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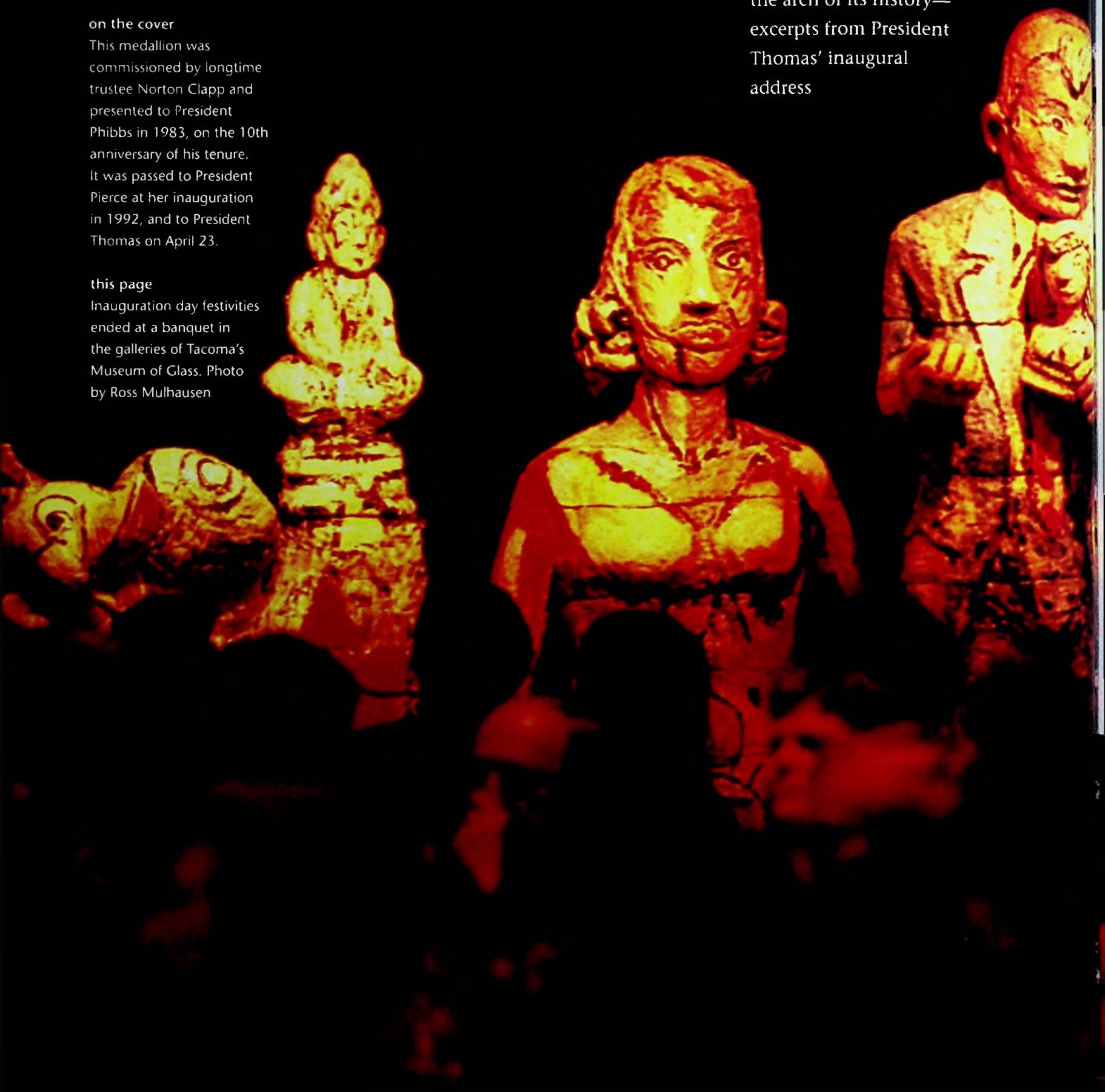
This medallion was commissioned by longtime trustee Norton Clapp and presented to President Phibbs in 1983, on the 10th anniversary of his tenure. It was passed to President Pierce at her inauguration in 1992, and to President Thomas on April 23.

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Inauguration day festivities ended at a banquet in the galleries of Tacoma's Museum of Glass. Photo by Ross Mulhausen

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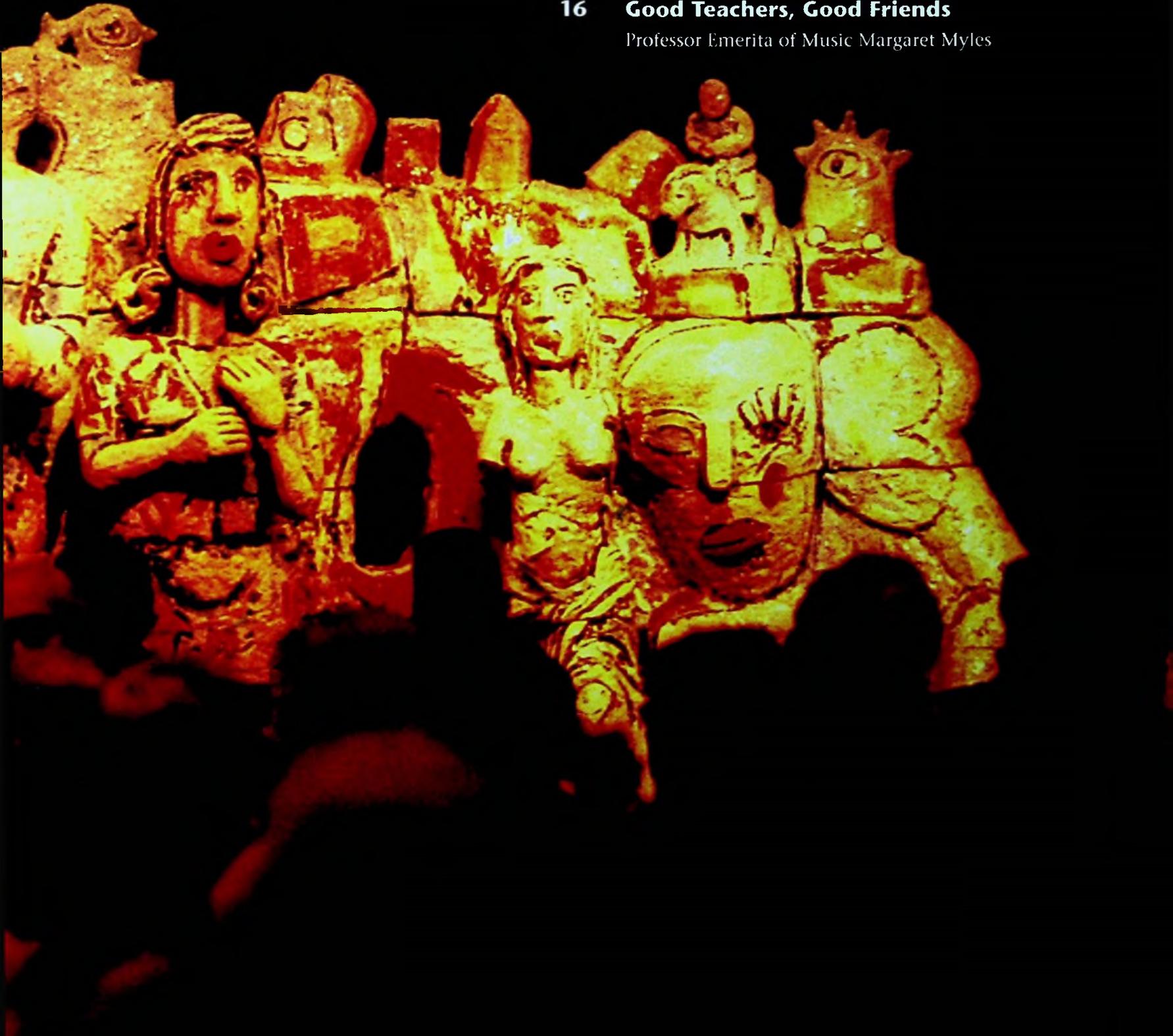
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## On Kelly and character

**G**reat article about John Kelly '67 in the spring issue of *Arches*. Of the many glowing attributes, I especially liked the quote from Jeff Pineo when referring to the Flight 261 tragedy: "What we saw with John was character that was broad and deep."

I have never met John, but I knew his father, Frank Kelly, who also had character that was "broad and deep." Frank was president of United Pacific Life Insurance Company, headquartered in Tacoma. Frank was a real gentleman, well respected in the insurance industry, and very well liked by both those working under him and those who knew him. It is no surprise that John was so successful, having Frank as his father.

Jack Falskow '59

Tacoma

## Flight 261: a different perspective

**A**mong the challenges John Kelly faced as CEO of Alaska Airlines was the crash of Flight 261 in 2000. At the time I was flying the KCBS television helicopter in Los Angeles and remember that day very well. I had already been up flying most of the afternoon when the cameraman/reporter caught some Coast Guard radio traffic about a plane crash off Pt. Mugu. No one had any details and from the sounds of it everyone was thinking a small private aircraft had crashed.

I beelined for the crash site, 14 miles off the Ventura coast, and was the third aircraft over the location. It became evident from the amount of seat cushions and insulation floating that a large aircraft had plunged into the water. The only recognizable piece of the plane left was the tailpiece. The gravity

of the situation hit pretty hard, and I remember wondering how an aircraft the size of an MD-80 could just vanish and take everyone on board with it. It seemed very surreal, and very tragic.

I spent the better part of a week covering the crash, recovery, and memorial service. I cannot fly or drive by the Ventura coast without thinking about Flight 261 to this day.

Chris Templeton '92  
Los Angeles



## Where are the women?

**I**think it's wonderful that the men's and women's basketball teams performed so well this year, as reported in the spring '04 *Arches*.

I think it is far from wonderful that the picture on page 3 did not include the female players as well. What, there wasn't room for them on the court?

Samantha Kahn '90  
Hayward, California

*We received a number of letters like the one above. No slight was intended. The Arches budget does not allow assignment of photographs for every story, and we often make do with existing pictures. That was the case here. The photo of the men's basketball team was an outtake from their formal team picture, taken in the fall. In it, the guys were hamming it up, pulling on each other's jerseys.*

*We titled the picture "The Uniform of Champions." The images available from the women's team pictures were more traditional. We simply chose the more entertaining photo.*

*We strive for the representational equity of all groups in Arches, but it's not always possible in a single issue. However, taken over the course of a year, we come closer to that ideal. — Ed.*

## Not an oddball after all

**A**s a proud returned Peace Corps volunteer (RPCV), I was pleased (and frankly surprised) to read of UPS's high production of Peace Corps volunteers [*Arches*, spring 2004]. When I attended Puget Sound, the student body seemed more interested in making money than helping the world. I was treated very oddly for my global perspective. Within my own department I was something of a troublemaker for pursuing work in occupational therapy outside of the traditional rehab setting. When I asked the clinical adviser about working overseas, she suggested I join the Army. When I told her that as a pacifist that was not what I had in mind, she responded, "But it's not a combat position!" How wonderful to know I'm not a UPS oddball after all. I urge all RPCVs to join our alumni association at [www.rpcv.org](http://www.rpcv.org), and for those interested in becoming a volunteer: [www.peacecorps.gov](http://www.peacecorps.gov).

May we all, in our own way, work toward a better world.

Celia A. Bosworth '90  
Pacific Grove, California

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ry, and phenomena from the campus



## **Pushing hard in the postseason**

The women's and men's basketball teams and the women's swim team competed for national championships in March. Women's basketball advanced the farthest, reaching the Elite Eight in the NCAA Division III Tournament. [Full story >>](#)

## sports

## Nuclear winter

*After a stunning winter season, Logger teams run, jump, and splash in the national sports spotlight*

How do you know when you've hit the big time? When the mayor comes calling. So it was for women's Head Basketball Coach Suzy Barcomb and men's Head Basketball Coach Eric Bridgeland in late May as they were cemented in Tacoma's public record at a City Council meeting. Former Puget Sound professor and current City of Tacoma Mayor Bill Baarsma '64 officially recognized "the achievements of the University of Puget Sound men's and women's basketball teams and their remarkable seasons of success, and I urge all in Tacoma to join in congratulating the players, coaches, students, alumni, and fans for their achievement and support of these Logger teams." The ceremony marked the final chapter of what was an impressive winter sports season for UPS.

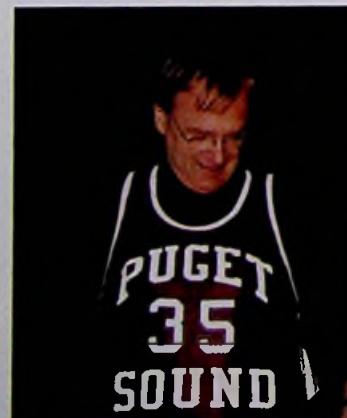
As we reported in the spring issue of *Arches*, the men's and women's basketball programs, as well as several women swimmers, advanced to postseason competition. All three programs represented Puget Sound well.

### Women's basketball

The women's basketball program took to the road for their run at fame and glory, winning three tournament games and advancing to the "Elite Eight" in the NCAA Division III Championship.

After an impressive final weekend to the regular season, where the Loggers took the Northwest Conference by winning two key road games, Puget Sound was again put to the test away from Memorial Fieldhouse. The Logger women received a first-round bye and traveled to Orange, Calif., for a second-round matchup with the Panthers of Chapman University. Puget Sound opened up an impressive 21-point lead in the second half and coasted to victory.

After securing their first NCAA postseason win, the Loggers returned home long enough to learn they would travel again for their "Sweet 16" opponent—this time to Thomas More in Crestview Hills, Ky., to face Buena Vista College from Iowa. A win against Buena Vista advanced the Loggers to a quarter finals game, where Puget Sound fell to eventual national champion Wilmington College, 63-60, in a game that came down to free throws in the final seconds. The Loggers ended the season with a program best 23-5 record. Forwards Lindsay May '05 and Angie Straw '04 were named to the All Sectional Tournament Team, while guard Kilty Keaton '06 was named an All-West Region player.



TOWN AND GOWN Tacoma Mayor Bill Baarsma '64 tries on his old school's colors.

### Women's swimming

In mid-March, the Puget Sound women's swimming team finished 13th at the NCAA Division III National Swimming and Diving Championships in St. Peters, Mo. Five Loggers competed at the nationals, and three earned All-America honors. (An athlete is considered an All-American in swimming if they finish in the top eight of their event.) Junior Michele Rennie earned two All-America awards, finishing second in the 200 breast (2:19.76) and fifth in the 100 breast (1:06.16). Breanna Trygg '06 garnered All-America honors for her third-place finish in the 100 back (57.87). Trygg also placed ninth in the 200 back (2:05.24). Alex Borgen '07 finished seventh in the 1,650 freestyle (17:18.09), bettering her NWC championship time by 19 seconds.

The Loggers' 400 medley relay team—swimmers Trygg, Rennie, Jess Martin '07, and Beth Demander '07—finished 10th overall. Each of the women will be back to swim for the Loggers next year, making the women's program the favorite in the NWC again as they pursue a ninth straight NWC title.

### Men's basketball

Men's basketball completed a magical season by bringing NCAA postseason basketball back to Memorial Fieldhouse. By virtue of a number-one regional ranking, the Loggers earned a bye into the second round of NCAA play. In that bracket, Puget Sound faced Pomona-Pitzer (Calif.) and quickly showed what Logger basketball was about in 2004: speed and points. Puget Sound jumped to a 10-0 lead in the first 57 seconds, on the way to an impressive 89-75 win in front of 1,618 screaming fans.



IN THE SWEET 16 After advancing two brackets in the NCAA Division III tournament, the Loggers fell to eventual national champions University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point. Matt Glynn '04 (above) became the first All-American for the basketball program since Bryan Vukelich '98.

On the heels of the victory, Puget Sound received notice that the four-team sectional round of the tournament would also be played in Tacoma. Puget Sound welcomed Sul Ross State (Texas), Lawrence University (Wis.), and University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point to campus, with a bid to the national semi-finals on the line. Puget Sound was the first Division III school on the West Coast to host a sectional round of NCAA playoff basketball.

The Loggers fell to Stevens Point, who went on to win the national championship the following weekend.

Completing the season 24-3, the Loggers matched the program's best record, established by the 1968-69 team. Senior guard Matt Glynn became the first All-American for the program since Bryan Vukelich '98 in the 1997-98 season. The team graduated only two seniors this spring.

— Brian Sponsler '97

## Spring sports roundup

### Crew

The Puget Sound women's rowing team put an emphatic ending on a fabulous year for Loggers athletics, finishing fourth at the NCAA Rowing Championships during Memorial Day weekend. The Loggers, who finished second in 2003, have cemented themselves as one of the top crew programs in the country over the past several years. Co-captains Hailey Noble '04 and Jessica McCullough '05 were named to the Collegiate Rowing Coaches Association (CRCA) All-America team and also earned positions on the CRCA National Scholar-Athlete Team. Four Logger teammates joined the pair on the scholar-athlete team. Senior Asia Wright, juniors Lindsey Rue and Elizabeth Wilbur, and sophomore Mira Copeland all were recognized for their athletic and academic achievements. Puget Sound's six recipients of the award were the second most of any school at the Division III level.

In addition to the women's outstanding performance at the championships, the Logger men and women had several impressive victories over the course of the season. Puget Sound made sure the storied Meyer/Lamberth Cups were safe for another year, after dominating at American Lake in mid-April. The Loggers retained both the Meyer and Lamberth Cups for the second time in the history of the two races. The men's varsity eight became just the second crew to win the Meyer Cup four consecutive times, matching a Logger run from 1980-83. In addition to



**FEVER PITCH** Olin Wick '04, a .317 hitter with 30 RBIs for the Loggers this season, was a Northwest Conference First-Team selection and was drafted by the Chicago White Sox on June 8.

the two main prizes, the Loggers won several other hotly contested events, with Puget Sound's novice crew winning the Mini-Meyer Cup and the alumni winning the Neil Cup. The Loggers also won the Al Lawrence Memorial Award, which debuted this year. The award is named for one of the first four-year rowers at Puget Sound and a longtime coach.

The men's varsity eight shell brought home a bronze medal from the WIRA Championships, powered by three Logger seniors who earned All-WIRA honors: Jordan Hanssen, Hart Williams, and coxswain Kathleen Sullivan. This third-place finish by the men's varsity eight matched the Loggers' previous best in 2001.

### Track and field

Puget Sound track and field hosted the Northwest Conference Championships in late-April, welcoming the conference's best to a recently renovated Baker Stadium. Puget Sound finished in fourth place on the men's side and sixth place on the women's side. The Loggers had five individual champions, led by distance runner Frank Prince '06, who won the 5,000 and

10,000-meter races. Senior Dan McLean capped his tremendous career as a Logger with a victory in the 1,500 meters, while sophomore Jena Robinson was victorious in the triple jump. Junior Katie Heaton won her third consecutive pole vaulting championship and earned a trip to the NCAA Division III Track and Field Champion-

ships. Heaton was the Loggers lone representative at the NCAAs in Illinois. Heaton, a two-time All-American in the event, vaulted 11 feet, 8 1/4 inches to finish in ninth place.

Other season highlights included a new school record in the 4x1600 men's relay set in late March by the quartet of Prince, captain Jimmy O'Dea '04, Kota Reichert '05, and Nick Mayers '06, and a second-place finish by McLean in the 1500 meters at the Indoor National Championships. For his effort, McLean was named West Region Indoor Track Athlete of the Year.

### Baseball

Logger baseball staked claim to their home yard this season, amassing an impressive 16-2 record at home as the program continued to develop under second-year head coach Brian Billings '00. The Loggers posted a 20-18 overall record,

## UPS teams end year placing high in national all-sports rankings and academic achievement

On the strength of three national top-10 finishes throughout the year, Puget Sound placed 28th in the final United States Sports Academy Directors Cup standings. UPS is the highest ranked NCAA Division III institution in the West and tops the Northwest Conference for the second consecutive year. The United States Sports Academy Directors Cup was developed as a joint effort between the National Association of Collegiate Directors of Athletics (NACDA) and USA Today. Four-hundred thirty NCAA Division III institutions are eligible for Directors' Cup competition.

Puget Sound teams finished the year ranked nationally in the Directors Cup standing for women's soccer, men's cross-country, women's basketball, men's basketball, women's swimming, and men's indoor track and field, earning 350.75 total points. Points are awarded based on each institution's finish in up to 18 sports—nine women's and nine men's. Women's crew, which placed fourth at the NCAA Championship, is not part of the Directors Cup.

In addition to athletic success, Puget Sound's student-athletes were high achievers in the classroom. Twenty of Puget Sound's 23 athletic teams have a cumulative team grade-point-average of 3.0 or better, while 13 student-athletes earned Academic All-America or All-Region honors. On the conference level, the Loggers' academic achievement was particularly impressive, as 101 student-athletes earned NWC All-Academic Honors, carrying a 3.5 or higher grade point average.

finishing fourth in the final conference standings. The 20 victories were the most by a Logger baseball team in more than two decades. The team was rewarded for their fine play with nine players named to the various All-NWC teams. Catcher Olin Wick '04 and starting pitcher Taylor Thompson '06 were First-Team selections. Wick, a .317 hitting senior who played in all 38 games for the Loggers this season, was also a First-Team selection in 2003. Thompson, an Honorable Mention selection last season, lead the Loggers in innings pitched (65.2) and strike outs (41), while posting a 5-4 record this year.

### **Women's lacrosse**

Women's lacrosse had a breakout season, finishing the year with a 5-3 record versus NCAA-sponsored programs. Puget Sound was ranked fifth in the West Region for three weeks during the season, a program first, and took two of three games from rival Linfield College. The Loggers spent much of the year on the road, traveling twice to California as well as to Texas in search of top-notch competition. Sophomore Whitney Mackman led the Loggers attack with 28 goals and seven assists, amassing an impressive 35 points for the season.

### **Softball**

Logger softball finished the year in fifth place in the NWC, with a 15-21 record. Puget Sound shortstop Maren Buck '05 was named to the CoSIDA Academic All-District VIII Softball Team for her performance over the season. Buck is a double major in chemistry and French. She carries a 3.98 grade-point-



Dean J. Koeppler/The New Tribune

**LEVEL BEST** Pole vaulter Katie Heaton '05 won her third consecutive NWC championship and earned a trip to the NCAA Division III Track and Field Championships, where she cleared 11' 8 1/4", finishing ninth.

average and is an acclaimed pianist as well. An All-NWC Honorable Mention selection in 2004, Buck batted .296 with 20 RBIs and a team-leading three home runs, while playing in all 36 games for the Loggers. Senior Kelsey Weidkamp completed her final season as a Logger, earning All-NWC First Team honors. Weidkamp left her mark on Logger softball, ending her career with the second-most games started and complete games pitched in a career. Joining Weidkamp in garnering All-NWC recognition were four other Puget Sound players. Robyn Humphreys Wright '05, Kayla Wells '05, Jessica Roberts '07, and Buck were named to the All-NWC Honorable Mention team.

### **Golf**

The women's golf team played to a third-place finish in the NWC, led throughout the season by Emily Lau '07. Lau, from Honolulu, Hawaii, earned

medalist honors at the championships, posting a two-day score of 159. For Lau, the win completed a perfect spring season in which she was a medalist in all six events she played. For her performance over the season Lau was named NWC Female Golfer of the Year. On the men's side, the golf team completed the season with a fifth-place finish in the conference and was led by the efforts of juniors Matt Rastine and Ian Courtnage, who consistently finished among the top five in action this year. The pair finished second and third at the Pacific Invitational, showing promise that the Loggers' prospects look good for next season.

### **Tennis**

Another standout freshman led the women's tennis program this season. Puget Sound's Taryn Anderson was named NWC Women's Player of the Year, as the Logger tennis season ended with a second-place

finish at the NWC Championships. The women advanced past Whitworth and George Fox during play at the championships to set up the finals match with Linfield College.

Anderson was undefeated in her first season of college tennis, the first player to do so for Puget Sound at the number one position in program history. Anderson went 17-0 in singles matches without dropping a set. Joining Anderson on the All-NWC First Team was teammate Courtney Durham '07.

The Logger men ended the season with a fourth-place finish at the NWC Championships. Two players were named to the All-NWC team. Junior Rogers Hawley, playing at number one for Puget Sound all season, was a First Team selection, while teammate and fellow junior Trent Neugebauer was named to the Second Team.

— Brian Sponsler '97

academic competitions

## Good reason

### Debate teams in three national tournaments

A year of hard work paid off for the university's forensics program, as Puget Sound was one of only six schools this spring selected for both the National Parliamentary Tournament of Excellence (NPTE) and the National Debate Tournament (NDT).

"In parliamentary debate, we are probably one of the top three or four schools in the country from our first team through our fourth team," said Director of Forensics Derek Buescher, an assistant professor in communications studies. "They're all very good and they're all very competitive. There are very few programs in the country that can compete with us top to bottom."

At NPTE, the team of Melissa Case '05 and Mike Allen '05 placed ninth, and the team of Josh Anderson '06 and Rachel Safran '06 placed 14th. This is especially impressive, as the NPTE involves just 48 teams based on their performance in tournaments throughout the year.

At NDT, held in Washington, D.C., April 2-6, Peter Campbell '06 and Jessica Gates '04 had a 4-4 record, which left them out of the final rounds. It's only the second time in recent history that Puget Sound was invited to this prestigious tournament that showcases the top teams in the U.S.

"The NDT is considered to be the most difficult and challenging debate tournament in the country," Buescher said. "To qualify for the

NDT is in part based on year-long effort and the recognition of the community that they participated. I'm very proud of what they've accomplished."

At another competition, the National Parliamentary Debate Association tournament, Melissa Case and Mike Allen placed ninth, and Josh Anderson and Rachel Safran placed 33rd out of about 310 teams. Allen was rated the 17th speaker and Case the eighth best speaker out of more than 620 students at NPDA.

Jessica Gates was named to the Cross-Examination Debate Association Academic All-American debate team.

About 20 students participate in Puget Sound's forensics program. It can be a lot of work; they put in at least 10 hours most weeks, up to 30 hours the week of a tournament. The competitions themselves involve long days.

the staff

## Two key appointments

### Dean of the university



Bartanen

Kristine M. Bartanen began duties as academic vice president and dean of the university on July 1. Bartanen has been with the university since 1978, when she joined the faculty as an assistant professor of communication and director of the forensics program. She was chair of the communication and theatre arts department from 1986 until 1993. She has been vice president for student affairs and dean of students at UPS since 1999, and served as associate dean of the university

from 1995-99.

Bartanen emerged as the strongest candidate following a national search that attracted more than 100 qualified applicants. She assumes the duties of dean July 1, and replaces Terry Cooney, who is stepping down from the position he has held since 1997.

### Director of development

John Idstrom began work as executive director of development on May 17. Idstrom comes to Puget Sound from the Jack Baskin School of Engineering

at the University of California, Santa Cruz, where he was director of development. Previously, he was director of campus advancement and development at the University of Washington, Tacoma. Earlier in his career he was director of development for Meany Hall at UW-Seattle, and held a similar position with the Dale Warland Singers in Minneapolis. He began his development career at his alma mater, the University of Minnesota.

— Greg Scheiderer

## CRIES AND WHISPERS

### Real business gets Trumped

*Those who'll admit watching say 'The Apprentice' is fun but fake*

"Tom Schillar, who teaches in the business leadership program at the University of Puget Sound, said the initial use of sexuality by the women contestants crossed the line. 'I've had a discussion about it with the men and women in my class, and the universal reaction is that this is sleazy,' he said. 'It did not match what they see as effective behavior in business.'

"Schillar hasn't been that impressed with the men, either.

"I have never felt that the guys have been high-enough quality that any one of them deserved a \$250,000 executive job."

— The Tacoma News Tribune, Feb. 19, 2004

### Films like *Troy* twist history for modern sensibilities

"Hollywood cinema is about conjuring a rich visual impersonation that lulls us into forgetting that what we see is not genuinely the past, but a re-enactment, with modern players and modern sensibilities. The difference between the past and the present is not just one of costume, but of worldview and values. Although we think of ancient Greece as the foundation of Western civilization, in fact, its culture feels quite alien to us."

"The intense patriarchy is difficult for us now," says Eric Orlin, head of the classics department at the University of Puget Sound in Tacoma, Wash. "Slavery, too, and its acceptance. And their attitude toward sexuality."

"The reality they saw was not the reality we see. For example, in a film such as *Troy*, the characters feel modern romantic love. It is one of our most central values as a culture."

"But the Greeks did not have the sense of romantic love between males and females that we have today," Orlin says.

"Many times, the most important emotional relationships men would have would be with other men," Orlin says. "It may be they are comrades in arms. Greeks didn't have the same categories of gender we have."

— The Arizona Republic, May 16, 2004

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# Thomas

"As poet Robert Pinsky so eloquently reminded us Tuesday night, the objects and identities that fill the present tense of our lives have histories and stories that run far deeper than we can ever see. With that in mind, it is not only from this audience that I address you today, but also from the spirit and history that lives on in these very floorboards, walls, and landscapes. Today, President Thomas, we offer you our sincerest thanks for the leadership you have already proven, our highest hopes for the success that awaits us all, and our warmest welcome into our home."

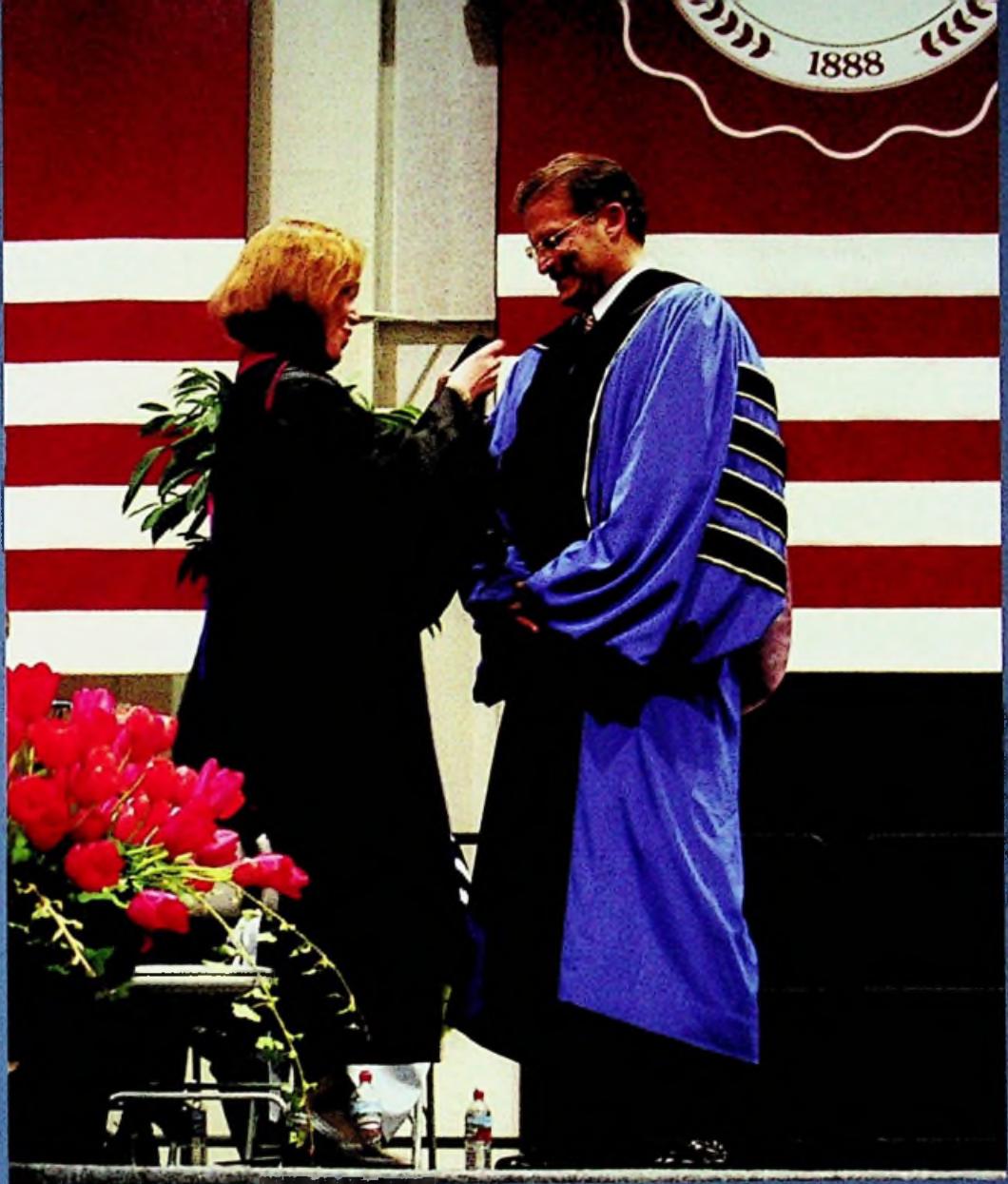
— Ryan M. Cunningham '05, president, ASUPS, in his official welcome from the student body



**Blessings** Members of the Puyallup Tribe conducted a blessing ceremony on campus the weekend before inauguration. At the ceremony, several generations of the family of Puyallup elder Jane Wright, mother of Christine Wright Henry '79 and Debra Wright Peterson '79, sang their family song.



**Music, old and new** The Adelphian Concert Choir sang several songs, including, with the audience, the Puget Sound Alma Mater. Among instrumental songs played by the university's Gabriel Consort was a piece called "Ascension," written by the group's conductor, Adjunct Professor Jason Linn, and dedicated to Professor Thomas. "Ascension" employed rhythms created by Morse Code for the letters U, P, and S.



**Transferring the emblem  
of leadership** President

Emerita Susan Resneck Pierce passes to President Thomas a bronze medallion bearing the university seal. The medallion was commissioned by longtime trustee Norton Clapp and presented to President Philip Phipps in 1983, on the 10th anniversary of his tenure. The medallion was given to President Pierce at her inauguration in 1992.

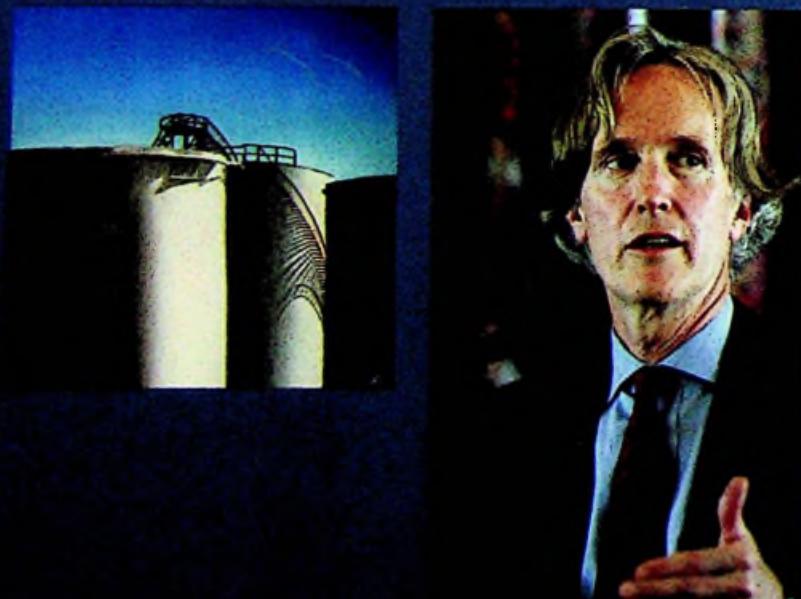
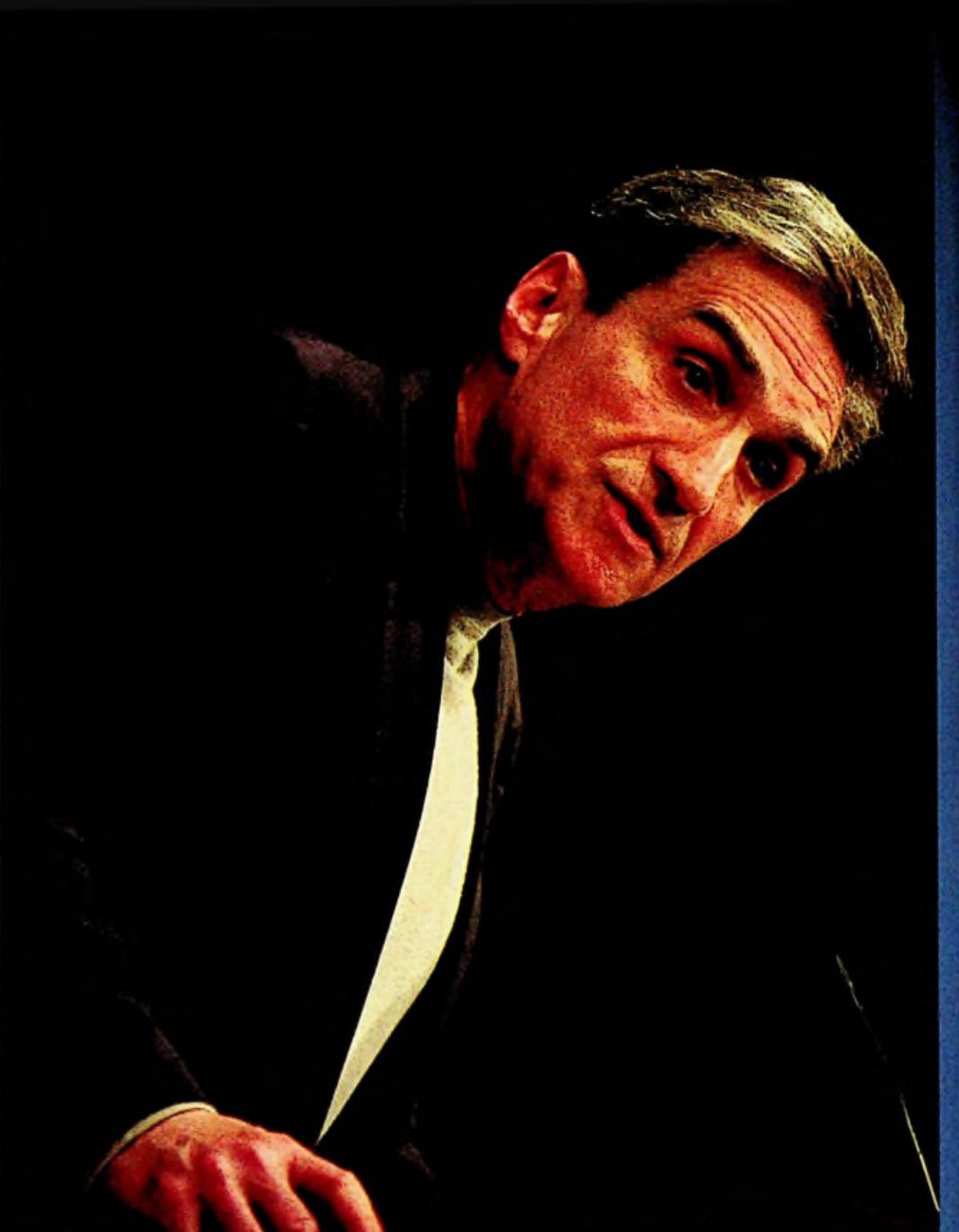


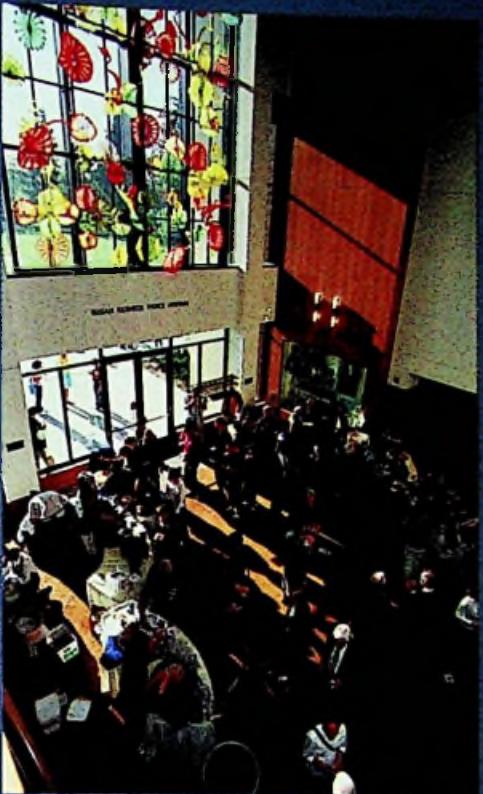
**"The university was founded  
in 1888. A year later they  
built a state around us."**

— Tom Leavitt '71, J.D. '75  
master of ceremonies

**Alumni generations** An alumni representative from nearly every graduating class marched in the inaugural procession.

**Weeklong celebration** Inaugural events that took place during the week leading up to installation day included, among other offerings: A lecture by Poet Laureate Robert Pinsky (right). A panel discussion, "Living Brown: Lessons Taught, Lessons Learned," with Rev. Gregory Christopher, pastor, Shiloh Baptist Church; Warren Smith, chair, Washington State Board of Education; and Andy Curtis '02, M.A.T. '04 (below, right). A social justice roundtable, "The Duty to Remember: A Conversation on Social Justice," co-led by Tom Gerety, executive director, Brennan Center for Justice, New York University School of Law (below, center). And an alumni art show (below, left, a painting by Ann Froschle '03: "Untitled [Tank with Red Stain]," oil on canvas, 2004, 12x12 inches).





**The college, Tacoma, and the world** Following the induction ceremony, everyone was invited to receptions celebrating the inauguration and honoring Tacoma's 10 sister cities: Kitakyushu, Japan; Kusatsu, Japan; Kiryat Motzkin, Israel; Arendal, Norway; Vladivostok, Russia; Davao City, Philippines; Fuzhou, China; George, South Africa; Hsinchu, Taiwan; and Cienfuegos, Cuba. In Wheelock Student Center (above, left, and below), cuisines of Cuba and South Africa were served. In Jones Hall (above, right) students at City Swingers played. In Wyatt Hall (above, center) revellers ate cuisines from Russia, Norway, and Israel, while listening to Klezmer music performed by Northwest musicians. In Jones Hall could be found a sister cities display and the foods of China, Taiwan, the Philippines, and Japan.



**"Much is made these days of institutional ranking and rivalries, but on this day let it be clear that what really matters is the common educational mission we are called to steward and the unity of purpose that bids us to stand with one another."**

— Loren J. Anderson, president,  
Pacific Lutheran University

# To Shine in Use

## The Trojan Horse and the Sphere of Common Duties

Excerpts from the inaugural address of Ronald R. Thomas

*I am a part of all that I have met;  
Yet all experience is an arch wherethrough  
Gleams that untravelled world whose margin  
fades  
For ever and for ever when I move.  
How dull it is to pause, to make an end,  
To rust unburnished, not to shine in use!  
As tho' to breathe were life! Life piled on life  
Were all too little, and of one to me  
Little remains; but every hour is saved  
From that eternal silence, something more,  
A bringer of new things; and vile it were  
For some three suns to store and hoard myself,  
And this gray spirit yearning in desire  
To follow knowledge like a sinking star,  
Beyond the utmost bound of human thought.*

"I am a part of all that I have met." Today, I am acutely attuned to these sentiments expressed by Tennyson's Ulysses when he returns home after years of war, adventure, and accomplishment. More accurately for me, I will say that all of you have, inexorably, become a part of me. The great Ulysses returns to his home city of Ithaca and stands before the familiar ghosts of his past—family and friends, allies and rivals—realizing that all his much heralded experience in battle and at sea has been no more than an archway through which he must pass to another untravelled world gleaming before him. He sees that moment of arrival not as an end, but as a beginning, an opportunity to seek a newer world in which to perform some work of noble note.

Like Ulysses' Ithaca, our own city, especially on this day of inauguration, is not so much a destination for *me*, as it is a starting point for *us*. Home is where you start from, T. S. Eliot said; and today, I start again with you from this new home, this Tacoma that has been the home of the University of Puget Sound for 116 years.

Now, the question I would put before us all is this: "What untravelled world

gleams before us at this new beginning for the University of Puget Sound?" Where are we going, we who follow knowledge like a sinking star from this small point on Earth? How shall this liberal arts college on the edge of the American West move through the arch of our experience to embrace the call of citizenship?

But perhaps the first question should be, does the life of liberal learning lead us to embrace our civic duty at all? Indeed, this was the question Ulysses posed to himself in a moment of crisis and decision. He returns from celebrated exploits to realize that the greatest challenge of his wit and talent was the challenge of leadership in his own city. A hero of Troy, conqueror of armies of men and monsters, traveler of the world and the underworld, now at home in Ithaca, Ulysses, the man of many ways, is called upon to be the leading citizen in his own city; and he resists that call to civic duty.

In Tennyson's version of the story, which takes up where Homer leaves off, we find Ulysses wrestling with this imperative, the victim, he says, of a restless spirit, driven always to grander things by what he calls the lure of an "always roaming . . . hungry heart." He questions whether the life of "the useful and the good" is one for which he and his great talents are cut out. He finds the city, with its narrow confines of councils and governments, a heavy harness for his talent and ambition. He would choose instead to leave "the sphere of common duties," as he calls it, along with the scepter of leadership, to his son, Telemachus. No ivory towers for him. And no halls of government, either.

We in the academy have sometimes expressed these same sentiments. We who have embraced the liberal arts often seem more deeply concerned with principles than practicalities, with the war of ideas than with the conflicts of peoples, with understanding the laws of nature than with shaping the rules of civic engagement. Should we not stand apart

from the hurly burly of the arena so that we can be disinterested critics and commentators of a world from which we are in some ways detached, the gadfly that admonishes and asks the crucial questions of our culture: "Why?" or "Why not?"

When we speak in this way, we echo the equivocations of Ulysses, and we repeat his contradictions. Ulysses wished "to shine in use," he claims, yet he spurns "the sphere of common duties." He asserts that he regards knowledge as something "beyond the bound of human thought," yet he longs that "Some work of noble note, may yet be done" among men.

We should recall that with his much-celebrated inventiveness and wit, Ulysses once gained fame in the war with Troy by conceiving an ingenious plan to enter that other far-off city by hiding with his army in a great Trojan horse. Resourceful enough to defeat an enemy stronghold by secreting himself within that duplicitous gift of false generosity, Ulysses was not wise enough to see his own city of Ithaca as a destination equally as challenging as Troy, a place to enter and assume a public role rather than hide within a private plan. Ithaca was a place not to conquer with arms but to engage with truth, a place where intelligence could not only be nobly deployed but where knowledge, and even wisdom, might shine in use.

What destiny calls to us at Puget Sound through the arch of our history? How will we enter it? What will the effect of our presence be? We do not come to Tacoma or to the national scene to hide in the stratagem of a Trojan horse of false friendship or private ambition; rather, we come with an open commitment to partnership with our fellow citizens here and in our nation. We will not choose between the path of local leadership and the road to national prominence. We will show that the first journey maps the way to the second, that excellence in the sphere

of common duty, in the useful and the good, is, for those truly committed to the values of the liberal arts and sciences, the foundation for national distinction and leadership.

This is *our* adventure, and this is the course we will chart for our journey together. One hundred and sixteen years ago, our founders came to this city with these same intentions, and declared that in this place a great university would be established: here, in the so-called City of Destiny, at the foot of the mountain that is inscribed on our seal; here, where the Northern Pacific Railroad would join the East Coast with the West; here, in the land of the Puyallup and the Nisqually; here, where our inland sea, the Puget Sound, would draw students, our founders envisioned, from throughout the land and from every state in the Union, just as it drew ships and goods from throughout the world. In 1884, before Washington was a state, a former president of Northwestern University, John Fowler, came from Chicago and conspired with an elder of the Methodist Episcopal Church to affirm that here in the "new Northwest," would be born a university of the first rank, the equal of the finest institutions of learning in Chicago and Boston, and it would bear the name of Puget Sound. It would invoke praise and respect from throughout the nation, they said. That vision and that aspiration guide us still today.

Since that time, this university has had many changes in name and direction, just as our city has taken its own twists and turns of destiny. How will the histories of this city and this college converge in the next generation, as we pass through the arch of our experience together and become a national phenomenon? What noble work is yet to be done by us, together? Just as in previous generations, the vision and commitment of our legendary music professor, Ed Seferian, led to the formation of the Tacoma Symphony Orchestra, or as Puget Sound faculty helped to create the Tacoma Actor's Guild and the Tacoma Art Museum in generations past, what new cultural work will come from our next collaboration?

We have already begun to explore: a center for strategic issues research and sustainability; a health and human sciences center for teaching, research, and clinical practice; a strategic master plan that will develop our beautiful campus over the next two decades as, at once, a cloister for intellectual reflection

and a vital crossroads for cultural exchange. These and whatever projects we pursue will manifest this principle: we will seek common cause rather than promulgate a private plan; we will learn as well as teach; we will listen as much as we speak. This week alone we have begun new conversations about cooperation with our Native American neighbors, with members of our African American community on the plague of racial segregation and inequality, with local and national organizations addressing the challenges of global warming, with citizens concerned about our civic duty to remember injustice and resolve to resist it, and even with our three-time poet laureate on the role of poetry and the arts in renewing our culture.

Franklin Roosevelt, whose leadership brought us through one of our most perilous times of economic and military threat, once said that "Democracy cannot succeed unless those who express their choice are prepared to choose wisely. The real safeguard of democracy, therefore, is education." This sentiment was uttered by the president who oversaw the invention of social security and the atomic bomb, who engineered the great economic recovery of the last century as well as the great victory in World War II, and who warned us that the greatest thing we had to fear was fear itself. Yet for him, the real safeguard of democracy, fear's true antidote, could not be found in unimaginable military might or unprecedented government effort: it

## Where are we going, we who follow knowledge like a sinking star from this small point on Earth? How shall this college move through the arch of our experience to embrace the call of citizenship?

In this moment in our nation's history, ours is a voice that will not remain silent. We face a time of great challenge in higher education, when we have sometimes lost the gleam of appreciating our role in the public good. There was a time when this nation recognized higher education as the key to our future. Today, America does not regard higher education so seriously. It is often considered more a consumer good than a public good. It is commonly regarded as a mere job credential or a training ground for the labor force rather than as a caldron for leadership, a great national asset through which to create and test ideas, to discover and expand knowledge, to critique, and transform our culture. It has become a Trojan horse of instrumentalism rather than that "something more," that "bringer of new things" that we know it can be.

Today we hear a great deal about the higher priority of maintaining the security of the homeland. Not unlike Ulysses, we heed again the siren call to arms. But we must remember that true security is based on understanding as well as power. An uninformed obsession with security can be the breeding ground of fear.

was in educating a generation to be informed and to act, one that understands the useful and the good, and chooses them.

This is our mission as a national liberal arts college; this is the sphere of our common duty. Our security is not to be found in a Trojan horse of power or privilege, but in an open exploration of the limits of human thought and its responsible, creative engagement with the useful and the good. If education is our security, our safeguard, it is also our hope. Many of you have heard me say that in the business of higher education, we deal in hope. Hope is the product we make. Hope is the service we offer. Hope is the benefit we provide, and hope is the only profit we earn. I believe that there is no more important business for our future as a nation and as a human community than this. What we are about every day at the University of Puget Sound is nothing less than the cultivation of the leaders of the next generation—they are the ones in whom we invest our hope to secure our future.

You can read the complete text of President Thomas' inauguration speech, and other talks given on inauguration day, on the Web at [www.psu.edu/inauguration](http://www.psu.edu/inauguration)



# *Good Teachers, Good Friends*

## Margaret Myles

Retired professor of voice  
Taught at Puget Sound 1945-1978

For decades, Tacoma's Christmas season officially began when Margaret Myles' lovely contralto rang through the Puget Sound Field House, performing the famous aria from George Frideric Handel's "The Messiah:"

He shall feed his flock like a shepherd  
and he shall gather the lambs with his  
arm, with his arm

He shall feed his flock like a shepherd  
and he shall gather lambs with his arm,  
with his arm

and carry them in his bosom  
and gently lead those that are with  
young  
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Joined by 250 college vocalists, and church and high school choirs, Myles was a central fixture in a holiday event that drew as many as 10,000 people.

"It was such a marvelous, unifying thing for the city," she recalls. "It was lovely to be connected to such a glorious event."

Performing "The Messiah" was just one of Myles' many career highlights. Born in Hamilton, Ontario, Canada, Myles and her family moved to Tacoma when she was 10 years old. The daughter of Scottish immigrants, Myles' voice developed when she was 12 and she began performing professionally when she was just 17.

As a young woman, she worked as a soloist at Seattle's Plymouth Congregational Church and First Congregational Church in Tacoma.

It was while she was singing for First Congregational that Myles was introduced to former Puget Sound President R. Franklin Thompson.

"He asked me to teach at the university, but I told him I didn't want to teach until I was an old lady and couldn't sing anymore," recalls Myles. "Those who knew Dr. Thompson know that he was very persuasive. My heart was saying 'no,' but my head was nodding 'yes.'"

With much of the music faculty off at war, Myles became a part-time voice instructor in 1945 and joined the staff full-time in 1948; she retired from the university in 1978.

"I remember my early teaching days like they were yesterday. Probably because I was scared to death," says Myles. "I was absolutely horrified when my first student walked in: It was Ruth Lemming, my junior high English teacher. In addition to worrying about teaching, I was so conscious about my speech. I didn't dare misplace a preposition or end a sentence with a participle. I was a nervous wreck."

Grammar concerns aside, Myles survived and thrived during that first semester—and the many that followed it.

"I learned to teach by demonstrating," she says. "I found I could use all these fancy words and tell them what to do, but they'd always get glazed looks on their faces. I was most successful when I told them 'Do what I do,' and then I showed them."

During her association with Puget Sound, the college built its national reputation by having Myles and other faculty members perform across the country. Decked out in beautiful evening gowns, she performed annual recitals at the school and several times was featured soloist for the Seattle Symphony.

In 1963, just two months before his assassination, Myles stood a few feet from President Kennedy and sang the national anthem prior to his speech at Cheney Stadium. She

also sang for General Douglas MacArthur and then-General Dwight D. Eisenhower.

"I'm proud of many of my performances," she says. "But those three were definitely special."

David Lukens '62 has known Myles for nearly 47 years. Myles was on the scholarship committee when he auditioned in 1957. In the years since that meeting, she became his voice instructor and friend. Now Lukens, a Tacoma osteopath, is Myles' physician.

"She is a wonderful lady—still sharp as a tack," says Lukens. "When she taught, she had certain things we all had to learn: German songs, French songs, Italian songs—all in the original language. She expected a lot of us but she also put her heart and soul into her music and her students. We were her family; she still treats me like that."

Myles says she feels privileged to have been a part of Puget Sounds' music faculty. "We honored each other," she says. "I didn't have all the degrees that my colleagues had, but they admired my talent and what I was doing. I miss the friendship of my fellow faculty members."

After retiring from Puget Sound, Myles taught for several years at Tacoma Community College. She also continued to perform and teach private voice lessons. Now, at nearly 91, her voice remains strong but poor eyesight limits her ability to read music. Stairs keep her from singing with the choir at Tacoma's First Presbyterian Church.

"These days I find comfort in believing that singing in the congregation encourages others to sing a little louder," she says.

— Mary Boone

Interested alumni can write to Professor Myles at 206 Tacoma Ave. S, Tacoma, WA 98403.

# happenings

an alumni calendar

JULY



*50-Year Plus Alumni  
Golden Logger Picnic  
July 30  
Campus*

SEPTEMBER



*All Alumni  
AlumNight in Chapters Nationwide  
Simultaneous gatherings for alumni in favorite pubs and restaurants  
September 8  
Denver, Honolulu, Los Angeles, Portland, San Francisco, Seattle/Tacoma, and Washington D.C.*

OCTOBER



*All Alumni  
Reunion & Homecoming 2004: Rediscover & Remember  
Bring your family, friends, and former classmates to enjoy campus. More than 40 fun-filled events to choose from—many are free. For a complete schedule go to [www.ups.edu/homecoming](http://www.ups.edu/homecoming). See you there.  
October 8-10  
Campus*

AUGUST



*All Alumni  
First Annual Logger Open Golf Tournament  
Gold Mountain Golf Complex, rated Best in Washington by *Golf Digest*. For more information or to register call 253-879-3141  
August 12  
Bremerton*



*All Alumni  
Alumni Sharing Knowledge Night  
[www.ups.edu/ces/ask/Come2ask.htm](http://www.ups.edu/ces/ask/Come2ask.htm)  
September 16  
Campus*

NOVEMBER

*National Alumni Board  
November 12-13  
Campus*

For more information or to register for any of these events, call Alumni Programs at 253-879-3245, leave a message on the alumni voicemail box at 800-339-3312, or register online at: [www.ups.edu/alumni/eventscl.htm](http://www.ups.edu/alumni/eventscl.htm)

## BAND ALUMNI REUNION 2005—SAVE THE DATE

Remember the music, the friends, the great performances, and the fun? The School of Music invites you to return to campus and be part of the UPS Band/Wind Ensemble Reunion 2005, Friday evening, April 1, 2005, and Saturday, April 2, 2005. All band alums are welcome to be part of the celebration! More details will follow from the Office of Public Events, [events@ups.edu](mailto:events@ups.edu). Mark your calendar now!

# class notes

for summer, with a classmate profile on builder of Seattle parks David Harris '70





**PULP ADDICTION** Artist Marj Hurlow tells stories in paper.

to children undergoing bone marrow transplants at the Fred Hutchinson Cancer Research Center in Seattle.

When her own children were high school age, Marj attended the University of Washington to study sculpture. Back problems made working in bronze and stone difficult, so she turned to watercolor and later to paper. The aluminum Hollander beater in her Bainbridge Island studio, built by Marj's husband, Bob, a retired Boeing engineer, has produced pulp from every imaginable material—from flax to blue jeans. Bob also designed and built a vacuum table that sucks the excess water out of the pulp mixture.

The end product can vary greatly depending on the contents of the pulp. "You rely on the material to create shapes as it shrinks," Marj commented. Her work ranges from tribal-type masks seen on the previous page, to large-scale folding screens made from layers of paper produced by using a pulp-spray technique and a sandblasting gun. Marj tints the pulp with archival dyes to generate varied effects with the spray. Much of her inspiration comes from travels to the South China Sea and the Southwest United States. Marj continues to work on a series of pieces referencing petroglyphs and pictographs produced by the Anasazi Indian tribe native to the Four Corners region of the U.S.

Marj's work has been represented by Gallery Mack, Inc., and Mesolini and Amici, both of Seattle, and in 1995 she was invited to hold a one-person show at the Indianapolis Museum of Art in their small exhibition gallery. Though Marj doesn't seek out shows as much as she once did, she remains active in the art scene by providing workshops on paper making and as the art scholarship chair for Bainbridge Island High School. The juried scholarship program provides financial assistance to students enrolled in art programs after graduation. You can contact Marj at [rhhurlow1@msn.com](mailto:rhhurlow1@msn.com).

—Cathy Tollefson '83

## Paper trail

### Marjorie Venter Hurlow '48

loved making mud pies as a child, so nowadays making paper is a happily familiar, gooey mess. Marj worked as an occupational therapist in the Long Island, N.Y., and Baltimore areas, as well as Washington state for years, using many of the same handcraft techniques with her patients that she employs today in paper making. "You don't learn craft skills in fine art classes," she says. Later, as a volunteer, she found art therapy beneficial

**41** Merritt Nelson writes: "Marjorie and I have been married for 62 wonderful years." The couple lives in Palm Desert, Calif.

**42** Will Gee B.A. '42, M.B.A. '48 retired from the Weyerhaeuser Company several years ago. He and wife Marian Wilkinson Gee '43 have lived in Lakewood, Wash., for 30 years. They enjoy travel, golf, and family. Both have a great interest in UPS because of close ties in their lives; Marian was secretary to President Franklin Thompson, and Will was on the faculty, Alumni Board, and Board of Trustees. They write: "We are really proud of the quality growth of the university."

**50** Lucy Jewett is vice chair of the San Francisco Ballet. She received the Lew Christensen Medal, which is given to someone who has left an indelible mark on the ballet company. Lucy has been a trustee for more than 30 years.

Hugh McMillan spent 27 years as an operations officer in the CIA, working around the world. He has served as a fire commissioner, a founding member of Citizens Against Crime, and a volunteer photojournalist with the *Key Peninsula News* in Vaughn, Wash., and with Gig Harbor's *Peninsula Gateway* for 23 years.

## 45th Reunion

October 8-9, 2004

**59** Steve Harris is working on a revised edition of *Fire Mountains of the West: The Cascade and Mono Lake Volcanoes*, which will include new information on the eruptive history and potential hazards of Mount Rainier. A new documentary, also titled *Fire Mountains of the West*, which Steve partly narrates, is showing at the Mount St. Helens Visitor Center. He provided shipboard lectures on French history and architecture during a two-week cruise of the Rhone River, accompanied by his son Jason. Steve, Jason, and Steve's other son, Geoff, will tour Ireland and Scotland this summer.

**60** Gary Gonter was unanimously elected president of the Western Washington Fair Board of Directors for 2004. Gary's grandfather was an original associate shareholder. He and wife Midge Mickelson Gonter '62 have two sons, one daughter, and two grandchildren.

**62** Jerry Thorpe was appointed to the American Contract Bridge League Educational Foundation Board of Trustees for a three-year term that began Jan. 1, 2004. Jerry has also finished his first year as a realtor for the Harold A. Allen Co., in Lakewood, Wash. He lives in Tacoma.

## 40th Reunion

October 8-9, 2004

**64** Margaret Snow Haskins B.A. '64, M.E.D. '69 received the Washington Federation of Independent Schools' Innovative Program Award in February 2004 for her work with learning-disabled students at Life Christian School in Tacoma. Margaret started the program eight years ago.

**65** E. Paul DeLorme and Roxanne Dahlstrom DeLorme '65 proudly announce that their son, Luke DeLorme, graduated summa cum laude from the University of Arizona in December 2003.

**68** Rainer Willingham, president of Flex-a-lite Consolidated, which manufactures fans and other cooling equipment, received a Globe Award, given by the World Trade Center in Tacoma. The award honors a mature company involved in foreign trade.

## 35th Reunion

October 8-9, 2004

**69** Mike Price was named the head football coach at the University of Texas at El Paso. Mike previously took the Washington State University Cougars to a 83-77 record with three 10-win seasons and five bowl appearances.

**70** Rodger Lake retired this summer as principal of Browne Elementary School in Spokane, Wash. Rodger worked in the Spokane School District for 32 years.

**71** Penelope Price Mathiesen is a freelance editor, researcher, and writer. She serves on the Board of Directors of the Monroe County Historical Society and volunteers in their genealogy library. She and her husband, Tom, live in Ellettsville, Ind.

## Carlo Matthews '87 released a recording that has been described as Zappa meets Irish meets pop.

**Thomas Rauchfuss** received the Washington State University Alumni Achievement Award in March 2004. Thomas, who is a professor of chemistry and director of the School of Chemical Sciences at the University of Illinois Champaign-Urbana, has received nine national awards and published more than 220 papers in chemistry. He is noted for his fundamental research on the production of clean fuels, especially hydrogen gas. Thomas was named a fellow of the Royal Society of Chemistry in England in 2000.

**72** **Peggy Pritchard Olson** was sworn in to the Edmonds, Wash., City Council on Jan. 13, 2004.

**73** **Debby Hill O'Connor** is the chair for Diamond Bar, Calif.'s Redevelopment Agency. Debby was elected to the Diamond Bar City Council in 1997, after serving two years on the Parks and Recreation Commission. She was previously the mayor of Diamond Bar and was named Woman of the Year for State Senate District 29 in 2001. Debby and her husband, David, have three daughters.

**30th Reunion**  
October 8-9, 2004

**74** **Barbara Wilson** was re-elected to the San Francisco Federal Reserve Bank Board in December. She also serves on the board of St. Luke's Regional Medical Center in Boise and the Idaho Governor's Science and Technology Advisory Council, among others. Barbara retired from her position as regional vice president for Quest Communications International and is now a self-employed consultant.

**75** **Donald Anderson** B.A.'75, J.D.'78 was elected president of the board of Tacoma Goodwill Industries. He has practiced law at Eisenhower & Carlson in Tacoma for more than 20 years. Wife **Nancy Jacobson Anderson** B.A.'76 has completed 20 years of service as a middle school teacher in Steilacoom, Wash.

**Tom McCarter** is an event planner for the David and Lucile Packard Foundation, which gives grants to environmental conservation, population, and family causes. Tom works and lives in Los Altos, Calif.

**76** **Gregory Unruh** writes: "This is my 28th year with Bank of America. I live in Gig Harbor with my wife of 17 years, Amy, and our three children, Greer, 15, Connor, 12, and Chloe, 10. Life is busy with community activities, kids' sports, and travel. I am in touch regularly with old college friends **Zach Kinneman** B.A.'85, J.D.'88 and **Barb Cunningham**."

**77** **Alex Deriugin** is vice president of operations at MagnaDrive Corporation in Bellevue, Wash. The company's patented technology replaces the physical connection between motors and loads with a gap of air. MagnaDrive was the winner of IndustryWeek's ninth annual Technology and Innovations Award in 2001. In his spare time, Alex enjoys real estate development, skiing, fly fishing, and golf.

**78** **George Ilgenfritz** writes: "In my 24th year in education, I have been principal at Thomas Jefferson High School in Auburn, Wash., for the past three years. My daughter, Allison, is a senior at Western Washington University. My son, Elliott, is a freshman at Central Washington University, and my son, Ian, is a 5th grader. My time is divided between my job responsibilities, watching my kids, and my cabin at Lake Cle Elum. I would love to hear from some of the old '78 gang as well as any TJ UPS alum."

**Peter Orser**, president of Bellevue, Wash.-based Quadrant Corp., received a 2003 Newsmaker award from the *Puget Sound Business Journal*.

**25th Reunion**  
October 8-9, 2004

**79** **Robert Berg** M.P.A. took office as chief of the Centralia, Wash., Police Department on March 3. Robert was previously deputy director of the Washington State Gambling Commission. When not on the job, Robert officiates at high school and college football and basketball games, and umpires Little League baseball.

**Steve Dwyer** was appointed to the Snohomish County Superior Court by Washington Governor Gary Locke. He was named the State Judge of the Year by the state Trial Lawyers' Association in 2001.

**John Monroe** retired from The Boeing Company and is now volunteering to connect local companies to Boeing's new 7E7

project. John hopes that he is able to offer economic help to the Everett, Wash., area through these supplier relationships.

**'80s Decade Reunion**  
October 8-9, 2004

**80** **John Celestino** became a partner with Whitworth Physical Therapy, P.S., and is clinic director of the Spokane Valley office. He is board certified as a geriatric clinical specialist, and has additional postgraduate certification in manual therapy through the University of St. Augustine in Florida. John is also a certified strength and conditioning specialist.

**Deanna Oppenheimer**, president of banking and financial services for Washington Mutual Inc. and chair of the UPS board, was named a 2003 Newsmaker by the *Puget Sound Business Journal*.

**Bob Rosner** continues writing his weekly syndicated column "Working Wounded." He also is the author of *Working Wounded: Advice That Adds Insight to Injury* and co-author of *The Boss' Survival Guide*.

**81** **Dave Fisher** is the site manager for Intel's DuPont, Wash., and Riverton, Utah, facilities. Dave also is on the board of Washington Roundtable, and active with Partnership for Learning, Tacoma Pierce County Chamber of Commerce, and Tacoma Pierce County Economic Development Board.

**Kristy Munson House** was promoted to assistant vice president of Columbia Bank in Tacoma. Kristy also serves as privacy officer and corporate secretary for the bank. She lives in Tacoma with her husband and four children.

**82** **Theresa Erstad McLeod** is an assistant for special projects to the mayor of Boise, Idaho. Theresa has an extensive background in business and community service. She ran her own consulting firm, providing administrative and project support to clients before joining the mayor's staff, and served for more than three years on the staff of U.S. Senator James McClure in Washington, D.C.

**Allison Radcliffe Paradise** teaches math at Puget Sound and has been advising SPURS, the sophomore honor society on campus, for the last seven years. For the last three years, she has also served on the National Council as their financial officer.

**83** **Pall Gudgelsson** is the treasurer and assistant city manager of San Clemente, Calif.

**20th Reunion**  
October 8-9, 2004

**84** **John Hall** received the University of Washington, Tacoma's Business Leadership Award in January 2004.

**Allen Jackson** writes: "Besides owning a skilled nursing home, I am a senior vice president for Webster Insurance and a partner in a 50,000-sq.-ft. fitness center called Healthworks in Wallingford, Conn. I also am building 80 to 90 homes and 60 condos in Puerto Rico. I keep busy by volunteering my time as chair for the Quinnipiac Chamber and an officer for the Walter Camp Football Foundation. I have three children, and I help coach their sports activities. Hope to visit the campus soon."

**85** **Jeff Austin** writes: "I'm living in Nebraska City, Neb., enjoying the good life of the Midwest. I'm still in the Navy and am assigned to the U.S. Strategic Command near Omaha, and enjoy my job as a weapons system analyst. I have three children, Ian, 15, Hannah Rose, 6, and Colton, 3."

**Peter Bishop** is a catalog and Internet manager for Pendleton Woolen Mills. Peter lives and works in Portland, Ore.

**86** **Jeanne Norris Niedermeyer** reports: "Our 11-year-old son, Justin, landed a small role in *The Prodigal*, a musical play written and composed by **Andrew T. Miller** '91. The musical featured an outstanding Seattle-based cast, including internationally known tenor **Robert McPherson** '91. This was a lot of fun for our whole family. My husband, **Ken Niedermeyer**, and our oldest son, Brenden, 15, made up part of the set crew, and I pitched in, wrangling the kid actors and helping with costumes." Jeanne works for a nonprofit when not trying to keep up with her boys who are busy with school, music, and scouts. Brenden, an honor student, plays the saxophone and guitar, and Justin plays the drums. Ken is a software developer supporting electrical engineering at The Boeing Company."

**87** **Carlo Matthews** writes: "Like the typical Irishman, I became quickly displaced

shortly after graduating from UPS, teaching in Japan, Saudi Arabia, and the United Kingdom. Eventually I landed in Bolivia with a university position. I now teach English at the American School in La Paz and enjoy it almost as much as I did going to college. Music, however, has always been in the back of my mind, so after years of neglect, I decided to sweep the heaps and give shape to the chaos, releasing an album of original material three years ago, which has been described as Zappa meets Irish meets pop of the world. Another album is in the offing, but with recording costs prohibitive as they are, the album is bound to come out on a Web page later in 2004. Would be a pleasure to hear from anyone from our carefree, careless, and caring days."

**John Tobin and Candy Skalisky Tobin** live in Redmond, Wash. Writes John: "After moves with Paccar, Inc., throughout Texas and Tennessee, we came back to the Puget Sound in 2001. Things are good and John Jr., 12, Alexa, 10, Candy, and I have enjoyed being back."

**88 Marilyn Waltz Brown and Todd Brown '90** write: "We, along with Tovey, 7, and Tanner, 4, are proud to announce the birth of Samantha Mayfield and Zachary Thomas on May 12, 2003." The family lives in Portland, Ore.

**Susan Elhardt M.E.D.** received kudos in the "Teacher Spotlight" section of the Olympia, Wash., *Olympian*. Susan teaches sixth grade at Woodland Elementary in Lacey.

## 15th Reunion October 8-9, 2004

**89 Larry Mana'o** earned a Washington State Software Association award for Consumer Product of the Year for his company's Datto IntelliMover, a platform migration software.

**Rebecca Saulsbury** writes: "After completing my Ph.D. in American studies at Purdue in 1999, I moved to Florida and began my career as an assistant professor of English at Florida Southern College. While it has taken this native northern Californian a while to get adjusted to the climate, I love my work and I'm even starting to enjoy the Gator State. I get to travel abroad each May with a large group of undergrads; England and Scotland this year. This year I began directing the new African American studies minor at FSC. Lakeland is less than an hour away from Orlando, so if any of my classmates are in the area, I'd love to see you!"

**90 Heather Marth** and her husband, Dunovan, adopted two girls, an 8-year-old named Valentina, and a 21-month-old named Nashca. The family lives in Tacoma.

**Lisa Parrott** writes: "I recently accepted a job back in Nairobi, Kenya, where I served as a Peace Corps volunteer 10 years ago. I will continue to travel around the world, designing savings and credit services for the poor, but this time as a training specialist for MicroSave. Please write if you need a place to stay in Kenya!"

**Linda Plato** is a garden designer and consultant, as well as the weekly garden columnist for the *Ballard News-Tribune*, the editor of the Northwest Horticulture Society's *Garden Notes*, and contributing garden editor to *Seattle Homes & Lifestyles*. Linda won an award for a display garden at the 2004 Northwest Flower and Garden Show in Seattle. She delivered the keynote speech at the annual Red Cross Gardens of Greater Tacoma Tour in June 2003, held on campus.

**91 Ann Grande Knapp B.S.'91, M.P.T.'94** finished fourth in the 2004 World Cyclocross Championships in Port-Chateau, France, the best place of any rider from the United States.

**Andrew Miller** is a composer and playwright. His play *The Prodigal* was performed at the Highline Performing Arts Center in Burien, Wash., from Jan. 23-Feb. 2, 2004. The play is based on the well known biblical tale from the Book of Luke, exploring the untold period when the youngest son decides to spend his inheritance partying.

**Heather Kipfer Muljat** and husband Troy welcomed their new son, Bryce Daniel, on Feb. 10, 2004. He joins big brother Cameron and big sisters Chloe and Marissa.

**92 Eric Carlson** writes: "A busy year, indeed. My wife, Lesley, gave birth to our second daughter and we started an environmental nonprofit, Carbonfund.org, to reduce global greenhouse gas emissions. I continue to do energy and environmental development work in Serbia and eastern Europe and would enjoy hearing from friends at [ecarlson@carbonfund.org](mailto:ecarlson@carbonfund.org)."

**John High** writes: "Hello UPS alumni! I am living in Seattle, with a career as an insurance underwriter. I also work for a local alpine ski school as a training coach, and I perform in musical theater productions. Performances included the pre-Broadway production of the Tony Award-winning

show *Hairspray* as well as tour productions of *The Full Monty* and *Chicago*."

**Dalyinne Singleton** writes: "I graduated cum laude from Seattle University School of Law in 2003, and am working as a personal injury, real estate, and general practice attorney in Silverdale, Wash., where I have lived for 25 years. I am a grandmother of Jaedaci, a 3-year-old girl, and mother to Angelique, who lives in Kailua, Hawaii, and my son Namon, who is serving in the U.S. Navy in Bahrain and in the waters off Iraq. My husband of 25 years will be retiring from PSNS in Bremerton in five years. We will then be able to enjoy traveling! I will continue to work nine months out of the year. This is the life!"

**Neeven Soodyall** writes: "My wife, Shamin, and I are relocating from Johannesburg, South Africa, to Vancouver, Canada. It's been an eventful past decade, during which I witnessed a military coup, taught economics at a university, traded bonds, and started my own company producing CD-R in bulk. We hope to continue the latter activity in North America and also start our family."

**Lucinda Stewart** was promoted to partner of OVP Venture Partners in Kirkland, Wash. She is the first female partner in the firm's 21-year history. Lucinda joined the company three years ago.

**93 Lisa Sternoff Feldman** writes: "I recently passed the patent bar and was granted my provisional registration number to work as a patent attorney. I want to thank the [UPS] registrar's office for their help in digging up old course descriptions when I was applying to take the exam."

**Ruth Anne Rehfeldt** is an assistant professor and psychologist at Southern Illinois University, where she teaches undergraduate and graduate courses in rehabilitation and related fields, and conducts research in developmental disabilities and behavioral psychology.

**Jeffrey Wiltse** earned his Ph.D. from Brandeis University in 2003, and won the 2003 Allan Nevins Prize for the best-written doctoral dissertation on a significant theme in American history. His dissertation, "Contested Waters: A History of Swimming Pools in America," was selected from a pool of 400 candidates.

**95 Andy Aweida** writes: "Life has been busy but extremely enjoyable. Melissa and I were fortunate enough to have built a new

Thurs., Sept. 16, 2004  
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## Alumni Sharing Knowledge (ASK) Night 2004

Don't miss ASK Night, an opportunity to mingle with current students and other alumni and share what you've done with your liberal arts education.

Students, from first-year through seniors, come to ASK Night to learn about the variety of career fields Puget Sound graduates enter and the employers they work for.

Some alumni come to ASK Night with job or internship leads for students. Others come to share their expertise, give advice about how to make the most of the college experience, or simply to connect with old friends.

Light refreshments will be provided.

For more information, contact Leah Vance ([lvance@ups.edu](mailto:lvance@ups.edu)) in the Office of Career and Employment Services, 253-879-3337, or visit this Web site to register: [www.ups.edu/ces/asknight.htm](http://www.ups.edu/ces/asknight.htm).

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## CLASSMATES

he was a project manager, planning park design and construction.

"I was fortunate to begin work when Forward Thrust money was starting to kick in," he says. Forward Thrust, which voters approved in 1968, allocated \$356 million in spending, including a \$40 million multi-purpose stadium (the Kingdome) and \$118 million for new parks.

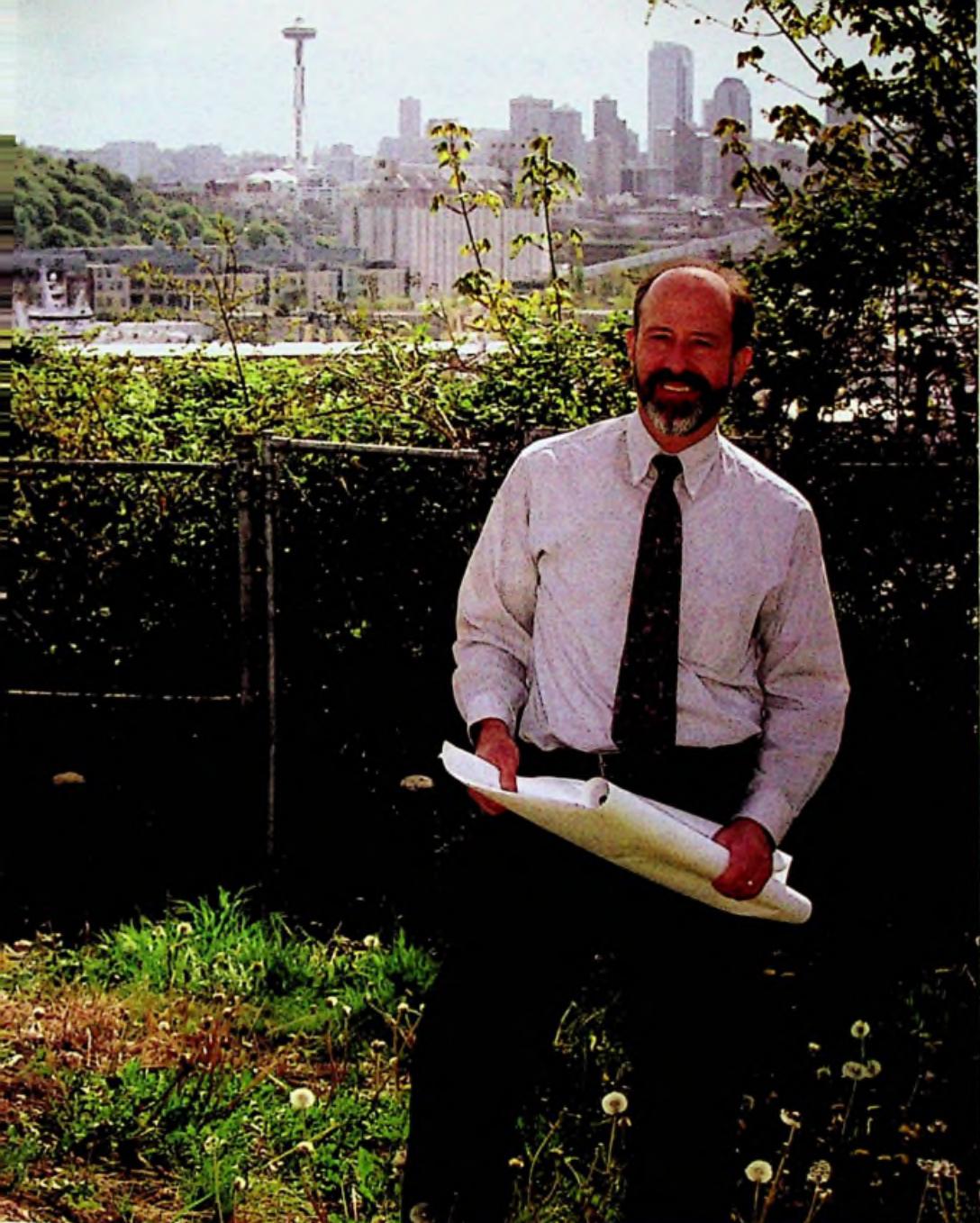
"My first project was Commodore Park, at the Ballard Locks. We thought we had the coolest plan until we went to the design commission. They tossed us out three times before we finally got some help and got the plan approved," he says. "It's still one of my favorite parks and the one I am most proud of." He also worked on the Burke Gilman Trail ("I used to spend my Saturdays selling railroad ties from the trail behind University Village") and Sand Point ("I have been involved there for over 30 years, including several when I was in the National Guard").

In 1989, King County citizens approved another massive funding program, the Open Space and Trails Bond. By this time Harris was director of project development. "We received \$40 million from the county, and with additional local and state money we spent \$100 million buying over 600 acres in the city," he says. This includes both the northwest corner of the city, Landover Woods, and the southwest corner, Arroyo Heights.

Since 2000, Harris has been the Parks Department's property and acquisitions services manager, principally in charge of spending another \$40 million under the \$200 million Pro Parks levy, passed in 2000.

Because so many larger green spaces have been bought over the years, the focus is now on neighborhood parks and what Harris calls "every last lot."

"We are buying these small lots to counter the greater density. People really need a green place to go, even if it is only a lot or two with a swing set," he says. "It is these green spaces, both small and large, that make Seattle such a livable city. I cannot imagine anything better than being involved with green space." — David B. Williams



**CONQUERING OUTER SPACE** Harris, on site at one of his latest projects, Smith Cove, 7.3 acres purchased from the U.S. Navy in August 2003.

### Donald Harris '70

## Making the Emerald City greener

Over the past 30 past years, Donald Harris has spent more than \$300 million buying property in Seattle, but he didn't use his own cash. He's spent public money to buy hundreds of acres of green space, all of which is open to the public. The land includes small parks and large green belts, wooded hillsides and vacant lots, and even an old nursery, now converted to one of

Seattle's newest and most innovative parks. Seattle Parks Department, Harris' employer, manages all of this property.

Harris got his start with the Parks Department as a lifeguard, during his summers off from Puget Sound in the late 1960s. By the time he graduated in 1970, with a degree in political science, he had worked his way up to beach supervisor. Within a couple of years

## **Jason Tanguay M.A.T.'01** was among the first group of climbers in 2004 to reach the 29,035 ft. summit of Mt. Everest.

six-month internship in the Environmentally and Socially Sustainable Development Unit for the Latin American and Caribbean regions. I am working on indigenous projects in Latin America and will be going on my first World Bank mission to Argentina to assess a current project. After completing this internship, I will return to the Monterey Institute of International Studies to finish up my final semester for my master's in international policy studies, specializing in indigenous issues. After graduation I plan to continue my work in the field of indigenous issues either in D.C. or abroad."

**Carolyn Hern** writes: "I am the communications director for U.S. Representative Mac Collins, who is seeking to replace Senator Zell Miller in Georgia's U.S. Senate race. I am responsible for spreading Mac's message and coordinating his press opportunities on radio, television, and in print. Previously I was press secretary for Saxby Chambliss' winning Senate race over Max Celand." Carolyn lives in Smyrna, Ga.

**Lauren Julien** received her M.B.A. from Seattle University in December 2003 and began work as a business analyst at The Boeing Company's world headquarters in Chicago in February.

**David Nieglos** graduated from Johns Hopkins School of Medicine in May and is continuing there for his residency in anesthesiology.

**Carrie Titcomb** married Mark Pateman in Palm Beach, Fla., in February. Carrie received a degree in nursing from South University in West Palm Beach and currently works as a nursing assistant at Good Samaritan Medical Center in West Palm Beach while studying to become a registered nurse.

**01** **Elise Day** writes: "Since graduating three years ago, I've worked as a photographer at Winter Park Ski Resort, a raft guide, an English teacher in France, a tour guide for foreign tourists here in the U.S., and a kids' ski instructor in Steamboat, Colo. I've had great fun traveling around and experiencing as many things as possible. If anyone is in the Steamboat area, look me up and we'll hit the slopes!"

**Valerie Ironside and Jeremy Meyer** were married Sept. 13, 2003, at the First Congregational Church in Portland, Ore. Valerie works in medical equipment sales, and Jeremy is employed by Reliant Pharmaceuticals' sales division. They live in West Linn, Ore.

**Julie Miller** is a marketing communications/account manager for JMTek, a Seattle

manufacturer of portable storage devices for personal computers. Julie writes press releases, coordinates trade shows, and manages sales accounts. She says that working in high-tech means a fast pace and chaotic schedule, but it's a lot of fun, too.

**Matthew Perry** is director of operations for Big City Caramel Corn in Newport Beach, Calif. You can order some of Matthew's treats at [www.bigcitycaramelcorn.com](http://www.bigcitycaramelcorn.com).

**Anna Rhodes** writes: "After interning at Planned Parenthood of Western Washington for five months, while working full time as an office assistant, I am very excited to be entering the 9-5 world with a dream job in the development department at Planned Parenthood." Anna lives in Seattle.

**Jason Tanguay M.A.T.'01** was among the first group of climbers in 2004 to reach the 29,035 ft. summit of Mt. Everest. This was Jason's second attempt to reach the top of the world. In 2001, he was part of the Mallory and Irvine Research Expedition, which abandoned its climb just below the summit to help two injured climbers. This year, Jason, a teacher at Vashon Island High School, wrote dispatches to his students during the expedition. You can read them at [www.vashonsd.wednet.edu/everest/dispatch4.htm](http://www.vashonsd.wednet.edu/everest/dispatch4.htm).

**Erin Vranas** was awarded a Rotary Ambassadorial Scholarship for 2004-05. She will study international business and Spanish in Valparaiso, Chile, working with local educators in developing an after-school program for at-risk youth that involves sports activities and academic tutoring.

**02** **Jenn Adrien M.Ed.** accepted a new job with Stokes Auction Group as an account coordinator. The company does charity auctions around the country. Jenn formerly was assistant director of regional chapters for the alumni programs office at Puget Sound.

**Sara Allen** writes: "I started my second year teaching English in Japan and am enjoying traveling throughout Asia."

**Lindsay Fisher** is a client representative for Marsh Inc. in Seattle. The company provides global risk and insurance services.

**Timothy Floyd** works for Dresner Kleinwort Wasserstein, a global investment bank, as an analyst. Timothy lives and works in London.

**Sangita Sundaramurthy** is a first-year medical student at the University of Massachusetts School of Medicine. Sangita writes: "I really enjoyed and grew from my undergraduate experience at UPS. Now that I'm gone I miss so much about it!"

**Matt Van Sickle**'s creation, the Spice Wheel (see Arches, spring 2003), is now available online through Ratpak Innovations' Web site at [www.ratpak.com](http://www.ratpak.com).

**03** **Carly Blanchard** writes: "I'm working in Prague teaching English to members of parliament. I also spent six weeks in Albania teaching English writing and business skills to corporations."

**Erica Davis** is a project assistant for the Bellevue, Wash., office of the engineering firm Camp Dresser McKee Inc. Erica lives in Seattle.

**Brittany Henderson** is co-coordinator for the state of Washington for the National Orientation Directors Association, which helps colleges and universities with the orientation and retention of students. She won

the best problem-solving and best overall in graduate student case study competitions at the NODA annual conference.

**Tom Hoke** writes: "After four years as a Logger, I have decided to become a tree hugger!" Tom works for Save America's Forests as a forest conservation associate.

**Christina Jensen** writes: "I'm living in sunny Santa Monica, Calif., and enjoying working in international benefits at Mattel Inc., home to Barbie and Ken, as well as Fisher-Price and American Girl products."

**Elizabeth Marsh Johnson** married **Eric Johnson** Oct. 4, 2003. Elizabeth teaches at Abiqua School in Salem, Ore., and Eric is applying to medical school.

**Kristin Tamblyn** is studying for a master's in international service through the International Partnership for Service-Learning in Jamaica and England.

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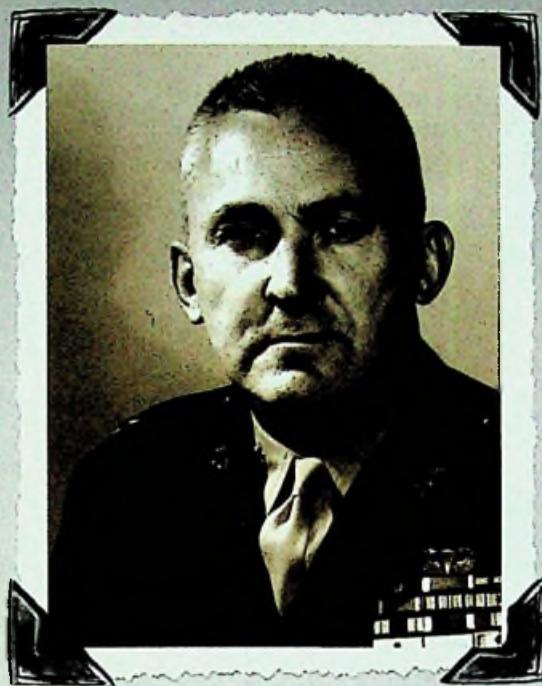
Molly Flynn, daughter of Mike Flynn '75, J.D.'78 and Anne Wheeler Flynn '93, and granddaughter of Bob Flynn '55 and Nancy Hamilton Wheeler '69, married George Huang on Jan. 3, 2004. Several UPS grads were in attendance and are, back row from left: Mike (father of the bride), Laurie Sardina '80, Sandi Sheppard Warner '79, Tom Harwood '80, John Skidmore '78, James Babson '81, Colette McInerney Babson '79, and Bob (grandfather). Front row: Sue Rogers Harwood '80, Anne (mother of the bride), Jon Warner '78, and Sandi Skidmore Bauer B.S.'74, M.S.'83. Present at the wedding, but not pictured was grandmother of the bride, Nancy.



Philip Cutlip '88 performed the role of Harlequin in the Seattle Opera production of *Ariadne auf Naxos* that ran from Feb. 28 - March 13, 2004.  
Photo: Rozari Lynch.



Pictured outside the Heilbrunner Hut, with Dent du Géant in the background, are Jay Clements '07, Jay Sprenger '70, and James Clements getting ready for the ski mountaineering run from Italy into France along Mt. Blanc's north side. The photo was taken by Dan Clements '71 who writes: "The weather was outstanding, snow was great, no one fell into a crevasse, and outstanding food and libations were had by all in Chamonix. The only problem is that it's getting more and more difficult to keep up with the kids!"



Frank Seabeck '42 served in the United States Marine Corps for more than 20 years: in Iwo Jima with the 5th Marine Division, and twice in Korea with the 1st Marine Division. He earned a Bronze Star and was wounded three times. He was chosen by the Military Order of the Purple Heart to represent the state of Washington at the dedication of the World War II Memorial on May 30, 2004, in Washington, D.C. Frank had a second career at the University of Washington, where he worked as a consultant in the Division of Community Development for 33 years, and continued as the monitor of the undergraduate library for another 16 years. While at Puget Sound, Frank was a member of the Sigma Zeta Epsilon fraternity and admired his mentor, Professor James R. Slater, "a superb professor, and a gentleman," he says. Frank lives in Bellevue, Wash.



Terri Starks Christy '93, husband Jason, and their oldest son, Spencer, announce the birth of their second child, son Aiden Robert, born Aug. 8, 2003. The family lives in Denver where Terri works as a therapist. She writes: "I would love to hear from all of my Alpha Phi sisters that I've lost touch with! Please e-mail us at tlcjcscc@aol.com."



Kira Reinhardt Johnson '93 and Clark Johnson '93 welcomed the arrival of their second son, Kellen, on Nov. 6, 2003. Big brother Mitchell was 4 in March. Kira writes: "The boys are keeping us very busy and we love it! I'm job sharing with a friend of mine, which is perfect. I still get to teach, but also have a lot of time at home with the boys. Clark is also busy with his job as the assistant to the city manager in Arvada, Colo." In additional news, leaving kids behind and renting a house on the beach, they celebrated their 10-year reunion with a few UPS friends in San Jose del Cabo, Mexico, last June. Joining them were Ray Mineau '93, Chris Rice '93, Steve Little '93, Eric Krause '93, Julie Koch Krause '94, Karl Zener '93, M.A.T.'94, and Jennifer Comstock Zener '94.



Shannon Pustka '94, here at her cousin's wedding in February 2004 with daughters Meraleigh, 8, Ryan, 5, and Hanna, 3. Shannon has enjoyed working in higher education first as the associate registrar for five years at the College of Charleston in South Carolina, and for the past two years as the assistant registrar at Trinity University in San Antonio, Texas. She writes: "Now that my master's is done, it is time to move forward again. I am quitting my job to start law school at St. Mary's full time in the fall. I am lucky to have the support of my family—with raising three girls by myself, I wouldn't be able to do it without them."



Dan Carey '89 writes: "In December 2003, I was mobilized by the Army Reserve for duty in Operation Iraqi Freedom. I served with the 13th logistic planning augmentation team. I am a quartermaster supply officer with the rank of major. I was promoted to that rank in October 2003. This is my second year having served in Desert Storm. In the Army Reserve, there are many other former Alpha Phi sisters included in this issue. Best regards, Dan Carey '89 M.M.H."



Pictured here in August 2003, after successfully reaching the 8,288 foot summit of Mount Fury in the North Cascades of Washington state, are from left: Ryan Troy '96, Noah Megowan '95, Eric Cook '96, and Jon Rehkopp '98. More information about the mountain and their summit success can be found at [www.summitpost.com/show/mountain\\_linkpl/mountain\\_id/2725](http://www.summitpost.com/show/mountain_linkpl/mountain_id/2725).



Lisa Lusero '96, Allison Hoffman '96, Geoffrey Bateman '96, Mark Thrun, and big brother, Zian, welcomed new baby Eliot Indigo Lusero. Lisa was grateful to deliver Eliot at home in February 2003. Pictured here, at Eliot's naming ceremony last July, are from left; Lisa, Allison, Zian, Geoffrey, Eliot, and Mark. Since then, Lisa, Allison, and the kids spent two months learning Spanish in Mexico. Geoffrey began a Ph.D. in English at the University of Colorado, Boulder, and Allison began a master's in school counseling at the University of Northern Colorado in Denver.



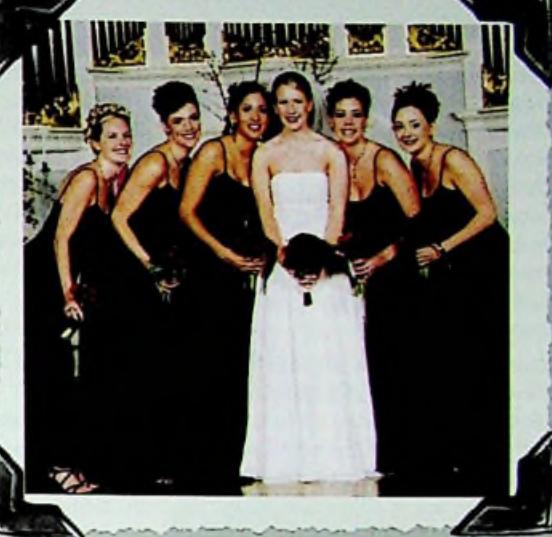
Jeremy Justice '96 and wife Tanya celebrated the birth of their first child, Jonah Christopher Justice, on Nov. 10, 2003. Jeremy has worked for The Boeing Company in Everett, Wash., since graduation from UPS and is assigned to the 7E7 airplane program.



Colleen Wilson Warthan '96 gave birth to her first child on Dec. 4, 2003. Meet Jessica Ashley Warthan!



Jennifer Allison Roehl '97 and Virgil Roehl '98 were married in Seattle on June 14, 2003. Virgil works as a financial analyst for The Boeing Company, and Jennifer earned her master's in counseling. The couple lives in Everett, Wash.



On March 1, 2003, Brandon Jensen '99 and Mandy Singer B.A.'99, M.O.T.'02 tied the knot in Seattle. Brandon had been working for Western Washington Pathology in Tacoma for the past four years as a pathologist's assistant, and Mandy completed her master's in occupational therapy at Puget Sound in 2002, and had been working at Harborview Medical Center in Seattle. In April, the couple left for Central America to travel and volunteer for a few months before relocating to Bellingham, Wash., where Brandon will be attending the Marine and Estuarine Science Program at Western Washington University. After spending the month of April in Nicaragua volunteering at an orphanage, they traveled on to Honduras. We caught up with them in Guatemala, where Mandy writes: "Guatemala has been our favorite. The indigenous culture here is strong and the scenery is gorgeous. The next two months we will head to Costa Rica and Panama! We are having a great time." At the wedding, in back from left are: Mary Christy '02, Nathan Spencer '99, Chris Storm '97, Von Luangphaxay '99, Theresa Weisbeck '04, John Herold '99, Tony Puz '00, the bride and groom, Noelle Detrich '99, Carolyn Johnson '99, Kristin Hinderlie Sackmann '99, Whitney Thomas B.S.'00, D.P.T.'03. Front row from left are: Laura Meyer '02, Jessica Cozzens '99, Aubree Robinson '99, Carmen Bactad '99, Mary Weaver B.S.'99, D.P.T.'02, Amelia Tockston '99, Katie Caufield '99, Kathleen Terrien '99, Jeremy Barnes '99, Mimi Taylor '98, and Michelle Nigl '00.

Laura Kalinski Opstadel '98, M.P.T.'01 married Chris Opstadel on Feb. 14, 2004, in Kilworth Memorial Chapel. Pictured are her bridesmaids, from left: Larisa Reed Hoffman '98, Marne McDonald '98, Lindsey Wade, the bride, Kristen Goehler Rowland M.P.T.'01, and Emily Hemstreet '98. Other UPS alums in attendance were: Kami LeMonds Marks '98, Di Hu '98, Angela Valenti '98, Christy Balleaux Kenyon '98, Dawn Hirrel Brown '98, Corinne Lindsay '96, Sara Stolzenburg Vallas '96, Julianne Haby M.P.T.'01, Nicole Fadlovich Wilson M.P.T.'01, Troy Lindstrom B.S.'99, D.P.T.'02, Jill Tomlinson-Ghent B.S.'99, D.P.T.'02, and Rebecca Thorndill-Rucker D.P.T.'02. Laura and Chris honeymooned in Ocho Rios, Jamaica.



Kilworth Chapel was the site of the June 14, 2003, wedding of Sara Hall '00 and Adam Richins '00. After a honeymoon to Maui, the couple is at home in Seattle, where Sara works as a project engineer at Turner Construction, and Adam is attending law school at the University of Washington. Many Puget Sound alumni joined them on their special day. Pictured from left: Zac Dalton, Naomi Rush, Cory Everett, Azla Ghilassy '00, Walter Coon, Megan Ehler, the groom and bride, Erica Hall '01, Dustin Richins, Molly Hamilton, Rich Moehl '01, Sarah Graham '99, and David Rhoades '00.

**Winifred Champlin Pierce '33** died on Jan. 22, 2004, at 91. A Tacoma native, Winifred worked at the J.C. Penny Company and was a member of the PTA and garden club. She enjoyed sewing and crafts and was active in her church. Winifred was preceded in death by her husband, Guy Pierce, and is survived by her daughters, Margaret and Judy; six grandchildren; and nine great-grandchildren.

**Charles Thomas '34** died March 5, 2003. He was 90. Charles graduated from Stadium High School and worked for Tacoma's G.R. Kirk Co. after graduation from Puget Sound. He became a certified public accountant and at the age of 40 received his law degree from Willamette University. He helped build Tacoma's law firm Gordon, Thomas, Honeywell, Malanca, Peterson, and Daheim, retiring in 1984. He also served on the Advisory Group to the Commissioner of Internal Revenue, a federal committee that evaluated tax policies. Survivors include his wife, Evelene; daughter Kathy; sons Charlie and Glenn; stepson Jeff Blumhagen; 10 grandchildren; five great-grandchildren; and his brother, Tom.

**Mary Martyn Woodworth '34** passed away Dec. 28, 2003. She was 92. Mary was a graduate of Tacoma's Stadium High School. She enjoyed gourmet cooking, gardening, and spending time with her family at their beach place. Mary was preceded in death by her husband, Harold. Survivors include four sons Tom, Gary, Denny, and Hal; and five grandchildren.

**Douglas Bohn '36** passed away peacefully on Jan. 6, 2004. He attended Stadium High School, Puget Sound, and graduated from the University of Washington. He served in the U.S. Navy during World War II as commander of a supply ship in the South Pacific. He worked as a banker and then in housing and urban development. He enjoyed living on Lake Washington, boating, and swimming. Douglas was preceded in death by his wife, Ann. He is survived by his two sons, Steve and Phil; three granddaughters; and two great-grandchildren.

**John Van Leuven '38** born July 26, 1914, died Feb. 23, 2004. He attended Lincoln High School and did graduate work at Columbia University. He taught and was principal of numerous schools in the Tacoma area, retiring in 1977. John and his family enjoyed boating during the summers around Washington, and after retirement, he and his wife, Enid Hutson Van Leuven '38, spent winters in Indio, Calif. John was preceded in death by Enid and by daughter Marla. He is survived by daughter Margaret and her family.

**Jack Duncan '43** died Dec. 1, 2004, in Portland, Ore., at 83. He served in the Army during World War II and received two Purple Hearts and a Bronze Star. Jack received his law degree from Northwestern School of Law at Lewis & Clark College, and worked as an insurance claims adjuster for Fireman's Fund Insurance. He also served as a district administrator for Little League. Jack is survived by his wife of 59 years, Margaret; daughter Kathleen; sons Jack Jr., David, Paul, and Jeffrey; and eight grandchildren.

**Ronald Button '47** passed away Feb. 11, 2004, after a long battle with cancer. He attended Tacoma schools and served in the U.S. Army during Word War II in the South Pacific. He played basketball for the Cheney Studs before going to work for the Washington state highway department as an engineer. He worked on the design of I-5 through Pierce County. He was promoted to chief of the building division of public works, city engineer, and director of public works for Tacoma, during which he was instrumental in the restoration of Stadium Bowl, the design of the Tacoma Dome, and the design of I-705 and I-509. He is survived by his wife of 53 years, Joanne; sons Cary and Ronald; daughter Sally; five grandchildren; and his sister, Jean.

**Gordon Ridgeway '47** died Dec. 29, 2003, in Seattle. Gordon attended CPS under the GI Bill and his thesis on populism in Washington was used as a resource for Washington state history classes for years. He taught school and served as principal in Chewelah, Wash., after graduation. Gordon went back into the Army Corps of Engineers during the Korean War, retiring from the Army as a colonel in 1971. He survived three wars and received many medals, including the Legion of Merit. Gordon is survived by his wife, Maggie; sons Gordon Jr., Jonathan, and Thomas; and daughter Mary.

**Betty Oswalt Strong '48** died Jan. 9, 2004, in Tacoma. She would have been 77 on Jan. 15. Betty worked with the Pierce County Animal Welfare. She is survived by her sister, Margaret Kahmann of Seattle.

**Paul Griffen '49** died peacefully at home with his family on Feb. 2, 2004. He joined the Navy during World War II. Paul was active in the Victorville, Calif., Senior Citizens Club, Seniors With Inquiring Minds, and as a tax coordinator for seniors in the Victorville area. He is survived by his wife of 57 years, Ruth Anne; his children; two grandchildren; his brother; and numerous nieces, nephews, and cousins.

**George Wehmhoff '49** died Jan. 9, 2004, at his home in Anchorage, Alaska. He was 80. George served as a smokejumper with

the U.S. Forest Service during high school in Washington, and joined the Army after attending Puget Sound. He was part of the Army War Bonds football team that played against the Green Bay Packers and the Washington Redskins. He served four years during World War II, most of it in Europe as a medic and combat jeep driver on the front lines. George was captured and escaped twice and awarded the Purple Heart. He was one of the founders of Puget Sound's Sigma Chi fraternity chapter, and met his wife, Merle Stevens Wehmhoff '49. He was the first full-time music salesman to come to Alaska and worked with numerous recording companies during his career. George was an active volunteer, devoting his time to helping the youth of Anchorage through Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, and Kiwanis. He is survived by his wife of 54 years; his children, Steven '77, Gretchen, and Karen; grandchildren Kathleen, Jill, Mark, Scott, and Briannan; sister Ruth; and brother Ralph '50.

**Melvin Light '50** died peacefully with his family at his bedside on Jan. 30, 2004, from complications due to Parkinson's Disease. Mel graduated from Clover Park High School and was an all-conference tailback for the football team while at UPS. He was later drafted by the Los Angeles Rams, although he passed on the opportunity. Mel served in the U.S. Army in Germany as a Russian interpreter at the time of the Hungarian uprising, and coached Army volleyball teams, winning the German national and all-European titles. His interests in language and art led Mel to his career as a Spanish and art teacher at Mercer Island High School for 26 years, where he also coached cross country, track, basketball, and volleyball. He is survived by his wife of 45 years, Elizabeth; his children, Rik, Kriss, Gunnar, Erin, Jorgan, and Catie; and 11 grandchildren.

**Mae Larson Solberg '51** passed away on Jan. 17, 2004. She was 95. Mae graduated from Stadium High School and taught kindergarten and third grade for more than 30 years at Tacoma's Franklin Elementary, retiring in 1973. She enjoyed square dancing and danced until she was 86. Mae was a life-long member of Corinthian Chapter #172 Order of the Eastern Star, Ladies of the Oriental Shrine-Greeters, and a friend of the Mason United Methodist Church. She is survived by her son, Gary; and several nieces, nephews, and cousins.

**Beverly Muir Hendel Smith '53** died March 7, 2004, in Tempe, Ariz., at 72. She attended Lake Washington High School and worked as a first grade teacher on Mercer Island, Wash., for 25 years. Bev-

erly enjoyed reading, spending time with family, jigsaw puzzles, crossword puzzles, and traveling to Mexico with friends and family. She is survived by her husband of 28 years, Wayne; her sons, D.R. and Drew Hendel, and Matt Smith; daughters Dana and Michelle; her granddaughter, Morgan; and two brothers.

**Bernice Landry '55** died Feb. 7, 2004, in Seattle, at 85. She worked for the Internal Revenue Service for more than 33 years and belonged to the Washington Athletic Club, the Seattle Repertory Theater, and various retiree organizations, including the National Treasury Employees Union, and the AARP. Bernice's special interests included reading, travel, and volunteering.

**James Estep '56** died Jan. 23, 2004. He graduated from Bellarmine Preparatory School in Tacoma and was a member of Theta Phi fraternity while at Puget Sound. He later graduated from the University of Washington with a degree in chemical engineering. He served in the U.S. Air Force prior to joining The Boeing Company, where he worked for more than 30 years. He also co-owned and operated the Golden Gavel Restaurant in downtown Seattle in the 1970s. James was a member of the Elks Lodge #92, the George Washington Masonic Lodge #251, and the Eagles. He is survived by three children; and eight grandchildren.

**George Little '56** died Jan. 4, 2004, at the University Place Care Center at 74. He graduated from Clover Park High School and served in the Washington National Guard for 10 years. George worked for Parker Paint Mfg. Company for 41 years in shipping, outside sales, and as the Puyallup store manager. His many interests included golf, bowling, hunting, fishing, woodworking, coaching Little League baseball and women's slow-pitch, watching sports, and especially singing. He performed in church choirs, Tacoma Little Theater musicals, and sang with the Clef Dwellers, Tacoma Totemates Barbershop Chorus, and the Tacoma Elks chorus. He is survived by his wife of 45 years, Mardyne; daughters Marcie and Kathie; son Kerry; and eight grandchildren.

**Robert Pearson '59** died Dec. 14, 2003, after battling cancer. He graduated from Stadium High School in 1955. While attending Puget Sound, Bob was president of the Kappa Sigma fraternity. He was also a graduate of Pacific Coast Banking School and Stanford School of Finance. Bob retired as a senior vice president with Puget Sound National Bank after 33 years of service. He was also involved in forming Pierce Com-

mercial Bank, where he was vice chair. His wife of 44 years, Charlene Dahl Pearson '60; sons David and Eric; daughter Shelly; and four grandchildren survive Bob.

**Norman O'Day '63** passed away peacefully at his Puyallup, Wash., home on Dec. 20, 2003. He was 71. Norm graduated from Seattle's Ballard High School and attended the University of Washington as well as Puget Sound. He managed the Standard Oil service station near the Space Needle during the 1962 World's Fair, drove a logging truck, managed his family's manufacturing plant, and finished his working life in real estate sales. Norm was a member of the Elks and St. Charles Barromeo parish. He is survived by his wife, Suzanne; sons Michael, Patrick, and Shawn; daughter Julie; stepchildren Dennis, Lorraine, and Janice; five grandchildren; five step-grandchildren; three brothers; and a sister.

**Thomas Lee Roach '63** died Jan. 14, 2004, after a long struggle with lung disease. He was 67. Tom graduated from Puget Sound and later received his master's in social work from the University of Washington. He served in the U.S. Army as a unit clerk stationed in New Jersey from 1959 to 1961. Tom worked in the service of others in many professional capacities throughout his life. He is survived by his wife, Elizabeth; daughters Louisa and Laura; his grandchildren, Taylor, Lauren, and Ryan; and his siblings, Marvelene, Patsy, Gaynelle, and Paul.

**Frank McFarlan B.A.'65** passed away Feb. 11, 2004, at 88. He served in the Army Air Corps during World War II attached to the 436th Troop Carrier Squadron and flew many missions in Europe, including two on D-Day. Frank remained in the Air Force and, with wife Ellie, raised their family at many duty stations. He retired in 1963, came to Puget Sound, and received his teaching certificate. Frank taught social studies at Mt. Tahoma High School until his second retirement in 1975. He enjoyed competitive target and trap shooting, fishing, hunting, gardening, and visiting friends around the world. Frank was preceded in death by his wife, and is survived by his daughter, Jane; son Patrick; eight grandchildren; one great-grandson; and his brother, Leo.

**Eileen Mahshi Geithman '66** passed away in March 2004, after a lengthy and courageous battle with cancer. She was 57. Eileen was born in Jerusalem, Palestine, and immigrated to the U.S. in 1964. She is survived by her husband of 35 years, Glenn; daughter Erika; son, Ryan; her mother, Grace; and brother Costi.

**Susan Hauck DiCarlo '70** died Jan. 7, 2004, in Charlotte, N.C. Susan had been

a resident of Charlotte since 2002, and had previously lived in Brooklyn, N.Y. She was preceded in death by her husband, Dominick, a federal judge for the Courts of International Trade. She is survived by her sisters, Patricia and Elizabeth; brother Michael; four stepchildren; and 12 step-grandchildren.

**John Moller '70** died at home in Gig Harbor, Wash., on Feb. 27, 2004, after a struggle with brain cancer. He was 55. John graduated from University Place's Curtis High School and served in the U.S. Navy. He worked at Scott Paper Company in Everett, Wash., and Oconto Falls, Wisc., where he met his wife Victoria. In 1981, he began working for Merrill Lynch in Tacoma, where he was employed until his death. He loved fishing, gardening, and telling jokes, and was an active member of Harbor Covenant Church and a leader at Bible study fellowship. John is survived by his wife; daughters Heidi, Jessica, and Andrea; and his stepmother, Carol.

**James Brown '72** died Dec. 26, 2003, at age 53. He graduated from Wilson High School in Portland, Ore., and moved to Spokane after graduating from Puget Sound. He worked for the U.S. Treasury as a national bank examiner for five years, for the Washington Trust Bank as manager of the credit card division, and was a commercial loan officer for 17 years. He was involved in numerous civic associations and charitable causes. James is survived by his sister, Jennifer; and several cousins.

**Scott Destefano '79** passed away Dec. 20, 2003, at his home in Los Angeles after suffering a heart attack. He graduated from University High School in 1965. Scott was immediately drafted into the Army and served for two years in Vietnam, where he was awarded the Purple Heart. After his discharge, Scott continued his education at Puget Sound and earned an M.F.A. from Washington State University, then went on to teach for three years at San Francisco State University. He later moved to Hollywood, Calif., where he had a successful 20-year career in film and television as a key grip. Scott worked on several popular TV shows, including "Home Improvement," for which he was awarded an Emmy. Scott's parents, Ray and Ethel; brother Tom; sisters Josie, Toni, Tina, Sandy, and Shari; and several other family members survive him.

**Willy O'Neill '79** died Jan. 4, 2004, while on a duck and goose hunting trip along the Columbia River. Willy was an advocate for small stream salmon recovery programs and a major fundraiser and manager of various projects. He represented the AGC and con-

struction industry as an Olympia lobbyist, negotiating and writing landmark energy code legislation. He enjoyed working with various Indian tribal nations in the Puget Sound region as well. He is survived by his parents, Bill and Nina; brothers Paul, James, and Gene; sisters Kelly, Molly, and Eunice; and numerous family and friends.

**Charles Lewis '81** passed away Feb. 11, 2004. He was 78. He served in the U.S. Army for 30 years. His first tour of duty took him to Japan, where he became fluent in Japanese and met his wife of 52 years, Harumi. Charlie is survived by his wife; children Tony, Donald, Karen, Charles, and Michael; 10 grandchildren; and one great-grandchild.

**Cathryn Rice-Simmons '86** passed away Feb. 19, 2004. She graduated from Tacoma's Stadium High School, Puget Sound, and received her master's from the University of California, Santa Barbara. Cathy worked as a college instructor at several Southern California colleges and enjoyed writing poetry. She was a founding member of Poetry Troop Four to the Nth, and had recently published some of her work under the title *Dreaming the Moon*. Cathy is survived by her husband, Keith; parents Leighton and Marie; and her brother, John.

**Sean Murphy '88** died in November 2003 in Banning, Calif. He was 37. Sean enjoyed poetry and music. He had managed a Tacoma restaurant, manufactured doors in Portland, Ore., and worked as a messenger in San Francisco and Seattle. He is survived by his brother, Ray.

**Cheryl Wetterhus Welde M.E.'92** passed away Feb. 7, 2004, in Puyallup, at age 40. Cheryl attended Puyallup High School and Washington State University. She taught in the Puyallup School District for 17 years and was active in the community. She is survived by her husband, Wayne; children Kevin and Cameron; father Larry; brother Greg; and several nephews and nieces.

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**Roberta Cochennette** passed away Feb. 22, 2004, in Tacoma. She was 67. Roberta worked in Puget Sound's student accounts office from 1980 until her retirement in 1999. She enjoyed spending time with her children and playing cards with friends. Roberta especially enjoyed trips to Reno and Las Vegas. She is survived by her sister, Pat; son Bill; daughter Roberta; two nieces; and a nephew.

**Johnny Dugan** passed away Jan. 6, 2004, due to complications from cardiac surgery. He was 76. Johnny was the men's soccer

coach from 1980 to 1990. He was born in Ireland and immigrated to Tacoma with his wife, Kathleen, and two of their children in 1953. He worked for the Tacoma Public Schools in the maintenance department for many years. In addition to soccer, he was a fan of his homeland's sports of Gaelic football and hurling. Johnny was a member of the Seattle and Tacoma Irish Heritage Clubs and enjoyed sailing. He built his own Lightning Class sailboat and spent many hours sailing on Commencement Bay. Johnny is survived by his wife; children Michael, Mary, Edward, Helen, and John; 13 grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.



Bethel Schneebeck in the concert hall on campus that bears her name, with President Emerita Pierce in 2002.

Longtime university and community supporter, **Bethel Schneebeck**, died May 16. She was 87. Bethel, and late husband Edwin Schneebeck were tireless supporters of Tacoma's art scene. Their generous donation made possible the university's concert hall renovation, and they also donated funds for the organ in Kilworth Memorial Chapel and for the elevator located there. Bethel was one of the lead advocates to restore the Pantages Theater in Tacoma, was an avid backer of the Tacoma Little Theater, and longtime supporter of the Tacoma Symphony Orchestra. Bethel served on the Tacoma Youth Symphony board for many years. Originally from the Midwest, Bethel moved to Colorado with her family at an early age. After she and Ed married, they moved to Klamath Falls, Ore., and then to Tacoma, where they owned and operated a wholesale book and magazine business. They raised three children, four foster children, and had six grandchildren. The Schneebecks were members of Mason United Methodist Church, where Bethel's memorial service was held June 12. The family suggests those wishing to make gifts send contributions to the University of Puget Sound School of Music.

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In his element, Josh Patterson '04 works to recruit a few new swim team members, while teammate Josh Kramer '04 looks on.



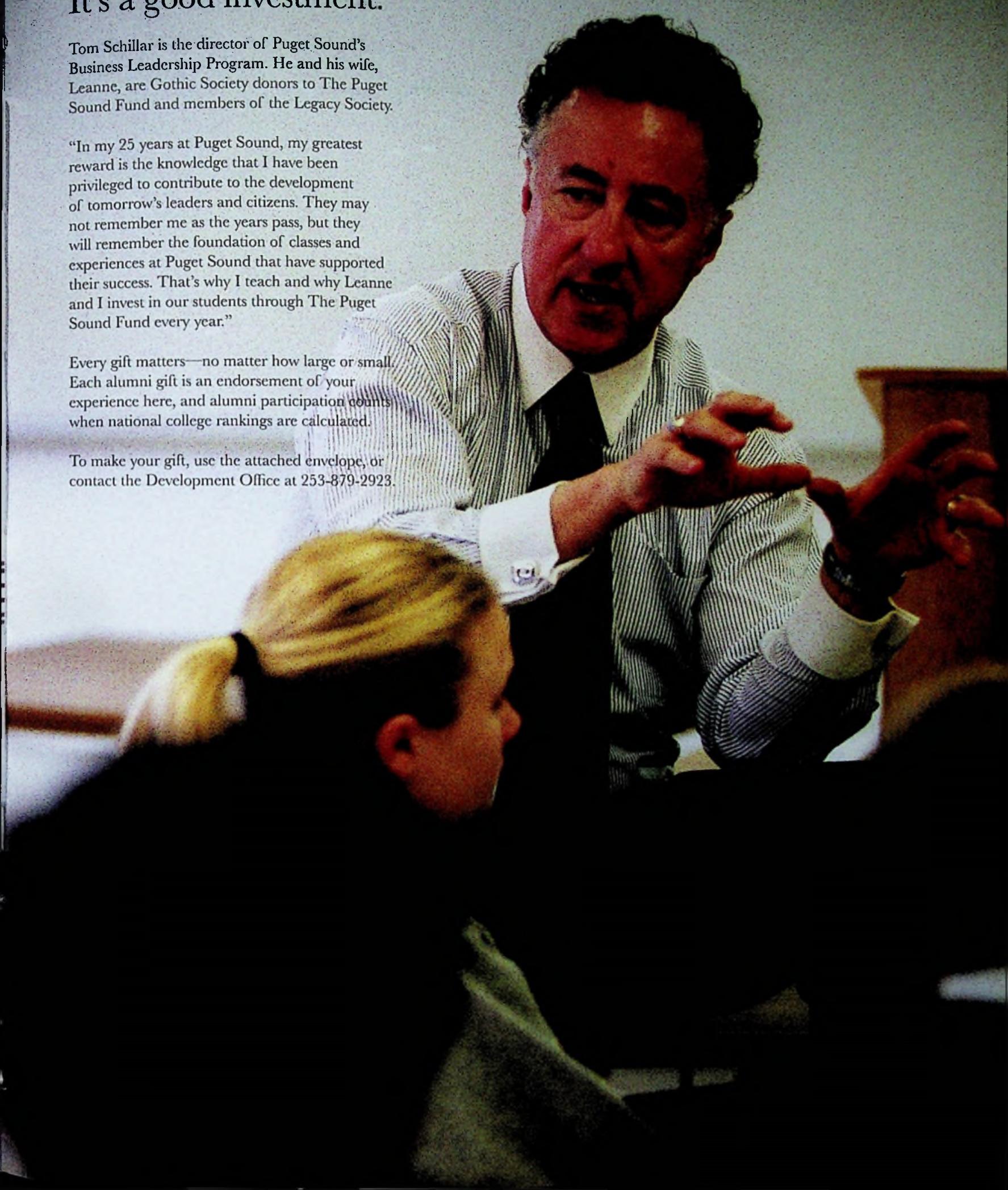
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