especially in the reading rooms and study zones. The decibels don't pick up until farther into the building, where students work together on podcasts, posters, and PowerPoint presentations.

"Creating blended spaces has always been a challenge at libraries," Carlin adds. "We need a variety of places for students to come together to learn as a group as well as through individual study."

Carlin understands that students today work differently than those just a few decades ago. Some rarely step foot in the building. Others like to camp out to study. To help them out, the library staff worked with student government to expand library hours to 24/7 during peak study times.

"I like to challenge the traditional role of libraries and confront stereotypes about our role in higher education," Carlin says. "I like to stir things up and show what we can offer to our community."

— Lynda McDaniel



**WHEN DEVOURING A BOOK IS MEANT LITERALLY** Entries concocted by students and staff for the Collins Library's annual Edible Books Contest: (from left) *Death by Chocolate*, *National Velveeta (groan)*, *Lord of the Rings*, and *Olive 'r Twist*.

Jeanne Kimura

## From the archives

The faces behind the buildings:

### Collins Memorial Library

When the College of Puget Sound moved to its current location in the fall of 1924, the north half of the basement of Jones Hall served as the college library. There it remained for the next 30 years. But from the beginning CPS President Edward Todd foresaw the need for a separate library building, and in this pursuit he had a friend in longtime trustee and benefactor Everell Stanton Collins.

Collins, a second-generation lumberman, was born in Cortland, New York, in 1866. Everell's mother, a dedicated Methodist, passed her deep religious commitment on to her son, who played critically important roles in the development of two Northwest colleges—Willamette and Puget Sound. President Todd and Everell Collins were in conversation about a new library when, in 1940, Everell died suddenly of pneumonia. Everell's unsigned will left CPS \$500,000 to construct the library. But the will that governed disposition of Everell's estate included only \$100,000 for the library. Everell's son, Truman Wesley Collins, shared his father's vision and love for the College of Puget Sound. Truman became a personal friend and admirer of Edward Todd's successor, R. Franklin Thompson. Although he was not bound to do so, Truman Collins saw to it that the college received the half-million for the library. Appreciative CPS students honored him with a standing ovation at the April 15, 1952, groundbreaking for Collins Memorial Library.

Architect Silas Nelsen began work in the 1940s on designs for the library. It took him quite some time to deliver a design that President Thompson felt was appropriate for the campus. Nelsen's original design was "a rather oblong building without too much decoration." Thompson insisted that the library had to be "beautiful as well as practical and useful." President Thompson himself contributed to the building's design. He had studied at Oxford and at his suggestion a tower was added, based on the interior tower of Oxford's Magdalen College. Today the Collins Library tower houses the modern embodiment of the Howard R. Kilworth Memorial Carillon, dedicated Oct. 20, 1954, as a gift from Howard's brother, William W. Kilworth, for whom Kilworth Chapel is named.

The library was completed early in 1954. On Thursday, April 11, students, faculty, staff, and alumni moved 45,000 books from Jones Hall to the new Collins Memorial Library. Library director Warren Perry borrowed book carts from several libraries in the region so that all of the books could be moved in one day. Dean John Regester canceled classes, and, after the books were moved, students departed for spring vacation. A tent tunnel was constructed between Jones Hall and the new library to protect the books in the event of rain. It did rain, and the tunnel saved the day. *The Seattle Times*' Sunday, May 9, 1954, Color Rotogravure Pictorial section contained a five-page story on the book move, accompanied by 12 photographs.

Collins Memorial Library was built to hold 80,000 volumes. At first the library contained faculty and student lounges. But after 20 years of adding to the collection, all of the available space was filled. In 1974 a new \$2.7 million wing was dedicated, quintupling the library's capacity



**BOOKMOBILE** Puget Sound President R. Franklin Thompson and 1954–1955 ASCPS President James Nelson '55, M.A.'63 wheel a cart of books from the old library in the basement of Jones Hall to the new Collins Memorial Library on April 11, 1954. A tent tunnel was constructed along the route to protect books from the rain.

for growth. The second floor of the new addition housed classrooms and faculty offices until 2000, when Wyatt Hall was built and Collins Memorial Library received a major renovation.

Everell Collins died 14 years before the library named in his memory opened. Had Truman Collins not honored his father's intent, the library would not have been built as it was when it was. And as a historical footnote relevant to an ideal of today's University of Puget Sound, Truman Collins was among the first to champion the practice of sustainable logging methods. Sustainability continues to the present day as the operational philosophy and practice of The Collins Companies, headquartered in Portland, Ore. Collins Companies forests meet criteria of the Forest Stewardship Council for timber sustainability, forest ecosystem maintenance, and socioeconomic benefits to the community.

— John Finney '67

# Notable

## Born in the USA



Most people around here know that Puget Sound President Ron Thomas grew up on the New Jersey shore in a town just up the beach from where Bruce Springsteen lived, and that he is a huge Springsteen admirer and even sat behind Springsteen's bass player, Garry Tallent, in high school. So, as our good captain's big six-oh neared, Assistant to the President Laura Ficke began a

furious correspondence with Springsteen's manager, Jon Landau, which resulted in this present for our boss from The Boss. It's a record album, the real 33 1/3 vinyl kind, on which Bruce himself has written: "To Ron. Happy 60th. I'm right behind ya!"

## Blue-ribbon blogging

Bloggers of cyberspace, take hope. Someone out there is reading—and recognizing talent.

Less than two years ago Puget Sound English majors Nick Martens '09 and Kevin Nguyen '09 decided to consider a venue other than *The Trail* for writing about the things they love: film, music, travel, politics, and excellent prose. They created a blog they called The Bygone Bureau: A Journal of Modern Thought ([bygonebureau.com](http://bygonebureau.com)) and quickly filled it not only with their own musings but those of additional Puget Sound students, alumni, and students from other campuses. People noticed.

On March 15 the guys were in Austin, Texas, collecting the 2009 blogging award at the South by Southwest Interactive Web Awards.

A reporter from *Wired* magazine noted that prizes in other categories went to big names like the photo Web site Flickr and video site Hulu. The audience response when The Bygone Bureau's win was announced was "underwhelming," the reporter wrote.

"We haven't heard of us either," quipped Martens as the duo took the stage.

The Bygone's mission statement partly explains the reasons for the site's success. "We believe in publishing good ideas and polished prose. We edit everything. We argue about every inch of our site because we care about details," it says. "We know how often smart voices get lost in the overwhelming expanse of the Web. So we invited some of them here to be found." — Shirley Skeel

## Now it's pugetsound.edu

In late April the university's World Wide Web and e-mail addresses changed from [ups.edu](http://ups.edu) to [pugetsound.edu](http://pugetsound.edu). The reason? As the college's national reputation increases (these days more than 75 percent of students come from outside the state of Washington), so does confusion with that other "UPS." No need to worry about bookmarks or address books, and UPS isn't going away. The old addresses will continue to

work pretty much forever. And alumni addresses ([name@alum.ups.edu](mailto:name@alum.ups.edu)) and the bookstore address will not change. It's just that now when people search for us they'll be more likely to find the college and not the guys in the brown shorts. Think of it this way: "University of Puget Sound" is our official, formal name; "Puget Sound" is the preferred short version of that name; and "UPS" is the intimate name by which those of us who have worked and studied here affectionately refer to the University of Puget Sound.



OAR Northwest for Flying Spot Entertainment

## OAR Northwest, the movie

Three years ago, Puget Sound rowing team crewmates Greg Spooner '01, D.P.T.'10, Dylan LeValley '05, Brad Vickers '05, and Jordan Hanssen '04 formed OAR Northwest for the purpose of rowing a 29-foot boat across the North Atlantic ocean in a race. After 18 months of preparation and 71 days at sea, the guys pulled into Falmouth, England, winning the contest, setting three world records, and looking quite thin. (On day 17 they discovered they had not brought enough food; they lost a collective 135 pounds.)

"There is a very human story in between those numbers," says Jordan. Dave Robertson '72 of Gig Harbor Boat Works designed and built the sliding seats that were critical to the team's success. The seats have since become the design standard in the sport of ocean rowing. Jim Scroggs '68 introduced the guys to the American Lung Association of Washington, which became OAR Northwest's charitable partner, helping the four young men raise more than \$40,000 for asthma research.

Through it all, they kept a video log, which has been edited down into an always interesting, occasionally frightening, and often visually breathtaking feature-length documentary. The film is in the can; now the Puget Sound Office of the President and the Alumni Association are working with OAR Northwest to help find alumni who think the story is inspiring and might be able to help with distribution.

"It's a story started by Loggers, and it is appropriate that it should be told by Loggers," says Jordan.

Interested? To see preview footage produced by the Northwest-based studio Flying Spot Entertainment click on <http://flyingspot.com/voyage>.

for april fools

## 35 years ago, the prank that had the campus seeing green

As told by Julie Yeager Arthur '77 and Gary Orzell '76, P'06

Flashback to spring semester 1974: Half of the third floor of Regester Hall is occupied by freshman members of the Living Learning Program, and the other half by sophomore former participants of the same program. One of those sophomores has an idea for celebrating St. Patrick's Day: It involves the self-serve soft-ice-cream machine in the SUB cafeteria and a vial of green food coloring.

Strategy meetings commence. We consider the best method for coloring the ice cream, the best ways to distract the cafeteria staff, and—what good is a prank without observing the ensuing mayhem—determine the best seats for watching the fun.

We decide it will take several small bottles of green food coloring to achieve a shade of green appropriate for the day but don't want to take the time to add the fluid from each bottle separately. We therefore transfer the contents of three small bottles of food coloring into one large container. One of the conspirators investigates access to the ice-cream maker. There's a lid right on the top of the machine. Cool! We observe the kitchen staff adding the ice-cream formula through this opening during the weeks leading up to St. Patrick's Day and conclude that if we dump the food coloring in this port, the result will be green ice cream.

By March 17 we are ready. Lunchtime nears, and we choreograph carefully. The shortest member of our group, Diane Paxson '76, is chosen to administer the food coloring. Two tall guys—Brian Johnson '77 and Ron Cunningham '75—stand behind Diane as she dumps the dye, shielding her from the gaze of anyone sitting at the cafeteria tables. Gary Orzell '76 and Carla Hall '76, also very tall members of our group, distract the cafeteria worker at the station adjacent to the ice-cream machine.

Not all of those in on the prank are able to stay and watch, but the rest of us sit patiently, waiting for the food coloring to mix into the ice cream. It takes a while. At first, just a slight greenish cast is seen in the extruded treat. Most people eating the ice cream at this stage notice nothing out of the ordinary, but one or two do a double take and taste the ice cream carefully. Not noting anything unusual, these early tasters raise no alarm. But as the ice cream turns a deeper shade of green a couple of people are overheard arguing whether the flavor is lime or mint. Finally someone goes back to the kitchen to report that the ice cream is green. A staff member emerges to investigate, but she remembers it is St. Patrick's Day and takes the prank in stride.

Most people sampling the now very green ice cream say it tastes like mint, but it is still vanilla. The only thing we've added is color. Which, by the way, also winds up dyeing the ice cream eaters' teeth a pale shade of green. Fortunately the tint wears off after a couple of brushings.

We are flattered on the next St. Patrick's Day when the kitchen staff dyes the ice cream green without our assistance.

## At college

*The lament of every student:  
Never enough time*



Writing my personal column for the spring 2009 edition of *Arches* is bittersweet. On one hand it's exciting that I've been able to document how far I've come during my college career. On the other hand I can't believe it

is already the end of my sophomore year and that I am registering for classes for my junior year. School has gone by so fast, this semester in particular. This, I think, is mostly because of all the responsibilities I've taken on. I have had quite a challenging time balancing everything that is on my plate.

My biggest challenge so far has been fulfilling my duties as the president of Alpha Phi. While I enjoy the position and love being involved in every aspect of the house, keeping up with 90 active members is definitely a lot to handle at times! I don't regret for a second my decision to become president, however, and I know after completing my term I will walk away with an amazing experience. I feel as if I've grown tremendously as a leader and as a person. I'm also positive I'll be able to handle almost anything life throws at me after this!

Now I'm just focusing on trying to wrap up the semester on a good note and figuring out my summer plans. It looks like this summer I'll be continuing my internship here at *Arches*, which is really exciting because it is usually just a part-time school-year job for me. I'm looking forward to dedicating more time to my job and diving into the world of publishing and learning more and more about what it takes to make a successful magazine.

Despite having to deal with the occasional challenge and having to grasp the fact that time is going by way too fast, I am still really excited for everything the near future holds for me. I am so grateful for all the opportunities I have been given to continue my growth as a student, writer, leader, and person.

## Quoth the raven: 'Aaah, whatever'

At a weeklong festival Feb. 16–20 celebrating 200 years since the birth of America's original master of the macabre, Edgar Allan Poe, English department organizers presented dramatic readings, films, impersonations, music, seminars, lectures, discussions, and—a Bad Poe Contest. Finalists for the best parody of Poe's gloomy style read their creations Wednesday evening on a very, dare we say, midnight-dreary stage. The winner? English major Adam Restad '09, who is pictured here and whose assassination of Poe follows.



### The Melancholy Cook

While caught amidst a midnight gale upon a ship pulled swift by sail  
I console myself with double ale from the fate of my small crew.  
Their lateness weighs in heavy upon my heart's burst levee  
and it appears to me that I must course the rest alone.  
The task ahead seems trying because I am slowly dying  
of wounds and underlying humorous complications  
started not by complaints of food, or stale sea or stale mood  
but by a short-lived captain's feud, with that once-doomed nightlight.  
Upon a night so dreary damp, the captain lit a small brass lamp,  
for he could not sleep without the lamp or glow on him to shine.  
But I could not rest with the light and with our quarters built so tight  
the lamp did not last our third night, for with it I bashed his head.  
While I was ready at the bashing, I heard a mighty thrashing,  
I heard a terrible crashing from the cage of the captain's bird.  
Now, he had not a parrot, for there were better birds of merit  
and the raven he did inherit from his great-grandfather.  
The aged bird so blind and dumb, loved not by crew or anyone  
and being the captain's life was done I twisted that old fowl.  
The captain and his paltry bird did not go softly, softly heard.  
They raised their voices and called the word, the dreadful word of mutiny.  
In rushed the mates, knives in hand, and on the floor did they demand  
for reason they did not understand about that doomed nightlight.  
I, armed with only word and breath, could not dispel their swift offense  
and had to beat them both to death, but oh, their knives were sharp.  
Their struggle left me badly bleeding upon the floor and needing  
some medical proceedings, because of that doomed nightlight.  
My face they had left cruel stained, and my fingers badly maimed  
I recalled their damned names to soak my deed in some worth.  
The first mate was mustachioed, his grooming made him overjoyed  
and with each trim I became annoyed at the whiskers on the man.  
So I felt no remorse for our friendship now divorced,  
as he is now a corpse upon the captain's floor.  
As for the additional attacker, the deckhand of a sloth-like manner,  
I was really doing quite a favor to the fair, laborious crew.  
But unbelieving was that blaming crew and with them overboard I threw,  
fixing them with iron shoes, buried alive in tainted sea.  
So now I rest so badly bloodied, sifting thoughts once dark and muddied;  
in my kitchen study I think of clearer times to come.  
And I suppose if I survive, and land upon my previous life,  
I'll go home and kill my wife, because I'm Edgar Allan Poe.



**HALL OF FAMERS** In a ceremony on Feb. 7, 17 Loggers were inducted into the Athletic Hall of Fame: swimming record-holders Bob Kabacy '90 and Marc Kincaid '97; Jim "Zeke" Schuldt '68, athletic trainer from 1970 to 2005; and the NAIA national championship volleyball team: Denise Alton Gardner '97, Lindsey Cameron '98, Andrea Egans Roelen '96, Tara Griffin '95, Wendy Heusch '95, Janice Lwin '96, Jennifer "Mino" McLean '97, Heidi Moritz '95, Heather Tucci '95, Nancy Volkel B.A.'94, M.A.T.'95, Wendy Weise '96, Sarah Zeisler '97, Coach Robert Kim, and Assistant Coach Rich Lee.

## sports

### Winter roundup

*In swimming, a conference championship for the women and four All-Americans on the men's squad*

Logger fans who are used to success by the maroon and white during the cold months certainly were happy with the 2008–09 winter sports season. From All-American performances in the pool to record-breaking efforts on the hardwood, the Loggers gave their fans plenty to cheer about.

The men's basketball team became the first team in Northwest Conference history to finish the regular season with a 16-0 record and the national committee took notice, giving Puget Sound a first-round bye in their return to the NCAA tournament. In addition to blowing past the competition in the conference, the Loggers set a new school record for consecutive wins, with 19, and Antwan Williams '09 became the school's all-time leader in assists, with 503. In the tournament, the season came to an end in the third round, with a defeat by top-ranked St. Thomas: more on the team's season beginning on page 24.

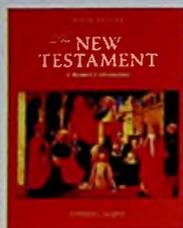
The Logger women had a solid year as well. Despite having just 10 healthy student-athletes on the roster, the women played their way to second place in the Northwest Conference and a fourth straight year in the NWC Tournament championship game before falling to eventual national champion George Fox. Karen Chase '09 was named Academic All-District just a few days after scoring her 1,000th point, and Claire Ely '10 was named First Team All-NWC.

In the pool, the Logger women captured the Northwest Conference title for the 12th time in 13 years. The Logger men had a good year as well, sending four swimmers to the NCAA DIII Championships in Minneapolis. In the Land of One Thousand Lakes, Paul Hughes '09, Garrett Gentling '09, Bret Schluederberg '09, and Jackson Kowalski '10 earned All-America honors in the 200-yard medley relay. Hughes also earned All-America honors in the 100-yard breaststroke, and Kowalski earned Honorable Mention All-America honors in the 200-yard backstroke.

As the weather gradually gets warmer, the Loggers are already well into the spring season. By the time you receive this magazine, women's golf will be competing for the conference title and women's crew will be trying to row their way to a seventh straight invitation to the NCAA Championships. — **Chris Thompson**

## media

# Two new books on the Bible



**Stephen L. Harris '59**  
**The New Testament: A Student's Introduction, Sixth Edition**

528 pages, paperback

**Exploring the Bible**  
480 pages, paperback

Both, McGraw-Hill Higher Education, 2009



In *Exploring the Bible* and *The New Testament: A Student's Introduction*, Stephen L. Harris has a pair of marvelous texts aimed at beginning students of the Bible. While both were written for undergraduates, either could easily be used by anyone wanting to study the Bible on their own or with a group.

Each text is organized into digestible chapters. At the end of each chapter are lists of discussion and review questions, a summary of key terms and concepts covered, and suggested additional readings.

The two books are similar in many ways. Both seek to give the reader a sense of the tools and methods of serious biblical scholarship, and both go beyond the text of the Bible to offer context—the political, social, cultural, and historical conditions under which the Scriptures were created. Both are beautifully illustrated with maps, diagrams, and photos of artworks and archeological artifacts. The general layout and

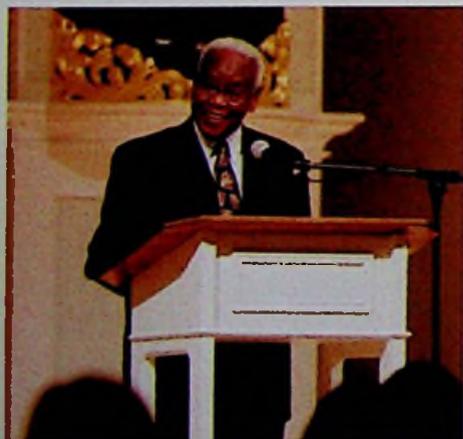
formatting are similar, and they also share content, as some of the *New Testament* material appears in both volumes.

There are significant differences, too. *The New Testament* is the much handsomer book, with many more illustrations, most of which are in full color. *Exploring the Bible* includes only black and white illustrations. And while *Exploring the Bible* largely takes on each book of the Bible in order, *The New Testament* is organized by theme. In this edition Harris spends a good many pages exploring how the canon was developed and looking at the worlds of Judaism, Rome, and Greece from which Christianity arose. He doesn't get to taking on the Gospels until chapter six. Harris also covers the noncanonical Gospels, and devotes considerable space to a search for the "historical" Jesus. The final chapter is a look at Christianity after the early years, tracking the evolution of the Bible through Constantine, and examining such challenges as the rise of Islam and the Protestant Reformation, right up through the continuing debate in the third millennium.

Of particular interest to this reviewer is the section on St. Paul in *The New Testament*. Harris devotes an entire section of the book, five chapters and nearly 100 pages, to this key figure of the early church and a look at what he did and didn't write, where, when, and under what circumstances. To say that Paul greatly shaped modern theology is an understatement. Harris writes that Paul is "second only to Jesus in his contribution to the development of Christianity." Paul's writings on the role of women in the church, marriage and divorce, and slavery, among others, have generated much discussion and controversy over the years. Much of this material is shared with *Exploring the Bible*.

Harris is professor emeritus and former chair of the Department of Humanities and Religious Studies at California State University, Sacramento. — **Greg Scheiderer**

## Photojournal by Ross Mulhausen



**JAN. 21: REFLECTIONS ON CIVIL RIGHTS** Former Tacoma Mayor Harold Moss is keynote speaker during a week of events celebrating Martin Luther King Jr. Day.



**FEB. 2: PIERCE LECTURER** Author and humorist Sherman Alexie is on campus to give a presentation he calls "Without Reservations: An Urban Indian's Comic, Poetic, and Highly Irreverent Look at the World." The following day Alexie visits classes to talk with students.



**FEB. 3: THINK PINK** The fieldhouse grandstands exhibit a distinct glow this Tuesday night for the second annual Women's Basketball Coaches Association "Pink Zone" game for breast cancer awareness. Funds raised benefited the Tacoma Breast Cancer Resource Center.



**The Art of Command: Military Leadership from George Washington to Colin Powell**  
 Edited by Harry S. Laver and Jeffrey J. Matthews  
 296 pages, hardcover  
 The University Press of Kentucky, 2008

Harry Laver and Jeff Matthews confess in the introduction to *The Art of Command* their agreement with the assertion of noted presidential biographer James MacGregor Burns that “leadership is one of the most observed and least understood phenomena on Earth.” However, they allow that we’ve come a long way toward understanding in the three decades since Burns penned the line. Surely this book has advanced the scholarship substantially.

Laver, associate professor of military history at Southwestern Louisiana University, and Matthews, director of Puget Sound’s Business Leadership Program, have gathered nine essays, each of which matches a renowned military leader with a vital characteristic of great leadership: integrity, vision, determination, charisma, adaptability, understanding of institutions and cultures, and openness to new technology. While the leaders profiled all possess most if not all of these characteristics, the essays intend to highlight a trait the leader most clearly exemplifies. Thus, George Washington is held up as a beacon of integrity and Ulysses S. Grant, in an essay authored by Laver, is singled out for his famed determination.

The big surprise in the collection is the piece by Matthews on Colin Powell, whom Matthews calls an exemplary follower, an attribute we don’t often consider as part of leadership. And a common thread through the nine essays is that great leaders are not simply born with a knack. Leadership requires learning, ambition, hard work, and, most important, good mentors and role models along the way. — GS



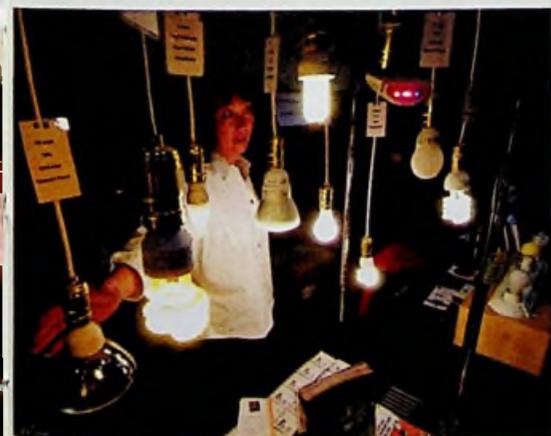
**Strategic Public Relations: 10 Principles to Harness the Power of PR**  
 Jennifer Gehrt and Colleen Gehrt Moffitt '91  
 174 pages, hardcover  
 Xlibris, 2009

Public relations practitioners from novice to seasoned pro are doing a lot of wondering about today’s newfangled communication tools. Should I have a blog? Shall we create Facebook pages for our clients? What if everyone else is Twittering and I’m not?

Colleen Moffitt and Jennifer Gehrt say those folks are asking the wrong questions. The sisters and business partners in the firm Communiqué Public Relations urge those in PR to stop thinking about tools and tactics first, and instead to focus on goals and strategies in designing successful PR campaigns.

*Strategic Public Relations* is filled with solid advice as well as interviews with PR pros, top business leaders, reporters, and scholars. Each chapter takes on a principle of the authors’ thoughtful approach, from selling the PR program to key stakeholders, through building a team, developing and executing a plan, telling compelling stories, measuring results, and sustaining the effort over time. And yes, chapter four gets into search engines, social media, blogs, podcasts, and videocasts, exploring how each might be a part of an overall PR strategy.

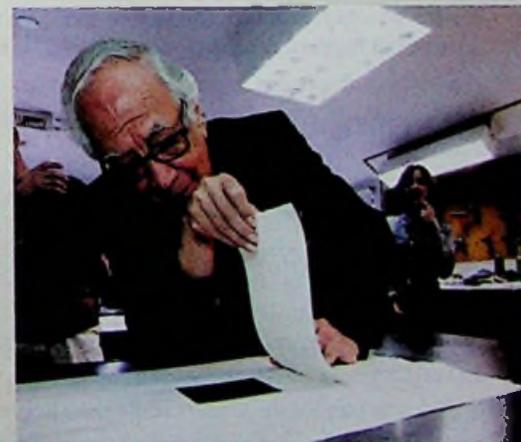
*Strategic Public Relations* should be required reading for anyone considering getting into the PR business, and it has new thinking and insights worthwhile to the seasoned professional, too. — GS



**FEB. 21: BRIGHT IDEAS** Hollis Tamura of Tacoma Public Utilities demonstrates energy-efficient lighting at the 2009 South Sound Sustainability Expo, which attracted 70 vendors and demonstrators to Memorial Fieldhouse.



**MARCH 31: ON WRONGFUL EXECUTIONS** Sister Helen Prejean, whose Pulitzer Prize-nominated book inspired the film *Dead Man Walking*, is the 2009 Swope Lecturer in Ethics, Religion, Faith, and Values.



**APRIL 8: CHISM LECTURE** Mexican artists Arturo Garcia Bustos and Rina Lazo give a demonstration and talk. An exhibit of their political prints is on display in Kittredge Gallery, and Bustos gives one of his prints, a Walt Whitman portrait, to the college.



**TREE-MENDOUS DISPLAY** Associate Professor of Geology Jeff Tepper and Emily Waldron '09 examine a section cut from a fir tree that was buried and preserved when the Electron Mudflow rocketed down the slopes of Mount Rainier about 550 years ago and inundated a primeval forest near what is now Orting, Wash., 22 miles west of the mountain. The tree was exposed during excavations for the Whitehawk housing development. Eric Koltes '95 and his dad cut the section for use in Eric's senior thesis, which, using a process of growth-ring analysis called dendrochronology, attempted to more accurately date the year of the mudflow by determining when the tree died.

## the campus

### Come up and see me sometime

*A new publication explains how art, architecture, and science converge in the new science center*

On Feb. 3, workers moved a huge but very fragile 7-foot cross section of a Douglas fir out of storage—where it had been waiting in climate-controlled isolation for three years while the Thompson Hall renovation progressed—and placed it back on display outside the geology department. The artifact joins examples old and new that make up “science on display” in public spaces throughout Harned and Thompson halls. As *Arches* went to press, a fascinating pamphlet featuring a walking tour of display items was in the works. Among really cool items we gleaned from its pages:



**Union Avenue Facade** The exterior facade of Harned Hall features six flat stone panels engraved with the Bohr atomic model of electrons in circular orbits around the nuclei of heavy elements. Framing the building's entrance are two curved panels. The symmetrical pattern on the left side of the entrance depicts the relative motion of Earth and Venus,

representing the physical sciences. On the right is a traditional Celtic image called the "Tree of Life," representing the life sciences. Both curved panels are bordered with an ornamental motif known as the Greek key, a classical design relating to the folding pattern of proteins.



**Gray Whale Skeleton** The 27-foot-long skeleton hanging from the Harned Hall lobby ceiling is that of a male, juvenile gray whale. He is about half the size of a mature whale. In March 1973 while migrating north from Baja, Calif., the 14-month-old whale beached itself and died at Chinook, Wash., near the mouth of the Columbia River. The specimen was donated to the Slater Museum of Natural History.



**Age of the Earth** The floor-tile pattern in the first-floor corridor of Thompson Hall traces periods in the geological timeline of the Earth, each tile representing about 9 million years. The longest period (salmon-colored tiles representing the Precambrian era) starts in the north wing of Thompson and ends in the middle of the hallway, with the advent of animal life. Three blue sections comprise the time dinosaurs were present on Earth. On the scale

presented, the span of human existence would occupy a piece of tile slightly thicker than two pennies stacked together.



**Planetary Orbits Mosaic** This two-story-high mosaic uses 4-inch-square tiles to depict the orbits of the planets, inscribed over a view of Western Washington and Puget Sound as seen from space. Blue represents water, greens represent lowlands and forests, and off-white shows the location of snow and glaciers. The western coast of Washington, Puget Sound, the Columbia River, and Vancouver Island are visible. Mounted metal bands trace each planet's orbit, with the orbits of Neptune and Pluto seen to be crossing in the upper left. (Pluto was considered a planet at the time the mosaic was designed.) The center of the solar system is Tacoma!



**Sierpinski Carpet** One of the largest science-on-display installations lies in the pattern of the bricks in the Brown Family Courtyard called a Sierpinski Carpet. The pattern begins with a large, square, brown brick. This large square is divided into thirds, horizontally and vertically, like a tick-tack-toe grid. The central square is a contrasting color (red brick). This leaves eight brown squares around the edges of a red square. Each of these eight squares is

divided into thirds and given a central red square, creating 64 smaller squares to again subdivide. The procedure can be applied infinitely, resulting in a pattern referred to as a fractal—a shape that appears similar at all scales of magnification. The design was first described by Polish mathematician Waclaw Sierpinski (1882–1969).



**Pi in Binary** The border of the third-floor hallway is made up of black and gray tiles illustrating the numerical value of pi in binary code. Black tiles correspond to the digit 1, and gray to 0. The pattern represents roughly the first 500 places of pi. The small red square is the "binary point," not a decimal point.



**Foucault Pendulum, Penrose Tiling** Located in the center of Harned Hall's spiral staircase is a Foucault pendulum, which demonstrates the rotation of the Earth. The pendulum appears to swing in an ever-changing plane (very slowly, taking about 32.5 hours to make a complete rotation). Actually the plane remains stationary and Earth rotates beneath it. If the pendulum were located directly above the North Pole, it

would make a complete rotation every 24 hours. As latitude decreases, the time to rotate increases, so our pendulum takes more than a day to make a complete rotation. Hung from the ceiling of the third floor, the cable pendulum is suspended over a wooden base of inlaid tiles in a Penrose pattern, designed and constructed by Professor of Physics Alan Thorndike. The tiling is aperiodic and has no translational symmetry, meaning the shapes form a regular but nonrepeating pattern.



**Thompson Hall Tower** Carved into the stone of the Thompson Hall clock tower are traditional symbols and icons representing physical constants (such as Planck's constant), mathematical notations (the integral sign), notations representing the solar system (the sun, Venus, Mars), and other images representing animals,

formations in nature, and minerals (a bird, a snowflake, a pickaxe).



**Research and Teaching Garden** Flanked by the Berg Cascade Water Feature, the research and teaching garden is used by biology faculty and students to explore native plant species. Except for the ginkgo trees in pots at the entrance to Thompson Hall, all the foliage in the courtyard is indigenous to the Pacific Northwest.



**Thomas L. Ray Gazebo** The glass gazebo located at the southern end of the courtyard is designed to have faces and symmetry reminiscent of crystalline structures found in nature.

# The Contrarian

By C. Mark Smith '61

Throughout his life, longtime Tacoma Mayor Harry Cain defined who and what he was as he went along. He was a fervent supporter of Franklin D. Roosevelt and the early New Deal, a commercial banker during the Great Depression, the director of a highly successful celebration marking 50 years of Washington statehood, a legitimate war hero, a conservative and controversial Republican U.S. senator, a dissident member of President Eisenhower's Subversive Activities Control Board, and a widely acclaimed civil libertarian. He also had a long string of connections to the University of Puget Sound.

Harry Pulliam Cain was born in Nashville, Tenn., in 1906. Both sides of his family sent men to fight for the Confederacy during the American Civil War, and distant relatives had fought in the War of 1812, run for governor of Alabama, and led that state out of the Union in 1861. One of Harry's uncles was a newspaperman and the first commissioner of the National Baseball League. The family moved to Tacoma in 1910. Both of his parents were writers—his mother an author of children's stories and a column for the old *Tacoma Tribune*, his father publisher of a respected trade journal for the lumber industry.

Harry and his twin brother, Bill, attended Hill Military Academy in Portland, Ore. While enrolled there Harry was a star athlete and editor of the school paper. When it came time to attend college, Harry returned to Tennessee to attend the liberal arts-oriented University of the South. There, he studied history, literature, and classical languages. He lettered in four sports, was a member of the school's drama society, a varsity debater for four years, and editor of the school's student newspaper. He was so successful at the latter that, upon graduation in 1929, he received but declined an offer of work as a reporter for *The New York Times*.

Returning to Tacoma, he found that his father was ill and would need to retire from active work. To help support the family, Harry obtained a job as a clerk at the Bank of California—this, four months before the stock market crash that brought on the Great Depression. He stayed with the bank for another 10 years but proved to be a unique kind of banker for those times. Hardly the starched social conservative, Harry was a very public person—an active community joiner who performed in local theater productions and a prolific correspondent. After a decidedly low-budget tour of England and the Continent with his wife, Marj, in 1935–1936, he began making speeches about the dangers of Hitler's Germany to anyone who would listen. Some felt he was an alarmist, but all agreed he was an entertaining and energetic speaker. Newspaper and radio reporters loved him because he was always great copy on a slow news day.



In 1939 he was chosen to be festival director of the Washington Golden Jubilee—the 50th anniversary of Washington’s statehood—the celebration of which was largely convened in Tacoma. It turned out to be one of the most successful events in the city’s history, and the resulting acclaim led Harry to a decision to leave the bank and enter politics. In 1940 he ran for mayor in a special election. He came in third in the primary, but fate intervened. Four days before the general election, the leading candidate collapsed and died during a candidate forum. Harry’s name was put back on the ballot. Most of the leading candidate’s backers

Warner to hold in Tacoma a three-theater world premiere of the new film *Tugboat Annie Sails Again*, starring Marjorie Rambeau, Ronald Reagan, Donald Crisp, and Alan Hale. Four days later he became the first Tacoman to register for the draft, which had just been narrowly approved by Congress. Hours after that he was on the Puget Sound campus at the groundbreaking for Kittredge Hall, the school’s first student union building, along with board of trustees chair Norton Clapp and student body president Lyall Jamieson ’41.

Back then, Tacoma was growing rapidly as the result of the buildup for World War

Six days later, on December 13th, Eleanor Roosevelt arrived at Harry’s city hall office on a scheduled West Coast tour promoting civil defense. Then, following a meeting with local civil defense officials, she and Harry did something remarkable. He arranged for her to meet with Japanese-American students who represented the 39 Japanese-American students attending the College of Puget Sound. In their meeting with Mrs. Roosevelt, the students expressed concerns about the negative impacts the war would almost certainly have on them. She said that she would talk with the president about the matter. Unfortunately, her efforts

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switched their support to Cain and, at age 34, he became Tacoma’s youngest mayor.

A devotee of New York Mayor Fiorello LaGuardia and a trained newspaperman, Harry used the media in a way unequaled before or since. He commonly delivered several formal speeches a week and made informal remarks at countless other events. He was a devotee of the use of the radio to reach his citizens and spent three hours a week preparing a weekly 15-minute radio broadcast.

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II. Shipyards on the Tacoma Tideflats were launching ships for the Navy. McChord Field had just been activated, and Fort Lewis was expecting more than 45,000 new draftees to arrive by the end of 1941. When war did come on December 7, members of the local Japanese community began to experience angry discrimination, as anti-Japanese sentiment escalated. Harry immediately went on the radio asking his listeners to “frown on hysteria” and “protect the rights of those Japanese who know so well what it means to be an American.”

failed to keep Roosevelt from authorizing the detention and internment of almost 120,000 Japanese Americans living on the Pacific Coast. Harry Cain was one of the very few national or regional officials in the country to speak out formally against the action.

New municipal elections were scheduled for Feb. 24, 1942. Elected originally to complete the term of the former mayor, Harry now ran for a full four-year term in his own right. The campaign was a low-key affair, and Harry won the election in a landslide, receiving 20,147 votes to his closest opponent’s 5,266. It was the largest plurality ever recorded in a Tacoma municipal election, making a general election unnecessary. The Tacoma *News Tribune* editorialized, “Few mayors in the short time available have cut as wide a swath in the administration of city affairs as Harry Cain.”

For the next year, Harry immersed himself in Tacoma’s wartime challenges: rapid growth; inadequate military and defense-worker housing; commercialized prostitution, gambling and unlicensed speakeasies; and the city’s increasingly ineffective management system. Under Tacoma’s commission form of government, the mayor was but one of five elected commissioners, in theory equal but each with



At the Kittredge Hall groundbreaking, Oct. 16, 1940. Harry Cain (right, in shirtsleeves), Norton Clapp (center), and college President Edward H. Todd (hand raised with Clapp).



*Eleanor Roosevelt met with young Japanese Americans in Harry Cain's office on Dec. 13, 1941, less than a week after the bombing of Pearl Harbor. In this photo Shigeo Wakamatsu '42 stands with hands folded and Waichi Oyanagi '43 is second from right. CPS students who were sent to internment camps during World War II will receive honorary degrees from the college at Commencement in May.*

his own constituencies and his own area of responsibility. The commissioners were completely unaccountable to each other. The mayor, while he was the city's official spokesman and chief promoter, was, in fact, responsible only for the city's sanitation department.

Cain's approach to improving city life was to identify a problem, appoint a committee of local experts, and charge them with studying the issue and reporting back with specific recommendations as soon as possible. Because of his interest in long-range planning—in particular for the growth he recognized would surely follow the war—in 1942 he appointed a distinguished panel to study city expansion and named Paul R. Fossum, an

economics professor at the College of Puget Sound, as its chair. After two years the committee produced an extensive report titled "Tacoma, The City We Build." It contained 29 recommendations requiring administrative action, suggested needed planning activities, and identified a number of important capital projects. (Later, while Harry was on a leave of absence to serve in World War II, the rest of the City Commission accepted the final report, thanked Fossum for his service, and quietly filed it away. It had been Cain's study, not theirs.)

In April 1943, after a second unsuccessful attempt to remove the city's public safety commissioner following a series of state-led

vice raids, rumors began to circulate that Harry was considering going into the Army. In fact, he was being recruited as the first sitting mayor in America to attend the Army's new School of Military Government at the University of Virginia.

Completing the four-month course in August, Cain was sent to North Africa and arrived in Sicily just after the successful invasion of the island on Aug. 17, 1943. The attack on mainland Italy began several weeks later. Now-Maj. Harry Cain landed on the beachhead at Salerno with an element of the 82nd Airborne Division. As the Allies slowly fought their way toward Naples, Cain was given responsibility for an area containing 29 mostly

destroyed towns and villages northwest of Salerno, the starving populations of which had fled into the hills. His primary job was to find food and shelter for the refugees and try to restore basic services.

The Allies moved north through Italy, and Harry was assigned to ever-more responsible positions with the Allied Control Commission, which administered the occupied areas, and at Gen. Mark Clark's Fifth Army headquarters as the top civil affairs officer for the commander of the Rome Area Command. In that capacity he observed two of the major battles of the Italian campaign: the assault on the Gustav Line and Monte Cassino, and the nearly disastrous Allied invasion at Anzio, southwest of Rome.

In March 1944 he was assigned to General Dwight Eisenhower's London Supreme Allied Headquarters, where he was responsible for all psychological warfare and public relations activities carried out by Eisenhower's civil affairs staff. As mayor, Cain had known both Clark and Eisenhower when they were stationed at Fort Lewis before the war. The job allowed him to associate with the leading military and political figures of the day, including newspaper and radio war correspondents covering the war, like Edward R. Murrow.

It was there in London—in the middle of a war, 7,000 miles from home—that Harry Cain was drafted to run against Washington Democratic Congressman Warren G. Magnuson for the U.S. Senate. Harry, now a lieutenant colonel, agreed to run only

with conditions: He would answer no political questions while he remained in the Army, if nominated he would not leave the Army to campaign, and if elected he would not serve until the war was over. Not quite Shermanesque, but close. Harry beat 11 other candidates in the Republican primary, but he lost to Magnuson by 88,000 votes.

After the invasion of Normandy, Harry was eager to leave London and join a tactical command for the final defeat of Germany. He got his wish when he was named one of five senior staff members for Maj. Gen. Matthew

alienated large blocks of his constituents. In the second-most unionized state in the union, he voted for the anti-labor Taft-Hartley Act. In a state in which building aircraft was the largest industry, he voted against the creation of a 70-group Air Force in the buildup to the Cold War. The final straw was a historic, non-stop, six-and-a-half-hour filibuster against the nomination of popular former Washington Governor and U.S. Senator Mon Wallgren to be chair of the National Security Resources Board. Harry simply didn't think Wallgren was qualified.

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B. Ridgway's newly activated XVIII Airborne Corps. There, he was responsible for all civil affairs and military government activities of the various divisions attached to the corps. He participated in the Battle of the Bulge, winning a battlefield promotion to full colonel, and helped plan and implement the massive operations involved in the crossing of the Rhine; the elimination of the Ruhr Pocket, including the capture of 300,000 German troops; and the final advance into north Germany as part of British Gen. Bernard Montgomery's 21 Army Group. Along the way he was responsible for dealing with millions of displaced persons, former prisoners of war, and victims of German concentration camps. He finished the war as an inspector of military government operations in Bavaria, where he got involved in the controversy between Eisenhower and Gen. George Patton regarding the latter's use of former Nazi officials to administer his occupied areas. In the process Harry won the Legion of Merit, three Bronze Stars, and five battle stars, and he qualified for dangerous glider duty.

Back in Tacoma at the end of 1945, Harry announced that he would not run for reelection as mayor but instead would seek the Republican nomination for Washington's other U.S. Senate seat, to be contested in 1946. This time he was successful, defeating incumbent Democratic Senator Hugh B. Mitchell in a postwar Republican landslide. Harry went on to serve a single, highly controversial term in the Senate that was highlighted by a series of personal crusades, which, while they may have represented his personal convictions,

During those years, Cain became known as one of the more reactionary anti-communist members of the Senate, often supporting Wisconsin Senator Joseph McCarthy and defending General of the Army Douglas MacArthur's recommendation to use Chinese Nationalist troops in the Korean War.

When President Truman fired MacArthur, it set up Harry's last public involvement with the College of Puget Sound. On November 14, 1951, MacArthur visited Tacoma during a triumphant multicity tour following his recall by President Truman. Harry, just finishing his Senate term, was on hand to introduce MacArthur to the standing-room-only audience at Memorial Fieldhouse. Harry called MacArthur "the greatest citizen your junior senator has ever known." MacArthur replied with equal praise, telling the audience, "I don't think you people in this part of the world understand what a great record he is making in the other part of the world. His fearlessness, his courage, and his Americanism are hard to realize unless you are in the halls of the U.S. Senate itself."

MacArthur's support didn't keep Harry from losing his Senate seat to Democratic Congressman Henry M. Jackson in 1952. Harry always felt that his greatest failing as a senator had been his inability to explain to the people at home why he had taken the positions he had.

Alas, his personal convictions did not translate into good politics. After Harry's defeat, President Eisenhower made him a member of the Subversive Activities Control Board, the government entity that was em-



Paul R. Fossum (center, left), Puget Sound economics prof and author of the Tacoma growth study Cain commissioned, with British Ambassador to the United States Lord Halifax (center), in front of Jones Hall, July 1943.

powered to order the registration of organizations that it found to be "Communist fronts," "Communist action" groups, or "Communist infiltrated" groups. In this position he again turned out to be a maverick, as he came to the conclusion that the government's efforts to control subversive activity were largely more dangerous to individual freedom than the activities themselves.

Harry spoke out publicly against the administration's policies and defended well-known individuals like Arthur Miller and John Goldmark in Washington state against

reporters. He highly valued his friendship with Puget Sound President R. Franklin Thompson and rarely missed a chance to drive by the campus, amazed by its growth and success.

Harry Cain died in 1979.

*Soon after Cain's death, C. Mark Smith '61 created the Harry P. Cain Memorial Public Administration Scholarship at Puget Sound. At the time, Bill Baarsma '64, now mayor of Tacoma, was chair of what was then called the Department of Public Administration. The*

*endowed fund was expanded in 1985 by Harry Cain's daughter, Candy Cain Tingstad '79, and her brother, Harry P. Cain II. The scholarship assists students who have a particular interest in the humanities, history, or political science. The selection committee for the scholarship looks for specific qualities in recipients: a deep commitment to public service, individuals in need, and human rights; a well-rounded education with emphasis on history and political science; a proficiency in public speaking; and the courage to publicly defend personal principles even if (and especially if) they are opposed by the majority.*

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allegations that their membership in organizations such as the American Civil Liberties Union made them security risks. He finally spoke out against the tactics of Sen. Joseph McCarthy, although the two remained personal friends. Not surprisingly, President Eisenhower did not reappoint him to the SACB, but Harry won the appreciation of civil libertarians, editorial writers, and the families of the individuals whose rights he fought to protect.

Cain went on to spend the final 20 years of his life in Florida, where he was chair of the Miami-Dade County Commission and a deeply involved community activist. He led the fight to impose one of the first smoking bans in public buildings in the country. He made bilingualism the official policy of county government in Dade. He campaigned tirelessly for quality housing for senior citizens. And civil liberties groups honored him for his past and current efforts.

Harry would make periodic trips back to Tacoma, including one in December 1977 when he received a special award from local Japanese Americans for his support during the dark days of World War II. Invariably on these trips he stopped by *The News Tribune* to trade memories and political war stories with old



*Cain (seated) with General of the Army Douglas MacArthur, wife Jean MacArthur, and Puget Sound President R. Franklin Thompson in Memorial Fieldhouse, Nov. 14, 1951.*

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## *Thoughts on basketball and what it teaches*

By Chuck Luce

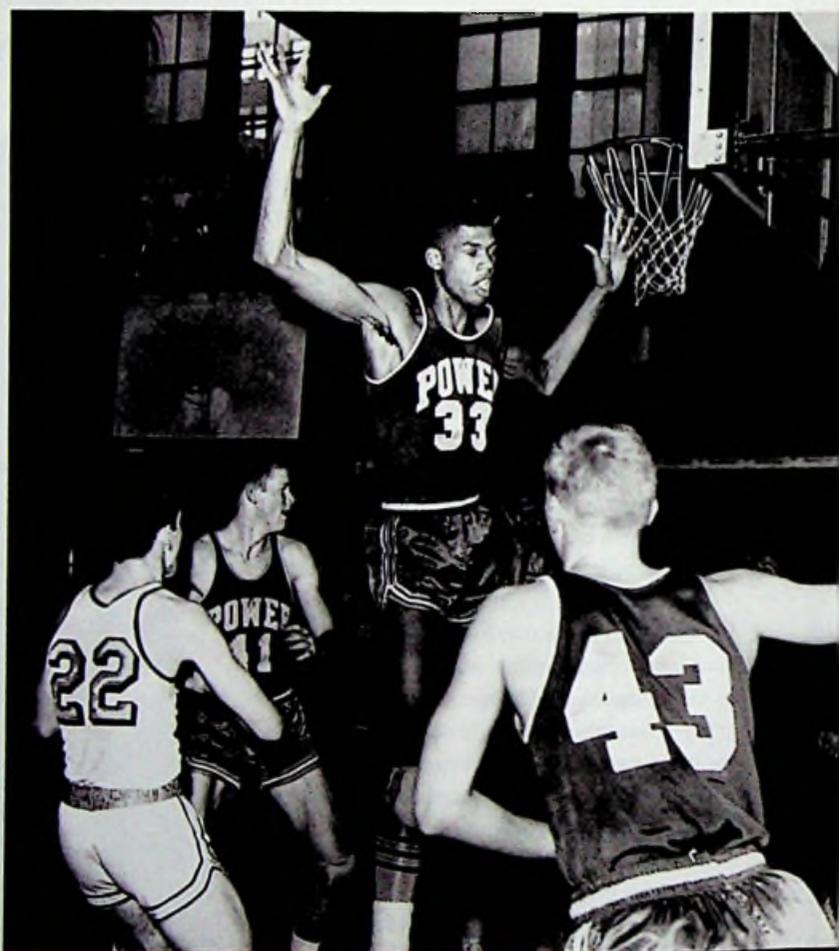
ONCE, I GOT A RIDE ON THE SHOULDERS OF A VERY TALL young man named Lew Alcindor. It was in 1963 at a summer basketball camp in upstate New York, and Lew, who later was better known as Kareem Abdul-Jabbar, was my 16-year-old counselor. I was 12 and as gangly as he was but about 2 feet shorter. Carrying me from our bunkhouse to morning drills, the two of us must have looked like a couple of herons tangled up after a mid-air collision.

Lew was at the camp because its director, the revered Jack Donahue, was his coach at Power Memorial Academy in New York City. Even then everyone knew Lew would be a great star. His body control and grace seemed impossible for a guy with such gantry-like arms, and his unblockable ambidextrous “sky hook” shot, which by 1989 would help make him the all-time leading NBA scorer, was already well developed.

What he said and how he moved *mattered* to me, as did anything that had to do with basketball back then and for many years afterward. I’ve spent so much time playing the game that its subtleties of movement and touch are embedded in my bones and muscles, and its intellectual nuances etched into the electrical pathways of my brain. Put me near a gym floor and the synapses reconnect involuntarily.

With one jump I can tell you if the front rim of a basketball goal is the correct 10 feet above the floor or too high or too low. I can tell after a couple of bounces if a basketball is under- or over-inflated. Most of the time I know if a shot I take will go through the hoop the instant the ball departs my fingertips. Within a few minutes of watching a playground game I can pick out the schooled ballplayers from the hacks—who can’t dribble to his left, who’s lazy on defense, who moves well without the ball.

Every serious injury I’ve ever had I got on a basketball court: A broken arm at age 5, when somehow while dribbling I managed to get my left arm between my legs and trip myself—an early example of my very un-Kareem-like body control. I broke my arm again in a game in the ninth grade. That time I didn’t even realize it was busted until the referee tossed me the ball for a foul shot, and, when I tried to catch it, my forearm bent at a rather unusual angle. My nose has been broken so many times that my face looks like a Picasso painting come to life. I’ve got knees that are a pocked moonscape of floor-burn scars and a snapped anterior cruciate ligament acquired during an allegedly friendly lunchtime game with faculty at Connecticut College, where I used to work.



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All these things I know and have experienced not completely by choice. I am, you see, the son of a basketball coach.

My dad began coaching right after he graduated from college in 1952. He had immediate and, to hear him tell it, undeserved success. (His lifetime record of 298-139 would refute that, but my old man isn't much into boasting.) By the time he was 24, his team at Dobbs Ferry High School in New York state had won two consecutive Westchester County championships. He then moved on to coach at Greenwich High in Connecticut, Boston University, and finally Division III Connecticut College, a school very much like Puget Sound.

As kids, my three brothers and I had no inkling—all we cared about was whether he'd come out to the driveway and play "Horse" with us—but my dad was well regarded in the Eastern coaching fraternity. Sometimes after supper the phone would ring and we'd push and tackle each other, racing to pick it up.

A voice would say, "Is Charlie there? This is Bob Cousy."

Or, "Hey there, Little Man. Your dad home? Dee Rowe here."

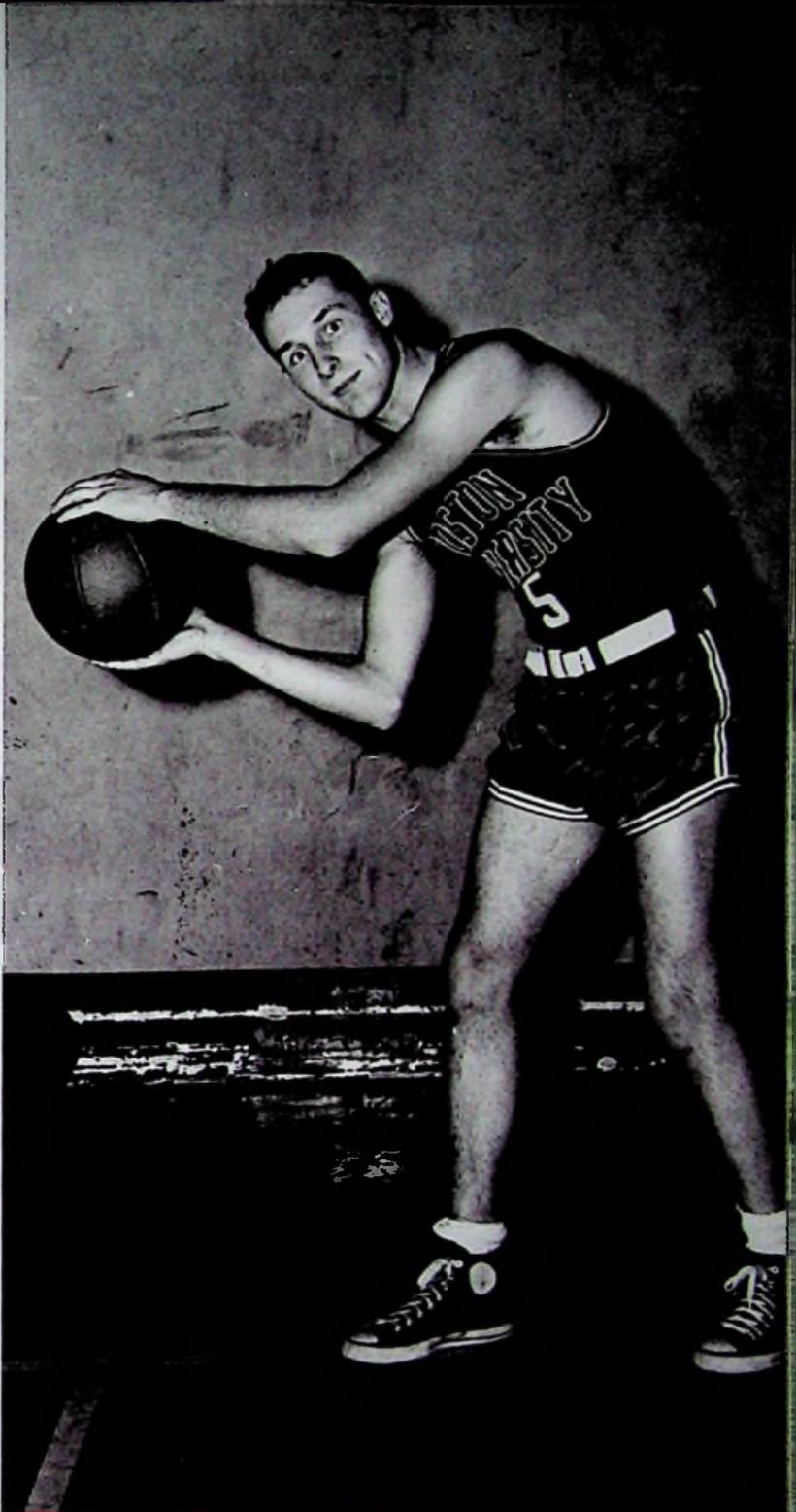
They'd be calling to talk over scouting reports, usually.

"It's for you, Pop!" we'd holler, without covering the mouthpiece.

Dad often took my brothers and me with him as he did his work; it was the only way my mom ever got a break from us little coyotes. What a treat it was, dribbling balls up and down the long length of the echoey high school halls during Saturday practices. Or riding the bus with the team to away games. Standing under the basket during pre-game warm-ups, retrieving balls and feeding the players with as much snap in our passes as our frail little arms could manage. Watching and listening at halftime as the old man drew Xs and Os on a blackboard. Delighting in locker room towel-snapping after wins; trying with all our might not to disturb the silence after losses.

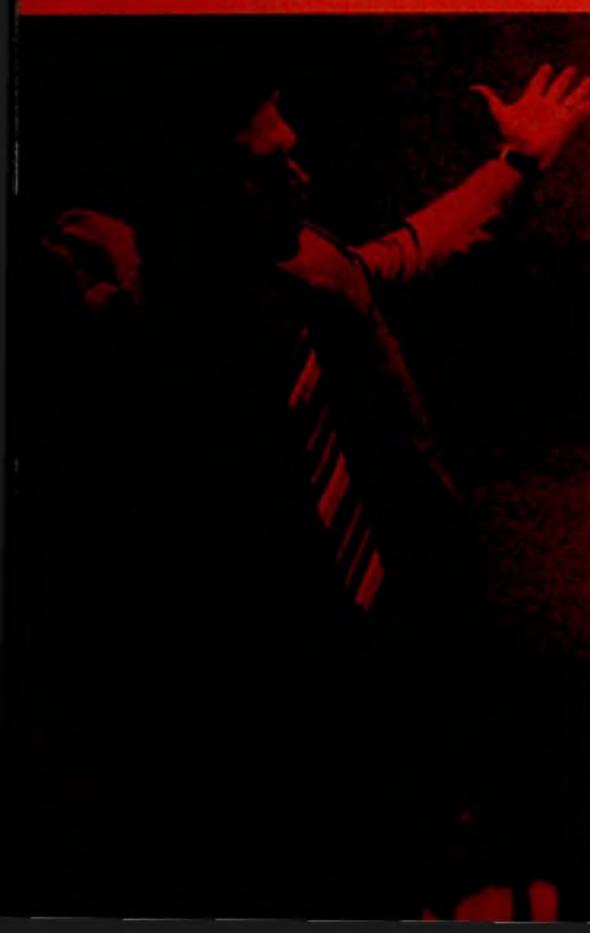
To me the players were Zeuses and Apollos in numbered jerseys and white Converse Chuck Taylor All-Stars, possessed of the capacity for great good and terrible retribution just like those gods in the Greek myths, both admirable and terrible on a superhuman scale.

Now, more than 40 years later, ballplayers don't seem quite so unapproachable to me, but going to a basketball game does still feel like participating in a kind of faith ritual. Sounds trite, I know. But I'm not talking about old clichéd gym-as-cathedral metaphors. I'm thinking of something more like what the transcendentalists called "intuition," when you know you're in the presence of something holy because you sense it, even if you can't describe it.



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SO IT'S THAT OLD EXCITEMENT AND easy familiarity I am feeling as I walk into Puget Sound's Memorial Fieldhouse on the evening of March 7 for the second round of the NCAA Division III tournament.

The opponent tonight: Whitworth College. Again. It's the fourth time this season UPS has played Whitworth.

The Loggers won the two regular-season meetings, if not handily then at least with a degree of authority. Such was not the case one week ago exactly when the two teams met in the finals of the Northwest Conference tournament here in Tacoma. The Logger men came to that game ranked third nationally in Division III, with a 24-2 record (the two losses to Division II teams) and 16-0 in the conference. No basketball team in the history of the nine-school NWC had ever finished the season undefeated. Internet bloggers had been saying for weeks that UPS would inevitably have a bad game, and that night turned out to be it. After an ugly dogfight of an overtime period, Whitworth went home the victor. It was an exhausting game to watch, never mind what it must have been like to play. Because of this win, the Pirates got a spot in the NCAA playoffs, as did Puget Sound by virtue of its record and ranking, which set things up for a déjà-vu-all-over-again moment. Same time. Same place. Same cast of characters, one week later.

By now there was nothing these two teams didn't know about one another. How the offense cycled and reset. What spots players liked to shoot from. What the in-bounds plays were. And about a million other things that meant the team that made the fewest mistakes and had the superior will would win.

Coach Justin Lunt, 29, in his third season at Puget Sound, was Eric Bridgeland's assistant before Bridgeland departed Tacoma for Division I Pepperdine University. It's Justin's first head coaching job. By all accounts, he is a thinking man's coach—a PLU grad, for which we forgive him, and an inveterate note-

taker and bookworm. His players say he sends daily e-mails with quoted material and assigned readings. One recent example: Patrick Lencioni's third novel in a trilogy about corporate behavior, *The Five Dysfunctions of a Team: A Leadership Fable*, which he assigned his players to report on in a five-page essay. In that book, the dysfunctions described are "absence of trust," "fear of conflict," "lack of commitment," "avoidance of accountability," and "inattention to results."

Good items to keep in mind for teams, both business and basketball.

Lunt's studies clearly have also included the philosophies of a number of iconic college coaches. In the style of play he teaches I see the dribble-and-drive "motion" offense that was refined by Vance Walberg at Pepperdine and lately used to good effect by John Calipari at Memphis. It's an up-tempo offense that puts all five players on the attack all the time. The Loggers continually attack on defense, too, discombobulating and exhausting opponents with a full-court press that begins seemingly the minute the other team gets off the bus, trapping and double-teaming in the corners of the court, and always pressuring the man with the ball and anticipating passes for a steal. I once read a blog that described this kind of game as sprinting around nonstop for 40 minutes in a big cage full of angry badgers in front of a baseball pitching machine. It's nerve-wracking to watch for a basketball traditionalist like me, since all the running and double-teaming often permit an easy layup for the opposing team. But it also induces a lot of turnovers (the Logger men force more than 20 a game, on average) and harassed, rushed shots.

This fourth Whitworth game begins where the third one left off in an elbow-throwing, diving on the floor, harshly physical contest—bodies flying everywhere. Both teams are playing a withering man-to-man defense, and setting screens and swinging the ball fast back and forth across the court on offense. It's bas-

ketball reduced to its elements. My dad would have loved it.

A Whitworth play in which their 6-foot-8-inch center comes up to the top of the key to set a pick for one of the two Pirate shooting guards confounded the Loggers in the league championship game, but tonight it's not giving them much trouble. (Coach Lunt later told me that the team made a few adjustments in practice during the previous week, but the main thing they focused on was attitude—their desire to win.) The game is not a blowout by any stretch, but the guys are making important plays when they need to, and, praise gravity and the prevailing winds, they're sinking their foul shots.

Partway through the second half, Puget Sound's 6-foot-6-inch Jason Foster '09, a remarkably good ball handler for such a big man, drives to the hoop aiming for a towering dunk with such speed and power that I swear I can feel the concussive shockwave of his effort even up in the balcony where I'm sitting. He misses, but the crowd goes crazy as he is whistled to the foul line.

And this is where the collective influence of the Logger Club and a couple of hundred hooting students all wearing the same hatchet-emblazoned white T-shirts comes in. The Puget Sound fieldhouse is a classic 1950s basketball snake pit. The term "home-court advantage" was invented for places like this, where the bleachers are right down on the floor, just inches from the sidelines, and grandstand fans look onto a sunken court similar to storied arenas like the old Roberts Center at Boston College or Allen Fieldhouse at the University of Kansas or The Palestra at Penn. In Memorial Fieldhouse a fired-up crowd can help a team reach down into its socks and find a capsule of effort. It can demoralize opponents. It can inspire belief.

Foster gets two free throws and drains them both. You could tell, just then, with the fans jumping up and down and the UPS players setting up for the umpteenth time that

night their wearying intimidating press, that Whitworth lost its will. Over the next few possessions the Loggers take control, and the game ends in a 84-72 win. Puget Sound is off to Wheaton, Ill., and the NCAA Sweet Sixteen.

THERE'S A REASON WHY DIVISION III sports have been called the sweatiest of the liberal arts. The game of basketball is as much intellectual as it is physical. For the coaches, preparing for an opponent can involve hours and hours of studying films and statistics. Players put in additional long hours of strategy sessions and practice on the court.

Puget Sound's opponent in the third round of the tournament is the University of St. Thomas in St. Paul, Minn. The "Tommies" are the top-ranked Division III team in the country, and undefeated.

Playing in a big tournament is a little different from playing a regular-season game. It *shouldn't* be different—it's still a contest between two opponents, with the same rules—but there's something about facing a team you know is really good in an unfamiliar place in front of a lot of people that pumps up the intimidation factor.

When I was a junior at Natick High School in Massachusetts, our team made it to the semifinals of the state championship and a game that was played in the Boston Garden. This was the old 1928 Garden, before they tore it down and built the anonymous concrete cellar that is now the TD Banknorth Garden. Talk about shrines; here was the house of John Havlicek, Bill Russell, Sam Jones. I remember distinctly how freaked out I was that the famous parquet floor was laid directly on top of the ice that the Boston Bruins would be skating on later that night. And how utterly huge it seemed.

In our pre-game meeting the coach told us not to think too much and to come up with ways to keep each other loose. One guy,

the class valedictorian who later became a history professor, tried to accomplish this during the game with admonitions directed at the officials: "Oooh! Ref!! I doubt the validity of that call!" he'd scream. Or, "Ref! Ref!! That was a specious call!"

It *was* pretty funny, but apparently not the kind of looseness we required. We got creamed.

On Friday, March 13, a couple of days after a full moon, I'm at work, taking advantage of the university's fast data connection to watch the Loggers/Tommies game streamed live on the Internet. The feed is a little choppy and staticky, like a broadcast from space, but it's better than the radio.

Alas, from the start this game looks like the Whitworth loss. Antwan Williams '09 has in his kit of many skills an astonishing floating layup. Most nights he can guide the ball to the hoop like it's a soap bubble. Tonight it's not dropping. The team is getting too few rebounds and second shots. The guys run their hearts out to the last second, but, after an encouraging stretch late in the first half when they tie the score, they fall further and further behind in the second half. The game concludes as an 86-69 loss.

THE SEASON IS OVER. FEW DIVISION III players go on to professional post-school athletic careers. So what did basketball teach the members of this team that can be applied to everyday life? Why did they spend so many thousands of hours practicing what is only a game? Were the injuries and the gut-tearing physical exertion and the time missed with family and friends worth it?

What does anyone who spends so much time playing a college sport learn? Persistence and stamina. Perspective in the face of challenge. Humility in victory. Grace in loss. Teamwork. Sacrifice. Selflessness.

Above all, selflessness.

In his practices, my father used to run

a drill where no dribbling was allowed, just passing to advance toward the basket. The assist is the most perfect play in basketball, he used to say, and cooperation beats individual ability every time. That's certainly been a defining characteristic of the '08-'09 Puget Sound men's basketball squad. In addition to a record-breaking winning streak (19 games without a loss), the team set one other school record: most career assists, Antwan Williams. Jason Foster told me it's the most unselfish team he's ever played on. Cooperation is so ingrained with these guys that they don't even think about it. "It's who we are and what we do," Jason said.

Coach Lunt described the team as a cult of trust.

My dad is 80 now. He lives in a retirement community in Pennsylvania in the same town as my youngest brother. It is his habit on Sunday mornings to call me up and find out what's going on out here on the other side of the country. Last week he said he'd had dinner with a couple of his old players from Boston U. "Those kids [he still calls them kids, even though they're near 60 now], those kids still keep in close touch with one another," he said. "After all this time."

From what I've seen, I expect the UPS guys will, too.

When my dad retired from Connecticut College the school named its fieldhouse after him. An amazing honor. As the building neared completion, college administrators asked him to provide a short text for a brass plaque near the entrance. Shy about his own words, although he was often good at picking just the right ones at the right moment, he chose a quote from a speech Franklin Delano Roosevelt made in a Fireside Chat during the darkest days of the Great Depression:

"People acting together as a group can accomplish things which no individual alone could ever hope to bring about."

And that, I think, after everything, is what playing the game of basketball teaches.



Antwan Williams '09 has in his kit of many skills an astonishing floating layup. Most nights he can guide the ball to the hoop like it's a soap bubble.



# What now?

For the autumn 2000 edition of *Arches*, Linda Hunt wrote a story called "A Terrible Beauty" about how her daughter, Krista Hunt-Ausland '95, and Krista's husband, Aaron Ausland '95, had volunteered to work on community development in Bolivia. Their efforts were cut short when the couple was in a bus accident and Krista was killed. In Krista's memory, the family established The Krista Foundation for Global Citizenship. Linda's article won a prize for feature writing and is one of the most-read stories we've ever published. Here, Aaron updates us on his life and what The Krista Foundation is accomplishing.





Left: Aaron Ausland '95 interviews a family in rural Chad while conducting an operations audit of World Vision Chad last year.

Facing page: Krista Colleague Courtney Hill Cossey '01 in Senegal.

Last March, as workers tamped the earth over his wife's casket, a light rain began to fall on Geoff Chackel '94 and me. The seven-year battle with a brain tumor had reduced Colleen's body to a ruined version of the beauty I remembered from her wedding 12 years earlier. As the heavy thud of sod and shovel diffused in the laden air, it occurred to me that, counting today, Geoff and I had seen each other just four times since graduation: two weddings, two funerals. We'd exchanged the privilege of standing beside one another as we each committed our lives to honor and love two amazing and beautiful women. I'd married Krista Hunt-Ausland '95 just weeks after her graduation, and Geoff had married Colleen the year after that. Two years later he was by my side to mourn Krista's death.

Krista and I had gone to Bolivia as service volunteers with the Mennonite Central Committee (MCC). We lived and worked in a remote village of farmer families. Although our one-room house of mud and straw had no water or electricity, it was our first home together, and we loved it. On May 20, 1998, we rode our motorcycle out of the village to a town 30 minutes away, where we boarded a night bus to Santa Cruz, Bolivia's second-largest city, eight hours away. As it navigated the winding bends of a mountain road, the bus suddenly lurched off the roadway and crashed into a 1,000-foot-deep ravine. Moments later I began a new, mysterious, and most unexpected life without Krista.

Geoff and I turned to walk away from the dismal scene, arms over each other's shoulders. He asked, "What now?" There is a bleak loneliness in that question. What is simply "tomorrow" for everyone else is to the bereaved a world irrevocably altered by absence. How does one walk forward in a changed world when all he wants is what is ir retrievable? I had no immediate answer for him.

For me and Krista's family and many of our friends, a large part of our answer to "What now?" came in the creation and nurturing of The Krista Foundation for Global Citizenship, which since 1999 has supported 150 young adults in extended volunteer service as "Krista Colleagues." It has been our way to enrich a world left poorer by Krista's death, encouraging in others the values and energy that defined her.

The Krista Foundation resists the notion that service is a holding pattern for idealistic young adults unsure of what they want to do next, or something one does in the naïve days before entering the "real" world. If we seldom travel or rarely serve others, it is easier to keep our concept of community small and our circle of empathy drawn tightly around us. Helping a rural Bolivian community establish its first library, facilitating dialogue between Muslims and Christians in Egypt, training indigenous nurses in Indonesia, or helping disabled adults live with dignity in Seattle are all activities deeply rooted in reality. In contrast to the post-9/11 cocooning of many Americans, The

Krista Foundation seeks to enlarge and nurture "habits of the heart" in young people so that hope, service, and community become dominant expressions in their lives. Our work helps them to integrate their service experience into a lifelong ethic of service, civic engagement, and global understanding.

The foundation continues to have strong ties to Puget Sound, which is one of three dozen nominating institutions for the Krista Colleague program in the Western United States. Fifteen of the 150 Krista Colleagues have been UPS graduates, and three of our board members are UPS grads. The interim executive director was Krista's best friend at Puget Sound, Valerie Campbell Norwood '95.

When Krista and I decided to commit three years to serving in rural Bolivia, we had a long-term goal in mind. We were both interested in how international economic and social development policy could be applied to increase justice for those who were marginalized and poor. We had been brought up with opportunities that are denied to so many others in the world, and we wanted to use that privilege to give voice to the concerns of the unheard and influence policy on behalf of their interests. But we could not pretend to speak on behalf of those we had not yet truly heard ourselves, so we sold our few possessions and left our families and friends 6,000 miles behind to create our first home in a land we'd never before seen.

**"If we seldom travel or rarely serve others, it is easier to keep our concept of community small and our circle of empathy drawn tightly around us."**



Aaron interviews an entrepreneur in Guatemala in the Summer of 2004.



Aaron married Gabriela Moreno Cuéllar in 2002. Their son, Thiago Montana Ausland, was born in 2005.

Although that decision ended tragically for us, I can't judge it a wrong decision. It was based on principles that she and I believed in deeply, and that hasn't changed. After Krista's death I returned to Bolivia to honor the commitments we'd made together. I set up a microfinance program, based on my thesis from UPS on microeconomics and microfinance design for development, that continues today. During the five years I lived in Bolivia, I became mutually indebted with the people my program served, as they participated in my transformation as well. I met Gabriela Moreno Cuéllar, a young woman volunteering in an MCC program serving children who work on the streets of Santa Cruz. She and I were married in 2002. In 2003 we moved to Cambridge, Mass., where I began studies at Harvard's Kennedy School and received my master's in public administration in international development. In October 2005 our son, Thiago Montana Ausland, was born.

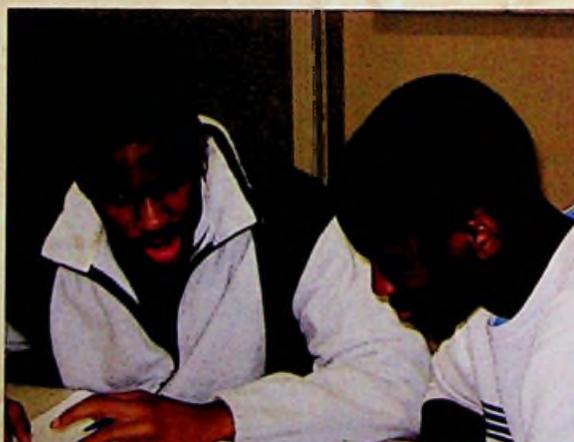
It is amazing to me how closely and yet how differently my life has followed the original trajectory set out over a decade ago by Krista and me. Our purpose for going to Bolivia has proven enduringly relevant to my life. As I write this, suitcases lie packed next to me. I leave tomorrow for a three-week trip to Ethiopia, where I'll help a \$60 million development program assess its operations. My work has taken me to dozens of countries on five continents. Each time I kiss my family goodbye, we are forced to reassess the purpose of my leaving. We are all too aware of the dangers of working in places like Sri Lanka, Chad, or Colombia. But it is the richness of my life, complete with its pain and loss, the sense of purpose and meaning, and the enduring belief in the principles of global citizenship, that permit me to choose again to engage the world despite what it has cost me in the past. And it is this enduring belief that compels Krista's family and friends to proactively encourage other young adults to do the same.

## Puget Sound and The Krista Foundation for Global Citizenship

Puget Sound graduates helped shape the foundation's leadership—three board members are UPS grads and the interim executive director, Valerie Campbell Norwood '95, was Krista's best friend at the college. Although Puget Sound is just one of three dozen nominating institutions in the Western United States, 10 percent of Krista Colleagues have been Puget Sound graduates:

- Wake Gregg '94, Krista Project, Tacoma
- Valerie Campbell Norwood '95, Presbyterian Church USA, Kenya
- Jack Brace '96, Presbyterian Church USA, Kenya
- Aaron Ausland '95, MCC and World Concern, Bolivia
- Courtney Hill Cossey '01, Peace Corps, Senegal
- Dede King Knapp '01, Mercy Ship, Honduras
- Seth Farber '03, AmeriCorps, Tacoma
- Kendra Slack Kelley '01, Peace Corps, Ecuador
- Cleo Peterson '05, AmeriCorps, Seattle
- Noah Baskett '05, AmeriCorps, Tacoma
- Trevor Kagochi '05, AmeriCorps, Tacoma
- Nick Bryant '05, Tierra Nueva, Burlington
- Brandon Forester '07, Peace Corps, Mauritania
- Jenny Yu '07, AmeriCorps, Tacoma
- Sarah Jackson '07, Presbyterian Church, South Africa

More at [www.kristafoundation.org](http://www.kristafoundation.org).



Krista Colleague Trevor Kagochi '05 tutoring with AmeriCorps in Tacoma.

## Coming soon: A combined Homecoming and Family Weekend in October and Reunion in June

Hello, fellow Loggers.

Lately it seems that the yearly calendar is full before we're done singing the last notes of "Auld Lang Syne." Between weddings, business travel, the kids' hectic schedules, and, well, life in general, carving time out to hang with Logger buddies or make a visit to the Puget Sound campus throughout the year has become a challenge for many of us.

But staying connected to your alma mater (and your best pals) is about to get a lot easier: Starting in 2010, alumni will be invited to gather for what will be the first spring Reunion Weekend. This event, to be held June 4–6, 2010, and annually thereafter, will replace the class reunions normally held during Homecoming Weekend in the fall to give people more time with their classmates and to better accommodate the busy schedules of alumni and families.

What is there to do on campus in late spring? Good question! Starting on June 4, 2010, the UPS campus (having been vacated by current students) will become an informal tourist destination of sorts where alumni and their friends and families will enjoy a festive schedule of events, including class-specific gatherings (this first year's event targeting classes ending in a "5" or "0"); affinity-group activities; family-friendly picnics and barbecues; campus tours; special events such as wine tasting, sports outings, and cultural outings in Tacoma; lectures by the president and faculty members; and much more.

Heck, you'll even be able to stay right on campus, maybe even in your old dorm if you want. How cool is that?

You'll be receiving lots of fun updates in the near future about the first spring Reunion Weekend in June 2010. In the meantime you might be wondering what this means for this year's fall Homecoming Weekend. We've got you covered! Another university milestone will take place this Oct. 9–10 when Homecoming and Family Weekend are, for the first time, combined into one fabulous affair. Parents, alumni, and the entire campus community will take part in activities and events celebrating both family visits to campus and Homecoming pride—a new tradition that will, moving forward, become an annual event.

We feel—and hope you will agree—that the combining of Homecoming and Family Weekend into one event, and the soon-to-be annual spring Reunion Weekend in June 2010 are destined to be successes, and we look forward to seeing you and your families at both. Until then, watch your mailboxes for more info, and do your best to set aside time on the calendar this fall and next spring for reconnecting with your friends, your favorite faculty, and your campus!

One last thing: We need your help. If you are interested in volunteering to help with your class reunion, please contact us. Send an e-mail message to Ed Wilder '86, chair of the Alumni Council Campus Programs Committee, your source for information about Reunion and Homecoming activities, or call the Office of Alumni and Parent Relations at 800-339-3312.

**Ed Wilder '86**

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There are many ways to get involved in the work of the Alumni Council. If you would like to join a committee or learn more about volunteer opportunities, contact the chair listed above, or click [www.pugetsound.edu/alumni](http://www.pugetsound.edu/alumni).

## Upcoming campus and regional events

### PROFS ON THE ROAD SERIES

Los Angeles, May 26

"Do We Know which Way Is Up: Conditions for Economic Recovery," with economics professors Doug Goodman and Bruce Mann.

Denver, June 18

"Reports from the Rim: Teaching and Learning on Puget Sound's Academic Sojourn Through Asia," with Karl Fields, director of Asian Studies.

### COMMENCEMENT WEEKEND

May 15-17

Commencement ceremony

Sunday, May 17, 2:30 p.m.

Baker Stadium

### HOMECOMING AND FAMILY WEEKEND — TOGETHER FOR THE FIRST TIME!

Oct. 9-10

We've taken the best of both weekends and combined them into one big event! Don't miss:

- Reunion activities for the classes of 1954, 1959, 1964, 1969, 1974, 1979, 1984, 1989, 1994, 1999, and 2004!
- Logger football versus Menlo Oaks
- Affinity reunion gatherings, including PacRim and geology
- Faculty presentations
- Student-sponsored events, hosted by ASUPS and the Student Alumni Association

### VOLUNTEER!

To share your ideas and find out how you can help plan your reunion, contact the Office of Alumni and Parent Relations at [alumoffice@pugetsound.edu](mailto:alumoffice@pugetsound.edu) or 800-339-3312.

To find out more about alumni and parent events, go to [www.pugetsound.edu/alumni](http://www.pugetsound.edu/alumni) and click on the tab "Alumni Events" or "Parents," or call the alumni and parent relations office at 253-879-3245 or 800-339-3312.

## Events

*Once a Logger always a Logger, in D.C., Tacoma, New York City, and Honolulu*



**TACOMA** On March 5, at the Washington State History Museum, about 120 alumni heard Puget Sound professors of economics Doug Goodman and Bruce Mann give a talk titled "Which Way is Up? An Economic Forecast for Our Community." Above: Clark Mather, Andrea Tull '02, Erika Holt Tucci '01, and Pat Tucci. Below: Professor Mann at the lectern. You can hear a podcast of the presentation at [www.pugetsound.edu/Media/podcasts/dougandbruce\\_tacoma.mp3](http://www.pugetsound.edu/Media/podcasts/dougandbruce_tacoma.mp3).





**HAWAII** March 19 saw 40 alumni and parents assemble at the Honolulu Country Club for an evening of renewing old acquaintances and to hear Professor of Politics and Government Karl Fields present "Reports from the Rim: Teaching and Learning on Puget Sound's Academic Sojourn through Asia," his firsthand report on the 2008 PacRim trip. Among those in the audience: John Ullis '66, Clinton Abe '75, John Whalley '64, Patsy Whalley, and Dawn Farm-Ramsey '75. An audio recording of Professor Fields' talk can be heard at [www.pugetsound.edu/Media/podcasts/karlfelds.mp3](http://www.pugetsound.edu/Media/podcasts/karlfelds.mp3).



**NEW YORK AND D.C.** At the Guerlain Spa at Waldorf Towers New York on Feb. 11, Professor of History Nancy Bristow presented a lecture titled "Without Public Memorial: Forgetting and Remembering the Influenza Pandemic." The event was hosted by Mike Canizales '88 and attended by 50 alumni, including (above) Darrel Frost '04, Colleen Slater '02, Brandon Huck '93, and Mo Hall '00. Professor Bristow also gave her lecture for about 50 alumni and parents in Washington, D.C., on February 10. You can hear the presentation at [www.pugetsound.edu/media/podcasts/nancybristow.mp3](http://www.pugetsound.edu/media/podcasts/nancybristow.mp3).

## CALL FOR NOMINATIONS PUGET SOUND ALUMNI AWARDS

We are proud that so many Puget Sound graduates go on to contribute to their communities, professions, and our university. The annual Alumni Awards recognize these accomplishments. Do you know an alumna or alumnus who deserves recognition? Please let us know.

### Professional Achievement Award

Given to alumni whose professional career and work exemplify the intellectual curiosity, active inquiry, and reasoned independence that a Puget Sound education develops. Recipients have gained national or international recognition in their careers in a manner that reflects positively on the university.

### Service to Community Award

This award is presented to alumni whose commitment, skill, and dedication have had a significant impact in their community. Through voluntary service in artistic, recreational, educational, human service or other worthy organizations, recipients of this award better the quality of life around them.

### Service to the University Award

This award takes many forms of service into consideration: volunteer involvement with the alumni and parent relations office, with the annual fund, in academic or other departments on campus, in the regions where alumni live and work, or in public relations.

### Young Logger Award

This award is presented to a current student or recent graduate who has made significant contributions to creating programs that bring alumni and students together, that familiarize students with the alumni association, and that encourage class identification.

Special consideration will be given to alumni celebrating their class reunion (classes ending in 4 and 9).

A nomination form can be found at [www.pugetsound.edu/nomination](http://www.pugetsound.edu/nomination).

PLEASE SUBMIT NOMINATIONS TO THE ALUMNI ASSOCIATION NO LATER THAN JUNE 15, 2009.

Thank you!

Ken McGill '61  
Chair, Alumni Council Awards and Nominating Committee

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**SPLASH HIT** The three-year-old Balagan Theatre in Seattle is run by a triumvirate of Puget Sound grads. Their production of *Marat/Sade*, a play within a play set in the bath hall of a French insane asylum, ran from Jan. 8 through Jan. 31. For more on the Balagan, turn the page. Photo by Nik Perleros '04.

# classmates



# Alumni news and correspondence

**42** Washington Gov. Chris Gregoire presented

**Wilfred Woods '42, P'80** with the state's Medal of Merit on Feb. 11. The award is given to Washington citizens whose extraordinary achievements have benefited others. Wilfred was cited as a community builder and historian of north central Washington, for promoting economic development in the area, and for his 47 years as publisher of *The Wenatchee World*. He served for several years on the State Parks Commission and the State Centennial Commission, and he spent 10 years on the board of the American Forestry Association. Wilfred also was a trustee of the Washington State Historical Society.

**53** This year's Stan Naccarato Community Service Award, given annually by the Boys and Girls Clubs of South Puget Sound since 1992, was awarded to **Doug McArthur**. Doug's many contributions as a civic leader and community volunteer and his enthusiasm for involving kids in sports were celebrated. He was the athletic director at Puget Sound, held several coaching positions, served as the sports information director and voice of Logger basketball broadcasts, and was inducted into the Logger Athletic Hall of Fame in 1998. Doug also was campaign director for the group that helped pass the ballot measure to finance the construction of the Tacoma Dome. These days Doug is the executive secretary for the Tacoma Athletic Commission.

**57** **Ron Brown** was honored on Dec. 13, 2008,

for his 50-year coaching career at Centralia High School in Centralia, Wash. More than 100 former basketball players returned to pay tribute to Coach Brown. Among them was Dettel Schrempf, a member of the 1981 Centralia state championship team who went on to play in the NBA. Ron's record of 643-446 is the third all-time best among Washington coaches, and his teams won state titles in 1979 and 1981. Centralia's newly remodeled gym was renamed Ron Brown Court. Although he retired from teaching 13 years ago, Ron continues to coach basketball.

**59** **Steve Harris** is the author of a new book,

*Exploring the Bible*, published by McGraw-Hill in February 2009. An all-color sixth edition of his textbook *The New Testament: A Student's Introduction* was released last summer. (Both books are reviewed on page 14.) He also is working on the eighth edition of *Understanding the Bible*, which was first published in 1980. This past summer Steve and classmate **Betty Kenton Minor** visited campus. They admired the blend of traditional and contemporary architecture in the new science building. Steve hopes to return to Tacoma for his 50th class reunion this fall. Steve and grandson Kevin, 7, visited Steve's son Jason in Florida in November 2008. Jason, a 2001 Ph.D. graduate of the University of Washington, teaches at the Florida Institute of Technology. After celebrating Thanksgiving in Key West, the

Nik Perferos '04



# At the Balagan, magic out of chaos

Theatre arts alumni are making a splash on the Seattle fringe theater scene. Their Balagan Theatre on Capitol Hill is doing interesting, cutting-edge work, winning solid reviews, and building a loyal following.

"Balagan" is a Hebrew word meaning chaos. "Our interpretation is that it generally is a mess or chaos that works out for the best," explains Jake Groshong '04, one of three co-artistic directors at Balagan.

Balagan was born in 2006 while Jake and Kaitlin Warren '05 were in Israel working on an artist grant. Jake had acted on Seattle stages and had considered starting his own theater.

"We arranged the initial production of Balagan from Israel via e-mail," he recalls. "We got a space, we got a crew together to get our first production off the ground."

They did a full five-show season that year.

"We figured if you're going to do it, you might as well do it big and do it right," Jake remembers. That season was performed in a now-closed facility called The Shack. The next year Balagan moved into its own 99-seat space.

Running a theater has been a lifelong dream for Lisa Confehr '03, co-artistic director. "To actualize it is so exciting," she says. "I'm inspired by everyone that we work with, and the fact that UPSers are coming here and can work here is fantastic. We have this fresh, vibrant, glowing group of people."

And, we would add, dedicated. Everyone is a volunteer. Jake's day job is in marketing and Lisa is a second-grade teacher.

"We make it happen every day because we care and we love it," says Lisa. "It's our life and our passion."

"What keeps us going is the fact that we feel this is something new and fresh to the Seattle theater scene," Jake adds.

There's a definite buzz about Balagan. Its production of *Arabian Nights* last fall earned rave reviews from both Seattle dailies, and February's hilarious *Death, Sex* delighted packed houses with what one paper called "breath-takingly sadistic" comedy. Each season has included a mix of classics and new works.

Lisa and Jake are pleased with what Balagan has achieved so far.

"I think our success has proven that we're offering something that other people aren't offering," Jake says. "It just keeps growing. It feels magical all the time." — *Greg Scheiderer*

More on the Balagan at [www.balagantheatre.org](http://www.balagantheatre.org).

**STAGING GROUND** Loggers running the show at the all-volunteer Balagan Theatre (back, from left): Virginia Gabby '05, Adam Davis '06, Lisa Confehr '03, Jake Groshong '04, Megan Ahiers '06, and Nik Perleros '04. Front, from left: Emily Carlson B.A.'06, M.A.T.'07, Susan Graf '03, LaChrista Borgers '06, and Wilder Nutting-Heath '06.

three toured the Kennedy Space Center and viewed a simulated rocket launching. Steve retired in 2000 after teaching 35 years at California State University, Sacramento.

**61 Tom Barnard '61, P'90** sends this update: "On Nov. 18, 2008, I gave a talk at Cleveland State University, Cleveland-Marshall College of Law's Visiting Scholar Program, titled 'The Impact of the Pregnancy Discrimination Act on the Workplace.' The presentation will be published in an upcoming edition of the college of law's *Journal of Law and Health*." Tom's practice focuses on all aspects of labor and employment law. He is repeatedly recognized as an Ohio Super Lawyer and consistently named to the Best Lawyers in America.

**62 Betty Strobel Jameson** demonstrated her mixed-media staining techniques for the Highland Arts Gallery in Marble Falls, Texas, on Jan. 15. Betty earned her master's in art from the University of Hawai'i, Mānoa, and has taught and worked in watercolor, oils, and drawing for more than 30 years. See samples of her work at [www.geocities.com/bettyjameson/gallery.htm](http://www.geocities.com/bettyjameson/gallery.htm).

**63 Barbara Katzen McCarthy** retired on Dec. 2, 2008, after a 40-year career in banking. She spent 27 years with Frontier Bank in Everett, Wash., developing their marketing efforts. Barbara has seen the bank grow from two branches in Everett to

51 branches throughout Washington and Oregon. She retires from Frontier as executive vice president of marketing. Barbara has served as president of the Everett Area Chamber of Commerce and chair of Snohomish County's United Way campaign, and participated in many other civic activities. She has received several community awards and was the first woman to be invited to join the Rotary Club of Everett in the 1980s. In retirement Barbara is looking forward to more travel, spending time with her family, and developing new interests.

**64 Hal Pullin's** poem "Not Enough Tears," an emotional response to the 2008 presidential election, appeared in his local newspaper. In it he recalls his reaction to first hearing about President Kennedy's assassination and wonders how it may have affected a generation. The poem can be found at [www.goskagit.com/home/print/13854](http://www.goskagit.com/home/print/13854).

**66 The Peninsula Gateway** chose **Lucinda Seymour Wingard** as one of the paper's 2009 community columnists. Lucinda is a 35-year resident of the Gig Harbor area, where she and husband **Joel Wingard '65** have raised three children.

**68** Washington state Sen. **Rosa Gourdine Franklin B.A.'68, Hon.'05** received the Vision Award, one of the Bates Technical College Foundation's 2008 Heart of Bates Awards. The award is for an individual

whose efforts contribute to the growth of the college and the community. Rosa is a retired nurse and a senator for District 29. She also is a longtime member of the Bates General Advisory Committee.

**Thomas Sadler '68, P'98** was named 2008-09 chair of the National Association of State Boards of Accountancy at its annual meeting in Boston, Mass., in October 2008. He holds memberships in the Washington Society of CPAs and in the American Institute of CPAs, and currently serves the Washington State Board of Accountancy as a strategic advisor. Thomas became a CPA in 1969 and formed the firm Brink and Sadler in 1972. He retired from the firm in 2002.

**69 Brian Howland** is chief dispatcher for the Seattle Police Department. After a 36-year career with SPD, he says he's ready to retire soon. He adds: "I take care of two horses, one donkey, four goats, and three sheep. The hardest part of riding a horse is the ground. I have a great time with my 200."

**A. Colleen Smith** sends this update: "I have worked for the Bethel School District since 1974 as a teacher. Currently I am working in the district office as the communication arts specialist. I also consult for a textbook company in my spare time. I enjoy being 'grandma' for two active boys, ages 4 and 7, and 'mom' to my two adult sons. I am gradually preparing myself for real retirement (as soon as I decide what to do with the next phase of my life)."



Angeline



Hammermaster



Wallrof



Farber

## Eight Loggers to be inducted into Tacoma-Pierce County Sports Hall of Fame

Several regional sports figures who have University of Puget Sound connections will be among 30 individuals, two teams, and two sports organizations inducted into the Tacoma-Pierce County Sports Hall of Fame at its Banquet of Champions on Thursday, June 4, at the Tacoma Dome.

**The public is welcome to attend.** For tickets or additional information, contact Marc Blau at 253-848-1360 or e-mail blaumarc@qwest.net.

**BOB ANGELINE '50, P'73** was a starting guard on the Puget Sound basketball team for four years. He was an all-conference selection and team-scoring leader for two years. Bob played in the NAIB national tournament in Kansas City in 1949 and 1950.

**ED BEMIS '50** entered Puget Sound in 1946 after serving in the Navy and played on the football and baseball teams. He founded the Pierce County Bengals semi-pro football team in 1973. The Bengals won the West Coast Semi-Pro Championship in 1977 and were national champions in 1979.

**HARRY BIRD** started out as assistant football coach at Puget Sound. He coached wrestling and football at Lincoln and Wilson high schools from 1952 to 1973 and won five City League championships and one AP Poll state championship. He is a member of the Washington State Wrestling Coaches Hall of Fame.

**STAN FARBER '63** began reporting on sports as a high school student when he was sports editor for the *Stadium World* newspaper. After graduating from Stadium High in 1959, he went on to serve as a student sports information director at Puget Sound. In his 27 years as a *News Tribune* sportswriter, he covered nearly every Tacoma-area sport.

**RICH HAMMERMASTER '58** (inducted with Puyallup High School 1970-71 state basketball champs) played football and basketball at Puget Sound, earning all-conference, All-Little Northwest, and honorable mention All-America football honors as a linebacker. As boys basketball coach at Puyallup High from 1964 to 1978, his teams won six straight league championships. In 1995 Rich became the 45th coach inducted into the Washington State Basketball Coaches Hall of Fame.

**ROBERT C. JOHNSON '50** (inducted with Baseball Tacoma, Inc.) was team physician for all UPS sports from 1957 to 1980. He helped establish the present-day athletic training program at the college. The Robert C. Johnson Award for outstanding student trainer was instituted to recognize his enormous contributions. He was named to the UPS Athletic Hall of Fame in 1988.

**DAVE NORMILE '67** (inducted with Puyallup High School 1970-71 state basketball champs) played basketball at Puget Sound under Russ Wilkerson in the mid-1960s and was on the coaching staff at Puyallup High School when the Vikings won the '70-'71 championship.

**PAUL "BIG WALLY" WALLROF P'80** was a member of the Puget Sound football coaching staff for 19 seasons. As head coach he posted a 31-18-1 record from 1973 to 1977. He won the Gold Helmet Award for community service from the Washington High School Coaches Association and was a founder and is a past president of the Tacoma Pierce County Chapter of the National Football Foundation. Paul was inducted into the University of Puget Sound Athletic Hall of Fame in 2005.



**Cathy Vaughn Brewis '71, P'96, P'03** joined the MultiCare Office of Philanthropy as manager of grants and corporate relations. She previously worked for *The News Tribune* (beginning in 1971), where she provided staff support and executive leadership in market research and event management, among other duties. Cathy has served in a variety of volunteer and leadership capacities, including chair of the boards of the Tacoma-Pierce County Chamber of Commerce, YWCA of Pierce County, and Tacoma Community House. In her new position she will oversee grant-writing efforts and manage corporate donor relations.

**Neil "Mac" Gray '71, P'04** received the 2008 Affiliate of the Year award at the Associated General Contractors (AGC) of Washington annual convention on Jan. 23 in Bellevue, Wash. Mac, the president of family-owned Gray Lumber Co. of Tacoma, was recognized for his support of the AGC Education Foundation. Among other services to the organization, Gray Lumber sponsors an AGC Southern District Golf Tournament putting-green contest, donating all proceeds to the district's food bank. Also honored at the convention was Wade Perrow Construction LLC for its 25-year membership in AGC. **Wade Perrow '73, P'02** is the founder and CEO of the Gig Harbor-based construction company and is on Puget Sound's board of trustees.



**M. Scott Gaspard** joined First Financial Northwest Inc. as senior vice president for strategic development on Jan. 1. He has 35 years of experience in the banking industry, including government relations and policy development. Scott was president of the Washington Financial League from 1979 to 2003 and guided the group to be-

come the lead banking trade association dealing with public policy in Washington state. He previously managed government and industry relations for Washington Mutual.



**Terry Rowe Clements** is married and has two teenage daughters. Both attend school on Vashon Island, Wash. She writes: "I love my work coordinating volunteers for our church and coordinating all of the wedding and commitment ceremonies. Happily married, still, to a creative video and audio producer. Activities include schlepping kids, watching both daughters play soccer, and passionately reading."

**Brant Gibler** was featured in a *Kitsap Sun* article recalling how he was recruited by then-coach Don Zech to play basketball for Puget Sound. In his senior season the Loggers went 27-7 and won the NCAA Division II national championship. Both Brant and teammate **Rick Walker '78** played for East Bremerton High School before coming to UPS. Brant later played for the Portland Trail Blazers for a season and in the Australia League for a short time. He now spends time watching his son, Coby, a 6-foot 9-inch tall sophomore at Highline Community College, who plays center. Brant and wife Debby live on Bainbridge Island.

**Roland MacNichol B.S.'76, M.Ed.'01** is retiring as principal of Lopez Schools on Lopez Island, Wash., after five years with the district. He previously was a teacher at Gig Harbor High School for 22 years

and then was hired as the high school building administrator for Clover Park School District before applying for the position on Lopez. Roland hopes to continue working with nonprofits that serve families and children. His wife, **Terri MacNichol '75**, is a San Juan County Public Health nurse.

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In June 2008 **Lyn Truesdell** completed her doctorate in counseling psychology. She now is a counseling intern working with teenagers in the South Orange County, Calif., school district and with the local sheriff's department. Lyn adds these tasks to joyfully parenting her 12-year-old and 16-year-old daughters.

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**Patl Lynn '79, P'11** is the new owner of the Curves for Women franchise at North 26th and Pearl streets in Tacoma. The club provides complete cardio and strength-training workouts in 30 minutes, along with weight management programs.

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**Yvonne Brittain's** career in sports and coaching, and her dedication to working with young people were highlighted in a Jan. 6, 2009, *Kitsap Sun* article. She's in her first year as the girls' basketball coach at King's West School in Bremerton, Wash., and has been the director and coach of Puget Sound Elite, a select basketball team, since 2001. Unlike most select programs, Yvonne doesn't charge her players to be on the team. A leader while a student at Puget Sound in basketball and softball, Yvonne

went into coaching right after graduation, working as an assistant to Northwest sports figure Dick Baird. She later coached at the college level for Eastern Washington and Boise State universities before taking a job with the Boys and Girls Club of King County in White Center. There, she helped with gang intervention and with teen moms, among other duties. She got back into coaching, hoping to help the girls she worked with get out of bad situations. She called the group Team Diversity. She's now trying to do the same with the Puget Sound Elite team.

**Bobbie Mowery** is the senior intergovernmental affairs specialist for the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Region 10 office, based in Seattle. Region 10 covers Alaska, Oregon, Washington, and Idaho. She held the same position in Region 7 from 1996 to 2004. Bobbie has more than 30 years of government service, including work for the Department of the Army in safety and occupational health. She holds a master's degree from the University of Southern California.

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**Stuart Allison** sends this update: "I was promoted to full professor at Knox College [Galesburg, Ill.]. I continue as chair of the biology department and as director of our field station, the Green Oaks Field Study Center. My family is doing very well, so life is good. Knox has been very good for me and is a great liberal arts college—if you don't send your children to UPS, please send them to Knox." Stuart was the focus of an April 18 article in the *The Register-Mail*

reporting on the annual spring prairie burn at Green Oaks. He explains that the prairie is dependent on fire to renew itself and will begin to regrow within two weeks. Stuart has been the director of Green Oaks for nine years.

**Peter Hapeman** received his Juris Doctor degree from Seattle University School of Law on Dec. 20, 2008.

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**Hannah Pickens Flynn** (known to us Loggers as Tawna Pickens) became the first woman in the 75-year history of Immanuel Anglican Church in Destin, Fla., to be ordained as an Anglican deacon. The ordination process took nearly two years and included several candidate interviews and an extensive two-part exam. As the executive assistant at Immanuel, Hannah assists the associate and senior pastors in parish ministry and serves as director of New Leaf Healing Ministries. She also is pursuing a master's degree in biblical studies at Birmingham Theological Seminary. Hannah and her husband, Chris, have two children, Sean, 23, and Jenna, 20.

**Mark Nishiyama** was named head coach for the Pac-Five High School varsity baseball team on Oahu, effective Jan. 30. He's an alumnus of Iolani School in Honolulu and co-founder of Kama'aina Kids. Mark coached the Iolani intermediate I boys basketball team to an Interscholastic League of Honolulu championship this past season.

**Don Shelton** accepted a position at Kingman Unified School District in Kingman, Ariz., as a middle-school Spanish teach-

er. Previously he was a middle-school Spanish and reading teacher in Tacoma. He says: "My family and I got an itch to relocate to another area of the country."

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Following his election, **Tim Bradshaw** B.A. '84, J.D. '88 was inducted as judge of the Superior Court of King County on Jan. 12. He has 20 years of courtroom experience handling civil and criminal cases. Prior to his election, Tim was the senior deputy prosecuting attorney for King County.

**Brian Haynes** was appointed CFO and treasurer of Royal Neighbors of America, a fraternal life insurance corporation, on Nov. 3, 2008. He has more than 24 years of experience in the insurance and financial services industries. Brian has worked with GE Financial Assurance, Genworth Financial, and the Weyerhaeuser Company.

**Michael Pang** is executive director of the Mayor's Office of Culture and the Arts in Honolulu. On Feb. 3 he presented a proclamation from the city's mayor to the president of the African American Diversity Cultural Center Hawai'i. It declared February as Black History Month in Honolulu.

**Shelley Turner** B.A. '84, J.D. '88 was selected into the Senior Executive Service with the Department of Energy's National Nuclear Security Administration in September 2008 as the deputy general counsel for procurement. She received this honor after serving 20 years as an attorney with the Department of Defense. Her formal swearing-in

was in November 2008. Shelley's office is on Independence Avenue in downtown Washington, D.C., just down the street from the Capitol.

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**Brad Bailey** and wife Michelle are co-owners of Memorial Gallery, an online retailer of cremation urns and jewelry for people and pets. The couple were the focus of a business article in the Jan. 15 issue of *The News Tribune*. Their niche business carries more than 800 products and represents more than 40 artisans. Web site [www.memorialgallery.com](http://www.memorialgallery.com).

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**Stacie Dietsch Becker** writes: "We coordinated and completed the annual 2008 Holiday Gift Bag Collection for the greater Puget Sound area, serving over 300 children in need in Washington state. We distributed gift bags to the Children's Home Society of Washington, the Ryther Child Center, and Treehouse for Kids. Thanks to our many friends and family for your continued support of this worthwhile charitable project!"

**Julle Peterson** sends this update: "Since graduating from UPS, I have worked in the production of special events, starting years ago on local festivals like Bumbershoot. Next came eight years in tour management, traveling worldwide with Aerosmith, Kiss, Metallica, and Guns N' Roses. Good fortune and hustle brought exciting freelance work, including the 2002 Winter Olympics, and last August in Denver as a member of the broadcast production team at the stadium where Barack Obama gave his

acceptance speech for the presidential nomination. With the Obama event I could finally claim a blending of my politics and government degree with my profession. As of November 2008, I logged on as a full-time executive producer with Microsoft's events group, producing keynotes domestically and internationally for the corporation's senior leadership team. Home is in Ballard and wherever my suitcase lands!"

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Wellness House in Yakima, Wash. has named **Margaret Scarborough Filkins** executive director. Previously she was the organization's development director. She has worked in the nonprofit area for more than 14 years, most recently at the Yakima Family YMCA.

**Dave Iverson** is a computer programmer for NASA's Ames Research Center in Moffett Field, Calif. He started working at Ames in 1985 as part of a college summer program. Dave was offered a job after graduation and also began a graduate program at Stanford University with emphasis in computer science and artificial intelligence. He now works on system health management software. It collects data and determines if the various systems in a machine are functioning properly and how the different systems interact. The software is currently being used to track the International Space Station's position.

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**Barbara Dobler Tucci** joined the Bank of Tacoma board of directors in January. She

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is the president of Sound Screening Services, which does background checks for local, regional, and national employers, property management firms, and collection services. Barbara also serves on the boards of the National Association of Screening Agencies, the YWCA, and the Emergency Food Network. She is a guest instructor for the national Crime Free Multi-Housing Program for police departments in Tacoma and throughout the South Sound. The crime prevention program is designed to reduce crime, drugs, and gang activity on rental properties.

**Wendy Lee Stewart** worked as a Puget Sound admission counselor for two years after graduation. She then went to Australia on a Rotary Ambassadorial Scholarship and completed her master's degree in cultural anthropology and comparative sociology. Since returning to the Seattle area 15 years ago, she has been working in International Programs at Green River Community College in Auburn, now as dean. Wendy and husband **Mike Stewart**

'85 live in Gig Harbor, Wash., with children Anna, 7, and Ian, 3. She sent this update in February: "I was in Indonesia on a business trip in January and had an opportunity to visit President Obama's former grade school in Jakarta on Inauguration Day. What an amazing experience that was! I wrote an article on my experience and on the role of international education. It was distributed via e-news to our campus staff and faculty and is posted on our Web site at [www.greenriver.edu/news/international\\_education\\_obama.htm](http://www.greenriver.edu/news/international_education_obama.htm).

**Bruce Valentine** was elected director of Rainier Pacific Financial Group Inc. He is a founding principal of Neil Walter Company, a commercial real estate company in Tacoma. Bruce has more than 20 years of experience in the Pierce County real estate market.

**Jay Clark** married Colleen Regalbuto on July 26, 2008, at the Indian Creek Golf Course in Hood River, Ore. Colleen works for Mercy Corps in Portland, Ore., and Jay is the CEO of ROY-G-BIV, a computer software corporation. The couple live in White Salmon, Wash.

The Asia Foundation appointed **Michael Haines** deputy country representative in Afghanistan, effective Jan. 4. The foundation provides support for strengthening the executive branch of government, enhancing educational opportunities for women and girls, and supporting the development of higher education. Michael previously was associate

country director for the Eurasia Foundation in Azerbaijan. He has spent more than 18 years in representational program management and also worked in the private sector for Mohawk Industries in Seattle and International Service Systems in Copenhagen, Denmark. Michael holds a master's degree in international relations and European studies, with an emphasis in democracy development and security studies, from Central European University in Budapest, Hungary. He served in the Army Reserve from 1987 to 1995 and saw active duty during Operation Desert Storm in 1991.

The Oregon Health and Science University School of Nursing has promoted **Tanya Ostrogorsky** to assistant dean for evaluation science. She earned her Doctor of Educational Leadership degree in postsecondary education in June 2008.

**Kristin Gottlieb Atkinson** started a company called Cocoa Velvet in Portland, Ore. She had been employed with the American Cancer Society as a quality-of-life manager. Kristin says: "After enough people asked us where they could buy our chocolates, my husband and I decided to take a risk and turn our chocolate hobby into a professional passion. You can find us at [www.cocoavelvet.us!](http://www.cocoavelvet.us!)"

A December 2008 article in *Seattle Metropolitan* magazine chronicled **Nabil**

**Ayers'** work as a musician and co-founder of Seattle's Sonic Boom Records. Since 2002 he also has been developing his own record label, Control Group, which represents several Northwest indie bands. Nabil continues as drummer for the group The Long Winters.

**Ryan Collier** opened a law practice in Salem, Ore., focusing on wills, trusts, disability planning, estate and trust administration, and business and real estate matters. He earned his J.D. from Willamette University College of Law. Ryan serves as president of the Marion County Bar Association and is a board member and past president of the Salem Leadership Foundation.

An article in the *Port Orchard Independent* featured **Christopher Mathie** and an exhibit that ran through January at The Gallery at Bainbridge Arts and Crafts. Christopher's art is represented in nine galleries throughout the Northwest.

**Justin Bernthal** updates us annually with a copy of his Christmas letter, reviewing the year's happenings. This year he notes changes in his work situation that have reduced his workweek to 30 hours. Justin continued his tradition of sampling good fare at Northwest summer festivals last year and sounds busy and healthy.

**David Cook** joined Seattle-based software and services provider GGO as general counsel and vice president of corporate strategy in February. He previously was associ-

ate general counsel for Digital Insight. He also has counseled executives, including former presidents of Sony Interactive and American Express. David earned his J.D. from the University of Washington School of Law.

**Carrie Siegel Gilbert** is "turning fury into funny." What started as therapy after a breakup turned into a second career as a stand-up comic. Born and raised in Pleasanton, Calif., she turns her now conventional suburban life into unconventional comedy. She's married, with children, and spends her days as a Web site designer. At night she pokes fun at the struggles of being a wife and mom. She has shows in Pleasanton and Livermore coming up in June. Watch some of her comedy bits at [www.myspace.com/wingwife](http://www.myspace.com/wingwife).

**Jennifer Meyers Netzer** sends this update: "I completed my Master of Science, Oriental Medicine, at the National College of Natural Medicine in summer 2008. As a licensed acupuncturist and herbalist, I am practicing at Kwan-Yin Healing Arts Center, an integrative clinic in Northwest Portland, Ore. I have been living in Portland for almost 12 years now and married Josh Netzer two years ago. We have three furry kids, Roland, Lily, and Kona."

**Eric Tuilinga** married Heather Flodstrom on Oct. 10, 2008, at The Hollywood Schoolhouse in Woodinville, Wash. Heather works for a charitable family foundation. Eric earned a master's degree in communication from Bethel University and works as the marketing director for Young Life's Malibu Club in Egmont, B.C. The

newlyweds honeymooned on the island of Hawai'i and live in Seattle.

**Kelly Wadsworth Hansen '98** Washington National Guard unit, the 81st Brigade, was called up in July 2008. She is serving as a chaplain for a battalion at Joint Base Balad, Iraq. Her husband, **Edward Hansen '98**, is working in Seattle and holding down the home front with their two boys, Zach, 3, and Nick, 1. Kelly will be in Iraq through August 2009 and can be reached at CH (CPT) Kelly Hansen, HHC TF 1-161 IN (CAB), Joint Base Balad, APO AE 09391. An e-mail address for the couple is [kellyanded@hotmail.com](mailto:kellyanded@hotmail.com).

**Mark Jordan** was appointed to the board of trustees for the Vermont Institute of Natural Science for a three-year term. He is an assistant professor of biology at Green Mountain College in Vermont.

**Tony Chennault** is working in a tenure-track biology instructor position at Clark College in Vancouver, Wash. He teaches anatomy and physiology in the Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math unit. Tony earned his Master of Science degree in biology from Portland State University and previously taught at Ashmead College and Portland State University.

**Shawn Irvline** was finishing a four-year service term with the Peace Corps in Paraguay when he interviewed for a job in Independence, Ore. The town was looking for a community development technician. According to an article in the *Statesman Journal* about his experiences and how they

*By day, Carrie Siegel Gilbert '96 is a mom and Web designer. By night, well, by night she's still a mom, but she's also a stand-up comic who makes fun of her suburban lifestyle. Some of her bits are on MySpace.*



*Peggy Pritchard Olson '72*

## THE MEASURE OF HER DAYS

About a year ago, nothing seemed out of the ordinary in Peggy Pritchard Olson's world. The Edmonds, Wash., city councilwoman filled her days with meaningful work, loving friends, and family. But on her 58th birthday last April, her doctor uncovered the reason for a limp she'd noticed since December and slurred speech since March. She had amyotrophic lateral sclerosis (ALS), also known as Lou Gehrig's disease, an incurable neurological disorder. If it could not be slowed down, she would have a year to live. And that's when everything changed.

"Some people lose their voice, some their ability to walk. I just happened to lose both," she said in a labored blur of words. "I said, 'OK, if I have this disease, I want to raise awareness of it,'" said Peggy.

Even in her illness, she has brought people together, inspiring Team Peggy, a group of 80 volunteers who provide her with support and raise awareness and funds for ALS research. Some team members are longtime friends from movie nights where she screens chick flicks. "We like movies that feature strong women—villains or heroes, we don't care," she said.

Peggy knows something about being strong. Before she got elected in 2003, she helped fight and win a battle with King County on its proposed plan to build a sewage plant on her town's shoreline. She discovered that her talent for bringing people together could be put to use for the good of her community.

Peggy is no stranger to the campaign trail. Her father, the late Joel Pritchard, U.S. Con-

gressman, Republican Washington state legislator, lieutenant governor, and an inventor of pickleball, chose Peggy to send into the toughest neighborhoods, knowing she would enthusiastically go.

Friends observed she had always cared about what was important to people and was good at devising ways to bring them together. New to the city council, she invited representatives from eight area cities and the Port of Edmonds to collectively solve common problems.

"We held a dinner for 60 elected officials, and we've had five more since then. It's amazing what you can accomplish when you don't care who gets the credit," she said.

"Peggy is brilliant, and she's got an incredible memory. Don't ever play Trivial Pursuit with her," said Nancy Zittel Miller '71.

When Peggy first learned she had ALS, she volunteered for clinical trials but soon discovered that none existed for the little-understood disease. Prescribed medicine helped slow ALS' progression for about four months, but her condition rapidly declined last fall.

"It is like I am falling off a cliff, but the good thing is that I get to hear all of these people tell me what I mean to them," said Peggy, smiling broadly, sitting on a couch next to her wheelchair in Wheelock Student Center last November. She was surrounded by two Pi Beta Phi sorority sisters, Zittel Miller and Chris Race Weinlein '72, and another friend, Mary Lee Sweiso, who came from near and far to be with her. "At college parties, we'd say to each other, 'We're definitely the best-looking girls here!'"

Peggy recalled, and the women erupted into giggles like old times.

Peggy said ALS hasn't changed her optimistic outlook, and added, "It focuses you—you really see what's important and what's not." She's spending more time with family and friends.

"I know I am supposed to learn patience in this life because, for someone who loves to talk, this disease is frustrating, to say the least. But it could be worse," she said.

"When my voice started to go, I talked with my speech pathologist about getting a machine that talks for you when you type words into it. I recorded 1,249 phrases so that my own voice will come out of the machine when I need it," Peggy said. "I figured I could be dying with ALS or living with it. And I am living."

Peggy will allow a camera crew from Edmonds Community College to videotape her daily life as her disease progresses to help bring about ALS solutions. Washington Secretary of State Sam Reed and former Washington Governor and U.S. Senator Dan Evans have agreed to be interviewed for the video, along with Peggy's doctor and the national ALS Association director.

"If I had no goals, I'd really be in bad shape," said Peggy, still performing her city council duties, mind sharp as ever.

Preparing to leave for lunch on the waterfront, her sorority sisters encircled her in a tight knot, and Peggy answered one final question. "I want to be remembered as someone who made a difference." — *Sandra Sarr*

Vicki Gillam Norris '95

## Made to order

Vicki Gillam Norris says her career leanings showed themselves in childhood, early and often.

"At slumber parties I would say, 'Hey, do you guys want to take everything out of the closet and organize it?'" says Vicki, laughing. "And I'd ask my mom, 'Can I please clean out the kitchen?' I guess I've always found a therapeutic element in getting organized," she says.

Since she first took the plunge as a professional organizer in 1999, Vicki's Portland-based company, Restoring Order, has transformed clutter control into a Martha Stewart-like

mini-empire. She now employs seven people, including her husband of eight years, Trevor (they have two young sons, Nash, 2, and Brock, 9 months), and has written two best-selling books—*Reclaim Your Life ... and Get Organized for Good* and *Restoring Order to Your Home* (Harvest House 2007)—is a sought-after speaker on the how-to circuit, has



HEY! I FOUND THE CAR! One of Vicki's makeovers—a garage that went from unkempt to uncluttered on CBS' "The Early Show."



patented four original designs for office-supply products, and has appeared on dozens of television and radio programs.

But these milestones are only the beginning, says Vicki, who notes that running a business in these crazy economic times has forced her to think bigger and smarter.

"I build a brand, not just subcontract out my services," she says. "Many organizers hang out their shingle and hope for the best. My goal is not to just 'clean up' for people but get to the heart of why they're disorganized," says Vicki. "For small businesses specifically, being organized can make the difference between surviving this economy or not."

A communication major at Puget Sound, Vicki says she knew she'd be selling something after college ("My personality test results were always either 'Promoter' or 'Persuader,'" she says, laughing. "I couldn't escape it."), but it wasn't until after a brief stint in real estate in Portland that she realized her true calling.

"I read an article about someone who

organized for a living, and I was, like, 'People do that? I've always done that!'" she says. "It was perfect for me."

Starting out, Vicki targeted home and small-business owners, all of whom were overwhelmed by their, well, stuff: from messy garages, to disastrous home-office filing systems, to rec rooms overrun with toys and unused fitness equipment. By 2003 her business had grown into an official LLC and boasted a staff of consultants who assisted Vicki in processes that are often as delicate and personal as substance-abuse interventions.

"It is very emotional for people," says Vicki. "When we meet someone, we will have done an extensive intake process over the phone so by the time we see their space, we aren't totally shocked. There is often an element of shame for them. We want to help them get past that, bring them hope, and deliver a breakthrough."

Today, Vicki has made good on her goal of "stopping office-product abuse" with her flying-off-the-shelves series of stylish, vintage-

influenced filing and organizing products. (More than 1,000 units have been sold to clients as varied as hospitals, stay-at-home moms, and entrepreneurial start-ups.) She's also keenly focused on expanding Restoring Order's reach beyond the Northwest through a recent national media tour, making stops in Atlanta and New York, and fulfilling a crowded docket of speaking engagements.

All the while, she is driven by the belief that real change—not shoving everything into the hall closet—comes with commitment.

"Organizing isn't about hiding or stashing stuff because guests are coming over for Thanksgiving," says Vicki. "There aren't any shortcuts, especially for people living in chaos. Like anything worthwhile, it is a process. Living an orderly life helps you make room for the things that really matter, and that, ultimately, is utterly rewarding." — Stacey Wilson '96

You can find out more about Vicki and Restoring Order at [www.restoringorder.com](http://www.restoringorder.com).

**A PLACE FOR EVERYTHING** Vicki's Reclaim Your Office collection helps businesses manage paper and supplies. The products are constructed of aluminum and assembled with rivets for strength and an urban aesthetic. She chose a luminescent silver powder-coat finish. All are made in the USA.

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led to his current job, the hiring team figured that someone who had served in the Peace Corps for that amount of time had to be innovative. Shawn's most recent assignment is the coordination of Independence's Vision 2020 project.

**00** **Lisa Jean** owns LXJ Data Services P.C. a consulting business for good manufacturing practices, validation services, and data management. She also owns and operates Java Fusion LLC, a fusion coffee shop, teahouse, and chocolate shop. Lisa co-owns StillLifeImages photography with her partner, Ilene. All are in Hamilton, Mont.

**Lynette Spjut** married Garrett Berdan on Aug. 23, 2008, at Trinity Episcopal Church in Ashland, Ore. A reception followed at the Ashland Springs Hotel. The two

honeymooned on Kauai and Hawai'i and make their home in Vancouver, Wash. Lynette earned her master's degree in physician assistant studies from Pacific University.

**01** **Heather Danskin** is a graduate student at American University in Washington, D.C. She is working on a Master of Fine Arts degree in documentary filmmaking. Her thesis was based on a film, made with classmate Katie Kassof, about the role of corn in south central Nebraska. The working title of the film is *Cornography*. Heather works part time as a producer for C-SPAN 3.

**04** **Ian Jacobson** directed field operations for the 1st Congressional District campaign in the greater Manchester, N.H., area, helping

retain incumbent Carol Shea-Porter. Along with coordinating volunteers and multiple grassroots events throughout the area, Ian led the largest phone bank in Manchester for the "Get Out the Vote" campaign.

**05** **Becca Fay** played the character Susanna in Lyric Opera Northwest's production of *The Marriage of Figaro* at the Meydenbauer Center in Bellevue, Wash., in January. She will be the understudy for the role this summer at the Crested Butte Music Festival in Colorado. Becca earned her master's at Indiana University.

**Elizabeth Kajko** sent this update in December: "After hanging around the Puget Sound area for three years after graduation, I volunteered with the YMCA in Colombia for three months. I came back to the U.S.,

packed up everything, and moved to Singapore to coach gymnastics. It's been a great experience so far, and I am excited to start exploring this part of the world."

**06** A *Pacific Tribune* article noted **Kevin Kantner's** comedic debut at San Francisco's 8th Annual SF Sketchfest, which ran Jan. 15-31. He performed with fellow Puget Sound graduates, who formed a comedy troupe called Seattle's Ubiquitous They. The group was voted one of the top five groups in the Live Comedy category in KING 5 TV's Best of Western Washington contest. Other UPS alums who are members of the troupe include **Chris De-war '07, Sophie Lowenstein '08, Jason Miller '06, Nelson Moody '08, Stephen Ross '06, Ryan Schmidt '05, Jocelyn Skillman '08, Ryan Tansey '06, and Clayton Weller '08.**

**Scott Ordway** is finishing his master's in composition at the University of Oregon. He has conducted the Eugene Contemporary Chamber Ensemble for two years. Scott's Symphony No. 2, "Crime in the House of Names," premiered at Beall Concert Hall in Eugene, Ore., in November 2008. (Listen at [www.eccenewmusic.com](http://www.eccenewmusic.com).) He won the John Kenneth Cole Composition Prize in 2008, and is a composition graduate teaching fellow at the University of Oregon and a Ruth Lorraine Close Music Fellow. Upon completion of graduate studies, Scott will be associate conductor for the Juventas New Music Ensemble in Boston.

**Kynan Pang** is a consultant at Central Pacific HomeLoans in Honolulu. He also is a new home-owner, according to a *Pacific Business News* article about the real estate market trend of converting rental apartments into condos.

**07** **Johanna Wallner** sent this update in January: "I have just renewed my commitment for another year as an AmeriCorps VISTA volunteer in El Paso, Texas, with the organization La Mujer Obrera (LMO). LMO was founded by women in 1981 to improve working conditions. At that time El Paso was the 'blue jeans capital of the world.' Its competitive advantage was the immigrant Mexican woman mending sewing machines in the sweatshops. In 1994 NAFTA officiated the relocation of most of the garment factories. Now the South Central

El Paso barrio is 60 percent below the poverty threshold and only 2 percent of the population has a college education. LMO is doing economic and workforce development, job training, GED classes, Mexican cultural heritage programming, urban agriculture, housing, and more. I love El Paso's sunshine, friendly all-Spanish-speaking people, and lots of culture. It has been a great experience to work alongside all sorts of people. I am surrounded by a lot of women my own age, some who already have three children. Seeing them come through our doors and learn to use Microsoft Word for the very first time has been a very humbling yet heartwarming experience."

**08** **Emily Alm** writes: "I work for the Puget Sound region's only independent movie theater, The Grand Cinema. My life has been taken over by movies! I have a large hand in planning and overseeing everyday operations, as well as the execution of our larger events, like the Tacoma Film Festival (now in its fourth year). I love working for The Grand, especially since its a non-profit organization and a staple of the Tacoma community."

**Trevor Hanlin** sends this news: "I am working toward my goal of building and flying airships. I also work at The Spar in Old Town, Tacoma, the Lobster Shop on Ruston Way, and I'm a columnist for the Tacoma *Healthy Buzz* newsletter. I am keeping up with my running and biking after recovering from an injury that occurred my senior year."

## About classmates

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# Scrapbook



◀ Cooking up a storm! **Terry Schick '57** and **Jeannette "Willie" Wilson Schlick '57** were recognized last January for six years of volunteer work preparing meals and banquets at Trinity Heights United Methodist Church in Flagstaff, Ariz. Terry, a former journalist and retired insurance agent, served several years as editor of *The Trail*, while Willie was one of the mainstays of the theater department, playing leads in numerous productions.



▲ **Carol Chun Smyth '73** and her husband, **Jack Smyth**, were hosts to dear friends **Sharon Lehnert Reddick '73** and husband **Jim Reddick**, in Honolulu in November. Jim, a Washington State University alum, and Sharon were on the island to attend the WSU vs. University of Hawai'i game on Nov. 28. Even though they weren't in the competition, the Loggers were well represented! Pictured in front of Aloha Stadium, from left: Jim, Sharon, Jack, and Carol.



▲ Alumni and two former professors met at Lakeside Country Club in Lakewood, Wash., on Aug. 14, 2008, 46 years after classes at Puget Sound. From left: **Eleanor Parker Weston '62**, **Professor Harold Simonson '50**, **Sharon Miller Montgomery '64**, **F. Richard Miller '62**, **Sally Jo Riewald '62**, **Professor Walter Lowrie '58**, and **C. Clark Montgomery '62**. Present, though not pictured: **David Purchase '62** and **Leslie Gould '77**.



◀ Former Puget Sound exchange students in Nijenrode, Netherlands, at their 40-year reunion. From left: **Peter Stanley '69**, **Michael Gehrke B.A.'68, M.B.A.'71**, **Jack Taylor B.A.'68, M.B.A.'69**, and **John Barline '69**. There were six participants in the program from Puget Sound during the 1967–68 school year. The other two, **Terry Parsons '67** and **Paul Schmidt '69**, were unable to attend the reunion. The castle in the background is Kasteel Nijenrode, where the group attended most of their classes. One full day was scheduled at the castle, with tours, lunch, meetings with administrators, a convocation with the new Class of 2012, and dinner. The remainder of the reunion was a private seven-day barge/bike tour of Holland. John Barline writes: "At various overnight barge stops, we had mini-reunions with our Dutch roommates and friends who live in those particular areas. We had a super time and are primed to do this again soon!"

A Nijenrode alumni affinity group has been established. To join, contact Rebecca Harrison at [alumoffice@ups.edu](mailto:alumoffice@ups.edu).



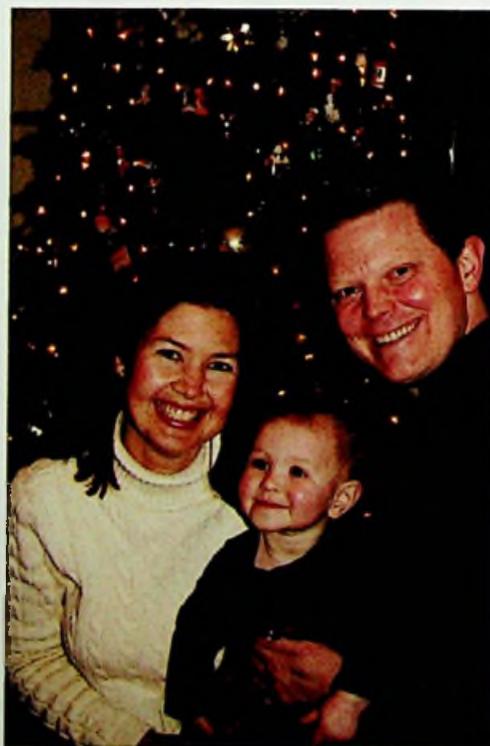
▲ **Bruce Sadler '83** and Ingelaurie Lisher were married on Nov. 8, 2008, at St. Mark's Lutheran Church by The Narrows in Tacoma. Ingelaurie received the traditional serenade of the "Sweetheart of Sigma Chi" by Bruce's fraternity brothers, from left: **Mike Hudspeth '82, Steve Lehman '82, Scott Filkins '83, Jeff Jarmon '83, Brian Kruse '84, Todd Badham '85, and Brad McLane '83.** The groom is at far right.



▲ **Dan Carey '89** writes: "On Sept. 30, 2008, I retired from the U.S. Army Reserve after 22 years and five months of service. This includes my time as an enlisted soldier while I was a student at UPS, the seven years I spent on active duty in the '90s, and service as an officer in the National Guard for two years and as an officer in the reserve for nearly six years, finishing as a major. I served in Desert Storm in 1991 and Operation Iraqi Freedom in 2004. While I earned many awards along the way, the thing that means the most to me was my performance as the mortuary affairs officer in Iraq, ensuring that our fallen soldiers were returned home with honor and dignity. I joined the Army Reserve when I was 19 years old at the end of my freshman year because I thought it would be cool. Despite ups and downs through the years, it was. Now that I am out of the Reserve I have more time on my hands, which I will find something fun to do with. I continue to work at Boeing and live in Woodinville." This photo of Dan and his family was taken at Fort Lawton in Seattle in November 2008.



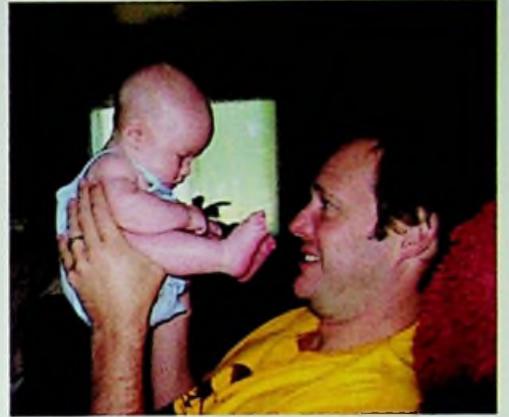
▲ **Ame Bolander Van Dyke '91** and husband Doug dated during the summer after her freshman year at Puget Sound. At the end of the summer, Ame headed back to UPS and Doug continued to work with his family's business. They kept in touch, though—via birthday cards for 20 years! Ame says: "In May of 2007, life went full circle and we came back together at the perfect time and place and were still in love. We joined with our children (two each) and were married on Aug. 16, 2008. Dreams really do come true!"



◀ **Bryce Stirlen '92** and wife Katie celebrated the 2008 holiday season with daughter Sarah Ainsley Stirlen, who was born March 21, 2008, on her mom's birthday! Bryce is an investment banker working in mergers and acquisitions for the consumer and retail sections of Bank of America/Merrill Lynch in Chicago.



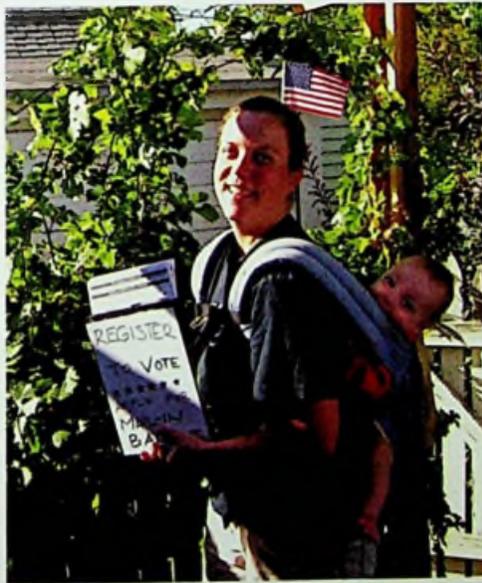
▲ **Class of 1993** Gamma Phis converged from far and wide to spend the weekend together at Homecoming 2008. Reunited in their old house are, back row, from left: **Jen DeBoer Roark, Robin Harris Reents, Erika Riddle Primozich, Kimberly Norman Ledford, Eileen Lynch Cheshire, Brita Moeller, Julie Trumbo Primozich, and Jennifer Teunon.** Kneeling, from left: **Sarah Hynes Cheney, Tanya Saine Andrews, and Amy Hall.**



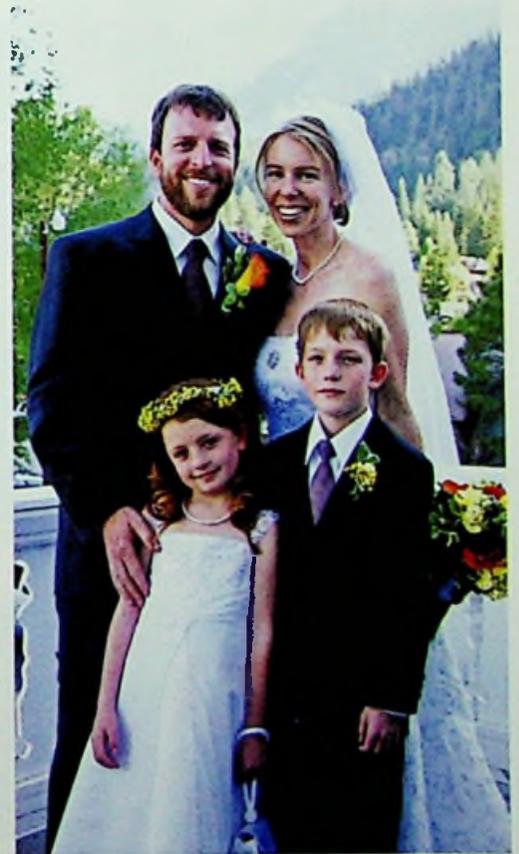
▲ **Cooper Conrad '95 and Kelly Montee Conrad '93** welcomed their second (and last, they say) child, Cooper Jr., on May 19, 2008. The family affectionately refers to their newest member as "mini-Cooper." He joins big sister (and new boss) Katy, who is nearly 5 years old.



▲ **Einar Jensen '95** and wife Debra proudly announced the birth of twin daughters Tabor and Kaliska on Sept. 2, 2008. Einar now works as a life safety educator for the South Metro Fire Rescue Authority in Centennial, Colo., while also continuing to serve Clear Creek County as a volunteer firefighter.



▲ **Erika VanNynatten Carlson '96** writes: "We had a busy 2008. In January we welcomed our baby boy, Evan, to our family. He was born at home. [My husband,] Jeremy, caught him when he was born and then brought big sister Anna (who was 3 years old at the time) in to meet him. We added 500 square feet to our house to accommodate our growing family. I started a part-time job with the National Alliance for Drug Endangered Children, working on their online resource center. The photo is of me, going door-to-door registering voters during the presidential election, carrying Evan on my back."



▲ **Marcia Lovegren Kinne '99** sends this update: "I got married to my amazing husband, Joshua Kinne, on May 31, 2008. We went on a six-week-long honeymoon, traveling around Greece, Turkey, and Italy. We live in the small town of Ridgway, Colo., in the heart of the San Juan Mountains, where I teach kindergarten and my husband is a carpenter. I now have two wonderful stepkids, Faith, 7, and Shannon, 11."



◀ August 2008. **Jessica Morrison Singh '00** visited **Kristin Ranf '99**, and Kristin's husband and two daughters in Valencia, Spain. From left: Jessica, holding Nahia (pictured at 3 months old), and Kristin, holding Sofia, 4. Kristin moved to Spain after graduation to be with her husband and to earn her doctorate.



▲ **Amy Ma Winterowd '99** and husband Jesse happily announce the addition of a daughter to their family. Jasmine Aurora Winterowd was born on July 27, 2008, and weighed a whopping 9 pounds, 12 ounces! Jasmine (who is pictured here at 6 months old) is discovering new things every day and especially loves to observe the family dog, Atlas, says Amy.



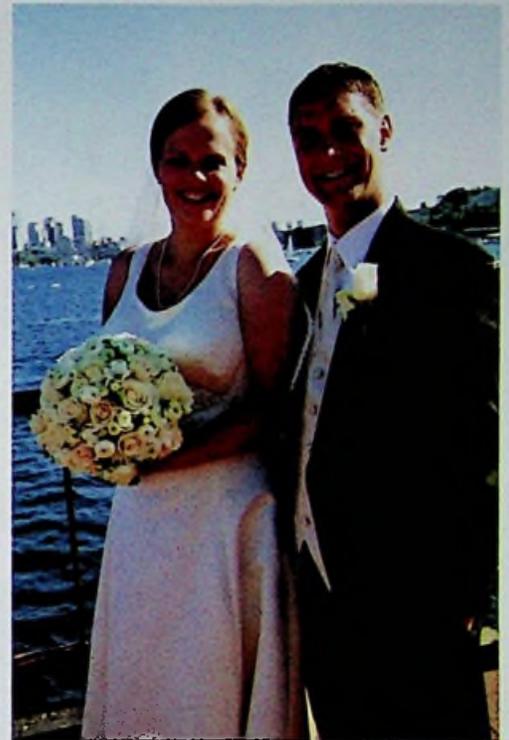
▲ **Gretchen Van Dyke '99** and David Miller were married on June 21, 2008, at Kitsap Memorial State Park near Poulsbo, Wash. The artful work of Wallflower Photography owners **Scott Schoeggl '99** and **Laura Haycock Schoeggl '00** captured the event. This Puget Sound pyramid includes, bottom row, from left: **Ashleigh Snyder Powell '00**, **Jeff Masse '99**, **Danielle Harrington '99**, **Erika Sparks-Martinson B.S.'99**, **D.P.T.'02**, **Sarah Blawat Beldin '00**, **Katie Heermann '00**, and **Sarah Grant '99**. Middle row, from left: **Laura and Scott Schoeggl**, **Yoshi Nakagawa '99**, **Cort Beldin '99**, **Hannah Aoyagi '01**, and the bride. Top row: **Mike Rottersman '99**.



▲ **Erin Lavery '01** (right) married her partner of five years, **Renee Perez**, on Oct. 3, 2008, in an intimate civil ceremony at San Diego's County Administration Center. The two live in Seattle with their three cats. In her note to us, Erin also expressed her gratitude to Puget Sound's theatre department faculty and staff for all they taught her.



▲ On April 19, 2008, **Chris Peterson '00** and **Katie Marcus '01** were married in Pasadena, Calif. Loggers in attendance were, back row, from left: **Brian Jaynes '01**, **Jessica Stewart Bradley '01**, **Jared Savitz '00**, **Kit Clark '01**, **Kim Bartsch Miyake '00**, **Walt Jones '01**, **Katy Ratz Mooberry '01**, and **Jonathan Kendrick '03**. Front, from left: **Christen DeFazio '00**, **Jennifer Lynn Meisberger '01**, **Rebecca Browning '00**, the groom and bride, **Ross Swanes '00**, and **Clare Loughlin Swanes '00**.



▲ **Emma Beyer '02** married **Eli West** on July 19, 2008, aboard the *MV Skansonia* ferryboat on Seattle's Lake Union. Bridesmaids included **Kate Gigler '02**, **Sylvia Perek '02**, and **Angela Staehle '02**. Other UPS alumni in attendance were **Emily Treackle '03**, **Cara Gudger '04**, **Sam Taylor '01**, **Stephanie Mackley '02**, **Christine Burton '06**, and **Michelle Baillie Bauer '02**. The couple live in Stockholm, Sweden, where Emma is a kindergarten teacher at Futura International and Eli is a student at Stockholm University.



▲ **Windy Chase '01** married **Matthew Ford** on July 13, 2008. Puget Sound classmates present to celebrate, from left: **Elizabeth Nydegger Boland '01**, **Megan Fong '01**, **Tom Coate '01** (holding **Soren**), **Megan Jacobsen Coate '01**, **Emily Schroeder '01**, the bride, **Kristen Crabtree '01**, **Susannah Hochstein '00**, and **Serena Lee '00**. The couple reside in Portland, where Matthew is a scientist at Oregon Health and Science University and Windy teaches fifth grade.



▲ **Caitlin Prueitt McFeron '02** writes: "My husband, **Jesse**, and I welcomed our daughter, **Molly**, on March 25, 2008. We are living and working in the Seattle area and enjoying every moment with our little girl."



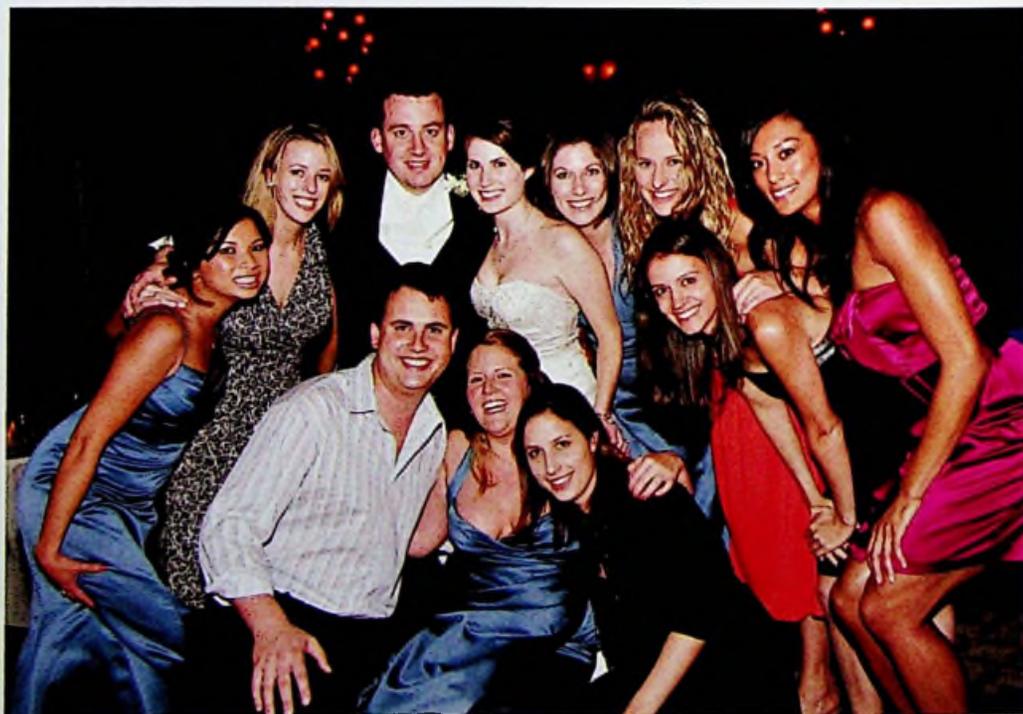
▲ **Marika Henderson '02** and Jon Sears were married on Sept. 6, 2008, outside of Polson, Mont. Loggers in attendance were **Colleen Allen '02, Nicole Bavo '03, Tory Gildred '02, Shannon Howard '02, Amy McAfee '02, and Kyle Meidell B.A.'03, M.A.T.'05**. The newlyweds honeymooned in New Zealand for three weeks in February 2009. Marika works for an environmental consulting firm in Anchorage, Alaska, and Jon is a project manager for a construction company.



▲ **Thomas Roe '03** and **Cara Thomsen Dalbey '03** at their graduation in October 2008 from Argosy University, Seattle, where each earned a doctorate in clinical psychology. Thomas is completing a post-doctoral program at the University of California, Davis, and Cara is working as a behavioral health consultant at a primary care clinic in Renton, Wash.



▲ **Hillary Schenk '02** married Ian Woodward-Poor on Sept. 20, 2008, in Park City, Utah. Several Loggers were there to celebrate with the happy couple. From left: **Erin Hardy '02, Sara Sabelhaus '02**, the groom and bride, **Sherwin Baghai '02, Tara Logan Olney '02, and Ty Nelson '00**. The couple reside in Park City, where Hillary is a clinical social worker and Ian is a bank loan officer.



▲ **Kayla Robinson '04** and Kevin McCain were married at The Aerie at Eagle Landing in Happy Valley, Ore., on Sept. 19, 2008. The wedding party included, back row, from left: bridesmaid **Victoria Nguyen '04, Carla Winter '05**, the groom and bride, bridesmaid **Tessa Shelton Davis '03, Erika Juergensen '03, Allison Graham '03, and Elizabeth Brown '03**. Front row, from left: **Tyler Cooley '03, bridesmaid Nicole Both '04, and Danielle Wiggins '05**. The couple live in Portland, Ore., where Kayla is a marketing manager for a medical consulting company and Kevin works for Wells Fargo.



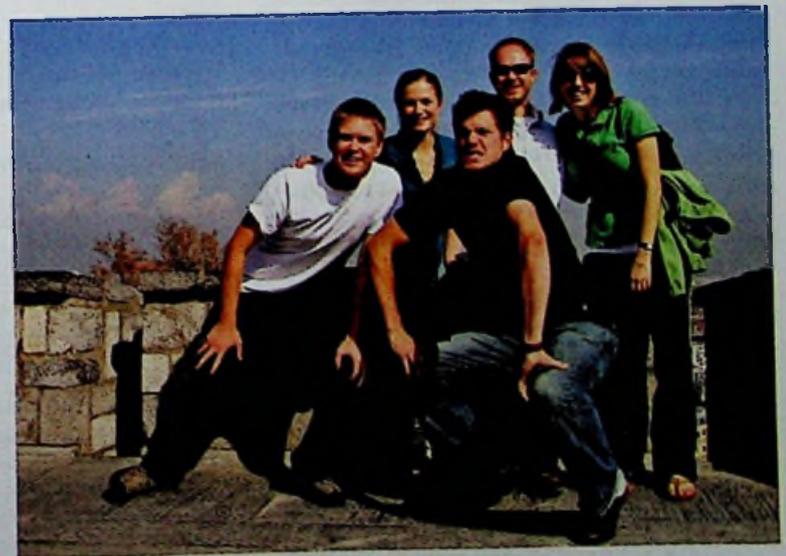
▲ **Jennifer Johansson '02** married Stephen Poole on Aug. 23, 2008, at Skamania Lodge in Stevenson, Wash. Two of Jen's Gamma Phi Beta sorority sisters were her bridesmaids. From left: **Kirsten Miller '02**, the bride, and **Andrea Tull '02**. Jen is a middle-school teacher in the Beaverton School District and lives in Portland, Ore. Kirsten lives in Chicago, where she is a Web editor for the *Chicago Sun-Times*, and Andrea is the government relations director for MultiCare Health System in Tacoma.



▲ **Christina Engstrom M.A.T.'07** and Michael Roshak were married on Aug. 2, 2008, at The Quarry in Mount Vernon, Wash. Chrissy and Mike were introduced through a mutual friend and met on a blind date at Katie Downs restaurant in Tacoma. Chrissy is an art teacher in Tacoma, and Mike, a computer programmer in Seattle, is working on his Ph.D. at Capella University. The couple spent their honeymoon in Jamaica and purchased a home in Kent, Wash.



▲ In June 2008 **Reagan Grabner '03** and **David Severn '03** graduated from the Harvard University Business School. Family and friends made it to Boston for the event. From left: Reagan, **Lindsey Atwood Grabner '04**, retired Puget Sound business faculty member Tom Schillar, **Sylvia Davidson Severn '68**, and David. Their T-shirts read "Harvard: The UPS of the East!"



▲ **Sarah Nickel '08** and best friend from Puget Sound **Arlene Smith '08** spent two months backpacking through Europe last fall. They were joined by **Rayl Smith '08** and **Karl Lindstrom '08** for a month, and by Arlene's big brother, **Harlan Smith '05**, who met up with the travelers for a week. In Ljubljana, Slovenia, from left: Karl, Arlene, Rayl, Harlan, and Sarah.

# In memoriam

**Wilmott Ragsdale '33** died on Jan. 16 at the age of 97. He was born in Aberdeen, Wash., graduated from Stadium High School in 1929, and went on to hold an astonishing range of jobs, among them professional fighter, logger, news reporter, bridge tender, and college professor. In retirement he was a part-time instructor of English at Puget Sound. "Rags," as he was known, left Puget Sound while still an undergraduate and boarded a freighter for France. He lived in Paris for two years, working at the American Library and as a tutor. Returning to Tacoma, he began his career climb in journalism, starting as a sports reporter for a local radio station. Later he was a news editor for Transradio Press in Arizona. Rags married Eleanor Jones in 1938, and the couple moved to Chicago, where he continued to work for Transradio before a transfer to Washington, D.C., in 1939 to cover the State Department and the White House. In 1940 *The Wall Street Journal* hired Rags for that same beat, and in 1941 he went to work for Time-Life. During World War II Time-Life posted Rags in London. There he met photographer Robert Capa, Mary Welsh (later Hemingway), and other wartime correspondents. He crossed the English Channel onboard the destroyer *USS Frankford* and went ashore at Omaha Beach on day two of the Normandy invasion. Rags also was onboard the *USS Texas* when the battleship was hit during the Battle of Cherbourg. After the war he returned to Tacoma and worked as a bridge tender while trying his hand as a novelist. Rags finished his undergraduate degree at the University of Washington, then earned his master's from The Johns Hopkins University in 1952. He taught for a short time in New York City and at Grinnell College until 1957. Rags and his first wife divorced in 1957, and he married the former Jane Slichter Harnack. The couple moved to Bangkok, Thailand, where he helped set up a journalism program at Thammasat University and wrote for *Newsweek* magazine. Two years later he began teaching journalism at the University of Wisconsin-Madison. During 20 years on the faculty there, he was twice awarded the Most Valuable Teacher Award. Rags helped establish journalism schools at universities in Manila and Cairo during the late 1960s. He retired from the University of Wisconsin in 1981. At age 85 he climbed the 13,435-foot Mount Kinabalu on the island of Borneo, and he continued to travel extensively into his 90s. His wife and three daughters survive him.

**Harold Dille '37** passed away in January. He was 93 years old. A Stadium High School graduate, Harold married Virginia Ludwick in 1942. He served in the Army's 10th Mountain Division during World War II before completing his degree in accounting at the University of Washington. Harold spent his career working for Woodworth and Company in Tacoma. He was an avid outdoorsman and athlete. Major adventures included climbing all of the Northwest's major mountains, cycling solo across the country, and hunting elk in Alaska. Harold was an American history buff and retraced, via bicycle or canoe, many of the routes that Lewis and Clark reportedly traveled. He was a longtime member of the First Presbyterian Church in Tacoma. Harold was preceded in death by his wife of 65 years. His three children, three grandchildren, and four great-grandchildren survive him.

**Charles Hammond '40** died peacefully in his sleep on Nov. 21, 2008, at 90 years old. Born and raised in

Tacoma, he was a 1936 Stadium High School graduate. To pay for college Charles worked for his father at Hammond Fruit and Produce and took other part-time jobs. While at CPS he fell in love with his biology lab partner, Margret Goodman '40. They were married in 1943 while Charles was serving in the U.S. Coast Guard. After the war he finished pre-med requirements at the University of Washington and graduated in 1952 with honors. He was elected to the national medical honor society Alpha Omega Alpha and completed training at the University of Cincinnati Hospital and Sacramento County Hospital. Charles and Margret returned to the Northwest and in 1954 started a family medical practice in Marysville, Wash. He enjoyed boating, skiing, tinkering with old sports cars, and photography. Charles served on the boards of Everett General Hospital, Bank of Everett, the Boy Scouts, and the YMCA, along with many professional associations. Son Whitney preceded him in death. Survivors are his wife of 65 years, three children, including son Curtis Hammond M.B.A.'78, and nine grandchildren.

**William Johnson '46** died on April 20, 2008, after a long illness. He was 90 years old. Bill grew up in Nebraska and attended college there before transferring to Puget Sound. He served in the Army's 41st Infantry Division in New Guinea and Australia during World War II. After the war he returned to Tacoma and married his college sweetheart, Dixie Thompson '40. Bill worked as a claims adjuster for Farmers Insurance Group and later became a branch manager in Portland, Ore. In retirement he enjoyed playing golf. Bill's wife and two sons preceded him in death. Two daughters and two granddaughters survive him.

**Gloria Sahlin Christensen '48** died at the age of 82 on Jan. 19. She graduated from Stadium High School and attended North Park College in Chicago for one year before returning to Tacoma. While attending CPS Gloria met Lawrence Christensen '48. The couple married in 1951 and were together until Lawrence's death in 2005. Gloria's degrees in home economics and music shaped her life. She was the organist at churches in Portland and Tacoma, and an avid gardener and traveler. Survivors include two daughters and five grandchildren.

**Anna Marie Switzer Elliott '48** passed away on Feb. 4, three days before her 83rd birthday. During the Depression, Marie, along with four siblings, was placed in a children's home in Portland, Ore., for adoption. She was adopted by the Rev. W.W. Switzer and his wife and grew up in various parts of Oregon and Washington as the Methodist Church assigned her father to various parishes. She graduated from high school in Waitsburg, Wash. Marie taught school in Kennewick, Wash., for 21 years and served 14 more years as a principal. She remained active with the Early Childhood Education and Assistance Program (ECEAP) for 20 years following her retirement. In 1965 Marie was named Kennewick Woman of the Year. She married Edson Elliott '57 in 1977, and they enjoyed trips over the years to 46 states in their motorhome, and to 22 countries. Marie is survived by Ed and other family, including sister-in-law Mary Louise Elliott Pearson '48, nephew Thomas Pearson '74, and niece Jane Pearson Hirst B.A.'79, J.D.'82. Other survivors are two daughters from a previous marriage and a grandson.

**Charlotte Coors O'Connor '48** died on Nov. 1, 2008, in Longview, Wash. She was 83. Charlotte was a Stadium High School graduate and a member of Pi Beta Phi sorority while at CPS. She and husband Dennis O'Connor '49 owned a store in Vaughn, Wash., for 10 years before moving to Longview. Charlotte enjoyed a long career in women's retail fashion, retiring at age 70. She then volunteered in local schools and thrift shops in the Longview area and was an avid gardener. Charlotte was preceded in death by her husband of 50 years. Survivors are a daughter, a granddaughter, and a great-granddaughter.

**John "Jack" Spencer '48** passed away on Nov. 30, 2008, at age 87. He attended CPS on a football scholarship, and was voted to the Northwest Conference All-Conference team in 1942. Jack was a member of the Class of 1945 until his college studies were interrupted by service in the Navy during World War II. He returned to Puget Sound after the war and was a member of Kappa Sigma fraternity. In August of 1944 he married his high school sweetheart, Shirley Trent. Jack went on to a successful teaching and coaching career, spending the first five years in Yelm, Wash. He then returned to his alma mater, Lake Washington High School in Kirkland, Wash., where he taught English and coached varsity basketball. He retired in 1978. Jack was preceded in death by his wife of 63 years. Survivors are three children, six grandchildren including Andrea Schneider Richards '95, and nine great-grandchildren.

Following three years with prostate cancer, **C. William Brasier '49** passed away at his home on Vashon Island, Wash., on Jan. 31. He was 83 years old. Bill was born and raised in Tacoma and graduated from Stadium High School in 1943. On the swim team there in both his junior and senior years, he was state champion in the 50-meter freestyle. Bill then enlisted in the Navy and served aboard the *USS Franklin*. He earned undergraduate degrees from both Puget Sound and the University of Washington simultaneously and began a career in banking as a teller at American Savings and Loan. Rapidly advancing through the ranks, Bill was CEO and chair of the board of American Savings by age 40. By the time American Savings merged with Tacoma Savings and Loan, the bank had grown from three branches to 20 under Bill's leadership. Retiring in 1985 he was still chair of the board until the bank was sold to Bank of America. Bill was an avid boater and competed in more than 40 Swiftsure Classic races. He was a life member of the Tacoma Yacht Club and volunteered for many civic groups, including the Tacoma Symphony as its president. Two sons preceded him in death. Bill's wife of 34 years, Roberta Whinery Brasier '64, three sons, and two granddaughters survive him.

**Mary Wight Cadigan '49** died peacefully on Nov. 22, 2008, at home in Bellevue, Wash., at age 81. She was born on Fox Island, Wash., and attended a one-room schoolhouse there. Mary then graduated from Stadium High School. While at the College of Puget Sound, Mary became reacquainted with James Cadigan '50, a classmate from Stadium. The two were married in 1946 and raised four children. Mary enjoyed gardening and was active in the Issaquah Alps Trails Club, for which she led numerous hikes. She was a member of a local book club, the members of which

had been together for more than 20 years. Mary also was a reading tutor and volunteered in nursing homes. Survivors are her husband, four children, six grandchildren, and three great-grandchildren.

**Ruth Ann Potter Smith '49** passed away on Dec. 17, 2008, at the age of 81. She was a Stadium High School graduate and went on to earn her undergraduate degree and teaching certificate from Washington State University. Ruth Ann taught at Stewart Junior High School for 30 years, retiring in 1982. She enjoyed gardening and was actively involved with St. John's Episcopal Church in Gig Harbor, Wash. Ruth Ann's husband of 53 years, Bob Smith, her son, and two grandsons survive her.

**Harold Snodgrass '49** died of a brain aneurism on Dec. 13, 2008. He was 82 years old. Hal grew up on a wheat ranch in Spokane County. Hal's father died during the Depression, leaving his mother with five young children. He worked as a paperboy for the Tacoma *News Tribune* to help support his family. Hal was active in Boy Scouts and advanced to Eagle Scout. He graduated from Lincoln High School in 1944 and was editor of the *Lincoln News* there and a member of the cappella choir. The group performed nearly 50 concerts in 1942, one with famed singer and actor Paul Robeson. After high school graduation he was hired as a copy boy with the *Tribune*. He was deciding whether to attend classes at CPS when he was drafted into the Army. He served from 1944 to 1946. Hal returned to Puget Sound after the war and earned his bachelor's degree in English and his teaching certificate. His first teaching job was in Wapato, Wash., teaching English and journalism. He went on to earn his master's degree and Ph.D. from Washington State University. Hal taught in the Puyallup schools for seven years before accepting the position of director of public relations for the Tacoma school district, a job he held for more than 20 years. He retired in 1981 and enjoyed travel, playing golf, and singing with the Norwegian singers association, Normanna Male Chorus. Hal's son, and his wife of 51 years, Naydene, preceded him in death. His second wife, Carol Ann, survives him.

**F. June Bendick '50** passed away on Dec. 3, 2008, at age 82. A lifelong Tacoma resident, June graduated from Aquinas Academy in 1945. She worked as a medical laboratory technician and retired from American Lake Veterans Hospital. June enjoyed visiting friends and going out to eat. Numerous cousins and friends, including frequent visitors Margaret and Edna, survive her.

**Rayme Stebbins Combs '50** died on Jan. 1, four days after her 82nd birthday. She grew up in the small mining town of Wardner, Idaho, before coming to Puget Sound. In her sophomore year of college, she was engaged to Herbert Combs. The two built their first house in Tacoma's North End. The family enjoyed camping and fishing, and were active with their church. Herbert, who worked for Hooker Chemical Corp., died unexpectedly in 1970. Rayme then went to work in banking to raise her sons, ages 7 to 15. Four sons and 11 grandchildren survive Rayme.

**John T. McCormick '50** passed away peacefully on Jan. 5. He was 89. Tom attended St. Martin's College before marrying Virginia Lee Radke in 1942. He was a pilot in the Army Air Corps during World War II, in the

European Theater. Tom completed his education when he returned home and opened an accounting and tax service. His business was at the corner of 6th and Union avenues until his retirement in 2004. Tom was a member of the Prince of Peace Lutheran Church in Tacoma and enjoyed spending time with his family at his home on Dutcher Cove. Survivors are three children, seven grandchildren, and 11 great-grandchildren.

**Robert Robbins '50** passed away quietly on Dec. 17, 2008, after a long illness. He was 81 years old. Bob was a descendent of early Thurston County settlers and grew up in Olympia, Wash., graduating from then William Winlock Miller High School. He attended the College of Puget Sound after serving in the U.S. Navy during World War II. Bob was honored with a Logger inspirational award from his football teammates and was a member of Kappa Sigma fraternity. After college he took the position of assistant director of parks and recreation for the city of Renton, Wash. Later Bob was director of parks and recreation for the cities of Puyallup and Olympia. After retiring from his position in Olympia, Bob became a land developer in West Olympia. He was an avid sportsman. His wife of 60 years, Isabelle Faye McCrady Robbins '49, two sons, one daughter, and four grandchildren survive Bob.

**Russell Selles B.S. '51, B.A. '53** died on Jan. 10 at age 93. He was in the Air Force for 31 years, retiring as a lieutenant colonel. Russell continued his education and earned his master's degree from the University of California, Berkeley. Survivors are his wife, Fern, two daughters, and numerous other family members.

**Joan Harrison Barnes '52** died on Dec. 24, 2008, at the age of 78. She was a member of the Delta Delta Delta sorority. Her husband, Edwin Barnes '51, preceded her in death in September 2008. The two were married in 1952 and eventually settled in the Normandy Park area, south of Seattle. Joan was the organist at St. Elizabeth Church for many years. Three children and four grandchildren survive her.

**Mead McDonald '54** lost his battle with cancer on Feb. 11. He was 76 years old. Mead was a 1950 graduate of Clover Park High School and the goalie for the school's championship hockey team. He was a member of Sigma Chi fraternity at Puget Sound and met his wife of 56 years, Janice Beitz McDonald '54, at the university. Mead was the owner of Western Auto Licensing in Parkland, Wash., for 45 years. He was an active member of Parkland's Access Safety Association, the Spanapark Lions Club, and the Garfield Street Business Association. He enjoyed travel, square dancing, and spending time with his family. Mead's wife, four children, and six grandchildren survive him.

**Carolyn Newhouse Williams '55** passed away on July 15, 2008, after a brief battle with cancer. She was 74. Carolyn graduated from Stadium High School and sang with the Adelpian Concert Choir and Madrigal Singers while at Puget Sound. She also was a member of the Choral Readers, Independents, and Sigma Alpha Iota music fraternity. Carolyn lived in Charleston, S.C., for many years and raised her four children there. She was a sales auditor for Condon's Department Store until the store closed in 1999. Survivors are her children and their families, seven grandchildren, and two siblings, including Marjorie Newhouse Merjanlan '54.

**Donald Rasmussen '56** passed away on Jan. 19 at the age of 76. Don grew up in Tacoma and graduated from Stadium High School. While at Puget Sound, he played baseball and football, and was a member of the Kappa Sigma fraternity and ROTC. Before entering active military duty, he played baseball briefly for the Chicago White Sox organization. Don earned his pilot's wings in the Air Force and later pursued a career as a commercial pilot, retiring from Northwest Airlines with the rank of captain. Don's wife of 49 years, Ruth, two children, and seven grandchildren survive him.

Lifelong Tacoma resident **Stanley Sams '59** died on Dec. 27, 2008. He was 76 years old. Stan attended Lincoln High School and worked as a candymaker for Brown and Haley after graduation. He then joined the service and was stationed at Naval Air Facility El Centro in California, where he earned a National Defense Service Medal. Stan then worked for Tacoma General Hospital for 27 years and later the Department of Social and Health Services until retirement in 2002. He volunteered for Tacoma Little Theatre productions for many years and served as board president. Stan met his wife, Dianna Darland Sams '65, through his work with the theater. He was a worldwide traveler. Stan was a member of the Tacoma Elks and the First Christian Church in Tacoma, where he taught Sunday school. Stan's wife preceded him in death. Many family members and friends survive him.

**Cheryl Zumwalt Sartwell '59** died on Feb. 2 at 71 years of age after a long battle with cancer. She grew up in Salinas, Calif., and graduated from Salinas Union High School before attending Puget Sound. Cheryl married her husband, Charles Sartwell, in 1962. The couple moved to Corvallis, Ore., and lived there for 25 years. Cheryl worked as a legal secretary and also served as a longtime advisor for the Delta Delta Delta sorority chapter at Oregon State University. Cheryl also worked on the boards of the Corvallis Victim-Offender Reconciliation Program and Camp Fire USA Willamette Valley Council. In retirement she enjoyed singing in her church choir and serving on the worship committee. Her husband, three children, and two grandchildren survive Cheryl.

**Richard Pruett '62** passed away on Jan. 7. He was 69. Dick was a 1957 graduate of Tacoma's Lincoln High School. At Puget Sound he wrestled, played football, and was affiliated with Kappa Sigma fraternity. After four years of coaching at Puyallup High School, Dick took over the wrestling program at Kent-Meridian High School. In his 26 years at Kent, he produced 63 state placers, 16 champions, and three team titles. Dick was inducted into the Washington state and national wrestling coaches halls of fame in 1994. He compiled a record of 298-72-7 during his 30-year coaching career. He retired in 1992. Many of his former wrestlers went on to their own careers in coaching. His wife, Penny Ruff Pruett '63, preceded him in death.

**Paul Iverson '63** died on Jan. 6 after a brief illness. He was 68. Paul was raised in Seattle and graduated from West Seattle High School in 1958. At Puget Sound he was a member of the Theta Chi fraternity. Paul served in the U.S. Air Force, and went on to earn his certification as a commercial real estate appraiser, licensed in both Washington and Oregon. He was the

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owner of Paul Iverson and Associates Inc. and retired in October 2008. He enjoyed playing golf and watching sports and movies. His wife, two daughters, a stepson, and three grandchildren survive Paul.

**Homer Dellinger '65** died at age 87 on Dec. 27, 2008. He grew up in Dodge City, Kan., and earned his private pilot license through a junior-college program there. Homer then joined the Army Air Corps aviation cadet program, graduating as a second lieutenant in 1942. He also married his wife of 62 years, Ethleen Neidens, in 1942. Homer served in New Guinea and the Philippines as a fighter pilot during World War II. He continued in the Air Force as a finance officer and retired as a lieutenant colonel after 22 years of

**Grant Johnson B.A. '79, J.D. '82** died on Jan. 7 in a car accident. He was 51. Grant grew up in Everett, Wash., and was a member of Beta Theta Pi fraternity at Puget Sound. He met his wife, Maureen Sweeney Johnson '81, in the college library. The two were married in 1983 and in 1984 moved to Wenatchee, Wash., where he was a partner in the law firm of Johnson, Gaukroger, Drewelow, and Woollett. Grant held leadership positions in the Chelan-Douglas County Bar Association and the Young Lawyers Division of the Washington State Bar, among many other posts. He was an active member of St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Wenatchee and coached his kids' sports teams. Grant enjoyed hiking, skiing, fantasy baseball, and cheering on his kids. He was an avid reader of history, politics, and sports, and a writer of fiction. He collected comic books, record albums, and baseball cards, and enjoyed time with his family at their cabin on Lake Chelan. Grant's wife of 26 years, two daughters, and a son survive him.

Beta Theta Pi fraternity brothers at Grant Johnson's memorial service in Wenatchee. Back row, from left: Larry Johnson '78, Andy Dahl '79, Hugh Hall '78, Mike McLeod '84, Dan Webster '80, and Kevin Hurtley '82. Row 4: Steve Pohlman '76, Russ Greer '80, Steve Dorsey '84, Kirk Utter '81, Charlie Hamilton '77, and Bob Ritter '84. Row 3: Chris Myers '82, Lloyd Zimmerman '79, Tom Kretzler '82, Jim Lentz '78, and Kevin McDonald '80. Row 2: Bill Sims '79, Greg Bulkeley '82, Don Bulkeley '79, Brad Foltz '79, Jack Whittall '79, and Bert Hogue '80. Front row, from left: Bob Blanusa '79, Jim Horgdal '80, Colin Jones '79, Grant's son, Connor, Bob Homchick '79, and Jim Lekas '78.



service. Homer then earned his degree in business and was appointed director of finance for the city of Richland, Wash. He later worked for the Washington State Auditor's Office as a store examiner until his final retirement in 1984. He was a member of the Military Officers Association of America, as well as several other clubs and organizations. Ethleen preceded him in death. Survivors include three sons and two daughters.

**Mary Jane Miller McLarney '65** passed away peacefully on Dec. 1, 2008. She was 65 years old. Mary Jane graduated from Bellevue High School. She was a member of Gamma Phi Beta sorority at Puget Sound. She and her husband, Arthur McLarney '69, celebrated their 42nd wedding anniversary last fall. Mary Jane worked for The Boeing Company before being hired by the Department of Social and Health Services as a social worker placing children in adoptive homes. After raising her own children, she continued working with kids as a volunteer and reading tutor at Narrows View Elementary School in Tacoma. Mary Jane earned a Golden Acorn Award for her work with the school. In retirement Mary Jane and Art took their first cruise to Alaska and traveled to many Scandinavian countries. Her husband, two daughters, and one granddaughter survive her.

**Joyce McDonald Case '67** passed away on Jan. 30 at age 82. Joyce was born in Seattle, and her family moved to Alaska in 1943. She graduated from Fairbanks High School in 1944. Joyce moved back to Seattle and met William Case '50 through family friends. The two were married in 1948. Joyce worked as a secretary for the Weyerhaeuser Company while Bill attended Puget Sound. She was active in Key Peninsula community events and the Vaughn, Wash., PTA. After earning her degree in music education, Joyce taught at Vaughn Elementary School until retiring in 1982. She participated in choral, church, and opera groups. In retirement Joyce volunteered with the Pierce County Sheriff's Department and tutored new U.S. citizens in English. She also enjoyed traveling. Her husband of 60 years, four children, six grandchildren, and two great-grandsons survive Joyce.

**Michael Franklin B.A. '69, M.Ed. '78** died on Dec. 28, 2008. He was 61 years old. While attending Puget Sound, Michael married his high school sweetheart, Paula McMakin '69, on Jan. 28, 1967. He was a gifted artist and enjoyed working with his hands. Michael's wife of nearly 42 years, 10 children, and seven grandchildren survive him.

**Gary Harrison '72** passed away unexpectedly on Dec. 15, 2008. He was 58 years old. Gary was a Wilson High School graduate and member of Phi Delta Theta fraternity at Puget Sound. He was a standout high school and college athlete and was a Golden Gloves boxer. Gary worked as a longshoreman for the Port of Tacoma for more than 40 years and was a member of ILWU Local #23. Gary's passions were his two children and grandson, who survive him.

**Cheryl Redmond Andrews Longwood '74** died on Dec. 4, 2008, at the age of 55. She graduated from Centennial High School in Compton, Calif., before attending Puget Sound. After earning her degree in education, Cheryl obtained teaching credentials in California. While teaching in the Los Angeles Unified

School District, she also operated a methadone clinic. Cheryl decided she wanted to work with special-needs populations and enrolled at California State University, Dominguez Hills, to pursue a master's degree in special education, which became her career for the next 25 years. She married Curtis Darrell Andrews in 1977 and moved with him to Killeen, Texas, where he was stationed at the time. In 1981 Cheryl returned to Los Angeles to earn her teaching credentials in special education. She went on to earn a second master's degree as a resource specialist in 1988. That same year she met her second husband, Peter Longwood. Cheryl's mother and brother preceded her in death. Survivors are her two sons, Darrell Andrews '00 and Evan Longwood, along with numerous extended family members, friends, and co-workers.

**Gary Pankey '76** died on Jan. 10 at 66 years of age. He was a retired Seattle police officer and owner of Gary Pankey Insurance Company. Gary met his wife of 46 years, Concetta, in Italy. She and their three children survive Gary, along with five grandchildren and other family members.

**Alden Erickson '84** peacefully passed away on Feb. 2 after a courageous battle with cancer. He was 69 years old. Al grew up in Tacoma and served in the Navy for two years. He earned a degree in education from Pacific Lutheran University and taught at Mann Junior High School for 16 years. He married Marie Barnreiter M.Ed. '80 in 1965; the two were married for 28 years. Al enrolled at Puget Sound to earn a degree in accounting and worked as a controller until retirement in 2002. He also built a successful tax service over the years. Al enjoyed various forms of music throughout his life, particularly barbershop quartets. While he was a teacher, he took his family on summer camping trips throughout the Northwest and Canada. Al enjoyed researching and collecting tokens. He also spent time on several pool league teams. His two sons, two grandchildren, and many cousins, nieces, and nephews survive him.

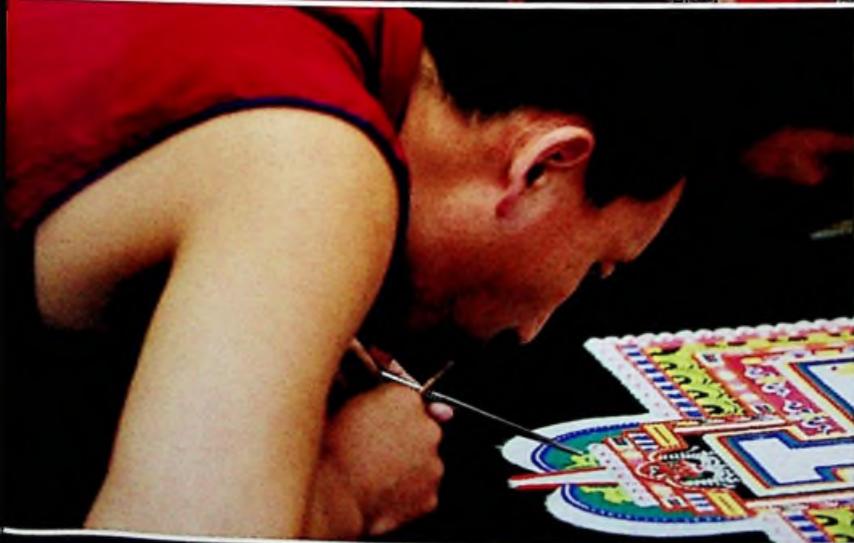
**Cathy Cronkleton Vanderlin '86** died on Dec. 18, 2008, at the age of 44. While attending Puget Sound, she met her husband, Andrew Vanderlin. The two were married in 1988. They lived in Federal Way, Wash., where Cathy worked for the Weyerhaeuser Company until 2006. They then moved to Wenatchee, Wash., and Cathy began working for Stemilt Growers as a business analyst. She enjoyed family gatherings, tandem bicycling with her husband, camping, and landscaping their new property in Wenatchee. Survivors are her husband and many other family members.

**Rita Getten '91** died on Dec. 23, 2008, of cancer. She was 44. Rita grew up in Montana, graduating from Harlem High School in Harlem. She enjoyed animals and had a passion for cars. Her parents preceded her in death. Survivors include her son, Thomas, several siblings, nieces, and nephews.

**Peter Bruch '05** passed away on Jan. 12 at the age of 25. He graduated from Littleton High School in Colorado, played competitive lacrosse, and was a rower. Peter enjoyed traveling and is best remembered for his big heart, his love of family, and being a caring big brother. Survivors are his parents, Molly and Michael Bruch, siblings Betsy, Calvin, and Abby, and grandparents Jenot and Sandy Mills.

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Monks from Tibet's Drepung Loseling Monastery spent three days on campus in mid-April creating a mandala sandpainting. Once completed, the painting was destroyed in a ceremony symbolizing the impermanence of life. The sand was then swept up, and half was distributed to the audience in small sacks. The remainder was ceremonially poured out on the Ruston waterfront to disperse the healing energies of the mandala throughout the region. Given the indignities of its industrial past, Ruston could use a little healing, we think.



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