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Consider ballots. It is hard to dispute that if Palm Beach County, Fla., used the same type of ballot that Marion County, Ore., provides to its voters, the outcome of this election would have been quite different. Most counties in Oregon have abandoned the punch card ballot for a paper ballot upon which voters physically complete an arrow next to their choice. These are more accurately counted by machine (no chad here!) and more easily verified in hand counts. Surprisingly, 37 percent of all U.S. precincts still use punch card ballots, even though the manufacturers of this voting technology admit it significantly "undercounts" the electorate, requiring more accurate hand counts. Ironically, the last two disputed presidential elections (1876 and 1888), motivated political reformers throughout the United States to pressure state legislatures to outlaw the "party list" ballot, (in which a voter had to request an often color-coded ballot listing only candidates of a specific party), in favor of the "Australian" ballot listing all candidates for each position. Prior to the Australian ballot, it was next to impossible to cross party lines to vote your conscience and impossible to keep your vote secret. States should mandate better technology — punchcards are only used now because they are cheaper.

**Abolish the Electoral College?** I think not. Yes, former Vice President Al Gore won the national popular vote (by almost 350,000

votes), yet lost the Electoral College, the fourth time this has occurred in our nation's history. Be that as it may, the Electoral College will likely survive. While it doesn't necessarily serve the role the Founders intended (as a check against mob rule), it does serve an important role for voters and candidates. Candidates utilize the electoral map to target their efforts to particular states, while voters in states targeted by a candidate get greater opportunities to hear from the candidates themselves. A more likely reform to the Electoral College is a slow movement by states to award their electors proportionately based upon the state popular vote. Two states already do this. Nevertheless, many legislatures will refuse to take even this step, as it diminishes the appeal of the state's lump sum of electoral votes to strategizing candidates.

In sum, we are truly blessed to live in interesting times. In the end, President George W. Bush possesses no clear mandate and faces a uniquely divided Congress. Despite this division, the president will be largely dependent upon the good graces of a very independent Congress, knowledgeable of his weaknesses. Which is, by the way, exactly as the founders intended.

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## Perspectives

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## Mark of the beast

I was glancing through my new *Scene* today, when low and behold, on page 11, what should I find but your featured guest, Dr. Arthur Caplan, advocating microchipping under the query, "Are medical records really private?" There the man said, "At least if you created an ID number and a record and a computer chip on your skin or your head or somewhere, you'd know when somebody broke your privacy."

You would be a complete and utter idiot if you believe in this. The gospel, Jesus Christ and His revelation, in the book of the Apocalypse, clearly states that taking such an item either in the hand or the forehead will damn one irrevocably to hell. Go look it up. It's chapter 13:16-17.

So here we are, at the beginning of the new millennium, and my old alma mater is advocating, through an interview with Dr. Arthur Caplan, taking the mark of the beast. What can be next?

*Maira Gralund '87*

## Wrong photo

This letter may be joining several others with the same message, but I just had to send it. There is an error on page 17 of the summer 2000 issue of the *Scene*. A picture of Dick Brouwer '52 was used to illustrate his teammate, Doug Logue '52, who is being honored. Although Dick was a good player, Doug was far more effective. The class of 1952 had quite a collection of good basketball players. They won the conference championship or co-championship all four years they were there! I've enjoyed receiving the *Willamette Scene* very much! Thank you.

*Jack Hande '53*



Doug Logue '52

## Unconscious racism

One page 31, of the summer issue, I find in the header a troubling phrase: "The first white settlers." I believe this is easily interpreted as unconscious racism. Just "The first settlers" would have been sufficient. In my travels all over the West, I have repeatedly run into signs at parks and recreational areas that refer to the "first white settlers." Often the first white settlers were mere plunderers and exploiters. I'm a white person myself, but I find the expression offensive and wonder how people of color might feel reading such a phrase. Since recent research in the human genome project has revealed that the concept of race itself has no foundation, can we not help simply by eliminating such expressions?

I do enjoy the *Willamette Scene* and trust my comments will be received in the constructive sense in which they are intended.

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## tidbits

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ESPN2 featured the 1941 Willamette University football team, which was in Honolulu when Pearl Harbor was bombed. The feature was one of three segments of a half-hour show called "NFL Films Presents." The 30-minute show aired on Nov. 28, 2000.

Willamette's team was in Hawaii in 1941 to take part in a series of games called the Shrine Bowl with the University of Hawaii and San Jose State. In the first game, Hawaii defeated Willamette 20-6, the day before Pearl Harbor was bombed.

The Willamette contingent remained on the island for three weeks to assist in the defense efforts and to help those wounded. Most of the Willamette group returned to the mainland on Christmas Day.

### Willamette provides space for television network

Willamette has donated 25,000 square feet of space to Oregon Public Affairs Network (OPAN), a network that will cover major proceedings in the Oregon state government and will follow a format similar to C-SPAN.

This donation represents Willamette's commitment to contribute to the political environment

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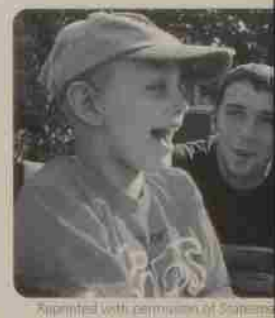
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## & briefs

In Oregon, OPAN began distributing its programming in January of 2001, the start of the Oregon legislative session.

"The partnership between OPAN and Willamette University is a natural outgrowth of our long history with state and local government," said President M. Lee Pelton. "I am confident that bringing OPAN to our campus will allow us to continue to enrich our tradition of public service in new and exciting ways."

OPAN's space is located in the basement of the executive building, which houses the School of Education. OPAN, created in 1999, is a not-for-profit company with a bi-partisan board of directors.

### Brown joins Willamette as vp of enrollment

Dr. Robin Brown joined Willamette University's staff on Sept. 11 as vice president for enrollment in the Office of Admission. Brown brought 14 years of combined recruitment and administrative experience in higher education.

Brown came from Ohio State University, where she was director of undergraduate admissions. While at Ohio State, Brown also chaired the High School Guidance Counselor Advisory Board and the Recruitment Coordinating Committee.

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## \$2.65 million gift enhances student recreation

By Laurel Lower '02

Imagine a recreational facility dedicated to fulfilling students' educational and social desires. Picture a 16,500-square-foot center open until the early hours of the morning. A place that is warm, open and inviting where students can play pool, watch big screen TV, have a late-night snack, play video games, do laundry, view student art and lounge around in comfortable couches to socialize or study. Now picture such a facility located in the Baxter Quad, where one-third of Willamette students live.

The facility, scheduled to open for the 2001-2002 school year, will be named the Dan and Jean Montag Recreation Center after Dan and Jean Montag, 1952 graduates of Willamette. Tom Montag, son of Dan and Jean Montag and a managing director for Goldman Sachs' investment firm in Tokyo, donated \$2 million to the building of this center. The Portland-based Collins Foundation also donated \$650,000 for the project.

"The Montag family and The Collins Foundation have given generations of future students a valuable gift—a place to learn and grow," said Jim Bauer, dean of residential life and auxiliary services.

President Lee Pelton has been aware of the need for an improved recreational scene on campus and made the creation of a student center a priority when he came to campus in 1997. This center will fulfill one of

the initiatives to enhance student life at Willamette. Student life is one of five guiding principles that make up the long-range plan of the University.

"During my first year on campus, I heard a persistent theme of a need for a livelier social life, and, in particular, a place over which students have some control," said Pelton.

The center will provide a designated place for students to "hang out" after class and a place where students can eat late-night snacks on campus and plan programs.

"I am a senior at Willamette and have often wished that there was a place I could go at night to socialize and relax with my fellow students," said J.D. Miller '01. "I think that the Montag Center is a much needed development that will help restore cohesion on campus."

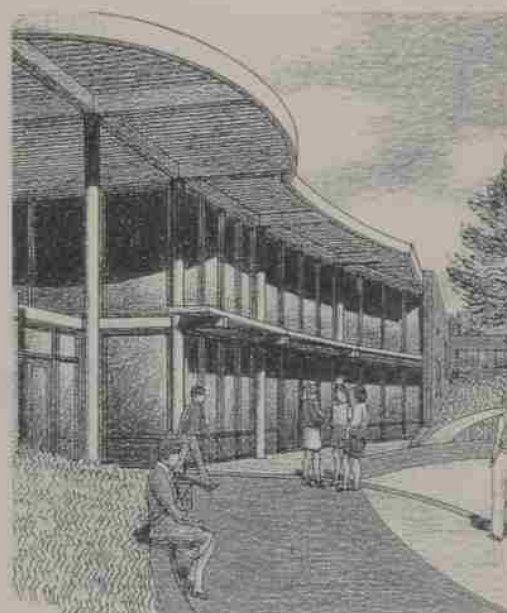
One of the unique aspects of the development of the center is that students contributed ideas that directly impacted the design of the Montag Center. A board of five students from various student organizations on campus helped to create an environment designed by students for students.

"The way the study lounge is configured was the students' idea," said Bauer. "The laundry facility is exactly as they asked. There really isn't any aspect of the center that was not generated from the students' input."

The center will also include a redevelopment of the landscape and outdoor recreational areas in the Baxter Quad, including a well-lit area for students to relax and enjoy nice weather. In addition to the leisure and entertainment aspects of the center, the project will provide educational improvements. The writing center will be redeveloped into amenities that promote scholarship, assist students with senior projects and Carson Grants, as well as support excellence in teaching.

The center will create a hub of activity and increase student life while providing educational enhancement opportunities. "The Montag Center will be a unique place for students to learn more about each other and to feel comfortable sharing personal ideas and opinions," said Bauer. "We hope that those ideas and opinions will focus on the uniqueness of each person, creating an enhanced and improved Willamette community."

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Consider ballots. It is hard to dispute that if Palm Beach County, Fla., used the same type of ballot that Marion County, Ore., provides to its voters, the outcome of this election would have been quite different. Most counties in Oregon have abandoned the punch card ballot for a paper ballot upon which voters physically complete an arrow next to their choice. These are more accurately counted by machine (no chad here!) and more easily verified in hand counts. Surprisingly, 37 percent of all U.S. precincts still use punch card ballots, even though the manufacturers of this voting technology admit it significantly "undercounts" the electorate, requiring more accurate hand counts. Ironically, the last two disputed presidential elections (1876 and 1888), motivated political reformers throughout the United States to pressure state legislatures to outlaw the "party list" ballot, (in which a voter had to request an often color-coded ballot listing only candidates of a specific party), in favor of the "Australian" ballot listing all candidates for each position. Prior to the Australian ballot, it was next to impossible to cross party lines to vote your conscience and impossible to keep your vote secret. States should mandate better technology — punchcards are only used now because they are cheaper.

**Abolish the Electoral College?** I think not. Yes, former Vice President Al Gore won the national popular vote (by almost 350,000

votes), yet lost the Electoral College, the fourth time this has occurred in our nation's history. Be that as it may, the Electoral College will likely survive. While it doesn't necessarily serve the role the Founders intended (as a check against mob rule), it does serve an important role for voters and candidates. Candidates utilize the electoral map to target their efforts to particular states, while voters in states targeted by a candidate get greater opportunities to hear from the candidates themselves. A more likely reform to the Electoral College is a slow movement by states to award their electors proportionately based upon the state popular vote. Two states already do this. Nevertheless, many legislatures will refuse to take even this step, as it diminishes the appeal of the state's lump sum of electoral votes to strategizing candidates.

In sum, we are truly blessed to live in interesting times. In the end, President George W. Bush possesses no clear mandate and faces a uniquely divided Congress. Despite this division, the president will be largely dependent upon the good graces of a very independent Congress, knowledgeable of his weaknesses. Which is, by the way, exactly as the founders intended.

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## Perspectives

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I was glancing through my new *Scene* today, when low and behold, on page 11, what should I find but your featured guest, Dr. Arthur Caplan, advocating microchipping under the query, "Are medical records really private?" There the man said, "At least if you created an ID number and a record and a computer chip on your skin or your head or somewhere, you'd know when somebody broke your privacy."

You would be a complete and utter idiot if you believe in this. The gospel, Jesus Christ and His revelation, in the book of the Apocalypse, clearly states that taking such an item either in the hand or the forehead will damn one irrevocably to hell. Go look it up. It's chapter 13:16-17.

So here we are, at the beginning of the new millennium, and my old alma mater is advocating, through an interview with Dr. Arthur Caplan, taking the mark of the beast. What can be next?

*Maira Gralund '87*

## Wrong photo

This letter may be joining several others with the same message, but I just had to send it. There is an error on page 17 of the summer 2000 issue of the *Scene*. A picture of Dick Brouwer '52 was used to illustrate his teammate, Doug Logue '52, who is being honored. Although Dick was a good player, Doug was far more effective. The class of 1952 had quite a collection of good basketball players. They won the conference championship or co-championship all four years they were there! I've enjoyed receiving the *Willamette Scene* very much! Thank you.

*Jack Hande '53*



Doug Logue '52

## Unconscious racism

One page 31, of the summer issue, I find in the header a troubling phrase: "The first white settlers." I believe this is easily interpreted as unconscious racism. Just "The first settlers" would have been sufficient. In my travels all over the West, I have repeatedly run into signs at parks and recreational areas that refer to the "first white settlers." Often the first white settlers were mere plunderers and exploiters. I'm a white person myself, but I find the expression offensive and wonder how people of color might feel reading such a phrase. Since recent research in the human genome project has revealed that the concept of race itself has no foundation, can we not help simply by eliminating such expressions?

I do enjoy the *Willamette Scene* and trust my comments will be received in the constructive sense in which they are intended.

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ESPN2 featured the 1941 Willamette University football team, which was in Honolulu when Pearl Harbor was bombed. The feature was one of three segments of a half-hour show called "NFL Films Presents." The 30-minute show aired on Nov. 28, 2000.

Willamette's team was in Hawaii in 1941 to take part in a series of games called the Shrine Bowl with the University of Hawaii and San Jose State. In the first game, Hawaii defeated Willamette 20-6, the day before Pearl Harbor was bombed.

The Willamette contingent remained on the island for three weeks to assist in the defense efforts and to help those wounded. Most of the Willamette group returned to the mainland on Christmas Day.

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Willamette has donated 25,000 square feet of space to Oregon Public Affairs Network (OPAN), a network that will cover major proceedings in the Oregon state government and will follow a format similar to C-SPAN.

This donation represents Willamette's commitment to contribute to the political environment.



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# & briefs

in Oregon. OPAN began distributing its programming in January of 2001, the start of the Oregon legislative session.

"The partnership between OPAN and Willamette University is a natural outgrowth of our long history with state and local government," said President M. Lee Pelton. "I am confident that bringing OPAN to our campus will allow us to continue to enrich our tradition of public service in new and exciting ways."

OPAN's space is located in the basement of the executive building, which houses the School of Education. OPAN, created in 1999, is a not-for-profit company with a bi-partisan board of directors.

## Brown joins Willamette as vp of enrollment

Dr. Robin Brown joined Willamette University's staff on Sept. 11 as vice president for enrollment in the Office of Admission. Brown brought 14 years of combined recruitment and administrative experience in higher education.

Brown came from Ohio State University, where she was director of undergraduate admissions. While at Ohio State, Brown also chaired the High School Guidance Counselor Advisory Board and the Recruitment Coordinating Committee.

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## \$2.65 million gift enhances student recreation

By Laurel Lower '02

Imagine a recreational facility dedicated to fulfilling students' educational and social desires. Picture a 16,500-square-foot center open until the early hours of the morning. A place that is warm, open and inviting where students can play pool, watch big screen TV, have a late-night snack, play video games, do laundry, view student art and lounge around in comfortable couches to socialize or study. Now picture such a facility located in the Baxter Quad, where one-third of Willamette students live.

The facility, scheduled to open for the 2001-2002 school year, will be named the Dan and Jean Montag Recreation Center after Dan and Jean Montag, 1952 graduates of Willamette. Tom Montag, son of Dan and Jean Montag and a managing director for Goldman Sachs' investment firm in Tokyo, donated \$2 million to the building of this center. The Portland-based Collins Foundation also donated \$650,000 for the project.

"The Montag family and The Collins Foundation have given generations of future students a valuable gift—a place to learn and grow," said Jim Bauer, dean of residential life and auxiliary services.

President Lee Pelton has been aware of the need for an improved recreational scene on campus and made the creation of a student center a priority when he came to campus in 1997. This center will fulfill one of

the initiatives to enhance student life at Willamette. Student life is one of five guiding principles that make up the long-range plan of the University.

"During my first year on campus, I heard a persistent theme of a need for a livelier social life, and, in particular, a place over which students have some control," said Pelton.

The center will provide a designated place for students to "hang out" after class and a place where students can eat late-night snacks on campus and plan programs.

"I am a senior at Willamette and have often wished that there was a place I could go at night to socialize and relax with my fellow students," said J.D. Miller '01. "I think that the Montag Center is a much needed development that will help restore cohesion on campus."

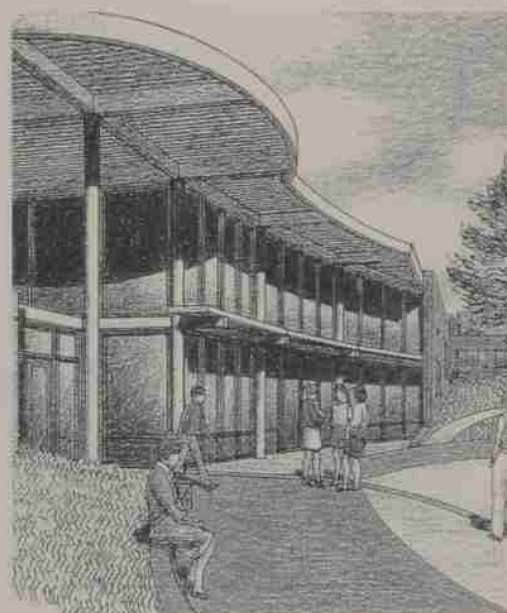
One of the unique aspects of the development of the center is that students contributed ideas that directly impacted the design of the Montag Center. A board of five students from various student organizations on campus helped to create an environment designed by students for students.

"The way the study lounge is configured was the students' idea," said Bauer. "The laundry facility is exactly as they asked. There really isn't any aspect of the center that was not generated from the students' input."

The center will also include a redevelopment of the landscape and outdoor recreational areas in the Baxter Quad, including a well-lit area for students to relax and enjoy nice weather. In addition to the leisure and entertainment aspects of the center, the project will provide educational improvements. The writing center will be redeveloped into amenities that promote scholarship, assist students with senior projects and Carson Grants, as well as support excellence in teaching.

The center will create a hub of activity and increase student life while providing educational enhancement opportunities. "The Montag Center will be a unique place for students to learn more about each other and to feel comfortable sharing personal ideas and opinions," said Bauer. "We hope that those ideas and opinions will focus on the uniqueness of each person, creating an enhanced and improved Willamette community."

*Laurel Lower '02 is an English major from Jacksonville, Ore.*



The 16,500-square-foot Dan and Jean Montag Recreation Center will provide a hub of activity in the Baxter Quad.

## Experiencing the new South Africa

By Beth Kowal '02

"We have at last, achieved our political emancipation. ... Never, never, and never again shall it be that this beautiful land will again experience the oppression of one by another," said Nelson Mandela, May 10,



Local South African children were impressed with Andy Miguel's '01 strange technology. Miguel, a sociology major who was a participant in the winter break trip to South Africa, taped the children and then showed them the digital footage. This was a first for the children: they had never seen a video camera.

1994, during his first presidential inauguration speech.

In the spirit of learning about Mandela's political emancipation and the politically changing country, 12 students and nine others, including K.S. Ainsworth, director of off-campus studies and international education, and President M. Lee Pelton and his family, spent two and a half weeks in South Africa during winter break.

South Africa is a complex country whose social, economical and political institutions are undergoing a rapid transformation. However, seven years after the end of apartheid, uneasy race relations are the norm rather than the exception in the every day lives of South Africans. Pelton experienced South African race relations when he and Ainsworth traveled to South Africa

in October to investigate educational opportunities.

"Both black and white South Africans had a difficult time responding to my direct questions when I was accompanied by a white person," said Pelton. "More often than not, when I asked a question, they would respond to the other person, rather than to me. I experienced these encounters several times every day. They were very enervating because these racial distinctions are so pervasive and ingrained in the culture. For me, it highlighted how this imbalance in social and cultural power is magnified in the daily lives of black South Africans."

In order to get a feel for the history and current political changes in the country, trip participants were required to read Nelson Mandela's autobiography, *Long Walk to Freedom*.

"It is a very exciting time in South Africa," Ainsworth said. "The country is building a new democracy, and I think it is crucial for American students to witness the building of these democratic institutions. I expect the students to question their ideas of fairness, equality and democracy, reflecting deeply on who they are."

After flying into Capetown on Dec. 28, the group visited Robben Island, a place where Mandela was imprisoned for almost three decades. Traveling west through the country, they toured a vineyard, saw Cango Caves, experienced an ostrich farm and visited a museum dedicated to

Mandela. Week two brought the group to a black township in Grahamstown in the Eastern Cape.

"We were minorities and truly saw how people live in a different culture, rather than filtered through popular videos and news media," said Sarah Sutton '03.

After Grahamstown, the group traveled north to explore game parks near Pietermaritzburg and Durban, and experienced a Zulu village in Eshowe. They also journeyed through Swaziland and spent the night at a game reserve in Kruger National Park. While in both Grahamstown and Pietermaritzburg, the group attended lectures by faculty from local universities on the history and culture of South Africa.

Upon conclusion of the trip, the students spent a night in Uthmaniyah village near Kruger National Park. They met Heidi Taylor, a Peace Corps member and learned how she coordinates a chicken nursery in the village. The students had the chance to cut off chicken heads or pluck some feathers, just days before returning to classes at Willamette.

Tommy Ziemer '02, a politics major, was excited to learn about South Africa. He said, "My childhood dream has been to go to Africa."

Beth Kowal '02, anthropology major, traveled with the group to South Africa. She remains in South Africa to study during the spring semester at Rhodes University in Grahamstown.

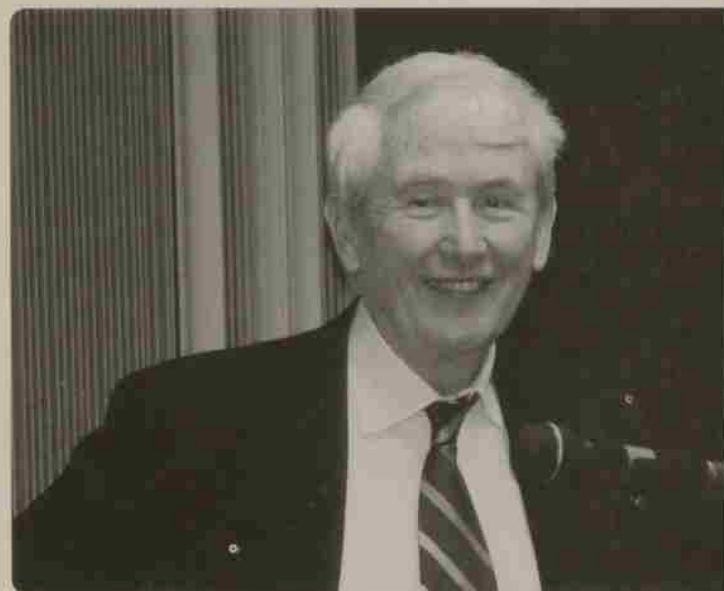
McCourt has also showed himself a master of what the Irish call poor-mouthing, a kind of oblique boasting that "my life has been more barren, god-forsaken, and grotesque than yours," and then goes on to prove the point in vivid detail. McCourt's comically self-deprecating account of his own humbling attempts to get a grip on his new American life is his way of being true to the spiritual desolation and damaged self-confidence of his childhood, while turning his story into a kind of celebration of his own picaresque heroism. For he has not only survived, he has triumphed—his writing proves it—over adversities we could hardly have imagined without his triumphant books.

In Ireland, *Angela's Ashes* has been received as a courageous and important book because it exposes,

suffering. But in *Angela's Ashes*, McCourt is writing about life in the new Republic of Ireland which finally emerged in the 1930s from the struggle for independence from Britain, and its bloody sequel, the Irish civil war. With no foreign oppressor to blame, the Irish have been slow to take responsibility for the failures of their own leaders and institutions in the middle decades of the 20th century. The appalling damage that resulted has not been acknowledged, nor have either the government or the church accepted responsibility for their principal roles in the scandalous neglect.

McCourt's two memoirs contain no explicitly political comments, although they are full of outrageous political failures. But as he has said, his narrator was too young to think in such terms, and he wants his readers to draw their own political

York and Limerick has been tucked away out of public consciousness here, so we can view it as exotic rather than pathological and dangerous. This effect is enhanced by McCourt's having found a way to



make his painful story in *Angela's Ashes* more bearable by putting it in the voice of a little boy whose innocence keeps the horror of what's happening to his family at bay. That same innocent boy is still telling McCourt's story well into *'Tis*, which suggests how badly his years of poverty had impaired McCourt's development, and also the credit he deserves for having persisted and won through against such odds.

Professor Bill Braden has taught English literature at Willamette for 31 years.

This is an edited version of Prof. Braden's article. For the complete article, go to: [www.willamette.edu/cla/mccourt](http://www.willamette.edu/cla/mccourt)

Frank McCourt is a former New York school teacher, best known for his 1997 Pulitzer Prize-winning memoir *Angela's Ashes*. McCourt was the Willamette Atkinson lecture speaker in the fall of 2000.

*"When I look back on my childhood I wonder how I managed to survive at all. It was, of course, a miserable childhood."*

— Frank McCourt

in a moving and convincing way, the utter failure of the Irish government of Eamon de Valera, the Irish Catholic Church under Archbishop McQuaid and the Irish educational, medical and social-service agencies to respond humanely to the desperate needs of the poor. In the past it was possible, and common, for the Irish to blame the British for their

conclusions, rather than preach at them about what should be obvious from the stories he's telling.

At the heart of those stories is poverty, both material and spiritual, and its devastating effects on its victims. It may be that McCourt's popularity in America is related to the fact that the kind of poverty and suffering he knew as a child in New



## Making laughter out of horror

By Bill Braden

*The traditional Irish explanation of their macabre sense of humor is that 800 years of English oppression made a virtue of necessity: laughter tinged with horror and terror is better than no laughter at all.*

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The overflow audience for Frank McCourt's Atkinson Lecture on Nov. 8 was treated to a fine evening of colorful Irish storytelling and philosophizing. McCourt, author of *Angela's Ashes* and *'Tis*, focused on his tragicomic experiences as a high-school teacher in New York. Working without a script, he spun out a skein of tales and observations on the harried and demeaning life of a high-school English teacher—five classes a day of hormonally deranged, TV-besotted, deeply hostile students, 170 papers a week to grade, and a second job in the summer to make ends meet.

As Seneca once observed, "When the gods hate a man with uncommon abhorrence they drive him into the profession of school teacher." With this grim assessment McCourt often seemed to agree, but his verbal artistry and flawless sense of timing transmuted the essentially sad and futile materials of his early career as a teacher into an evening of witty anecdotes and observations.

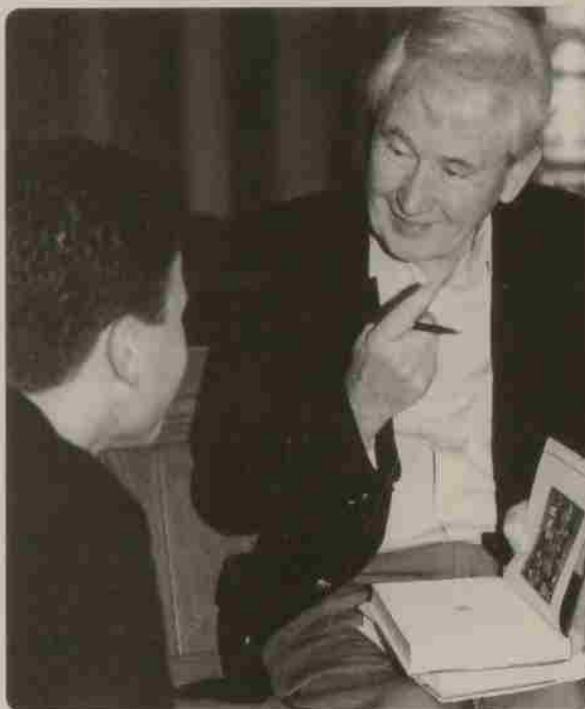
McCourt clearly gauged the taste and sense of humor of his Willamette audience accurately; he kept us laughing, or poised for the next punch line, for more than an hour. Which set me wondering: Why is McCourt's sense of humor so engaging, when suffering and

humiliation are the staples of his stories? How can we laugh at a book so full of abject misery and horror as *Angela's Ashes*, knowing as we do the desolating effects of the poverty, cruelty and alcoholism that

that 800 years of English oppression made a virtue of necessity? Laughter tinged with horror and terror is better than no laughter at all. One of McCourt's earliest recorded memories in *Angela's Ashes* is his

father lifting him onto his lap and telling him a story about Cuchulain, hero of the great Ulster Cycle. Those stories are full of fantastic and grotesque scenes and incidents with bizarre comic touches, and McCourt makes it clear that they played a central role in shaping his imagination and storytelling style when he closes the episode by saying, "That's my story."

McCourt's humor, like that of Beckett, is often mirthless, with none of



McCourt describes in such mockingly moving terms? "Lovely little fella. Loves his daddy. Laughs when Daddy throws him up in the air. Upsy daisy, little Paddy, upsy daisy, up in the air in the dark, so dark, oh, Jesus; you miss the child on the way down and poor little Patrick lands on his head, gurgles a bit, whimpers, goes quiet." Note who misses the child on its way down! The writing calls for laughter, while the subject calls for horror, and there you have Irish humor.

The traditional Irish explanation of their macabre sense of humor is

the glee of more sadistic modern writers and filmmakers. His amused awareness of the clumsiness of grief and pain is one of the hallmarks of Irish humor, going back to the macabre fantasies of the earliest Irish tales. We should probably also remember that the Irish gave us such gothic masterpieces as Charles Maturin's *Melmoth the Wanderer* and Bram Stoker's *Dracula*. McCourt, along with other contemporary Irish writers and film-makers, is drawing nourishment from these vigorous, if twisted, roots.

## A law dean's quest

By Michelle Maynard

"There is one theme in my life; I don't plan," said Willamette College of Law Dean Symeon Symeonides. "I just let things develop and take advantage of opportunities."

The opportunities in Symeonides' life began when his visa to come to the U.S. from Cyprus to study political science was delayed. While Symeonides was still serving his compulsory term in the army, his brother took the initiative to enroll Symeonides in law school in Greece. "My brother thought law was better than political science," said Symeonides. "I did not plan for law school and never thought I would like law or be good at it. I agreed to attend law school only while waiting for my visa to come from the U.S."

Symeonides quickly realized that law provided the exciting and challenging intellectual environment he craved. He received two law degrees in private and in public law. In both cases, he graduated first in his class and holds the record for the highest grade awarded in that law school. After law school, Symeonides came to the U.S. to attend Harvard, where he received his master's and doctoral degrees in law.

Teaching was a natural next step for Symeonides, as he wanted to continue scholarly study and impart his passion for law to students. He went back to Greece to teach but returned to the U.S. as a visiting professor for what was to be a nine-month appointment but lasted 21 years

At Louisiana State University. Symeonides took the next opportunity that presented itself—a vice chancellor position for administration and later for academic affairs.

"I used to look down on administration," said Symeonides. "However, I realized you could do a lot of good from an administrative position and could get a lot of rewards from problem solving to creating opportunities for faculty and students."

Symeonides joined Willamette's College of Law as dean in July of 1999. His main focus is service—to the institution, to his colleagues and to his students. "There comes a time when you must give back, which is what I consider as the role of dean," said Symeonides.

Throughout Symeonides' professional career, he has created a reputation as a top scholar, illustrated in his 15 books and 32 published articles, of which the majority examine his specialty: comparative law and conflicts law.

Symeonides recently received the highest international recognition to which comparative law scholars aspire. He was elected as a titular, or life, member of the International Academy of Comparative Law, one of the most prestigious international legal organizations. The Academy has 70 titular members worldwide, and seven are from the U.S. The other six U.S. members are from Harvard, Columbia, University of Michigan, University of California at Davis and University of California at Berkeley.

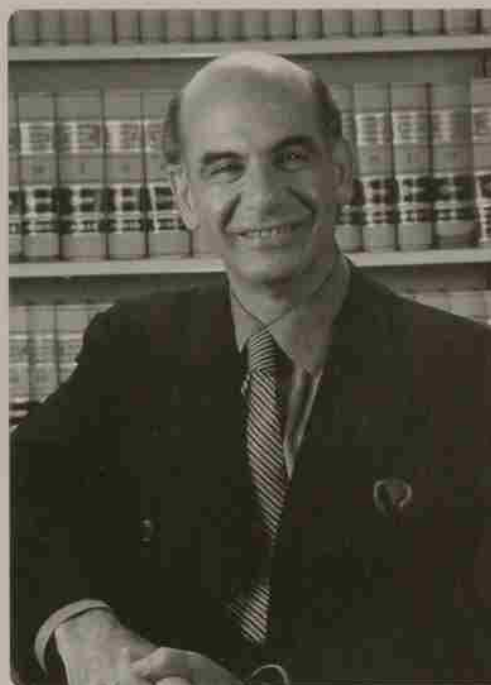
"I believe recognitions like this one give Willamette good visibility," said Symeonides. He uses his positions in international and national organizations to publicize Willamette. "Every time I am at a conference I make sure everyone knows what a great school this is," he said.

Symeonides has also just been re-elected for a record fourth time as secretary of the American Society of Comparative Law. He uses this position to attract scholars to campus. "As many as 70 professors of comparative law will be attending a meeting on our campus in October 2001," said Symeonides. "This will be a splendid opportunity to showcase Willamette."

Symeonides has brought his life theme of taking advantage of opportunities to Willamette's College of Law. Fresh ideas, new programs, faculty scholarship and student successes continue to grow under his leadership.

What's next for Symeonides and Willamette's College of Law? Time will tell as opportunities abound.

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Dean Symeonides' vision for Willamette's College of Law includes the addition of three programs: international studies, law and business, and law and government, which will begin in the fall of 2001 with new endowed professorships created to head each program.

## Atkinson celebrates its silver anniversary

By Jon M. Luce M'76

### Atkinson Graduate School quick facts over 25 years

Total number of students graduated Atkinson's program: 1,296

912 men  
384 women

Total number graduated from first class: 35

17% women  
83% men

Total number graduated in 2000: 63

43% women  
57% men

Youngest graduate: 23

Oldest graduate: 79

Percent of foreign students in Atkinson:

4% in 1976  
40% in 2000

The following is an excerpt of a presentation given by Jon "Mick" Luce M'76 on Nov. 11, 2000, at the 25th anniversary celebration of the Atkinson Graduate School of Management and the roasting of 25-year professors Bruce Gates, Marc Choate and former Dean Steve Archer. Luce was the first student to enroll in the Atkinson Graduate School of Management in the fall of 1974, graduating in the first class of 1976.

9,586 days and a few hours ago, 75 up-and-comers, ranging in age from highly charged youth to just-let-me-have-one-more-chance-at-life, confronted five gallant academics for the first time. Little did the up-and-comers know that two of those guys would soon become known as "Milton Friedman, I Love You and There's No Free Lunch Choate" and "Just Let Me Have One More Blackboard Eraser to Throw at Them Gates."

Nor did the up-and-comers know that their midst would dwindle by nearly half over the next few months, due, in no small part, to succumbing to the intricacies of financial disintermediation and that immensely useful classic of operations research, the transportation problem.

One of the early challenges set forth by Eraser Man Gates was the choice of buying a handheld electronic calculator. His recommendation was the beige one that actually had a square root key and was a steal at 45 bucks. Shortly thereafter, the dutiful up-and-comers appeared in class with their little beige calculators, amazed at how interesting the square root of two was. They were so amazed with and proud of their new technologically superior devices.

Lots of people smoked back then – remember this was 25 years ago. During class lectures one could smell the fine aroma of smoldering Oasis mentholated cigarillos. Some might even remember a lecture on why it was a statistical aberration to link smoking to any kind of disease. Boy did that set the calculators whirring!

By the beginning of the second semester, the up-and-comers numbered only about 50. The remaining students were quite engaged with their second year electives, and happy to be in classrooms that they walked into instead of sitting for several hours in one lecture room where the academics came to call.

I suppose that the flying erasers and Oasis cigarillos are merely white dust and pungent aromas of the past. But it truly was an age of innocence for both the up-and-comers and the five gallant academics. It was worth every minute and it was a heck of a lot of fun.

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During the 25th anniversary celebration, the Atkinson Graduate School presented its first Distinguished Alumni Citation Awards. The recipients, (l-r) Tom Nelsen M'86, Marcus Robin '76 M'79, Patrick Pine '74 M'76 and Grace Crunican M'79, are pictured with Atkinson Dean Bryan Johnston (center). The final distinguished alumna, Ann Goddard Jackson M'84, was unable to attend the event.



## But I'm a screenwriter

By Michelle Maynard

Movies had always interested him. While in school, he wrote film reviews for the *Collegian*, so he could go to movies for free. As a psychology major, he enrolled in a theatre class thinking it might lead to a career in acting. Brian Wayne Peterson '92 never expected the class to unlock his passion for screenwriting.

"I was originally at Willamette to go to law school," said Peterson. "I took a class in the theatre department and wrote a screenplay as my final project. The professor responded and encouraged me. It was really then that I realized law school just wasn't me."

Peterson's experiences at Willamette provided "lots of material for screenplays." From his internship at

enrolled in the University of Southern California's film school where he received his master's degree in screenwriting in 1997.

As an openly gay writer, Peterson said he uses his writing to "point out obvious injustices and narrow views," but he is cautious not to overstate the message. "A professor told us an old Hollywood adage. If you want to send a message, go to Western Union," said Peterson.

"The idea is to first make something fun and entertaining then see where you can say something to the audience. For example, *Crouching Tiger, Hidden Dragon* demonstrates great feminist characters in the context of a great action film, and one of the best moments for gay rights can be found, ironically, in the comedy *Big Daddy*."

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— Brian Wayne Peterson '92

the Oregon State Mental Hospital to protesting the Gulf War, Peterson's four years at Willamette had a "profound impact" on who he became.

"Willamette helped me develop my activist roots," said Peterson.

"Willamette gave me material and helped me find my voice to say something about the world."

After graduation, Peterson took a few years off to write. Then he

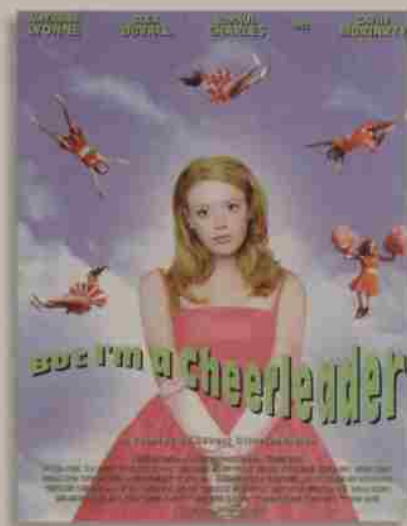
Peterson was listed as one of *Variety*'s "10 Screenwriters to Watch" in 1999. Peterson's first big break came when he wrote the screenplay for the movie *But I'm a Cheerleader* released in July of 2000. Peterson is working on another motion picture screenplay, but he is also writing for television. Peterson and his writing partner are currently working on a one-hour television pilot script for CBS.

"The TV process is insane," said Peterson. "They buy more scripts than they can shoot and shoot more pilots than they can air. We are at the beginning of several steps in the process. TV interests me because you can do a lot more with a character on television than in a movie."

Peterson has had success as a screenwriter writing original pieces and rewriting scripts for major television studios; however, he says he is just at the beginning of building his career.

"I have had a little success, but I'm still trying to get a foothold in the business," said Peterson. "It has been an amazing education and experience working in this industry. It really is a business, and it's all about knowing the right people. Those parties people hear about are the boardrooms of Hollywood and it is a tight network. The hard part is selling yourself and holding onto who you are."

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Screenwriter Brian Wayne Peterson '92 visited Willamette in November for the screening of *But I'm a Cheerleader*. Peterson wrote the screenplay for the movie, which was released in July of 2000.

## Trading sleep for service

By Mari Morando

With community service in their minds and a rap song for inspiration, 68 Willamette students put thoughts of studying or hanging out with their friends aside to participate in a community outreach program called Into the Streets (ITS).



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Desiree Zupan '03 and Emily Bonifazi '03 clean the dirt off the second-story balcony at the YMCA's new teen center during "Into the Streets," Willamette's program designed to introduce students to community service through hands-on experience.

On the day of the event, Dr. Charlie Wallace, associate professor of religious studies and the University's chaplain, was on hand to provide student volunteers with a motivational send-off. He told

the students, "When you go 'Into the Streets' this morning you're marching in the proud company of 158 years worth of Willamette people who have gone before you. You are to be commended! You are cool people and you deserve a cool send-off." Wallace, known for his eloquent and humorous sermons, then proceeded to dazzle the students with his mad lyrical "skills" by performing a rap he had specially prepared for the event.

*We're doin' it for Jesus, for Moses and for Allah*

*the Buddha recommends it and so does Dr. Laura*

*we're helping out today, and we'll be feelin', good tomorrow, goin',*

*into the streets  
into the streets*

The students took Wallace's words to heart and embarked with enthusiasm, on a cool, late-October Saturday morning, to their respective community service project sites. Students volunteered to help out at a variety of organizations around Salem. Mark Molitor '04 said of his ITS experience, "I liked it. It was great to have a lot of people helping in the community, and that we were all working together for one common goal." Molitor worked at the Salem YMCA, where volunteers helped paint murals and put the final touches on the newly opened Teen Center.

Just a few blocks south of the YMCA, more Willamette students were busy helping Bush Park volunteers to prepare the park's rose bushes for winter. Over at Bush Elementary School, students painted and refurbished the gymnasium while the Habitat for Humanity volunteers worked on shelters for the homeless. Residents at the Salem Senior Center were entertained by Willamette volunteers who took the time to have lunch, participate in games and activities and talk with the seniors.

The temptation of a cozy bed did not keep Leslie Duling '04 from helping out the Salem community. She loved her experience noting, "I thought it was one of the best ways to spend a Saturday. It kept us busy and got us up in the morning. I thought it was a good way to get involved in the community and not just on campus."

Colleen Chrisinger '01 echoed Duling's praise for ITS, remarking, "Into the Streets" was really exciting because it gave us a chance to discover new ways to contribute to the well-being of the Salem community." Chrisinger was pleased to see such a diversity of students participating, "I was happy that such a wide variety of students were involved, including first-year students, graduating seniors, members of the Greek system, non-Greeks and international students."

Considered a resounding success, "Into the Streets" reminded the volunteers of the importance of community involvement and service. More importantly, it demonstrated the commitment Willamette students make in impacting the world that exists beyond the University's campus. As Charlie Wallace proudly declared during his send-off, "We're already in the middle of the real world, and we're helping take responsibility for it."

*Mari Morando is the coordinator of community service learning for Willamette.*

## The word is out

By Edward Kramer

The day I accepted the offer of employment at Willamette, I was stopped on my way out of Waller Hall and told that *U.S. News and World Report* had included the University in their newly published listing of the top-tier national liberal arts colleges. This was a first for Willamette, as it joined 49 other schools such as Amherst, Williams, and Sarah Lawrence in this prestigious club. No other school in Oregon appears in any of the magazine's lists of top-tier national institutions.

This honor will no doubt help in our recruiting efforts as we strive to attract the highest caliber students and faculty. In addition, it will help us demonstrate to a wider audience the value of supporting the programs that make Willamette so unique.

Having taken a position that placed me in charge of the University's

As President Pelton said so aptly in an article in *The Oregonian* about the ranking, "We are pleased to be recognized as among the top 50 liberal arts colleges in the nation, but our focus is less on rankings and more on how to continue a tradition of academic excellence."

I believe that tradition of academic excellence will not only continue, but flourish – primarily because of the University's open environment for change. Rankings like the one in *U.S. News and World Report* can help us greatly, because they provide an objective forum from which we can explore both our strengths and weaknesses.

For example, the magazine gives Willamette an especially high ranking (5th in the nation) in faculty resources. This is measured by a number of factors that include class size, faculty compensation, propor-

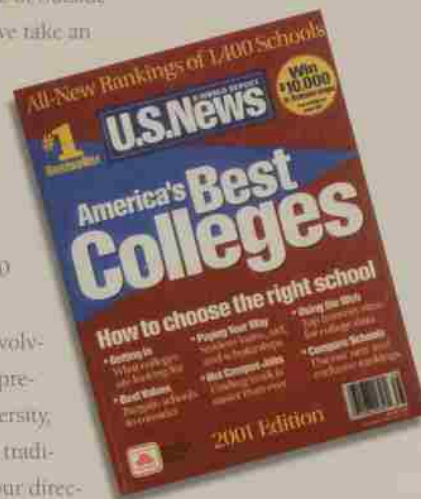
audiences across the nation aware of the quality of the academic work being done here. Another is to provide our students with a socially and academically well rounded educational experience.

Our self-evaluation goes far beyond what is written about us in magazines. Through on-campus student surveys as well as the use of outside research organizations, we take an aggressive approach to discovering what we can do to make Willamette even better.

This past December, we published the 1999-2000 Annual Report of the President, entitled "An evolving heritage." It is a comprehensive look at the University, focusing on Willamette's traditions and heritage, and our direction as we move forward in this new millennium. It lists five key facets of University life we intend to strengthen: academic excellence, campus life, technology, diversity and visibility.

The ranking in *U.S. News and World Report* does not signal the end of our work; it signals the beginning. It gives us a tremendous opportunity to capture a share of the national stage and demonstrate our ongoing commitment to providing the highest quality education available today and in the future.

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public image, I left Waller that day feeling that I clearly had made the right choice. Now, after almost four months, I am even more confident in that decision. My reasons, however, have little to do with national rankings and more to do with what I see on this campus every day: an unremitting effort on the part of the faculty, administration and staff to improve the quality of the educational experience at Willamette.

tion of professors with the highest degree in their fields, student-faculty ratio, and the proportion of the faculty who are full time.

As the report states, "Research shows that the more satisfied students are with their contact with professors, the more they will learn and the more likely it is they will graduate."

The rankings also identify some challenges. One is to make our key



## A fresh start

By Brad Millay '97

*"Most of the freshmen that I have met are intelligent and dedicated to doing well in school — yet they know how to let loose and have fun at the right place and at the right time."*

— Alex Dukalskis '04

Alex Dukalskis '04 (second from left) is a member of Willamette's record-breaking freshman class.

Alex Dukalskis '04 is your average Willamette freshman. He is a shaggy-haired, side-burned, baggy-pants and t-shirt kind of guy. While his outward appearance denotes a laid-back and low-key demeanor, inwardly, Dukalskis is a focused and thoughtful student. He has drawn inspiration from the works of George Orwell, Malcolm X, Howard Zinn and J.D. Salinger, but he also thinks that the movie "Wayne's World" is a comic masterpiece. Like many of his classmates, Dukalskis' decision to attend Willamette was, in his words, "a process of elimination." As he states, "Willamette made the decision for me with an attractive financial offer, a good education, and a chance to be on a top ranked debate team."

This fall, Willamette welcomed Dukalskis and 505 other students into its freshman class. This entering class is unique in several ways. It is the largest freshman class that

Willamette has ever admitted.

Despite its unusual size, the overall GPA for the entering class is 3.78 and its average SAT score is 1,210. This indicates that Willamette was able to recruit more students without sacrificing selectivity. The class of 2004 is also the most diverse in the University's history. A record 20 percent of the freshman are students of color, reflecting Willamette's continued commitment to cultivating a multicultural campus.

One of the most significant challenges facing these freshmen is the transition from high school to college life. This change can manifest in many forms, from increased academic pressure to the adjustments of dorm life. For Dukalskis, the biggest change has been social maturity. "The academics have not been a huge leap, but socially, people interact in a different manner here than in high school. Everything from shaking hands — something that high schoolers just don't do — to actual topics of conversation, it's just a different and more desirable social environment."

It is also apparent that this freshman class is very well-rounded. Among them are student body presidents, varsity athletes, newspaper editors, singers, musicians, community service volunteers, actors, coaches, eagle scouts and tutors. Their interests vary widely, from ballet and snowboarding to restoring cars and synchronized swimming. They have held interesting and unique jobs as computer

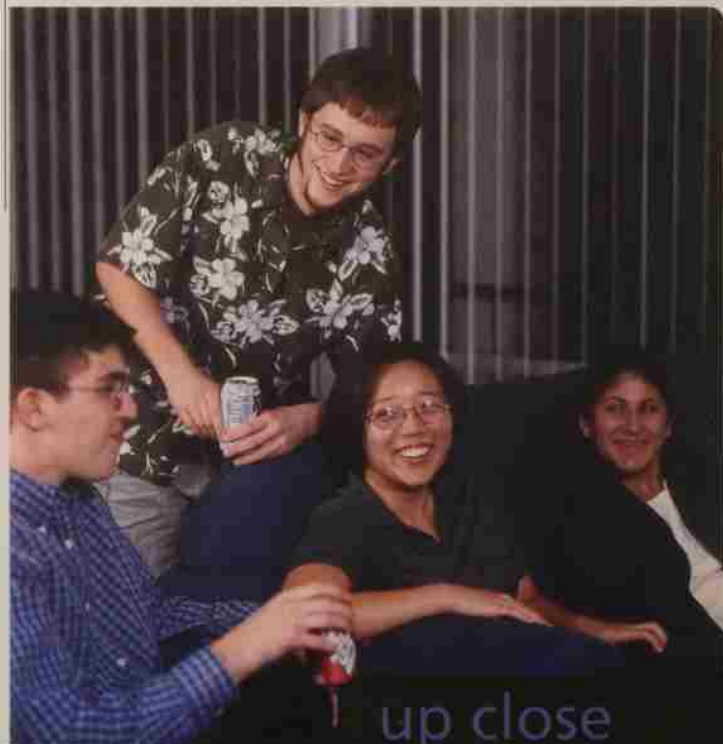
consultants, farmhands, florists, laboratory technicians, models, piano teachers, ski instructors, sports writers and wedding coordinators. From all of the evidence, it appears that Willamette has a truly bright, talented and well-balanced freshman class.

Agreeing with this assessment, Dukalskis notes, "I think that Willamette did a pretty decent job of getting a cross-section of personalities in this class. Most of the freshmen that I have met are intelligent and dedicated to doing well in school — yet they know how to let loose and have fun at the right place and at the right time."

But what do freshman students think about their college experience now that they have a semester under their belts? Do they still find it to be an exhilarating environment for learning, or have their opinions about the University dimmed now that they have dealt with the pressures of balancing academics with campus life?

If Dukalskis' response is any indication, this freshman class is relishing the opportunities and challenges of Willamette. "I enjoy it here just as much as I did when I stepped on campus for Opening Days. I am just settled in with friends and a routine schedule now, but this still feels like summer camp to me."

Brad Millay '97 works as development writer for Willamette's Office of Communications.



up close

talked with "were not sure how to take in her message. Since pro-choice is a women's body issue, the men had a hard time seeing how it related to them. Personally, I enjoyed what she had to say and was impressed with her political insight."

In contrast to Steinem's supporters, Nader supporters waved their signs and passed out literature. Chris Exume '02, a Nader defender, came out to make a stand for his progressive candidate. "We came out to support him, not to let him down," he said.

Other people were disappointed that she did not explain more of her personal ideas of how the times have changed. Renee Albert, a Willamette employee, said, "It was good to hear her speak on political issues, but I was hoping she would talk a little more about her experiences over the past 30 years."

Finishing off with a bang, Steinem said, "This generation is not apathetic, it cares deeply. Voting is not the most, but the least you can do. Face the future, not the past."

*Beth Kowal '02 is an anthropology major.*

## The chance of a lifetime

By Alexandra Cowen '02

I came home late Wednesday night, Oct. 18, to find a hastily scrawled message from my housemate, Alex - "Crystal from 'Voters For Choice' wants to bring Gloria Steinem to campus. Call her cell." I reached Crystal on a bus from San Francisco to Los Angeles, already on the Gloria Steinem bus tour.

Crystal said, "Hey Allie, we want to bring Gloria by Willamette on the 25th, around 9 a.m. Can you do it? Six days, 400 voter turnout. Security, press, promotion."

"Sure, I can do it!"

Organizing a rally in six days is tough work. Nikki Trammel '03, Margaret Langsenkamp '03 and I make up the Women's Center staff, and with the help of other students, the staff at the Health Center, Voters for Choice, and our advisor, Derek Morgan, we somehow threw this amazing event together. We scheduled the space and got the word out to students, faculty and the community. Posters, banners and flyers were made, hung and distributed. Volunteers were recruited to help, and the press was invited to cover the event. Every last detail was taken care of in between classes, meals and sleep.

Wednesday, Oct. 25 is a day that I will never forget. I will never forget the moment when Gloria Steinem stepped into the Women's Center. It filled me with great pride, a feeling that somehow all this work that members of the Women's Center had done across the years was finally being recognized by Gloria Steinem herself.

When we finally walked with Gloria and her entourage down to Jackson Plaza, I was so

busy locating volunteers, handing out signs and making sure that everything was going smoothly that I missed half of Gloria's speech. However, just the sight of the crowd, the waving signs, and Gloria Steinem under Willamette's clocktower was enough for me. It let me know that all of our hard work had been successful.

After the rally, Nikki and I got on the tour bus with two other volunteers to travel to the next speaking engagement at OSU. Once on the bus, we sat back and observed a political rally organization in process. Cell phones were ringing constantly, logistics were being planned en route, and everyone was energized. Gloria was giving an interview with reporters on the bus, but when we pulled up to the OSU parking lot we finally got a chance to talk to her in person. To be honest, I don't even remember half of what we discussed. It was all a wonderful blur.

The most valuable thing that I gained from that day was not the chance to meet Gloria Steinem. Rather, I gained a renewed energy for activism and feminism, a sense of purpose and pride in what I do. The sight of all those dedicated women on the bus with cell phones and very little sleep, each with a meaningful job and belief in what they do started me thinking seriously about a career spent working for women, a future in the feminist battle. I am awed and inspired by their dedication, and by the life that Gloria Steinem has dedicated to improving women's lives. I can only hope that wherever I end up in life, I retain some of the energy and purpose I felt that day, and carry that spirit into all I do.

*Alexandra Cowen '02 is double majoring in psychology and studio art and is co-coordinator of the Willamette Women's Center.*



## Steinem draws a crowd

By Beth Kowal '02



Gloria Steinem, feminist, writer and co-founder of *Ms.* magazine, spoke at a rally in Jackson Plaza in October of 2000. She was ranked eighth in the "Top 100 Women of the Millennium" by [www.women.com](http://www.women.com) and has been inducted into the Women's Hall of Fame.

Gloria Steinem brought women's liberation into America's mainstream through her efforts as a journalist, public speaker and founding editor of *Ms.*, the world's first mass-market feminist magazine.

Gloria Steinem changed the way the world looked at women. To many, she has become a national heroine. After three decades of championing for women's rights, in her feminist drive to change political measures and abortion laws, Gloria Steinem is still going strong. Why? "To keep on talking to women around the world. If you ever find your energy flagging, get out and talk to women," she said.

Steinem came to Willamette University on Oct. 25 as a part of her efforts to encourage the progressive voters to vote for Al Gore in swing states, stressing Gore's stance

on pro-choice abortion rights. Steinem's appearance strongly impacted the campus. Students, professors, administrators and community members filled Jackson Plaza. People of all ages and political backgrounds came to listen to her speak. Pro-choice supporters, Nader defenders, and voters unsure of their choice gathered around the podium.

"The Feminist belief is that we have to make our own decisions, to empower ourselves," Steinem said. "Our individual choice comes from our own hearts. Our country's change comes from the bottom, affecting the power at the top."

Steinem believes the liberation of women will, in the end, liberate men. She said individuals must have a chance to have their voice heard.

Ellen Eisenberg, associate professor of history, said, "It was great to see activism on campus. I asked my classes, how many of you are

active in politics?" Most responded that they were not very active. We, as women, wouldn't be able to do what we do if Gloria did not make the stand. She is a national symbol."

Marilyn Johnston, director of G.O.A.L.S. (Greater Oregon Academy for Leadership and Services) said, "It is good to see the youth involved. At G.O.A.L.S., we teach the students how to think, not what to think. I'm grateful for this open forum to discuss these issues. It is wonderful for the Salem community that Willamette is able to have this event."

Students were excited about Steinem's appearance. Alyssa Bradac '04 said, "Gloria Steinem is my heroine. I am awed that she came to campus. I made sure my friends who considered voting for Nader got her 'Top 10 reasons for not to vote for Nader' list."

Men on campus were glad to hear her speak, yet according to Ben Krupicka '03, most of the guys he





# THE PARADOX OF LOBBYING

BY BRAD MILLAY '97



LOBBYISTS OFTEN TIMES RIVAL LAWYERS AS THE PROFESSIONALS EVERYBODY LOVES TO HATE. WALT WHITMAN ONCE CHARACTERIZED LOBBYISTS AS "CRAWLING SERPENTINE MEN, THE LOUSY COMBINGS AND BORN FREEDOM SELLERS OF THE EARTH." YET, THE UNITED STATES IS A SPECIAL INTEREST SOCIETY AND LOBBYING IS ITS NATIONAL PASTIME.

This is a difficult idea for many Americans to swallow because they regard the lobbying of special interest groups with distaste. Despite the public outrage and ranor, interest group participation thrives and lobbying is now a \$1.2 billion industry. Why? The answer lies at the heart of a paradox: Interest group lobbying is a publicly disdained but politically necessary part of American democracy.

For many years, a national nonpartisan survey organization has asked Americans whether they think that "the government is pretty much run by a few big interests looking out for themselves or that it is run for the benefit of all the people." In 1996, 72 percent replied that a few big interests run the government. In a 1997 survey conducted by the Pew Research Center for the People and the Press, special interests were rated even with international terrorism as the greatest threat to the nation's future. Why are Americans so distrustful of interest groups and lobbyists?

A lot of the public outrage stems from media coverage of interest groups. News reporters and journalists are particularly fond of going after the so-called "600-pound gorillas" of the lobbying world. They focus on the massive lobbying interests that represent organizations like gun rights, unions and the tobacco, insurance, healthcare and pharmaceutical industries. The money and influence that these organizations wield cause them to be a significant target of public scrutiny.

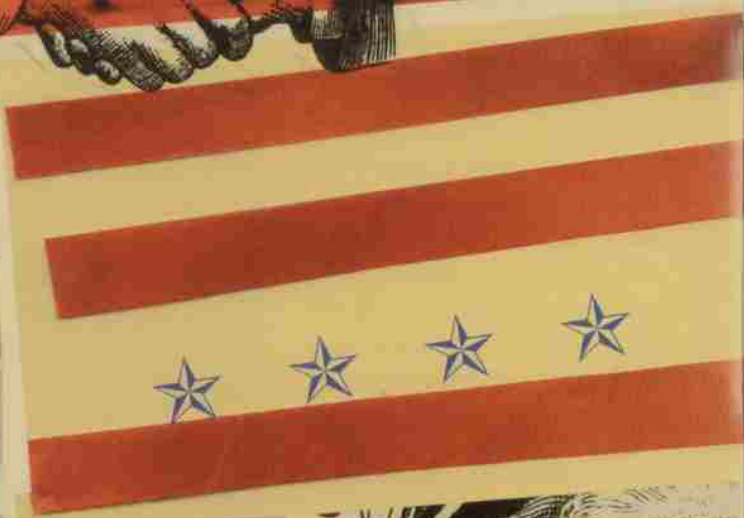
The image of interest groups also suffers at the hands of campaign rhetoric. In speeches and ads, candidates often attack their opponents as caterers to special interests while welcoming contributions that come from "organized citizens" who are members of their own coalitions. This strategy worked particularly well for John McCain against his rival George W. Bush during the 2000 republican presidential primary. McCain projected himself as the

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The most notable reason is that lobbying, in its purest form, is free speech and protected by the First Amendment. Lobbying is the basic right of American citizens to redress grievances and petition the government. As Dan Cohen '78, a lobbyist for Arter & Hadden argues, "If you believe in the right of the people to freely address their elected representatives, as I do, then the only reasonable conclusion is that the competing interests of the governed are well served by the check and balance of representative specialists watching the elected and non-elected of the governing class."

In fact, many of the Americans who fear the power of interest groups are themselves members or supporters of such groups. Interest groups are simply collections of individuals who seek to influence public policy. Former Congressman Bob Smith '53 (R-Ore.) puts it bluntly, "We are all special interests." It does not matter if you are part of a neighborhood coalition trying to get a street paved or a card-carrying member of the National Rifle Association; the second you start trying to change governmental policy, you are lobbying.

"To the public, lobbyists sound shady," remarks Congressman Sam Farr '63 (R-Calif.). "But in reality, anyone or any group that's organized to ask for help is

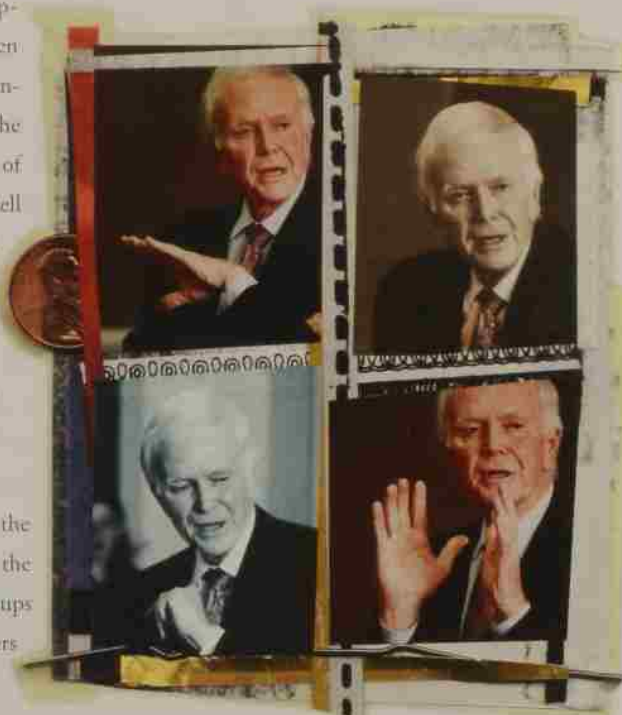
lobbying. That would include, for example, people that want more funds for cancer research or for needy students who aspire to go to college."

Former United States senator and current lobbyist Bob Packwood '54 (R-Ore.) agrees, stating in a personal

interview, "I also think they [the general public] neglect to understand the breadth of lobbying. The Sierra Club is a lobbyist, the Red Cross lobbies, the Boy Scouts lobby ... The American Legion, the National Education Association, these are all groups that have interests before Congress and lobby in one form or another ... Do they heavily influence Congress? Absolutely." While organizations like the Sierra Club, the Salvation Army or the Red Cross wear

white hats in the public's mind, they lobby just as ferociously as any other interest group.

The proliferation of interest groups and lobbyists is, in large part, a result of the expansion of the U.S. government. As the government becomes more complex, more individuals feel disenfranchised with the system and seek change by forming interest groups and lobbying. The number and complexity of issues that legislators must deal with prompts them to seek out these lobbyists because they have a greater level of expertise on specific issues.



SENATOR BOB PACKWOOD '54



reformer, hell-bent on cleaning up corruption in Washington, despite his own history of coziness with savings and loan banker and convicted fraudster Charles L. Keating. The result: McCain rockets up New Hampshire's polls to win the state and give Bush one of the biggest scares of his presidential campaign.

Because of the nature of a lobbyist's job — gaining access and influence to legislators — they hold a delicate relationship with the very people they wish to influence. On the one hand, they are an invaluable resource for politicians. They provide funding, vast networks of connections and the expertise to help legislators successfully navigate the shoals of political office. But when politicians need someone to blame, lobbyists and the interests they represent are too tempting a target to resist, even at the highest levels of power.

In 1995, President Clinton went before Congress and called on lawmakers to stop taking lobbyists' perks. Democrats in Congress — out of power and therefore out of favor with lobbyists — rose to their feet in applause. Bob Dole, leader of the republican majority in the Senate, quickly pointed out the hypocrisy of Clinton's demand, noting that the president himself had accepted money from lobbyists for his legal defense fund created after the revelations of Whitewater. The next day, the White House issued a statement that Clinton would no longer take contributions from lobbyists, but he refused to return those that had already been collected.

If it appears that the public image of lobbyists is struck somewhere between a rock and a hard place, it is partly their own doing. Authors Eleanor Clift and Tom Brazaitis note in their book, *A War Without Bloodshed*, that many Washington veterans still remember the days when a committee chairman had to be accompanied by an aide to keep track of the cash donations thrust at him by

lobbyists attempting to influence legislation.

**"I ALSO THINK THEY (THE GENERAL PUBLIC) NEGLECT TO UNDERSTAND THE BREADTH OF LOBBYING, THE SIERRA CLUB IS A LOBBYIST, THE RED CROSS LOBBIES, THE BOY SCOUTS LOBBY THE AMERICAN LEGION, THE NATIONAL EDUCATION ASSOCIATION, THESE ARE ALL GROUPS THAT HAVE INTERESTS BEFORE CONGRESS AND LOBBY IN ONE FORM OR ANOTHER ... DO THEY HEAVILY INFLUENCE CONGRESS? ABSOLUTELY."**

SENATOR BOB BACKWOOD '54

More recently, Congressman Bill Thomas, the republican's chief architect of the GOP's medicare prescription plan, was caught, literally, in bed with a lobbyist from the health care industry. Thomas was found to be in what his own chief of staff termed a "sexual relationship" with a female HMO representative. The news of the liaison made national headlines and prompted "Late Night" host and comedian Jay Leno to quip, "Having sex with his

HMO representative? I can't even get my HMO guy on the phone, forget sex."

Publicly maligned and sometimes used as political punching bags, interest group lobbyists suffer from a terminal case of bad PR. But if the majority of Americans dislike interest groups and lobbyists, why are they more prevalent and active than ever? Why, in the last 25 years of reform, have lobbyists and special interests not been swept out of Washington and cleaned from the steps of every state capitol in the nation?

This has allowed many legislators and the interest groups who support them to entrench themselves in Congress. Democrats held a virtual vice grip on the House for 40 years (until 1994) because they virtually blackmailed interest group PACs with threats of unfavorable legislation, into bankrolling their reelection campaigns. PACs are a primary source of criticism because they reveal how closely wed interest group lobbying and political campaigns have become. Many journalists, reformers and even some politicians are highly skeptical of them. Whether you agree with them or not, PACs are used by interest groups and lobbyists as a means to fuse themselves to the political process.

The final reason why the lobby industry will not shut down is that the U.S. government is more willing than many other countries to distribute specific economic benefits to interest groups. Appropriations, tax and even substantive bills such as highway bills are generally filled with specific language benefiting one or more companies or interest groups.

Corporations get government contracts, special tax provisions, and exemptions from regulations — or, more commonly, delays in implementing regulations — all of which can affect their profits.

In a tradition that is rivaled only by the running of the bulls, lobbyists descend each year on Washington before final bills are signed in order to plead for dozens of special provisions worth billions. A few examples from this fall include General Electric Corp. which sought delays in a federal order to clean up toxic sediment in the Hudson River. In another case, the thoroughbred racing industry

obtained high-level republican backing for a last-minute provision that protected racetracks from being prosecuted for using the Internet in off-track betting arrangements. One congressional leader, observing the annual feeding frenzy, explained the phenomenon as an equation: "The fewer the number of taxpayers affected, and the more dull and arcane the subject, the longer the line of lobbyists."

Lobbyists and interest groups have long been the target of public outrage and politicians seeking to score points with voters. They sit at the very center of a paradox, where they are both castigated as corrupters of government and uti-

lized as an effective political tool. However much we like to drub on lobbying interests, the fact remains that they are an important part of the American political process. If you smoke, care about the environment, want abortion banned, suffer from a disease or don't feel you need a permit to conceal your gun, chances are there is someone out there speaking for your interests.

**"TO THE PUBLIC, LOBBYISTS SOUND SHADY. BUT IN REALITY, ANYONE OR ANY GROUP THAT'S ORGANIZED TO ASK FOR HELP IS LOBBYING. THAT WOULD INCLUDE, FOR EXAMPLE, PEOPLE THAT WANT MORE FUNDS FOR CANCER RESEARCH OR FOR NEEDY STUDENTS WHO ASPIRE TO GO TO COLLEGE."**

Congressman Sam Farr '63 (R-Calif.)

The public may not think much of lobbying, but there is little doubt that interest group participation in government is a defining feature of our democracy.

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## THE PARADOX OF LOBBYING

Political author Johnathan Rauch sums it up best: "You simply cannot have a huge, complicated government without having conduits of expert information to people making policy." In other words, where there is an issue there will always be a lobbyist.

Another reason why lobbying is so entwined with American democracy is the increased role of political action committees (PACs) in U.S. elections. PACs are best understood as the election arm of an interest group. Business groups, unions, trade associations and other parent groups form them to provide an organizational focal point where groups with similar ideologies can funnel unlimited campaign contributions. Like any individual or corporation, PACs are limited in the amount of direct contributions they can make to candidates, but there are no restrictions on the funding provided to nonfederal accounts (often called "soft money") that national parties use to help finance their internal operations. More importantly, PACs conduct "issue advocacy" campaigns, a form of free advertising in which voters are "informed" about the virtues of their candidate and the




deficiencies of his or her opponent, without explicitly being told which way to vote.

PACs have become a regular part of American elections and rank only behind individual contributions as the sec-

ond-largest source for campaign funds. They are a crucial, and in some cases vital, campaign tool, especially for House members facing elections every two years. Regarding his own campaign experiences, former Rep. Denny Smith '60 (R-Ore.) remembers, "I won in 1980 against Al Ullman, and probably one of the biggest reasons is that I raised a lot of money from outside of the district, and a lot of it was PAC money." As a result, the relationship between PACs and legislators has developed to such an extent that many now characterize it as symbiotic. Resource strapped legislators need PACs to cover campaign costs

while PAC contributors need legislators, particularly senior members and committee chairs, to enact beneficial legislation. PACs thus favor incumbent candidates for their legislative clout, and spend over two-thirds of their resources backing incumbency.

**WILLAMETTE'S  
CONGRESSIONAL HERITAGE**  
Current and former U.S. Congressmen  
and years served:

	Rep. Sam Farr '63 (D-Calif.) 1993-present
	Rep. Jay Inslee '76 (D-Wash.) 1993-95; 1999-present
	Rep. Vic Snyder '69 (D-Ark.) 1997-present
Rep. Robert Smith '53 (R-Ore.) 1983-95; 1997-99	
Sen. Mark Hatfield '43 (R-Ore.) 1967-97	
Sen. Bob Packwood '54 (R-Ore.) 1969-95	
Rep. Doug Bosco '68 '71 (D-Calif.) 1983-91	
Rep. Dennis Smith '60 (R-Ore.) 1981-91	
Rep. Edith (Starrett) Green '31 (D-Ore.) 1955-75	
Rep. James Mott '77 (R-Ore.) 1933-45	
Rep. Willis Hawley '84 '88 (R-Ore.) 1907-33	
Rep. Merrill Moores '75 (R-Ind.) 1915-25	
Sen. Harry Lane '76 (D-Ore.) 1913-17	
Rep. John Williamson '74 (R-Ore.) 1983-07	



However, the 2000 elections are interesting to observers of women in American politics for a couple of reasons. First, although no female challengers for Congress in 1998 won, five women in 2000 defeated incumbents and no female incumbents lost. Two of the more noteworthy challengers were Maria Cantwell (D-Wash.) and Debbie Stabenow (D-Mich.). More important than her victory over a three-term incumbent is that Cantwell's campaign was largely financed by her personal fortune earned as an executive at RealNetworks. An alarming number of U.S. Senators are millionaires, but rarely have we seen a female politician who is also a self-earned financial powerhouse. Debbie Stabenow's race may be even more remarkable given the number of obstacles she had to overcome. Stabenow won the costliest race ever conducted in Michigan, against an incumbent who outspent her two-to-one and who enjoyed a 17-point lead just three weeks prior to the election.<sup>1</sup>

Hillary Clinton's victory in New York is the second reason the 2000 election was particularly significant. Much, of course, is made of the fact that she is the first First Lady to win elective office. While I do not wish to diminish the significance of that fact, her story has broader implications for women in politics. Women were the target voters of both candidates and the press frequently discussed women's perceptions (often negative) of Mrs. Clinton and her personal ambition. Female candidates often must paradoxically pres-

ent themselves as confident and competent without seeming to step over the line of "appropriate" role for women. Hillary Clinton blurred all the lines between traditional First Lady and modern professional woman, exposed her personal ambitions and received 60 percent of the women's vote. Mrs. Clinton is certainly not the first politically influential First Lady, but she is the first whose power was legitimated by an electoral process.

As the Clinton-Lazio race showed, women can vote in a block significant enough to determine the outcome of political contests. It does not happen with regularity. The women's vote can be elusive. Not all female candidates receive the support of even a majority of female voters. But women voted in larger majorities than men for two female governors: Jeanne Shaheen of New Hampshire and Ruth Minner of Delaware.



The threat of the women's vote may have resulted in one of the largest numbers of women-to-women races this election for the U.S. House of Representatives. There were 12 match-ups nationwide. For example, in California's 46th district, republicans recruited Gloria Matt Tuchman to run against democrat Loreta Sanchez. And in Kentucky, challenger Ched Jennings bowed out of the primary race to endorse his fellow democrat, Eleanor Jordan, in order to consolidate democratic support against incumbent republican Anne Northrup.<sup>2</sup>

If the presence of female incumbents spurs both parties to recruit and support female challengers, the result is not more women in Congress. But it could, nevertheless, be beneficial to female candidates who usually have trouble securing party backing. More women running for public office is the key to more women winning public office. Even losing contests gives candidates experience, contacts and name recognition, all elements that can be used in future races.

This past fall semester, a young female student approached me and confided that she wants to be a politician. "Great," I said. This was a first for me. I am used to men being comfortable with political aspirations. Patterns of recruitment for men and women tend to be very different. Young men frequently start political careers right out of college; women tend to be drawn into politics later in life around a community or school issue. If we want to see women in the highest offices, they have to start sooner. They cannot be afraid to voice their ambitions, and they need support for their goals. If that happens, then the picture for women in politics could look very different in another 20 years.

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**Jeannette Rankin**

(R-Mont.), considered one of the pioneers for women in politics, was the first woman elected to the U.S. Congress. She served in the House of Representatives from 1917-1919. Because she was a woman, she could not vote in her election. Women received the right to vote in 1920.

1. Eric Schmitt, "Public Lives: On Her Way to the Senate to Help Close the Gender Gap," *New York Times*, Nov. 13, 2000.

2. Bob Benenson, "Jennings Won't Cross Jordan in Kentucky House Race," *Congressional Quarterly*, April 26, 2000.



# THE FEMALE SIDE OF POLITICS

By Melissa Buis

In 1984, when Democratic presidential nominee Walter Mondale named Geraldine Ferraro as his running mate, I assumed that her candidacy would break the psychological barrier against women in the highest offices. I assumed that it would only be "a matter of time" before another woman was successful in her bid for the executive office. But this past summer, I watched in dismay as both democratic and republican nominees announced their short-lists of vice-presidential candidates. Neither candidate appears to have seriously considered any woman.

Just a year and a half ago, the situation looked more promising. Elizabeth Dole established an exploratory committee for a presidential run. Her candidacy sparked considerable interest, particularly among women, and some thought that even if she didn't get the republican nomination for president, she would make a formidable candidate for the second slot. Not so. We are no closer to having a woman in the

executive office than we were 20 years ago.

But Dole was not the only potential candidate on the republican side. Imagine if George W. Bush had picked Olympia Snowe, a senator respected by both sides of the political aisle and a woman who could have bridged the partisan gap that Bush's campaign rhetoric frequently lamented. Perhaps the election would not have been so close. Perhaps the gender gap would not have hit 11 percent, with women favoring Al Gore. Perhaps the "W" Stands for Women" tour would have sounded more believable.



Recently, I was traveling and I began a conversation with a woman sitting next to me on an airplane. I told her that I teach a class entitled "Women in American Politics." She replied: "That must be a short course."

Indeed, the picture for female elected officials is rather bleak.

After the 2000 election, women make up a paltry 13 percent of the national legislature and only 10 percent of the nation's governors. The record is significantly better in state legislatures (about 22 percent) but it is still far short of parity, considering that women comprise over 50 percent of the population. Since presidential and vice-presidential candidates are generally drawn from the U.S. Senate and state governorships, the small number of women in those offices (13 and five, respectively), greatly reduces the chance of a female nominee for a major political party in the near future. Despite equal educational levels between men and women, the pool of female candidates remains disappointingly small due to a combination of factors. Relative to men, women have less economic security and resources, less support from families and communities for undertaking political races that may interfere with domestic responsibilities, and less access to political elites and networks that could mentor and encourage female candidates.

## How does the media influence politics?

By Frank Newell '49

While the power of the news media to influence its audiences is well known, what is not as generally recognized is how powerful the news media has become as a lobbying force in the political arena.

In recent interviews with Paul Boyle, vice president of government affairs for Newspaper Association of America, and Art Brooks, president and CEO of the Arizona Broadcasters' Association, both said that lobbying has become more and more of a "necessity" over the past 15 years.

"Lobbying elected officials to achieve legislative goals in the interests of our members is a major priority," said Boyle. "This is because, historically, newspapers have been an unregulated entity, but during the past 15 years, we have seen more legislative and regulatory proposals that would impact the newspaper industry. The newspaper industry is just like any other business, and we need to get our issues before Congress and the executive branch."

Lobbying, particularly at the federal level, is even more critical for the broadcast industry, Brooks said.

"Radio and TV are very highly regulated by the Federal Communications Commission and Congress. It's very important that we have ongoing and continued communication with our senators and representatives so they know the importance of the issue to us," Brooks said.

Lobbying efforts on the part of media organizations are sometimes conducted in editorials and opinion pieces, but more often in face-to-face meetings with elected officials and members of their staffs.

So there's another face of the media, as a potent lobbying force, working just like the insurance industry or the oil industry to protect its interests, influence and bottom line.



How should community newspapers treat politics? Just as often as they can, we believe, and that includes both local and national political issues.

Many community newspapers stick pretty closely to strictly local issues. But the fact is that national issues, such as health care, immigration reform, social security, gun control, abortion and who is elected president do resonate at the local level.

Our readers are affected by national legislation and national issues. It is much easier now to report on them with in-depth information available on the Internet and with senators and representatives just a phone call away.

We know our readers are keenly interested in certain national issues, social security and medicare reform, immigration reform and campaign financing to mention just a few, as well as what's happening down the street and/or at the town council or state legislature.

So we report and take editorial positions on national issues, along with the local issues unique to our community.

I think this stimulates readers and helps strengthen our role as a leader in the community. I think it has also helped us to achieve a higher level of readership and subscriber loyalty, as well as respect.

In order for a newspaper to have a strong editorial voice, three factors are essential: knowledge, conviction and freedom from fear.

You can't retain a strong editorial voice if you live in fear of threats to cancel advertising or subscriptions and let those threats influence your editorial positions.

Our readers and advertisers know that we are not afraid to speak out on issues we feel strongly about, even though it may be offensive to some. In the long run, that's what readers respect and value and demand in their editorial product.

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## Willamette: A Northwest think tank

By Michelle Maynard

### Alum appointed to White House transition team

Former Rep. Bob Smith '53 (R-Ore.) was named to Pres. George W. Bush's transition team in December to serve as a consultant on issues including agriculture and forestry. Smith was named to the team by Vice President Dick Cheney, who was his colleague in the house for six years in the 1980s.

"Willamette has always had a strong connection to politics and policy," said Laura Leete, director of the Public Policy Research Center and holder of the Fred H. Paulus chair of public policy research and associate professor of economics and management. "Willamette's position across the street from the capitol puts us in a great position to strengthen that connection even more. It doesn't get better than that."

Historically, Willamette students and alumni have participated in local, state and national government through internships, political service and careers connected to politics. In January of 2000, a new bridge was built between the University and the political arena — Willamette University's Public Policy Research Center (PPRC).

Working with Willamette faculty, the PPRC supports policymaking in the Northwest with high quality research and analysis on topics pertaining to public policy, such as the Internet, welfare and economics. Willamette's faculty applies its expertise to current topics with the goal of disseminating the research, resulting in policy that works and makes sense. The Center functions as a matchmaker, connecting faculty with projects.

"By providing academic research, I see better policy made in the world," said Leete. "And I think that academic research and teaching benefits from input from the policy world. The Center seeks to increase the two-way flow of information, in and out of the University."

In its first year, the Center has been involved in several research projects. One of the most recent projects was a joint effort with the Oregon governor's office. The two organizations co-sponsored a day-long forum — "The Internet and Oregon's Future: A Day of Discussion." The forum examined the future policy implications of the growth of the Internet and information technology. The results of the forum were then published in a report.

"We looked at what policy issues will be stirred up by the Internet and what is on the horizon of information technology as our society becomes more ubiquitous," said Leete. "For instance, information technology has altered the nature of many jobs as companies become more flexible. The Internet has changed labor practices, in that high-tech companies are using flexible work arrangements."

Leete also examined whether electronic communication will increase or decrease people's involvement in their community and what role public funds should have in developing the Internet, such as funding broadband cabling. Leete said, "It seems the Internet can be a powerful tool if you create online communities that have a geographical basis. The Internet may help increase people's involvement in city government."

Leete is intent on increasing the number of speakers and forums on campus, which will benefit the Center and Willamette's students.

"I want to bring more policy issues to campus so that students can be immersed in the political policy environment," said Leete.

Leete has additional goals for the PPRC including publishing *Oregon's Future*, a magazine devoted to public policy issues; placing students in state agency internships; and coordinating four to six ongoing public policy research projects that include the funding for student researchers. "I spent this first year creating a track record for the Center," said Leete. "I needed to build a track record and vision for the Center to get the funding I need to move it toward bigger projects."

The work the Public Policy Research Center is doing will continue to strengthen Willamette's reputation as a leader in the Northwest political policy arena.

Leete said, "The work to build the center is infinite and the good ideas pile up faster than I can chip away at them, but Willamette is uniquely suited to performing this kind of research function for Oregon and the Northwest. Willamette's historic alumni involvement in politics and state government makes it fertile ground for this Center to succeed."

The Public Policy Research Center can be found at [www.willamette.edu/publicpolicy](http://www.willamette.edu/publicpolicy).

Michelle Maynard coordinates Willamette's public relations and edits the Willamette Scene.

## Willamette's amazing track record

By Matt Webb

### BASEBALL

The Bearcats' entire pitching staff returns from a year ago, including Northwest Conference Player of the Year Nik Lubisich. The team will try to improve on last season, when it went 24-17 and placed third in the NWC under coach David Wong.

### SOFTBALL

Willamette is coming off its best season ever, when the Bearcats set a school record for wins (25), tied for second in the NWC and were ranked fifth in the final NCAA Division III West Region. Coach Damian Williams, last year's NWC Coach of the Year, lost only one player to graduation.

### TRACK & FIELD

Head coach Kelly Sullivan is enthusiastic about the 2001 season. The women's team returns NCAA All-Americans Lisa Starkey '01 (800) and Monica Scott '01 (javelin). Hammer thrower James Banks '01 and distance runner Mat Hunnicutt M'02 will lead the men's team.

When intercollegiate athletics began at Willamette University in the 1890s, interest and success was focused on football, basketball and baseball. Men's track and field, which began in 1895, found itself searching for an identity.

The Willamette track program had little to show during its first half decade of competition. The Bearcats would host an occasional meet at the State Fair Grounds from 1895-1911, but often times would go a year or two without competition. In 1926, Willamette joined the new Pacific Northwest Conference of small, private colleges and finished in the middle of the pack.

Following another two decades of mediocrity, with time out for World War II, it was apparent that Sweetland Field and later Olinger Field were inadequate to hold collegiate competition. So, in 1949, the Willamette track program found a new home at McCulloch Stadium in Bush's Pasture Park.

With the Korean War drawing attention and many student-athletes overseas, newly named coach Chester Stackhouse was quietly raising the Bearcat track program. "Snack," Willamette's first trained coach and future Athletic Hall of Famer, proved to be a keen publicizer, skilled organizer and innovator. During his three years at Willamette from 1950-53, he

recruited an increased number of participants, invented equipment, such as the weighted, rocking aluminum hurdle, and inaugurated the huge Willamette Relays that drew 1,000 athletes in university, college and high school divisions.

The inaugural Willamette Relays of 1951 revealed some very promising marks for the Bearcats. Ted Mertz '51 won the high hurdles, took second in the high jump, fourth in the broad jump and ran on two winning relay teams. Teammate Jim Hitchman '54 broke the school shot put record and anchored two winning relay teams. Augmented by a strong crop of freshmen, the Bearcats surged to an undefeated season—beating Lewis & Clark, Pacific, Linfield and Whitman by an average of 49 points each.

Mertz and Boly Hall '52, who set a record in the javelin, led the way at the conference track championship, as Willamette easily outdistanced its competition to win the school's first conference championship.

Proving the '51 campaign was no fluke, Willamette repeated its regular-season performance by going undefeated in 1952. Several school records were tied or set during the regular season, including Stan Neperud '54 in the javelin, Ralph Adams '55 in the mile, Ray Frithheim '55 in the pole vault and Bill Van Horn '54 in the 100-yard dash.

A week later, Willamette secured its second conference title, running away from Lewis & Clark and Whitman by more than 30 points. Individual champions included Layton Gilson '54 in the discus, Adams in the mile and two mile, Neperud in the javelin, Mike Hovis '55 in the 880, Hitchman in the shot put with a conference record and Frithheim in the pole vault.

Ted Ogdahl '46 replaced Stackhouse as coach in 1953, but the Bearcats didn't miss a beat, finishing undefeated with school records set by Gilson in the discus and Dean Benson '56 in the high hurdles.

Without the depth that Stackhouse enjoyed, the Bearcats returned to a middle of the road team before claiming another conference title in 1961. A few years later, Chuck Bowles entered the scene and coached Willamette to a conference title in 1966, signaling the start of another golden era of men's and women's track and field and cross-country at Willamette that would last the next two decades.

*For more on the 1951-53 championship teams, see Jim Hitchman's '54 31-page story in the Mark O. Hatfield Library, or contact the Alumni Office at 1-800-551-6974.*

## Attack of the insect offense

By Matt Webb

Have you ever noticed that there's something different about the Willamette football team? You can't quite put your finger on it. It's something about their offense. What do they call it? The Fly?

Why the Fly? Why not something that sounds more aggressive like the 'Power I' or 'Full House'?

"The Fly offense isn't really a formation - it's a philosophy," said Willamette head football coach Mark Speckman, who brought the formation with him in 1994 when he was named offensive coordinator under former head football coach Dan Hawkins.

With its no huddle approach, plays are brought in from the sideline by the receiver and interpreted by the running back. The action is quick and confusing for the defense as any one of four players could end up with the ball at every snap.

While many high schools benefit from the ball-concealing deception offense, Willamette is the only college known to run The Fly as its sole set formation.

Success has followed. During Speckman's six years at Willamette, the Bearcats have broken 33 offensive school records, including a staggering 738 yards of total offense in a game against Bethany College

in 1996 and 554 yards rushing in a game against Montana Tech during a 1997 campaign that saw the Bearcats go 13-1 and reach the NAIA championship game.

The key to running The Fly successfully is perfecting the sweep. As with every play in this formation, the sweep starts with the flanker in motion in the backfield. He gets the handoff from the quarterback and proceeds horizontally before cutting upfield through the first available hole. If run correctly, it's the offense's most dangerous play. In other words, "sweep till they weep."

"It's our signature play," said Speckman. "All good football teams have a signature play, and the sweep is ours."

Speckman, who has been orchestrating The Fly since his days as a high school coach in California, is so well known within coaching circles for the style of offense that he has hosted a series of videos explaining how to run The Fly. The video, which Speckman agreed to narrate after being bombarded with requests from coaches for free information, is available on the internet from Rivals.com. The Fly was also highlighted on a national segment of Fox Sports Net's "The Slant" in October.

"Coach Speckman is the Godfather of The Fly offense," said quarterback Bucky Rivera. "Nobody else knows how to coach it like he does."

It takes more than a good coach and a fast flanker to get the job done. A deceptive quarterback can make all the difference.

No one was better at running The Fly for Willamette than Chuck Finkerton (1994-97), who took full advantage of the formation to set several school records in his four years as a starter, including most total yards of offense in a career (7,844) and most rushing touchdowns by a quarterback in a career (35). He also became the first college quarterback in the Pacific Northwest, at any level, to rush for more than 2,000 yards in a career.

"The whole idea is to get the defense to stand flat-footed just for an instant," Speckman said. "I'm sure defensive coordinators are scathing all over the country, but our attitude is that it's unstoppable."

*Matt Webb served as assistant to the sports information director through December of 2000.*

### TENNIS

Willamette's tennis program begins a new era this spring as Becky Roberts takes over as head coach of both the men's and women's programs. The women will be led by Lori Bokovoy '02, who played all of last season at No. 1 singles and doubles. The men will be led by Trevor Lindsay '01 and Greg Ishmael '02.

### GOLF

Mathematics professor Steve Prothero begins his 36th year as Willamette's golf coach. The Bearcat women will likely be led by Kara Blair '01, Elisa Winger '01 and Tara O'Connor '04. Willamette's men should be led by Ben Brooksby '01 and Joe Carmichael '01, who were both named to the all-conference team last spring.

### ROWING

Coach Rod Mott is anticipating a successful season. He thinks the Women's Varsity, Lightweight and Novice 8, and the Men's Varsity and Novice 4, and Men's Lightweight 8 will achieve high goals. The Bearcats will host the Fourth Annual Governor's Cup Regatta on April 14.



## Willamette & politics: Good for each other

By Jim Booth '64, director of Alumni & Parent Relations



**Jim Booth '64** became the director of the Alumni and Parent Relations office in 1989. He and his wife, Sandy, have three sons, **Jay '91, Brian '93, and Jeff '95**. Jim was a member of the 1960 football team that was named to the Willamette University Athletic Hall of Fame in 1995.

When I heard the theme of this issue of the *Scene* was politics, I thought about the too-numerous-to-name alumni who have distinguished themselves and the University by their contributions to politics and public service. As director of alumni relations, I am aware more than most of the large number of our alumni who work in the political arenas of their communities, states, nations and, indeed, the world. When you consider the political contributions of alumni like Mark Hatfield '43, Robert Sayre '49, Bob Packwood '54, our current congressmen (Sam Farr '63, Vic Snyder '69 and Jay Inslee '76), Norma Paulus '62 and many others, there is no

doubt that Willamette has been good for politics and public service.

But does it work in reverse for Willamette? Has politics been good for Willamette? There are, in fact, two very positive political benefits for the University. First, every alumnus/a who works in the political arena reflects positively the value of their liberal arts education and/or graduate degree(s) from Willamette. Indeed, what reputation Willamette enjoys outside Oregon is considerably influenced by the public service of its alumni.

Second, there is another very simple and valuable benefit for Willamette from politics – its loca-

tion next to Oregon's State Capitol. Of the other universities listed in *U.S. News & World Reports* top tier of liberal arts universities, *none* are located across the street from a state capitol. As a result of this simple geographic relationship, it is no accident that Willamette has had, and will continue to have, a long and storied history of men and women in politics and public service. Indeed, this unique setting is a perfect stage from which our students can follow the University's motto: *Non Nobis Solum Nati Sumus* (Not Unto Ourselves Alone are We Born).

## Alumni News Briefs

### Alumni Leadership Conference

April 27-28, 2001

Alumni, who are currently involved in volunteer service for the University, as well as those who would like to be involved, will be invited to campus in April for the biennial Alumni Leadership Conference. If you are interested in assisting the University in the following volunteer service opportunities, please let us know: organizing class reunions; arranging and leading regional/city club activities and events; helping with admission efforts; supporting the career network; helping with annu-

al fund raising; volunteering for campaign fund raising or helping to set up continuing education programs. The conference will feature campus updates from vice presidents and deans, meals with faculty and students and small group discussions and meetings. If you would like to be added to the invitation list, please contact the Alumni Relations office. Conference attendees will receive free room and board.

### Track & field and cross country reunion

May 4-5, 2001

Alumni and friends of track & field and cross country are invited to

attend a special reunion and dedication. Participants will reconnect with former teammates and coaches, cheer on the current Bearcats in the Conference Championship meet and re-dedicate the newly re-surfaced Charles Bowles Track (with Chuck in person!).

### Commencement Weekend

May 12-13, 2001

Willamette's commencement will be held on the quadrangle on Sunday, May 13 at 3 p.m. followed by a reception. Prior to the graduation, there will be a reception with the president on Saturday at 4 p.m. The

CLA baccalaureate will be at 11 a.m. and departmental open houses begin at 12:30 p.m. on Sunday. More information will be mailed to parents of seniors in March and will be announced on the Willamette website: [www.willamette.edu](http://www.willamette.edu).

## Reunion 2001— Homecoming Weekend Sept. 28-29, 2001

Alumni/ae with class years ending in "1" or "6", should plan on attending Reunion 2001—an exciting and celebratory weekend excursion for you and your family. The weekend will highlight the 50th and 25th reunion classes of 1951 and 1976, in addition to the Distinguished Alumni Citation recipients, Young Alumni Leadership Award recipient and Sparks Medallion recipient(s). The weekend will feature tours of the Hallie Ford Museum of Art, faculty lectures, the football game, lunches, receptions and dinner banquets. If you have not yet received information about the reunion or would like to volunteer to help your class' reunion events, please contact the Alumni Relations office.

## Upcoming regional events

### Japan, Early March 2001

President Pelton plans to visit Japan again this year to meet with alumni, parents and friends. Contact the Alumni & Parent Relations office for more information.

### Palm Springs, March 16, 2001

Join alumni, parents and friends for a reception with University Relations Vice President Ron Korvas, Senior Assoc. Vice President Mike Bennett '70, and Alumni Director Jim Booth '64. Ralph Bolliger '53, ESS and his wife, Sally, will be hosting this reception in their home. If you are "snow birds" and have not forwarded your address to the Palm Desert area, give the Alumni & Parent Relations office a call to receive an invitation.

### Los Angeles, March 24, 2001

Alumni, parents and friends are invited to a picnic and tour at the Getty Museum from 1:30 to 5 p.m. Contact Alumni & Parent Relations for more information.

### Phoenix, March 25, 2001

Join University Relations Vice President Ron Korvas, interim CLA Dean Ken Nolley and Alumni Director Jim Booth '64 for a special opportunity to meet with alumni, parents and friends in the area. Alumna Lin Sue Cooney '80 will speak following brunch. Contact Alumni & Parent Relations for more information.

## WU-News Listserv

Have you ever wondered about how Willamette's sports teams are doing? What about events that are planned in your area? Do you question what your alma mater has been up to ... where she has been in the news ... which of your professors is making headlines ... or special events that are held on-campus? Keep in touch with what's happening at Willamette by signing up for the WU-News Listserv.

All you need is an email address, and every two weeks (once a month in the summertime), the Alumni & Parent Relations office will send you an e-newsletter. Sign up by simply typing a message to [listserv@willamette.edu](mailto:listserv@willamette.edu) and leave the subject line blank. In the message body, type:

SUBSCRIBE WU-NEWS and  
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Send us the message and your name will automatically be added to the recipient list!

For information on any of the events mentioned in this issue of the Scene, or to R.S.V.P., call Alumni Relations 800-551-6974, or email: [alumni@willamette.edu](mailto:alumni@willamette.edu)

## 1952 men's basketball team inducted into Hall of Fame

In September, the men's basketball team of 1952 was inducted into the Athletic Hall of Fame.

Unfortunately, team introductions were not able to be made. Captain Lou Scrivens asked that these following introductions be shared with the entire Willamette community: Hugh Bellinger '52, guard, one of the great "pure shooters" during our era; Dick Brouwer '52, forward, tough competitor, athletic, quick first step; Layton Gilson '54, center-forward, great attitude, hard worker; Cliff Girod '52, guard, tough on defense, great team player; Daryl Girod '56, guard, great passer, defender and fastbreak playmaker; Benny Holt '57, great attitude, loved the game, great for team morale; Dick Hoy '55, for-

ward, tough competitor, quick driving to the basket; Ted Loder '52, forward, one of the best in WU basketball history; Doug Logue '52, center, tall and quick, great all-around player, team leader; Dick Mase '53, forward, unbelievable jumper, great all-around player; Claude 'Lefty' Nordhill '52, guard, good shooter, great attitude; Lou Scrivens '52, guard, good defender and ball handler; Bob Shephard '53, great attitude, hard worker; Bob 'Reb' Smith '53, center; tough defender and great hook shooter; Larry Smith '53, forward, outstanding medium-range jump shooter; Ray Williams '54, center, hard worker, scored 100th point vs. Lewis & Clark; Erwin Weber '54, manager, enthusiastic, three sport

manager; Howard Wilson '54, manager, great attitude, set record for shrunken socks in a season' ... Congratulations to a great team!



In September, the men's basketball team of 1952 was inducted into the Athletic Hall of Fame and a group photo was taken. Pictured from left to right: Lou Scrivens '52, Daryl Girod '56, Dick Hoy '55, Bob Shephard '53, Ted Loder '52, Doug Logue '52, Layton Gilson '54, Dick Mase '53, E '53, Dick Brouwer '52, Hugh Bellinger '52, Benny Holt '57, Cliff Girod '52, E '56, Howard Wilson '54 (seated). Not pictured: Larry Smith '53 (deceased), Bob Smith '53, Ray Williams '54, Claude Nordhill '52 and Erwin Weber '54 (deceased).

## Willamette hires new director of annual funds

Denise (York) Crawford '95 M'00 joined Willamette University as director of annual funds in January. She spent the last six years working for small, non-profits in program development and advancement. She worked at Oregon Governors' School - G.O.A.L.S. as marketing and development director and at Cascadia Weekend, Oregon Disability Sports and Love, Inc. as a development consultant.

Crawford's thoughts on the Annual Fund and working at Willamette:

It is a great time to be associated with Willamette as students, alumni, friends, parents, faculty and staff

because the momentum is incredible. Although traditionally recognized for its history and rich heritage, Willamette is definitely staking its claim on the future. Recent recognition as one of the top 50 liberal arts colleges in the nation by *U.S. News and World Report* is a testament to the quality experience Willamette provides for its students. Further recognition of this quality is the participation of alumni, friends and parents in the Annual Fund. The Annual Fund, which provides much needed unrestricted funds for scholarships, faculty salaries, technology advances and much more, reached a record high alumni participation level of 43 percent last year. As alumni continue to recognize the incredible advancements

being made by Willamette, further increasing the value of our education and those who come after us, I am confident the percentage will continue to grow. Our goal is to reach 50 percent participation with our "50 for the Future" campaign, kicking off in the fall.

My time at Willamette played an important role in my life. My closest and best friends were made here and my future was shaped here. I often see my past professors on campus and they still remember me from class. Being on staff is a chance for me to give back some of what I've gained and to promote what I think is an excellent educational and social experience.



Willamette welcomes Denise (York) Crawford '95 M'00 as the new director of Annual Funds.



## Tasting Oregon's wine country

By John "JQ" Waller '98

Less than an hour west of Portland, nature has conspired to create one of the world's premier wine grape appellations. Since the resurgence of Oregon viticulture in the early 1960s, 46 wineries now comprise

Our charter bus carried us comfortably to Sokol Blosser, our first winery of the day and one of Oregon's oldest and largest wineries. The staff at the tasting room was very accommodating and ensured

everyone teased their palate with a selection of premium wines. At Erath Vineyards, we were greeted by a tour guide who introduced us to the facility's wine-making operation, running at full capacity with the onset of "crush," the annual harvest and fermentation of the season's grapes. Our tour was followed by

generous spread of refreshments to complement our day of wine tasting. In one of the more extraordinary statistics of the day, 32 Willamette Alumni devoured over eight pounds of cheese!

But most importantly, the day provided a wonderful opportunity to relax with friends, and become acquainted with other Willamette alumni lost to the frenzy of the real world. I have discovered since graduating, with some lament, that the paths and demands of post-graduation life have shattered all but a precious few of the bonds and friendships that I formed while at Willamette. I scan the *Willamette Scene* for news of classmates, network with friends, and frequently run into familiar Willamette faces on the streets of Portland, but the occasion for a social gathering of classmates outside my usual circle has declined substantially since my graduation. The Young Alumni Wine Country Adventure was a refreshing addition to my repertoire of weekend activities.

*Young Alumni Club programs exist in Washington, D.C., San Francisco, Portland, Seattle, New York, Bend, Denver and Boise. For more information about upcoming events in your area, or if you have suggestions for an event, please contact Brian Hess at 800-551-6794, or email <alumni@willamette.edu>.*

*John "JQ" Waller '98 works for Personalized Tours and Travel in Portland, Ore.*



The Willamette Young Alumni enjoyed a beautiful fall day wine tasting in Oregon's Willamette Valley. Pictured from left to right: Andrea Bati, Jeff Martin '95-M'99, Amy Smith and Joe Belcher '96.

over 5,000 acres of vineyards in the Northern Willamette Valley, producing premium Pinot Noirs, Chardonnays and a wide array of other varietals. Three wineries welcomed myself and 31 other Willamette University Young Alumni on an Oct. 22 tour of Oregon's highly acclaimed Yamhill County Wine Country.

As we soaked in one of the last crystal days of autumn, with breezes tousling the brilliant refulgence of the countryside, it seemed appropriate to capture the day with a glass of wine, lost classmates and a stroll through grape-laden vineyards.

tasting as snow-capped Mt. Hood looked on approvingly.

The waning afternoon sun found us heading to Rex Hill, known for its elegant decor, terraced gardens, and top-quality wines. With poise and professionalism, the staff at Rex Hill welcomed our group with individual attention and kept our tasting glasses fully occupied.

Woven throughout the day of touring and tasting was a raffle, giving away such coveted Willamette merchandise as Frisbees, letter openers, bottle openers and rulers. "Oooohs" and "Ahhhs" reverberated through the bus as the grand prize of the raffle, a calculator, was awarded to the lucky winner. Brian Hess '95, assistant alumni director, supplied a

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**Ann (Southard) Beard '70** is the chief of protocol for the mayors office of San Diego, Calif. In the eight years she's worked there she has extended the goodwill of the city to diplomats and dignitaries from around the world, expanded international trade and organized such high profile international events such as the America's Cup, Republican National Convention, Olympics, Superbowls and APEC International Energy Conference.

**David Bloye '70** retired after 26 years with the United Parcel Service. He and wife Christine live in Upland, Calif., with their children.

**Margaret (Jensen) Sackett '70** of Seattle, Wash., has enjoyed being back on campus several times this year since her daughter, Joan, has been a freshman at WU. Joan was chosen as the Outstanding Freshman Chemistry Student for 1999-2000.

**Michael D. Brown '71 L'74** became "Of Counsel" at his law firm, Churchill, Leonard, Brown & Hardie. The position concentrates on service as a neutral mediator and arbitrator and reference judge. He and wife Linda live in Salem, with their children.

**Bret Rios '72 M'87** is the vice president and chief operating officer of First Pacific Corporation. He also founded the Global Institute for Developing Entrepreneurs, which conducts an entrepreneur training camp, InBiz, for teens at WU in the summer. He and wife Cathy live in Salem.

**Glenn Steiner '72** is a professional writer and photographer. He recently returned from a six week photography project, photographing sailing yachts in the Greek Cyclades and Dodecanese and Turkey's Turquoise Coast. He is also working on a book on Greece. He lives in Fairfax, Calif.

**Susan (Scott) Arceneaux '74** was elected president of the Cuyahoga County Medical Society for 2000 and is a delegate to the Ohio State Medical Association. She and husband James live in Olmsted Township, Ohio.

**Patrick Pine '74 M'76** lives in Hillsboro, Ore., with wife Deborah. He is the corporate benefits manager for ESCO Corporation at the corporate offices in Portland and is a director for the Western Pension and Benefits Conference.

**Janet Voss '74** of Lake Oswego, Ore., is senior vice president and regional marketing director for Key Bank in Portland, Ore. She is involved with the Portland Advertising

Federation, the American Marketing Association and many community organizations.

**Terry M. Plummer '75** is the president and chief operating officer of Monadnock Paper Mills, a privately owned specialty paper company in southern New Hampshire. A "big" change from Portland. He and wife Maureen live in Peterborough, a classic New England town of 5,000. Anybody else living their way? Please call them at (603) 924-4014.

**Julie Adams '76** graduated from Columbia University's Graduate School of Journalism in May and plans to return to Seattle, Wash., to work in journalism and psychology.

**Mari (Gilfillan) Sloan '78** is the senior vice president for Bank of America in Charlotte, N.C. She developed a commercial credit center, designed to analyze, underwrite and approve credit for commercial clients. She is responsible for underwriting and approving credit for clients in North and South Carolina.

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**Melissa (Murrell) Demaray '80** is a business planning manager for Hewlett Packard. She and husband Ernest live in Portola Valley, Calif., with their two children, Katy and Aubert. She's looking forward to her WU 20-year class reunion.

**David Donn Maikai Hanaile '80** teaches in the department of education and is a college instructor in oceanography and education at the University of Hawaii. He is an elected delegate of the Native Hawaiian Convention, which is working toward an integrated form of government (similar to Indian tribes), or an independent form of government for Hawaii. Nephew Jesse Kellinchea Sandotal is a freshman at WU this year.

**Olu S. Sarr '80** is an information officer for the Integrated Regional Information Network of the United Nations Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs. His duty station is in Abidjan, Côte d'Ivoire, West Africa.

**Paul D. Tangonan '80** of San Diego, Calif., is senior pastor for Linda Vista United Methodist Church. His cross-cultural education

has allowed him to help direct multi-language ministries in English as well as Spanish, Vietnamese and Filipino.

**Steven Hargis '83**, wife **Monica (Millard) '83** and their four children live in Simi Valley, Calif. He is the director of ASPEngines.com, a new internet business and Monica stays busy being homemaker extraordinaire.

**Chris Tompkins '84** of Lake Forest Park, Wash., is a senior scientist at Cell Therapeutics Inc. He is working on several cloning projects targeting lipid metabolizing enzymes involved in tumor progression.

**Dirk Zeller '84** of Bend, Ore., was a key speaker at three national sales training programs with world renowned speaker and motivator Zig Ziglar. He is the president of Real Estate Champions, a sales training and motivational speaking business.

**Janet (Holland) Brandt '85** is a credit coordinator for Northwest Surgical Specialists. She lives in Milwaukie, Ore., with husband Rick and their two daughters, Calen and Clera.

**Brooks Houser Sr. '85 M'87 L'90** is the president of The Houser Group, a financial planning company. His wife, **Susan (Bozlee) '85**, is the director of operations. The company received the National Association of Underwriters' "National Quality Award." They live in Portland, Ore., with their three children.

**Janey Greenlees '88** and **Chris Henderlite '94** opened a printing and copying business, AlphaGraphics, in Hillsboro, Ore., in January 2000. They spent several years working in the quick printing industry before opening their own franchise. They live in Portland, Ore., with their spouses and dogs.

**Marcey (Keefer) Hutchison '88** is director of physical therapy at Valley Physical Therapy and Sports Rehabilitation in Keizer, Ore. She enjoys adventure racing and plans to do a 24-hour race this summer.

**Jon Maki '88** returned to Minnesota after living in Guam for seven years. He and wife Amy live in Rochester, with their two children.

**Kristina (Sansom) Ricks '88** lives in Beaverton, Ore., with husband Allen and their two children Elise, five months, and Ian, three. She is a human factors specialist for Medscape, Inc. She won a local and international award for a technical manual from the Society for Technical Communication in their 2000 publications competition.

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**Ronda Beckner '90** of Spokane, Wash., completed her family medicine residency in June 1999 and has joined Family Health Center of Spokane.

**Robin (Keys) Fisher '90** and husband Mike live in Boston, Mass. She is a medical social worker in the pediatric unit for the Massachusetts General Hospital.

**Rolf Crichton '91** has returned to Portland, Ore., after years of training out-of-state to build a dentistry practice and raise a family with wife Charlene.

**Matthew Loboy '92** and wife Ana Ramos (Spanish professor '91-'92) live in Ourense, Spain. They teach English as a foreign language. Their son, Thomas, celebrated his first birthday in May.

**Brian Peterson '92** of Los Angeles, Calif., had a film he wrote called, "But I'm a Cheerleader," released by Lions Gate films in July 2000. It screened at the Sundance Film Festival in January 2000.

**Seiji Shiratori '92** and wife Ailsa completed their first tour of duty as foreign service officers with the U.S. State Department in September. Their first tour of duty was in Islamabad, Pakistan, and their next will be in Lisbon, Portugal, as political/economic officers with the U.S. Embassy.

**Gretchen (Anders) Takahashi '92** of Beaverton, Ore., is a treatment counselor supervisor at Albertina Kerr Center and is pursuing her master's in social work.

**Derek Lamprecht '93** and wife **Andrea (Wardle) '94** live in Farmington Hills, Mich. He graduated from medical school in June 2000 and is doing his internship at Botsford General Hospital.

**Tamara Egans '94** of Missoula, Mont., finished her first year of graduate school at the University of Montana. She worked for the United States Geological Survey-Biological Resource Division during the summer on a sea duck research project on the Beaufort Sea in Northern Alaska.

**Amy Josephson '94** is an office administrator at Columbia Roofing Contractors, Inc. She's doing great in Vancouver, Wash., and is looking forward to returning to school to continue her education in the medical field.



## Class links

This year's reunion chairs are listed at the top of each decade. See page 29 for more information about Homecoming 2001.

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**40** **Class of 1940**  
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**Marie (Bendiksen) '40** and husband **Dick Tatro '41** live in the Desert Aire community (on the golf course) in Mattawa, Wash. They enjoy visiting their four children, eight grandchildren and three great grandchildren. They still travel a bit and enjoy reunions. They'd like to hear from former classmates.

**Marge (Herr) Caldwell '41** moved to the Keizer Retirement Center in Keizer, Ore. She's looking forward to this new stage in life.

**Dorothy Moore '41** of Gresham, Ore., enjoys all the benefits of retirement: swimming, walking along Springwater Trail, golfing and keeping fit.

**Doris (Harold) McKinlay '43** lives in Houston, Texas, and works part-time. She enjoys gardening, aerobics and vacationing at her home in Albuquerque, N.M. Her grandson Christopher Gregory is a law student at WU this year.

**Reeva (Bayley) Schmidt '43** lives in Monrovia, Calif. She enjoys retirement but still teaches keyboard and piano classes and tutors students in English.

**Lora (Curtis) Lafky '47** returned to her home in Benicia, Calif., from a visit to Katmandu, Nepal, where she visited her family. Her oldest granddaughter attends high school in Nepal at the Katmandu International Study Center, which has 100 students from 27 different countries.

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**Pat (Howard) Acker '50** lives in Mt. Shasta, Calif., where she owns Pat's Hallmark. She loves it when old friends traveling up and down I-5 stop to say hello!

**Jane (Mountcastle) Turner '50** lives in Raymond, Wash. After running the

family oil business for 13 years she sold it, and one year later the buyer filed bankruptcy. She's now trying to resell and salvage something.

**John Whipple '50** and wife **Shirley (Wiest) '50** returned to their home in Stockton, Calif., from a trip to Singapore and India. They are looking forward to their 50th class reunion in September.

**Dale Parnell '51** is retired and lives at Eagle Crest in Redmond, Ore., with his wife, Beverly.

**E. Vance Yung '52** and wife **Mari** live in Olympia, Wash. He enjoys painting on-location, marine and landscape watercolors, RV travel and being activists for health and social problems.

**Rollin Cocking '53** lives in Carefree, Ariz., where he enjoys his retirement, grandchildren, traveling and fly fishing.

**June and Richard L. Isaak '53** moved their retirement residence to central Oregon. They live in a residence community at Eagle Crest Resort in Redmond, Ore.

**J. Clint Elwood '56** and wife **Bonita** live in Syracuse, N.Y. He's glad to report that his seven-year-old grandson, Peter, who had a liver and kidney transplant at 16 months is doing great!

**Lorraine (Landrud) Halverson '56** and husband **Harley** of Liberty Lake, Wash., visited an exchange student from South Africa who had lived with them and toured the country. They were amazed at all of the game preserves and wild animals.

After 30 years with the Air Force and 13 years with defense contractors, **Tom Steeves '56** and wife **Gail (Updike) '55** have retired. They moved back to Portland, Ore., to be near their children and grandchildren. Tom volunteers for the Christmas in April program, a home rebuilding agency for the low-income elderly and still enjoys his antique train collection. Gail has fun with her handmade paper and other art work.

**Hubert Armstrong '57** and wife **Dollie (Cummings) '57** of Seattle, Wash., had a ski chair lift named after them (the Armstrong Express) at Alpentel Ski Area for their dedication to the sport of skiing. Dollie was inducted into the National Disabled Ski Hall of Fame in Winter Park, Colo., for her work with the SKI-FORALL Foundation, a program for people with disabilities.

**M. June (Christensen) Cline '57** and husband **Loren** moved to Newton, Kan., to be near his family. She retired after serving a church for 13 years. She now runs a pulpit supply business. She enjoys traveling with her husband, who works as an

interim chief executive officer for Healthcare Administration for the National Benevolent Association of Christian Churches.

**Larry Lister '57** and wife **Constance (Clark) '58** plan to retire soon. They live in Honolulu, Hawaii, where he is a professor at the University of Hawaii School of Social Work and she teaches.

**Kenneth Renshaw '57**, a retired Delta Airlines captain, enjoys retirement under the warm and sunny skies of Punta Gorda, Fla. He is active in the Coast Guard Auxiliary.

A women's reunion of the class of 1957 was held in the Portland garden of **Carole (Pfaff) Von Schmidt**. They ate, drank and talked for over seven hours. They realized how important college days are even at this stage of their lives. Those who attended were: **Melissa Stewart**, **Patricia (Turner) Edmundson**, **Peggy (Buckley) Mills**, **Marjorie (Wilson) Shaffer**, **Judy (Burdick) Williams**, **Ann (Notson) Poling**, **Dollie (Cummings) Armstrong**, **Lois (Wickersham) Duvall**, **Ann (Denman) Hultgren**, **Dr. Joanne Jene**, **Elizabeth (Church) Furrer**, and **Elizabeth (Hess) Vanier**.

**Robert Stevens '58** lives in Seattle, Wash. He retired July 1 after 34 years as the conference treasurer for the Pacific Northwest Conference of The United Methodist Church.

**Sandra (Harris) Adair '59** lives in Woodland, Calif. She enjoyed seeing old friends and all the campus improvements at the 40th class reunion in September 1999.

**Patricia (Harlan) Woolsey '59** still works full-time, at the age of 62, as a medical assistance specialist for the State of Washington Disability Determination Services. She is an avid volkswalker and still participates in 10K walks. She and husband **Daniel** plan to retire in a few years and move back to Oregon to be closer to their four grandchildren.

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**Paul de Lespinasse '61** retired after 36 years on the faculty of Adrian College in Michigan. He was a political and computer science professor.

He and wife **Doris** live in Corvallis, Ore.

**Orrin Ormsbee '61 L'63** of Coos Bay, Ore., has retired from practicing law. He enjoys traveling and spending time with his grandchildren.

**Marcia (Ruby) '62** and **James Douglas '64** have retired and live near Prescott, Ariz., where they are building a home. She managed various school-business partnerships and education initiatives for the city of Portland and he had his own business in graphic design and photography. They are looking forward to motorcycle rides around the Southwest.

**Penelope Johnstone '64** of Woodacre, Calif., retired after 31 years of teaching in June 1999. She celebrated her retirement by attending homecoming and the class of '64 reunion in September. It was wonderful touring the campus and reconnecting with classmates of '64.

**Nancy Jones '64** and husband **Richard** are retired and live in Neahkahnie Beach, Ore. They moved into their contemporary beach cottage in May and are now busy landscaping the site.

**Mary (Shaffer) Stewart '64** lives in Phoenix, Ariz., where she is assistant to the pastors of Camelback Bible Church. Her work is a blessing and privilege, providing the opportunity to use all of the skills and gifts that God has given her. Life continues to be good and fulfilling.

**Reid English '65** of Keizer, Ore., is in his 34th year at the *Statesman Journal* as a sports reporter. He completed his second year in community sports in April.

**Susan (Garner) Gallino '66** is a part-time math instructor and tutor at Portland Community College. She and husband **Gary** live in Hillsboro, Ore.

**Larry Paulson '68 L'71** is the executive director at the Port of Vancouver. In 1999 he retired from the Oregon Air National Guard after 31 years with the rank of brigadier general. He and wife **Nancy** live in Vancouver, Wash.

**Richard F. Smith '68** lives in Houston, Texas, with wife **Alexandra** and their daughter, **Brooke**. He is president and chief executive officer of Equavox. Their daughter, **Mackenzie**, graduated from Princeton in May 2000.

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ior and senior high school at The King's Academy. They live in Cupertino, Calif.

**Shayne A. Martin '98** married **Garrick C. Olson '98** on July 15, 2000, in the Cone Chapel at Willamette. **Derek LaBar '96** was the best man and **Graham Seaton '98** was the groomsmen. **Nicole Kent '00** sang during the ceremony and **Laila Cook '98** presented a special reading. He is a software engineer for Aceva Technologies and she works in marketing and development for Stanford University's Lively Arts program. They live in Sunnyvale, Calif.

**Lynsey Vogeltanz '98** and **Mike Wherry '98** were married on July 1, 2000, in Seattle, Wash. **Danica Byrd '98** was maid of honor and **Melissa Norberg '98** and **Christine Fidler '99** were bridesmaids. **Mark Hughes '98** and **Clay Hill '98** were groomsmen. They live in Redondo Beach, Calif.

**Rebekah Warren-Allen '99** and **David Rigsby '00** were married on August 5, 2000, at Silver Falls State Park. Charles Wallace, the University chaplain, performed the ceremony. Wedding guests included WU students and graduates from six consecutive class years. David is a chemist for the Intel Corporation. The couple lives in Wilsonville, Ore.

**Devon Bakken '00** married Peter Gay on August 4, 2000. She is a rehabilitation aide at the Riverview Retirement Home. They live in Spokane, Wash.

## Family Additions

To **Karen Schweppe Dyck '81** and husband William of Woodinville, Wash., a daughter, **Alison Christine-Marie**, on April 27, 2000.

To **Jason and Laura (Stoner) Finley '84** a daughter, **Jean Michelle**, on July 26, 1999. They live in McMinnville, Ore.

To **Katrina (Hunt) Miller '86** and husband David of Uniontown, Ohio, a daughter, **Annalese Marie**, on August 29, 1999.

To **Holly and Scott Schafer '86** of Pleasanton, Calif., a daughter, **Erin Marie**, on May 11, 2000. Erin joins a big brother who was born in October, 1997.

To **Alexandra (Schweier) Ullmann '86** and husband Mark of Battle Ground, Wash., a daughter, **Anna Elise**, on June 19, 2000. Anna joins big sister Amanda, six, and brother David, two.

To **Anna Brief-Mueller '87** and husband Douglas a son, **Daniel Jacob**, on March 24, 2000. Daniel was their miracle baby. He had open heart surgery when he was 10 days old. He is doing much better now.

To **Robert and Krista (Tyler) Kabacy '88** of Portland, Ore., a son, **Andrew Tyler**, on June 22, 2000.

To **Kristina (Sansom) Ricks '88** and husband Allen a daughter, **Elise Miriam**, on April 21, 2000. They live in Beaverton, Ore.

To **Matthew and Wendy (Shoemaker) Peloquin '89** of Bellevue, Wash., twins, **Cameron James** and **Clayton Matthew**, on May 30, 2000.

To **Melissa (Rolf) '90** and **Kipp Cosgriffe '91 M'93** of Puyallup, Wash., a son, **Perry Richard**, on February 8, 2000.

To **Gary and Lynn (Schroder) LeMoine '90** a daughter, **Kathryn Gail**, on January 3, 2000. They live in Sammamish, Wash.

To **Jayneen Toguchi '90** and **Gary Tani MAT'95** a son, **Ethan Kaulana Hiroshi Toguchi-Tani**, on May 26, 2000. Ethan joins his 19-month-old sister, **Emily**. Jay is the coordinator for child mental health outpatient services for Hale Kipa, Inc., and Gary is an eighth grade math teacher at Kawanakao Middle School.

To **Carl Bacon-Flick '91** and husband Chris a son, **Kaden Christopher**, on February 29, 2000. A leap day baby! This is their first child. They live in Portland, Ore. Where Carl is the sales and marketing performance and training manager for Electric Lightwave.

To **Stephanie and Jeffrey Figeira '91** a son, **Jake Rodman**, on December 1, 1999. They live in Campbell, Calif.

To **T.J. and Jennifer (Craven) Chandler '92** of Pennington, N.J., a daughter, **Kennedy Ann**, on November 22, 1999. She joins two brothers, **Jefferson** and **Jackson**.

To **Heidi (Sinclair) '92** and **Matt Taibert '92** their first child, **Megan Abigail**, on February 14, 2000. They live in Toadatin, Ore.

To **Ann Clark '93** and Jason Wagner of Sacramento, Calif., a son, **Ezekiel (Zeek) James**, on July 23, 2000.

To **Shannon (Bertrand) '93** and **Steven Kmetz '93** a son, **Connor James**, on July 24, 2000. Connor joins his sister, **Kendyl**, who is two, at their home in Oregon City, Ore. Steve teaches eighth grade at Ogden Middle School and Shannon is a deputy district attorney for the Clackamas County District Attorney's office.

To **Amy Offenberg '93** a daughter, **Emma Gabrielle**, on June 27, 2000. Amy is a prosecutor for the city of Phoenix, Ariz., where she and Emma also live.

To **Ann Marie (Alden) '94** and Steve Caplan a daughter, **Sierra Grace**, on August 9, 2000. Older sis-

ter **Nina** is getting used to the idea of being a "big" sister and can't wait for Sierra to play. They live in Tacoma, Wash.

To **Jennifer and Scott Bueffel '95** of Hillsboro, Ore., a son, **Harrison Tyler**, on June 28, 2000.

## In Memoriam

**Blanche Jones '25** died June 15, 2000, in Oregon City, Ore. She served in the U.S. Army during World War II. She retired in the mid-1970s after working as a dietitian in nursing homes for over 55 years. In 1985, she was named the Woman of Distinction by Soroptimist International of Clackamas County.

**Dorothea (Sibley) Day '26** died January 1, 2000, in San Diego, Calif. Her husband, **Warren '26**, preceded her in death in 1977. She is survived by son **Warren Jr.**

**Lucile (Allen) Clark '28**, died June 8, 2000, in Salem. She is survived by her sister, **Mary (Allen) Miller '31**, a daughter, four grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

**Reeve Betts '29** died June 28, 2000, in Asheville, N.C. He volunteered in the U.S. Army Medical Corps during World War II, serving in North Africa and Italy. After the war he went into private practice until deciding to become a medical missionary for the United Methodist Church. He went to the Christian Medical College and Hospital in Vellore, South India. He became known as the "Father of Thoracic Surgery" in Southeast Asia. Survivors include wife **Lila**, two sons, a daughter, a stepson, a stepdaughter and brother **Kohler G. Betts '29**.

**Pauline (Livesay) Lewis '33** of King City, Ore., died July 7, 2000. Survivors include a daughter, a brother, two grandchildren and cousin, **Mary (Livesay) Jaquith '44**.

**Katherine (Earle) Robertson '33** of Salem, died April 17, 2000. She was 89. She is survived by sister, **June (Earle) Trumbo '43**, another sister and one brother.

**Virginia (Matlack) Frederick McGahan '34** of Eagle Creek, Ore., died June 3, 2000. In the 1986-87 school year, she established a music scholarship in memory of her late husband, **Richard K. Frederick**. She retired from social work in the 1980s. Survivors include two stepsons, two grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

**Hazel "Agnes" (Irons) Ebner '35** died June 15, 2000, in Keizer, Ore. Survivors include her husband, **Maurice**, two daughters, a son, nine grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

**Nell (Perrine) Lewis '35** died August 15, 2000, in Eugene, Ore. She was an active member of the Fortnightly Club and PEO, and was nominated as Woman of the Year in 1958 by the American Association of University Women. She helped her husband with his debate coach efforts at Ashland High School. She was always a proud Willamette alumna. She is survived by her son, **Jim**, a daughter and three grandchildren.

**Donald J. Egr '36** died May 24, 2000, in Milwaukie, Ore. He was a personnel officer for the U.S. Department of Agriculture in Kansas City, Kan., until 1972 when he moved to Oregon City, Ore. In 1992, he established the Egr-Ramstead Scholarship Fund at Willamette University.

**Florence (Franklin) Felker '36** died July 1, 2000, in Sublimity, Ore. She was a special education administrator for the Roseburg School District from 1941 until retiring in 1962. Survivors include two sons and two daughters.

**Constance (Smart) Kopp '37** died September 2, 2000, in Salem. She worked for Pacific Telephone and Telegraph from 1928 until 1951 when she married. Survivors include a niece and nephew, **David Smart '70**.

**Noia L. Clark '38** of Sublimity, Ore., died July 9, 2000, at 83.

**Margaret "Maggie" Magee '38** died June 19, 2000, in Salem. She was a reporter for the *Capital Journal* for 21 years. During World War II, she was the newspaper contact for the Sixth Army Headquarters and the Oregon Military Department. In 1955 she studied in the Army Reserve Training program at Fort Ord, Calif., and in 1956 was the first newspaperwoman to attend the Air Force Aerial Firepower Demonstration. She was an information representative for the Oregon Department of Agriculture and president of Oregon Press Women and the National Federation of Press Women. Survivors include her sister, **Hazel (Magee) Vagt '41**.

**O. Harlan "Hal" Moe '38** died June 7, 2000, in Sublimity, Ore. Survivors include his wife, **Laura (Tate) Moe '41**, sister, **Juanita (Moe) Vroom '46**, a son and a daughter.

**Mary Elizabeth (Kells) Vergara-Caffarelli '38** died April 27, 1998, in Naples (Portici), Italy. She had lived in Italy for almost 50 years. She is survived by two sons, a sister, **Margaret (Kells) Hiestand '40** and nephew, **Harland Hiestand '65**.

**Curtis E. Johnson '39** died August 9, 2000, in Portland, Ore. He worked at the Canby Union Bank from 1937 until his retirement as its president in the mid-1980s. A 50-year member of Canby Christian Church, he sang in its choir and was an elder and treasurer. Survivors include his wife,

## Class links

**Deborah Newby '94** received her Ph.D. in environmental biology from the University of Arizona in May. She lives in Idaho Falls, Idaho.

**Adam Stennett '94** of New York, N.Y., was commissioned to create paintings for the movie, "Ropewalk." He was also commissioned by designer Donna Karan to create paintings which were included in a recent fashion shoot.

**Lisa Westlund '94** was accepted into the Western Oregon University M.S. program in correctional administration. She is a gender-specific services trainer for agencies that serve at-risk females. She and partner Susan, live in Salem and are raising a foster daughter.

**Amy Carlson '95** is a field organizer for the Oregon League of Conservation Voters. They work to elect pro-environment candidates and hold them accountable for their environmental records. She lives in Portland, Ore., with her cat, Klondike.

**Heather Dahl '95** joined PBS' "The NewsHour" with Jim Lehrer as a foreign affairs reporter. She lives in Washington, D.C.

**Ryan DeVoe '95** is doing his post-doctorate of veterinary medicine training in exotic animal medicine and surgery at the University of Georgia's College of Veterinary Medicine. He and wife Megan live in Athens, Ga.

**Kelly Golden '95** is a technical consultant for ID Edwards financial software group. She lives in Portland, Ore., but spends 75 percent of her time traveling. Her last assignment took her to Kazakhstan. When not working, she enjoys running, cycling and karate.

**Aaron Jensen '95** graduated from the University of Chicago with a master's in international relations. In July he went to a training class for foreign service officers at the National Foreign Affairs Training Center in Arlington, Va.

**Brione (Berneche) Pattison '95** graduated from the University of Utah College of Law in May 2000. She recently sat for the New York and New Jersey bar exams. She is a staff attorney in the education and disability sections at Bronx Legal Services in New York City. She and husband Paul live in Hoboken, N.J.

**Anne (Berube) Gard '96** and husband Steven of Ojai, Calif., recently bought a house and a dog. She is a teacher at the Monica Ros School and is doing very well.

**Jennifer Riegg '96** relocated to Oakland, Calif., from Seattle, Wash. This summer she worked for the municipality of Guatemala City as a child and family social worker.

**Naoto Hasegawa '97** of Oak Park, Ill., works as a translation coordinator for MSI Resources, Inc.

**Shanna Raymond '97** of Denver, Colo., is working on her doctorate of jurisprudence degree at the University of Denver.

**Sarah Zollner '97** and **Lydia Alexander '97 MAT '99** of Keizer, Ore., spent three weeks traveling together in Europe this summer. Sarah is employed at the Salem Alliance Church as an executive assistant and Lydia teaches English and journalism, and advises the newspaper and yearbook at Century High School in Hillsboro, Ore.

**Todd Davenport '98** of Sherman Oaks, Calif., is a doctoral student in physical therapy at the University of Southern California and is a research assistant in cellular biokinetics.

**Bryce Mercer '98 MAT '99** teaches at St. Helen's High School in St. Helen's, Ore. Along with teaching math and science he is taking over the student-run computer business, and coaches soccer.

**Katie Rogerson '98** lives in Golden, Colo. She is running a statewide campaign for responsible management and policy reform for off-road vehicles on public land. She enjoys living and recreating in the Rocky Mountains.

**Shawn Elmore '99** recently quit his job with the National Petrochemical and Refiners Association in Washington, D.C., and is the project manager for the DCI Group, L.L.C., in Phoenix, Ariz. He will be doing grass roots political consulting for Fortune 500 companies and individual candidates.

**Cathy Brown '00** lives in Chapel Hill, N.C. She is enrolled in the master of arts program in athletic training/sports medicine at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. She will be working with women's softball and gymnastics.

## Marriages

**19 50** **Patricia Hammond '51** married James Berry in July 1999. They live three-quarters of the year in Western Springs, Ill., where he is minister of music at a large congregational church. They spend their summers and vacations in Novato, Calif. She is looking forward to her 50th WU class reunion.

**19 60** **Kathleen Childress '69** married Jay Dyble in June. She teaches reading at Franklin Middle School and he is an accountant. They live in Yakima, Wash.

**19 80** **Frank DeBenedetti '82** married Maria Jones on April 9, 2000, in Palm Springs, Calif. They live in Concord, Calif.

**Mary Cate '87** and **John Lawson** were married on June 23, 2000, at the Daybreak Star Indian Cultural Center. The officiant was **Rev. William B. Cate '45**. The couple lives in Seattle, Wash.

**19 90** **Teri Ikeda '90** married Mark Zaugg on July 2, 2000, in Portland, Ore. She is a manager with Deloitte Consulting and he is a consultant with Price Waterhouse Coopers. They live in Portland, Ore.

**Barbara Tykal '90** married Neil McKenna on August 5, 2000, in Salt Lake City, Utah. **Christy Soleim '90** was the maid of honor. Barb is a nutritionist for the city of Houston, WIC program. They live in Houston, Texas.

**Richelle Tustin '91** married Douglas Luther on April 1, 2000, at the Portland Art Museum. Bridesmaids were **Sarah Follett '91 MAT '95** and **Jean (Wilkinson) Underhill '91**. **Robert Collier '91** read a passage from Walt Whitman for the ceremony. The couple lives in Portland, Ore.

**Megan Rice '92** married Michael Faele on January 1, 2000, in Woodland, Calif. **Jennifer Wardlaw '92** and **Margaret Wardlaw '92** were bridesmaids. She is a senior loan processor for the Mortgage Consultants Group. They live in West Sacramento, Calif.

**Holly Blanden '93** married Ron Nash on July 8, 2000, in Columbia Falls, Mont. She teaches math for the Whitefish Public School district. They live in Whitefish, Mont.

**Amy Ellsperman '93** married Daniel Leyva on September 18, 1999, in Berkeley, Calif. **Kirsten (Williams) Schaub '93** and **Carla (Poindexter) Pilgrim '93** were bridesmaids. They live in Issaquah, Wash., where Amy is a first grade teacher.

**Toby (Walls) Merriman '93** married **Whitney Mehner '95** on August 21, 1999, at the Oregon Golf Club in West Linn, Ore. She is the marketing manager for an international supply chain management company. They live in Overland Park, Kan., where he is doing his residency in pediatric dentistry.

**Carrie Bellandi '94 MAT '96** and **Mike Weatherbie '94 MAT '96** were married on July 8, 2000, in Seattle, Wash. **Chance Sims '94** was best man and **Sarah Bellandi '95** was maid of honor. They both teach at Kamiak High School in Everett, Wash., and coach varsity sports.

**Amy Stewart '94** married James Deaker on January 28, 2000, in

Auckland, New Zealand. She is a Ph.D. candidate at Stanford University in civil and environmental engineering. They live in San Francisco, Calif.

**Aaron Harmon '95** married Danielle Koppel on May 17, 2000. He received his master's in communication from Wake Forest University. He works as a legal research assistant and coaches debate at Wake. The couple lives in Winston-Salem, N.C.

**Frederick Voelkel '95** married **Kelly Rountt '96** on May 12, 2000. She is a first-year law student at WU and he is a marketing and sales representative for Transnation Title Insurance Company. They live in Portland, Ore.

**Heather Hayes '96** and **Thomas Taylor '96** were married on September 18, 1999, in Seattle, Wash. **John Cable '95** was best man. **Kelly Sievert '96** and **Stacey (Steiger) Morgan '96** were bridesmaids. He is a software test lead at Microsoft and she is an associate in the public affairs division of APCO Worldwide. They live in Redmond, Wash.

**Sean Waters '96** and **Cari Ehrlich '99** were married on May 20, 2000. Immediately after the wedding they moved to Las Vegas, Nev., where Sean took a position at a law firm, Lionel Sawyer and Collins. Cari started law school in August.

**Dolores (Lori) Wynn '96** married Daniel Herman on July 2, 2000, in Sonoma, Calif. She received her Ph.D. in chemistry from the University of California at Davis and is now a post-doctoral researcher at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. They live in Carrboro, N.C.

**Allison Biss '97** married **Shelley Markwell '98** on June 17, 2000, in Medford, Ore. **Isa Spreiter '98** was maid of honor. She attends a master's program in social work at the University of Alaska, Anchorage, and Allison runs an Edward Jones investment office. They live in Anchorage, Alaska.

**Scott Dilworth '97** and **Tami Jilk** were married on June 24, 2000, at the New Life Center in Everett, Wash. They live in Seattle, Wash.

**Richard Hutchins '97** married Lisa Pedrotti on June 16, 2000. The couple lives in Medford, Ore.

**Jennifer Lamb '98** and **Andrew Edelman '99** were married on August 12, 2000, at Cascade Head, Ore. The best man was **Dustin Whitaker '97** and the bridesman was **Jeremy Johnson '98**. They live in Bellingham, Wash., where Andrew is an editor and Jennifer works as an office manager.

**Michelle Loperena '98** married Douglas Brown on June 23, 2000, in Los Gatos, Calif. **Elizabeth Frye '98** was maid of honor. She teaches juni-



## Salem loses a true gentleman

By Kerry Tymchuk '81 L'84

On Monday, Nov. 27, Willamette University lost one of the most respected and revered teachers in its more than a century-and-a-half history with the passing of Professor Emeritus Howard Runkel, 82.

Dr. Runkel's life and career stand as eloquent testimony that famed educator Henry Adams was right when he said, "A teacher affects eternity, because he never knows where his influence will stop."

Thousands of students, myself included, had the privilege of sitting in one of Dr. Runkel's speech classes during his more than 30 years at Willamette, and I know I speak for many of them when I say that the lessons he taught us continue to influence and guide our lives.

Dr. Runkel provided much more than lessons on how to give a good speech. He taught lessons on how to be a good citizen and how to live a good life. Dr. Runkel loved American history. He loved presidential history—especially stories about Abraham Lincoln. His lectures were full of fascinating nuggets about our country and our leaders, and he left no doubt that with a Willamette education came the responsibility to make a difference in your community and in our democracy.

One of the highlights of the year for all Willamette speech majors was the annual dinner which Dr. Runkel and his gracious wife, Mary, hosted at their South Salem home. The evening offered relaxation and home cooked food for students who were often short of both, but Dr. Runkel also used these gatherings as a teaching tool. He would subtly steer the conversation of the current topics of the day, and students would soon find themselves engaging in a debate where they had to advance and defend their opinions.

Perhaps above all, Dr. Runkel taught us about a word that, unfortunately, you don't hear much anymore. It is a word that Webster defines as "a well-mannered and considerate man with high standards of proper behavior." The word is "gentleman."

Kerry Tymchuk '81 L'84 lives in Beaverton, and serves as state director for U.S. Sen. Gordon Smith. He previously served as legal counsel and director of speechwriting for Elizabeth Dole and Sen. Bob Dole.

## MAT Class links

**19 90** D. Karl Davis MAT'91 of Santa Clara, Calif., completed his master's in educational administration and is a dean for the Laguna Salada Union School District in San Bruno, Calif.

Scott Crane '94 MAT'95 lives in Richmond, Va. He is a graduate student at Union-PSCE Seminary in Richmond.

Clinton Gertenrich MAT'96 of Salem, is assistant principal at North Salem High School in Salem.

Michelle Ganiere Remington '95 MAT'96 is working on her doctorate in educational administration. She lives in Caracas, Venezuela.

Mary MacAuley Richman MAT'97 teaches at Highland Elementary in Gresham, Ore. She lives in Portland, Ore.

Trina Roth '93 MAT'97 of Keizer, Ore., teaches for the Salem-Keizer School District.

Liberty Jones '97 MAT'98 of Portland, Ore., teaches fourth grade at Maplewood Elementary in Portland.

Kelsi A. Erkkila MAT'99 is a substitute teacher for the Bend/LaPine School District and a recreation leader. She lives in Bend, Ore.

Jeff Gilpin '98 MAT'99 of London, England, graduated from London Academy of Music and Dramatic Arts in June 2000. He teaches part time for a London children's theater.

Amy E. (Irish) Manzella MAT'99 teaches fifth grade for the Gresham-Barlow School District. She lives in Vancouver, Wash., with her husband, Tim, who is a Portland police officer.

## Family Additions

To Christine (Gould) '94 MAT'96 and Sean Swanson, a daughter, Olivia Nicole, on December 8, 1999. They live in Salem.

## Marriages

**19 90** Tamara G. Mildon MAT'94 married Regan A. Pelton. After extensive travelling to Brazil and Denmark, they are renovating a house in Seattle, Wash.

Jamie Dell Barron '97 MAT'98 married Kacen Nell Clapper on April 29, 2000, in Santa Ana, Calif. Bridesmaids included Joann Saltzberg '97 and Erica Brown '98. Jamie is a junior high school science teacher in Anaheim, Calif. The couple lives in Old Towne Orange, Calif.

## Atkinson Class Links

**19 70** Brian D. Laurance '75 M'77 is a controller for Kirtley-Cole Design/Build in Snohomish, Wash.

Thomas M. Feely M'79 is chief administrative manager for Portland Fire and Rescue in Portland, Ore. His division is responsible for all financial, IT and logistical support functions. Tom is a full time single parent to Bryan, 14, and Sarah, 10.

Stephen M. Way M'79 is president and CEO of Silver Falls Bank in Silverton, Ore., which opened for business on May 1, 2000.

**19 80** David W. Becker M'80 is a project manager for Nike Inc. in Taiwan. He says, "The great Taiwan earthquake was a scary one, as we were in central Taiwan when it hit!"

Steven F. Boedigheimer M'80 is deputy cabinet secretary of Delaware Health and Social Services, the largest state department in Delaware. He collaborated on an article that was accepted for publication in the *Journal of Public Health Management Practice*.

Lauralee A. Hershey M'80 is senior programmer analyst for SAIF Corporation in Salem.

Lisa M. Pierce M'82 is vice president and research leader for Giga Information Group in Cambridge, Mass. She leads the company's telecommunications and internet advisory practice and has appeared in numerous media spots including MSNBC, CNBC, PBS and NPR.

Lorne Brent Armstrong M'83 is vice president of technology and product development for viaMD.com in Safety Harbor, Fla.

Mark Schussler M'84 is business manager for United Church of Christ in Yarmouth, Maine. He lives in Portland, Maine.

R. Todd Goergen '84 M'87 is president of Arctic Ice Company in Coos Bay, Ore. He was elected budget officer for Coos County Urban Renewal Agency and to the board of Coos County Enterprise-Zone Committee.

G. Harvey Gail M'88, president of VanNatta Public Relations, was named to Oregon Business magazine's Power Book for 2000 among the top public relations firms in Oregon. VPR has eight employees and is located in Salem.

Daniel "DJ" Heffernan M'89 is senior associate with Cogan Owens Cogan, a professional services consulting firm specializing in communi-



## Class links

Leone, two sons, which include **Daniel Johnson '71**, a daughter, sister **Janet (Johnson) Dietz '44** and eight grandchildren.

**Marjorie (Church) Johnson '39** died May 20, 2000, in Canby, Ore. She was a school teacher in several cities including Salem where she taught for 28 years. She is survived by her husband of 44 years, Melvin.

**Warren R. Biggerstaff '40** of Ventura, Calif., died July 5, 2000. He is survived by two daughters, a son and four grandchildren.

**E. Bernhard Hagedorn '40** died June 22, 2000, in Albany, Ore. While at WU he played baseball and played semipro after graduation. He served in the Navy during World War II. In 1954 he moved to Albany, Ore., where he was an oil distributor, worked for the Albany School District and at Citizen's Valley Bank. He was a member of the Elks, American Legion and St. Mary's Catholic Church. Survivors include his wife, **June (Charboneau) '40**, son **Richard L'73**, a daughter, five grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

**Marguerite (Smith) Rieder '40** died in Yakima, Wash., on May 24, 2000. She was women's editor of the *Capital Journal* and later editor for several newspapers. She was a member of PEO, the Delta Gamma sorority and Yakima Country Club. She is survived by her husband, Robert, a daughter, a son, 11 grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

**Julia (Foglesong) Runyan '40** died June 18, 2000, in Portland, Ore. She was involved in scouts, PTA, Sunday School and church groups. She volunteered as a first grade remedial reading teacher and as a driver for the Arthritis Foundation. She was a member and past-president of both the Oak Grove Garden Club and the Women's Auxiliary of the Oregon Section, American Society of Civil Engineers. Survivors include husband, Melvin, a son, a daughter, a brother and three grandchildren.

**Waldo Timm '41** died of cancer September 2, 2000, in Wilsonville, Ore. He served in the U.S. Army Air Forces in Guam during World War II and was recalled into service during the Korean War. He was base commander of the Portland National Guard Base and was an executive officer for the National Guard Bureau in the Pentagon, where he retired as a colonel. After retiring from the military he was a civilian advisor for the U.S. Department of Defense. Survivors include his wife, Jean, two sons and a daughter.

**Barbara (Pinney) Treiber '41** died May 3, 2000, in Hillsboro, Ore. She was a library assistant at grade schools in Albany and Ontario, Ore., retiring in 1974. Survivors include her husband **Douglas '42**, a son, three

daughters and two grandchildren.

**Ralph Kennedy '43** died July 29, 2000, in Salem. He was an accountant for the state of Oregon and a member of St. Paul's Episcopal Church.

**Harold Livesay '43** died May 30, 2000, in Woodburn, Ore. He served in the Air Force during World War II. He owned Livesay Lumber, was Woodburn Junior First Citizen in 1953 and was active in the Lumberman's Association. He was chairman of the North Marion County Fair Board and a member of the American Legion, Kiwanis and the Elks. Survivors include his wife, Rose, two sons, a daughter, a brother and cousin **Mary (Livesay) Jaquith '44**.

**H. Robert Nevin Jr. '47** died May 24, 2000, in Camas, Wash. He served in the Navy in the Pacific during World War II. After the war he practiced dentistry for 37 years in Camas, retiring in 1987. He was a president of the Clark County Dental Association. Survivors include wife Corinne, a son, a daughter, a brother and five grandchildren.

**William Bonnington '49** died July 24, 2000, in Portland, Ore. He served in the U.S. Air Force during the Korean War. He was a family practice physician in Sunnyvale, Calif., until retiring in 1995. Survivors include six sons, a daughter, a sister and 14 grandchildren.

**Vergie (Buzzard) Wicks '49** died August 9, 2000, in Portland, Ore. She successfully managed her commercial greenhouses, and excelled in her real estate and financial investments. She will be remembered best for her dazzling smile and wonderful advice. Survivors include her husband, **Clarence '47 L'49**, three daughters, a brother and sister, four grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

**Arthur Engelbart '50** died August 3, 2000, in San Rafael, Calif. He served in the U.S. Army during World War II and did graduate work in geography. After a 26-year career with the Del Monte Company, he retired as the director of international packaging and labeling. He is survived by two sons and three grandchildren.

**Lawrence T. Cherry '51** died May 23, 2000, in Salem. He was a geophysicist for an oil company prior to retirement. Survivors include his brother, Harold, sister-in-law **Helen (Neiger) Cherry '40**, a son, two daughters, two sisters, nephews **Henry '73** and **David Cherry '75** and six grandchildren.

**Shirley (Swan) Wedel '52** died June 8, 2000, in Salem. She was a member of the Methodist Church and Beta Sigma Phi and volunteered

for the Red Cross and Air Force base thrift shops. Survivors include her husband, **Harold '52**, three sons, two daughters, a brother, **Dorland Swan '51** and a sister.

**Richard Hughes '54** died August 16, 2000, in Halsey, Ore. He was a dairy farmer and an accountant. In 1999, he received the Bill Cochran Award for outstanding service from the Oregon Society of Tax Consultants where he was a member and an officer. He and his wife hosted more than 20 foreign exchange students. Survivors include wife Arlene, four daughters and a sister.

**Donald Norris '55** died May 5, 2000, in Eugene. He was a lieutenant in the Navy from 1956 to 1959. After his discharge, he worked for New York Life Insurance and New England Life Insurance, and was president of Don Norris Associates. Survivors include his wife, Fernadine, three sons, four daughters, a brother and sister **Kathleen (Norris) Worden '66**.

**Samuel Barker '56** died July 10, 2000, in Kelso, Ore. He served in the Army during the Korean War. He was a data processing manager with State Farm Insurance until retiring after 37 years of service. Survivors include his wife, Velma, three sons, two daughters and 11 grandchildren.

**Louis Lofland '56** died July 27, 2000, in Portland, Ore. He did a tour of service with the U.S. Army from 1956 to 1958. He worked for Tektronix for 32 years until his retirement in 1991. He served his community as a volunteer for the Cub Scouts, a baseball coach and was president at Cedar West and the State Baseball Association. Survivors include his wife, Bonita, two sons, two daughters, two brothers, a sister and six grandchildren.

**Rebecca DeHua (Hang) Wong '56** died December 17, 1999, in Hawthorn, South Australia. She is survived by her husband, Kong Meng, two sons and two daughters.

**Edwin Shaw '58** died May 9, 2000, in Salem. He served in the U.S. Marines during the Korean War. He was Polk County mental health director, worked in administration for the state Office of Alcohol and Drug Abuse Programs and retired from the U.S. Department of Veterans' Affairs in 1999. He was a member of the National Association of Social Workers, Elks, American Legion, Veterans of Foreign Wars and Town Dance Club. Survivors include his wife, **Gloria (Greison) '57**, two sons, a daughter, a brother and four grandchildren.

**Harry Moore Jr. '60** died of cancer on July 18, 2000, in Boca Raton, Fla. He is survived by his wife, Rosemary, a son, a step-daughter, brother, **William '63** and four grandchildren.

**David Dustin Gilley '61** died August 4, 2000, in Portland, Ore., of cancer. He worked in the tile business for 25 years and then owned the Gilley Company, a real estate development firm. A long-time volunteer for the American Cancer Society, he was a board member on the Northwest Division and national boards. He had received many awards from the society, including the St. George Medal, the national division award in 1998. Survivors include his wife, Roberta, and a brother.

**Retired Colonel Gordon M. Rounds '61** died July 24, 2000, in Coupeville, Wash. While at WU he was a member of the ROTC, Beta Theta Pi and the baseball team. He attended squadron officer school, Armed Forces Staff College, National Management College and the Army War College. Rounds served 30 years in the Air Force. He had received the Legion of Merit, Distinguished Flying Cross, Defense Meritorious Service Medal, Combat Readiness Medal, National Defense Service Medal with bronze star and the Vietnam Service Medal. Survivors include his wife, **Paula (Abbott) '64**, a son and daughter and two grandchildren.

**James M. Hanson '62** died July 19, 2000, in Salem. He served in the Army Air Corps during World War II. While in Salem, he worked for the Oregon State Adult and Family Services. He moved to Omaha in 1978 returning to Salem in 1999. Survivors include his son, **James Hanson Jr. '72 L'83** and daughter **Elizabeth (Hanson) Bettendorf '76**.

**George Douglass '63** died May 8, 2000, in Portland, Ore. He served in the U.S. Army during the Vietnam War and received the Bronze Star and the Soldier's Medal. He was past president of the Oregon Society of Internal Medicine, president of the Meridian Association of Physicians and a Clackamas County delegate to the Oregon Medical Association. He was on the Legacy Board of Directors Executive Committee for 20 years. Survivors include his wife, **Arlene (Heringer) '65**, three sons, which includes **Jay Douglass '00**, his mother and two sisters.

**Richard A. Monteith '68** died April 19, 2000, in Virginia Beach, Va. He served in the U.S. Navy JAG Corps for 20 years, retiring as a commander. He continued his legal career as an attorney in Norfolk, Va. Survivors include wife Nancy, six sons, two daughters and one foster daughter.

**David W. Payne '74** died December 17, 1998. Survivors include wife Nancy, two sons and a daughter.



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**Kevin Horst M'89** retired from Microsoft Corporation in Seattle, Wash. After a brief sabbatical, he continues researching and publishing projects, including training and consulting for high-technology clients.

**Richard B. Mussler M'89** is vice president of national accounts sales for Aetna US Healthcare in Dallas, Texas.

**Joan Sunderland M'89** is a therapy access consultant for Medtronic Neurological in Issaquah, Wash.

**Joey W. (Ovanin) Razzano '89 M'90** is the global demand planner for LSI Logic in Gresham, Ore. She is a forecaster for total inventory demand of semiconductor chips for Sun servers, workstations and graphics hardware.

**19 Julie Stangell M'91** is a forester with Weyerhaeuser Company in Enumclaw, Wash. She has a daughter, Tatyana, four.

**Michael V. Douglass M'92** transferred to the Englewood, Colo., office of Benefits Communication Corp. He is an account manager in financial services. He lives in Parker, Colo., with wife JoAnn and their children, Courtney and Maren.

**Stanley E. Henderer Jr. M'92** is a State Farm Insurance agent in Pendleton, Ore. He relocated there from Alaska, where he had lived for eight years.

**Sheila F. McLaren M'92** is a compensation and benefits consultant with Infospace in Bellevue, Wash.

**Beth A. Brinkman M'93** is a manager/buyer for Destinations the Travel Store in Eugene, Ore.

**Steven G. Bryan '89 M'93 L'93**, chief executive officer of Zeeks.com, began a new business venture, Webfinity Studios, which builds web-based promotions and game sites for Fortune 500 companies that target the youth market.

**Umesh N. Kothari M'93** is a senior research executive with ACNielsen in Sharjah, United Arab Emirates.

**James M. Morrell M'93** is vice-president of information systems for Clark County School Employees' Credit Union in Vancouver, Wash.

**Suzanne E. (Smith) Schulze M'93** is a business manager for Rite of Passage, an achievement based residential treatment program in Gardnerville, Nev.

**Duncan M. Walker M'93** is a business account manager for Intel Online Services in Beaverton, Ore.

**Sharon Urry M'94** is a partner relations and research manager for The Giving Network.com, an online fundraising and marketing tool for non-profit organizations based in Bellevue, Wash.

**Steven W. Anderson '94 M'95** is a program manager for Avanade Inc. in Seattle, Wash.

**James M. Bailey '88 M'95** is a business development manager for Hewlett-Packard's computer and printer organization in Vancouver, Wash.

**Kay E. Hulit '93 M'96** is public housing manager for the Housing Authority of Snohomish County in Everett, Wash.

**John K. Milanovich M'96** is a broker-in-training with Donaldson, Lufkin and Jenrette's investment services group in San Francisco, Calif. He will attend training in New York City from August through December 2000.

**Robert W. Murray M'96** is a design manager for PegaSystems, Inc., in Irving, Texas.

**Cathleen E. (Hills) Smart M'96** is a senior analyst for mPower, investment advisors, in San Francisco, Calif.

**Scot C. Torrey '93 M'96** is an account manager for Intel Corporation in Hillsboro, Ore.

**Lisa M. Young M'96** is a staffing manager with B2Bxchange.com in Eden Prairie, Minn. In March 2000, she and her partner sold their business, PrimeForce Recruiting, to a large recruiting company.

**Frank DeBenedetti '85 M'97** is a web technical consultant for Eprise Corporation, a web content management company in Farmington, Mass.

**Jon W. Gerhardt M'97** is director of co-location operations for 360net-works in Seattle, Wash.

**Kris Nelson M'97** is a program manager with Oregon Climate Trust in Portland, Ore. He published several articles including: "Sustainable Energy is Attainable," "Let's Face the Sprawl Tiger," "Giving Life to the Property Tax Shift" and "End Campaign Corruption."

**Jon M. Lazarus M'98** works for EDS serving one of their clients, Aniba, with their e-commerce business-to-business applications.

**Robyn K. MacKillop M'98** is business educator/owner of RTG Enterprises in Salem.

**Natalie M'98** and **Thomas R. Prust M'98** are owners of Digital Carpenters in San Diego, Calif.

Natalie is vice president of marketing and Tom is president of the company.

**Rose M. Chamberlain M'99** is business finance officer for the Oregon

Economic and Community Development Department in Salem.

**Kristina L. Gonier '98 M'99** is a senior consultant with Arthur Andersen's Governmental Services Department. Kns' home office is in Washington, D.C. She deals primarily with state and local governmental matters.

**John B. Hindman M'99** is an inside rep/project manager for Kona Mountain Bikes in Ferndale, Wash.

**Rattana Kittipattananon M'99** is a strategic planner for GFS research with InetAsia.com in Bangkok, Thailand.

**Eric Lin M'99** is a strategy and research planner for APL Digital in Hong Kong.

**Daniel Neice M'99** is an export administration specialist with the U.S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of Export Administration in Newport Beach, Calif.

**Dean C. Burnett M'00** is a research analyst, asset allocation for Windermere Investment Associates in Portland, Ore. He lives in Lake Oswego, Ore.

**Molly A. Gellatly M'00** is a business systems analyst for Niko Corporation in Redwood City, Calif. She lives in Foster City, Calif.

## Marriages

**19 R. Todd Goergen '84 M'87** married Tanya Stanfill on February 27, 2000. They live in Coos Bay, Ore.

**Bret S. Rios '72 M'87** and Cathy Grimes of Salem were married on February 14, 1999.

**19 Joey W. Ovanin '90 M'90** married Chris Razzano on April 8, 2000, at the First Presbyterian Church in Portland, Ore. They bought a 1935 home next to the Rose City Golf Course in Portland, Ore.

**Kristin Sisemore M'97** married Jacob Lampka on September 5, 1999, in Portland, Ore. Kristin is a market analyst for Mentor Graphics in Wilsonville, Ore.

**Frank J. DeBenedetti '85 M'97** married Maria Jones on April 9, 2000, in Palm Springs, Calif. They live in Concord, Calif.

**Roxanna Kay Mueller M'98** and **Jesse M. Long M'98** of Salem were married on April 29, 2000.

## Family Additions

To **Sylvia and Kwadwo Boateng M'87** a son, Mensa Sawin, born January 6, 2000. He joins sister Nana-Amos. They live in Olympia, Wash.

To **Susan (Bozlee) '85** and **Brooks B. Houser '85 M'87 L'90** of Portland,

Ore., a daughter, Claire, on April 24, 2000. Claire joins Brooks Jr., 4, Grant, 3, and golden retrievers Tyee and Timber.

To **Bradley Jurkovich M'88** and wife Krista a daughter, Anne Mae, born March 10, 2000. They live in Olympia, Wash.

To **Mark T. Green M'92** and wife Karen a daughter, Danielle Janiette, born April 13, 2000. Mark is assistant dean of corporate relations at the Atkinson School.

To **Russell P. Allen M'93** and wife Diane a son, Curtis Ray, born July 20, 2000. They live in Sweet Home, Ore.

To **Melissa (Rolfe) '90** and **Kipp Cosgriffe '91 M'93** of Puyallup, Wash., a son, Perry Richard, born February 8, 2000.

To **Brian B. Gable M'93** and wife Jill a daughter, Anna Leslie, born May 3, 2000. Anna joins brother, Britton. They live in Redmond, Wash.

To **David M. Liu M'94** and wife Sharrina a daughter, Gloria Mei, born February 3, 2000. They live in Hong Kong.

To **Andreas Luehring '93 M'94** and wife Silvia a son, Henrik Maximilian, born on February 1, 1999. They live in Munster, Germany.

To **Daniel J. Feeney M/L'95 C'95** and wife Mary a daughter, Emily, the baby formerly known as "Teeneey," on April 14, 2000. **Brent Deuth M'95** won the highly competitive "Teeneey" Feeney Sweepstakes with a guess within an hour of the actual birth.

## Joint Degree Class Links

### J.D. and M.M./MBA Joint Degree

**19 Melody K. Brown M/L'94** C'94 is a financial advisor for Morgan Stanley Dean Witter in Salem. She lives in Albany, Ore.

**Lori Oliver-Hudak M/L'95** is a regulatory specialist for Pacific International Engineering, PLLC in Edmonds, Wash.

**Allen Barteld M/L'97** and **Ian Shearer M/L'98** owners of The Associates, a legal staffing and recruitment firm based in Portland, Ore., opened a second office in Seattle, Washington in January of 2000.

**Kevin W. Smart M/L'97** is a business development manager for Portera Systems, a software company, in San Francisco, Calif.



## Marriages

**Kevin B. Dull M/L '99** of Tualatin, Ore., and Susan Hule were married on October 9, 1999. Kevin is a human resource development specialist for the Oregon School Boards Association.

## Family Additions

To Mary and **Dan Feeney M/L '95**, of Vancouver, Wash., a baby girl, Emily Elizabeth, April 14, 2000.

## Law Class Links

**19** Honorable **Richard "Dick" Barber L'55** and **John "Jack" Weissner Jr. '52 L'55** both of Salem, were recognized in the first-ever tie for the student generated, student selected "Mentor of the Year" award for 1999-2000.

**William D. McDonald L'55** moved his practice of 41 years to a new location on Main Street in Milwaukie, Ore.

**Jack Weissner '52 L'55** and wife **Dorothy (Engelhart) '53** of Salem, like to keep in touch with WU classmates. In March they attended the law school public interest law auction. "It was a blast!"

**John Ester L'59** of Glen Arm, Md., has retired after 39 years as a teacher at the University of Maryland Law School. He was the university's associate dean for two and one-half years and the acting dean for one year.

**19** **William T. Schantz '56 L'60** of Portland, Ore., who is retired, taught and practiced law for 30 years. In that time he also wrote 12 law textbooks published by West Publishing Company. He now has time to enjoy retirement and his 12 grandchildren.

**William B. Crow L'61** of West Linn, Ore., was featured in the National Law Journal as one of the top 10 litigators in Oregon.

**Bob N. Krug L'62** of Redlands, Calif., retired from the Superior Court bench in December 1998.

**Orrin Ormsbee '61 L'63** of Coos Bay, Ore., is retired and enjoying his grandchildren.

**Max Merrill '63 L'65** of Bend, Ore., has practiced law for 30 years emphasizing on business, estate planning and legislation.

**W. Ronald Orlebeke '56 L'66** of Salem, is retired and recently visited classmate Colonel **Donald "Don" K. Nims '56** of Palm Desert, Calif.

**Gregory L. Nelson '64 L'67** of Keizer, Ore., was elected board chair of the Better Business Bureau of Oregon and Western Washington.

**Henry Hewitt L'69** of Portland, Ore., has returned to Stool Rives. His practice emphasizes general business advice, acquisitions, financing and strategic planning. He chairs the Oregon Transportation Commission, Willamette Board of Trustees and Lawyer's Campaign for Equal Justice.

**William P. Hutchison L'69** of Portland, Ore., was appointed to a five-year term on the executive committee of Legal, Tax and Accounting Committee of the National Council of Farmer Cooperatives. He is a partner in the firm of Toose Duden Creamer Frank & Hutchinson, specializing in cooperative, corporate, environmental and real estate property matters.

**19** **William B. Reisbick L'71** of Bellevue, Wash., is the director of risk management for Providence Health Systems. He passed the Washington State Bar in-house counsel exam in June 2000.

**William J. Temple L'71** of Alexandria, Va., specializes in criminal defense work and defense of capital cases.

**Colonel Gordon A. Golob L'72** of Gig Harbor, Wash., retired from the military after 30 years of service. He also retired from the Washington State Senate in 1999, where he was secretary from 1987-1993. He returned to college to study foreign languages in the fall of 1999.

**John O. Linde L'72** of Friday Harbor, Wash., retired from the bench in January 1999. He is now a full-time private practice attorney.

**David P. Weiner L'72** of Portland, Ore., was elected to a third consecutive term as president of the Oregon Golf Association.

**William A. Masters L'73** of Portland, Ore., is with Miller Nash. His practice emphasis is personal injury defense, products liability, drugs and medical devices, toxic tort, and business and commercial litigation.

**John B. Zimmerman L'73** of Devine, Texas, was appointed as director of acquisition for the Section of Right of Way Division, Department of Transportation.

**Michael Duane Brown '71 L'74** of Salem, left the partnership of Churchill, Leonard, Brown, Lodine and Hendrie to begin his own practice. He specializes in service as a mediator and arbitrator.

**Josh Grant L'75** of Wilbur, Wash., is the Lincoln County District Court Judge. He continues with his private practice in Wilbur, Wash.

**Elana L. Hatch L'76** of Las Vegas, Nev., was selected as chair person of the Nevada State Bar Public Lawyers Committee.

**Douglas Erik Larson L'76** of Salem, was appointed full-time pro tem circuit court judge for Marion County. His daughter, Mara, lettered in cross-country at Brown University and made the NCAA Division I finals.

**Richard Mullen L'76** of Eugene, Ore., is one of a handful of criminal defense lawyers in Lane County who is qualified to handle death-penalty murder cases.

**Anthony J.W. Gewald L'77** of Bellevue, Wash., is the managing principal for Lasher Holzapfel Sperry & Ebberson of Seattle, Wash.

**Caroline and Eric Watness L'77** of Seattle, Wash., own Chelsea Station on the Park, a nine room bed and breakfast near the Woodland Park Zoo. You can visit their Web site at [www.bandbseattle.com](http://www.bandbseattle.com).

**Mark Birge L'78** of Lake Oswego, Ore., is a board member of the Portland Estate Planning Council, Lakewood Center for the Arts and Lake Oswego School Foundation.

**19** **David J. Arthur L'81** of Webster, N.Y., has returned to in-house practice and joined The Document Company-Xerox Corporation.

**Patrick N. Rothwell L'81** and wife Catherine of Bellevue, Wash., both practice law while enjoying their three-year-old twins, a boy and a girl. His firm has offices in Portland, Ore., and Seattle, Wash.

**Randy Woolf L'81** of Charlottesville, Va., is the combat developer at the Judge Advocate General's School in Charlottesville. In that role he determines the legal requirements for future Army organizations that will be fielded between 2005 and 2025.

**Gilbert C. Doles L'83** of Honolulu, Hawaii, is a reappointed member of the State of Hawaii Board of Bar Examiners and is serving his 10th year as an arbitrator in the State of Hawaii's Court Annexed Arbitration Program (CAAP).

**Gail Brehm Geiger L'83** of Eugene, Ore., was appointed assistant United States Trustee in Eugene, Ore. The United States Trustee Program is a component of the Justice Department that monitors the administration of bankruptcy cases nationwide.

**Susan Alterman L'86** joined the Portland, Ore., office of Foster Pepper & Sheffelman, practicing in the acquisition, leasing, and financing of commercial real estate.

**P. Gregory Frey L'86** of Honolulu, Hawaii, has a family law and divorce

firm that was honored as Hawaii's best divorce firm by two local publications.

**Timothy L. McMahan L'86** of Portland, Ore., joined Stool Rives LLP in the Land Use Practice Group. He concentrates on land use, real estate development, environmental and municipal law.

**Matthew K. Rossmon L'86** of Lake Oswego, Ore., continues to practice in Lake Oswego and is certified by the U.S. Small Business Administration as a designated closing attorney for specific S.B.A. loan programs.

**Jeffrey D. Eberhard L'87** of Tualatin, Ore., continues to practice in Lake Oswego and is certified by the U.S. Small Business Administration as a designated closing attorney for specific S.B.A. loan programs.

**Bradley J. Volk L'88** of Salem, was promoted to a major in the U.S. Air Force JAG reserves.

**Louis B. Byrd, Jr. L'89 C'89** of Vancouver, Wash., moved his law practice to Vancouver full time.

**Lori Deveny L'89** of Portland, Ore., received a Multnomah Bar Association Award of Merit for outstanding service to the profession, justice system and/or the community.

**19** **Rhonda Canby L'91** of Sacramento, Calif., is a partner at Downey, Brand, Seymour & Rohrer.

**Sydney Eddy Brewster L'92 C'92** of Salem, was appointed to a second term as Public Member-Oregon Construction Contractors' Board by Governor Kitzhaber, elected vice chair by the membership and is board secretary, on the board of trustees and part of the Salem Interfaith Hospitality Network.

**Darryl Walker '88 L'92** of Portland, Ore., is with Bullard, Smith, Jernstedt & Harsh, specializing in labor and employment law.

**Jacqueline (Chernof) Palumbo L'93** of Washington, D.C., is an information technology training specialist and Web developer.

After five years with the Oregon Legislative Assembly, **Anne Murray Tweedt L'93** of Salem, is now the associate director of State Government Affairs with Bristol-Myers Squibb Company.

**Jennifer Simpson Robertson L'93 C'93** of Kenmore, Wash., retired to be a full-time mom to two-year-old Kate. She would love to hear from her classmates; please email at [ScottJenni@msn.com](mailto:ScottJenni@msn.com).



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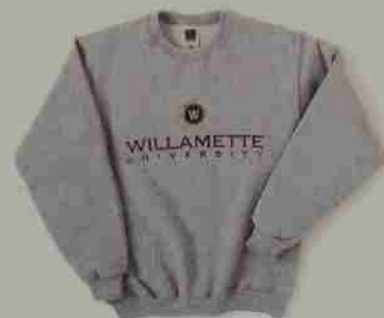


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**Carl G. Stanley L'56** died in Albany, Ore., June 12, 2000. He was born in Östersund, Sweden, and moved to Albany in 1928. He served in the Army and Air Force, worked for the post office, sold insurance and was an insurance adjuster. He was a district judge from 1962 until retiring in 1978.

**James M. Gubernath L'60** of Lakewood, Ohio, died June 13, 1999. Wife, Martha, survives him.

**Wayne N. Capurro L'65** of Reno, Nev., died September 10, 1999, at the age of 59. He practiced law in the Reno since 1965 and was involved in the construction and development of the Wolf Run Golf Club and several other real estate projects. He was a member of the Boone & Crockett Club, the Prospectors Club, the Board of Trustees of Nevada, 4-H and Reno Philharmonic Orchestra and served on the National Advisory Board for the Bureau of Land Management, the State Advisory Board and the District Advisory Council of the Susanville District of BLM in Nevada and California. He is survived by his wife, Sheila, two daughters and four brothers.

**Elaine S. Craig L'85** of Dayton, Ore., died September 1, 2000. She was born in Eugene and was a graduate of Jefferson High School and the University of Oregon. In 1985, she graduated from Willamette Law School and practiced law in McMinnville. She moved to Dayton in 1969. She was a member of Alpha Chi Omega and the Oregon State Bar Association, and enjoyed playing tennis, golf and attending the Oregon Symphony.

## A life of inspiration

Former Willamette University College of Law dean and law professor Robert Lawrence Misner died July 18, 2000, after a one-year battle with brain cancer. He was 53.

Professor Misner came to the Willamette University College of Law as dean in 1987. During his seven-year tenure as dean, he taught Criminal Law. In doing so, he demonstrated the role of teaching as central to his function as dean. Teaching was an obvious source of inspiration and encouragement to Misner as well as to his students.

Misner returned to the classroom on a full-time basis after his deanship. In the 1995-96 academic year, the students selected Professor Misner their "Teacher of the Year." His obvious love of teaching, combined with his skill in the Socratic art, made him a favorite among the students.

Misner consistently received the highest marks in student evaluations of his teaching. He did this by making his classes "interesting and challenging," in the words of one student. Others observed Misner's "passion" for the subject matter, his "encouragement" to the students, his ability to "make us question our assumptions," and his use of "other cultures ... to elucidate the material."

Not surprisingly, students described Misner as "great," "outstanding," one who "clearly loves teaching," as a "wonderful professor," "easily understood, friendly and respectful of students." One student summed it up with the remark, "Professor Misner should teach every class."

Misner was also known for his thoughtfulness and respect for others. Misner's sense of priorities emerged from his approach to the work day. Misner's first, most important matter of the day inevitably dealt with the welfare of students, faculty and staff: who was ill, who was hurting, who had a need? Misner taught these values both in and outside the classroom and did so consistently both by word and by example.

Misner served his students, the institution and the community in many ways. Professor Misner illustrated the essential connection between scholarly publication and effective teaching. His written work informed his classroom presentation, bringing currency and vitality to all that he taught. Students were attracted to his teaching precisely because it was based upon and legitimized by a predicate service to the community in the form of scholarship. It was his career-long commitment to service through scholarship that contributed most to his powerful influence in the classroom.

## GUIDELINES

Class Links are included in the winter, spring and summer issues of the *Willamette Scene*.

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M = Master of Management,  
Master of Administration,  
Master of Business Administration

ML = Joint degree, law and management

MAT = Master of Arts in Teaching

MEd = Master of Education

H = Honorary Degree

Cx = Certificate in Dispute Resolution



**Lynne Freeman L'94** of Anchorage, Alaska, is a partner at Davis Black Freeman, LLC.

**Sam Kauffman L'94**, of Portland Ore., was elected president of the Multnomah Bar Association, Young Lawyers Section and is a board director for the Multnomah Bar Association.

**Tifani M. Parrilli L'94** of Portland, Ore., joined Tonkon Top LLP. Her practice focuses on business and immigration law, including employment and business-related immigrant and non-immigrant visas, labor certifications and citizenship.

**Michael A. Moberly L'95** of Anchorage, Alaska, clerked for the Honorable A. Harry Branson of the U.S. District Court, district of Alaska.

**Sarah Rhoads Trout L'95** and **Mike McClinton L'72** both of Salem, are pleased to announce the formation of McClinton & Trout LLC.

**Kassim M. Ferris L'96 C'96** of Portland, Ore., is an associate at Stoel Rives. His practice focuses on patent registration, counseling and infringement matters.

**Elizabeth Morley Large L'96** of Salem, is an assistant attorney general in the special litigation unit at the Oregon Department of Justice.

**Tyler V. Whitehead L'96** of Draper, Utah, has joined Holland Hart LLP in Salt Lake City, Utah. He specializes in securities and corporate law.

**Kelly Cole Zerzan L'96** of Alexandria, Va., is on the U.S. House of Representatives Committee on Commerce, as counsel, handling telecommunications, the Internet and antitrust issues.

**Ryan W. Collier L'97** of Salem, is with Clark Lindauer, specializing in estate planning and probate matters and represents clients in business and business litigation.

**Diane Cady L'98** of Portland, Ore., is with Goldberg, Fancher & Jones.

**Theresa Jefferson L'98** of Fairview, Ore., is an associate attorney with Fitzwater and Fitzwater in Clackamas, Ore., specializing in guardianships/conservatorships, wills, trusts and Medicaid planning.

**Michelle Teed L'99** of Portland, Ore., was with the Department of Finance and Corporate Securities until May, 2000.

**Kristina Thalacker L'99** of Friday Harbor, Wash., has a private practice in Friday Harbor, specializing in family law and landlord/tenant law.

**Bradley J. Dixon L'00** of Boise, Idaho, joins Moffatt Thomas as an associate in the Boise Office.

## Marriages

**19 80** **William "Bill" Houser '80** L'83 of McMinnville, Ore., and **Brenda Sutton** were married in July 1999. He is a shareholder with Lawrence & Howser, PC specializing in family law and the defense of the criminally accused.

**19 90** **Jacqueline Chernof L'93** of Washington, D.C., and **Matthew Palumbo** were married at the Cathedral of St. Matthew in Washington, D.C., on October 23, 1999.

**Stephanie Brainerd L'99** married **Justin Breck L'99** on May 6, 2000, in Portland, Ore.

## Family Additions

**To Susan (Bozlee) '85 and Brooks Houser Sr. '85 M'87 L'90** of Portland, Ore., a daughter, **Claire Bryn**, born April 24, 2000.

**To Frances Stern Dudley L'94** and husband, **Orie "Dit," of Boise, Idaho**, their first child, **Benjamin**, born July 18, 2000.

**To Tamara and Jeff Whitelaw L'94** of Sacramento, Calif., a son, **Conor**, on September 22, 1999.

**To Raynell and Edward J. Wurtz L'94** of Bellingham, Wash., a daughter, **Madeline Raynell**, on April 23, 2000.

**To Marilyn Frederick L'95** and husband **Dean Reynolds**, of Portland, Ore., a daughter, **Cassidy Frances**, on July 25, 2000.

**To Jennifer (Steckel) McNally L'96** and husband **Bill** of St. Paul, Minn., a son, **Aidan Williams**, on June 13, 2000.

**To Holly and Ryan W. Collier L'97** of Salem, a son, **Sean Anakin**, born August 24, 1999.

**To Tara M. (Mikkelsen) Hendison L'97**, and husband **Scott** of Portland, Ore., their second son, **Matthew Robert**, born February 8, 2000.

**To Sabrina and James M. Monsebroten L'97** of Bend, Ore., a son, **Patrick James**, born June 28, 2000.

**To Teresa and Michael Slominski L'97** of Milwaukee, Ore., a daughter, **Stephanie Grace**, born April 21, 2000.

**To Eric A. L'98 and Cheryl M. (McRae) L'98** of Tualatin, Ore., a daughter, **Mary Jane Margaret**, born August 22, 1999.

## In Memoriam

**G. Kenneth Litchfield '29 L'29** of Lincoln City, Ore., died May 5, 2000. From 1937-40 he practiced law in Toledo, Ore., and then in Newport from 1940 until his retirement in 1990. He served as Newport's city attorney from the 1940s into the 1960s and the Public Utilities District's attorney from 1941-1985. Kenneth was a member of Lincoln County School District Board for 12 years, a past president and recipient of a life service award from the Newport Chamber of Commerce and a member and Melvin Jones Fellow of the Lions Club. Ken was a life member of the Optimist Club, the Yaquina Bay YMCA and the Historical Society. He was a member of the Elks, the Eagles, the Masons (a past master), the Shriners and the Salvation Army. He was a founder and supporter of the Performing Arts Center, the Newport Library and the Oregon Coast Aquarium, and was an organizer and life board member of the Pacific Communities Hospital Foundation. He helped organize and acquire land for the Newport Airport and helped bring the city manager form of government to Newport. Ken was an elder in the Presbyterian Church. In 1982 he was grand marshal of the Loyalty Days parade. He was involved in almost every important civic event from 1940 to the 1980s. Survivors include his wife, **Frances (McGillvra) '30**, two sons, **Ralph '60** and **Richard '63 Litchfield**, a daughter, **Carol (Litchfield) Rehffuss '56** and sister, **Charlotte (Litchfield) Dixon '38**.

**Victoria (Schneider) Taggart L'37** of Ontario, Ore., died August 7, 2000. Victoria was born March 25, 1913, to Austrian/Russian immigrants Victor and Maria Anna Skopil Schneider. She was one of five children, four were college graduates of which one was a doctor and two were attorneys. She was an early member of the generation of women who went to work out of the home. When she graduated from high school, she became a legal secretary. In 1936, without going to undergraduate school, she went to law school at Willamette University. She married **Max Taggart Sr. '37**, also a Willamette law school graduate, after he completed his service in the United States Army. They moved to Ontario in 1937 where he began his work as Malheur County District Attorney.

**Laurence Morley '37 L'40** of Lebanon, Ore., died September 27, 1999, at the age of 83. He was an attorney in Lebanon for more than 40 years and was a member of the Lebanon Community Hospital Board of Directors. He also served on the Oregon State Bar Board of Governors from 1967 to 1970. He was a

founder of the Lebanon Lions Club and the American Bar Association, Lebanon Elks Lodge No. 1663 and a member of the Lebanon Area Chamber of Commerce. In 1970 he was named Senior Citizen of the Year. He enjoyed golfing, cards, fishing, going to the coast and watching western movies. Wife **Greta (Matzen) '42** survives him.

**Dean Howard Ellis L'41** of Salem, died June 6, 2000. He worked for the Oregon Tax Commission after graduating from law school, then in his father-in-law's firm in Portland for 12 years, returning to Salem as chairman of the Oregon Tax Commission. He is survived by his sister, **Frances (Ellis) Bauer '37**.

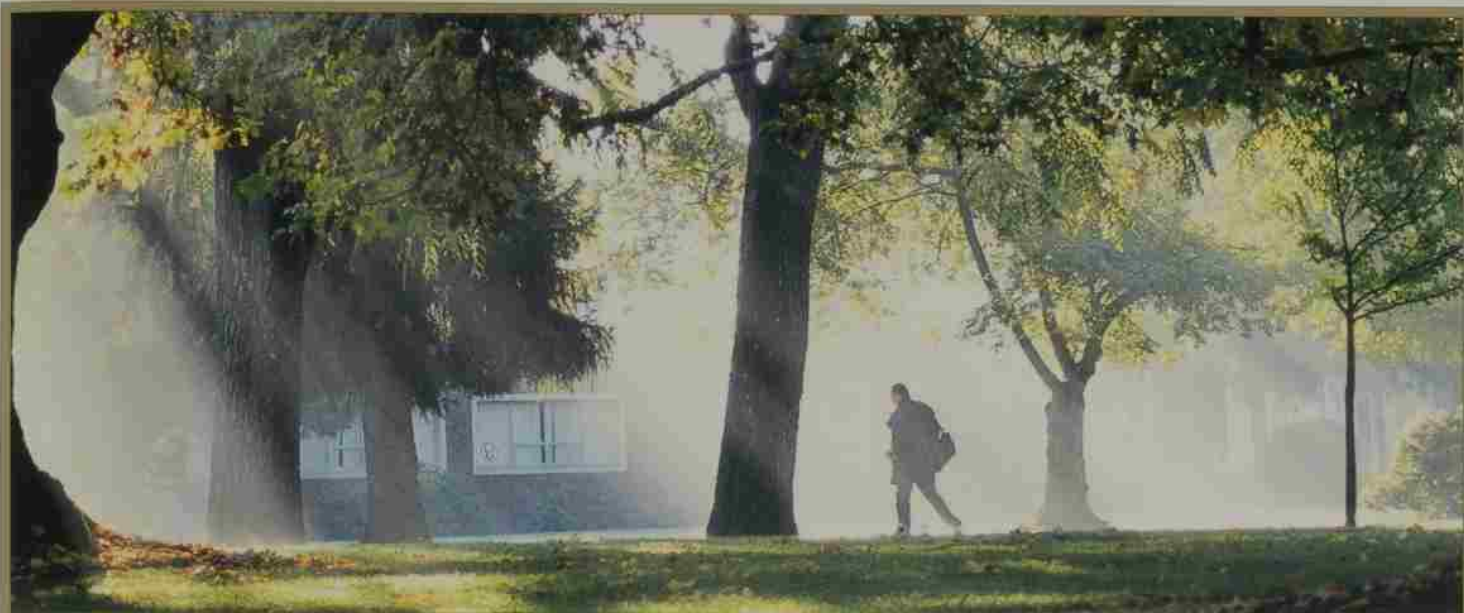
**Donald W. McEwen L'49** of Portland, Ore., died January 15, 2000, at the age of 79. He was a lawyer and chairman of the committee that drafted new rules for Oregon civil trials in the late 1970s. He began his career as an assistant U.S. attorney and was a partner in McEwen, Givild, Rankin Carter and Steinz from 1955, until his death. He was named Oregon Distinguished Trial Lawyer of the Year by the Oregon Chapter of the American Board of Trial Advocates in 1991. Two years later, he received the Multnomah Bar Association's Professional Award. Survivors include his wife, **Jean**, a daughter, two sons and three grandchildren.

**Jack Stanley L'49** of Eugene, Ore., died February 6, 2000. He was a member of the Oregon State Bar for 50 years. He is survived by his wife **Evelyn**, and two sons.

**William Duane Croghan L'50** of Tacoma, Wash., died November 15, 1998.

**Richard Pickell L'50** of Salem, died May 16, 2000. He served in the Navy during World War II. After graduating from law school he had a private practice in Salem and was a 50-year member of the Oregon State Bar Association. He was also deacon, elder and trustee of the First Presbyterian Church.

**Wayne Hilliard L'51** of Portland, Ore., died May 7, 2000. Hilliard was born in Vernon, Texas. During World War II, he served in the U.S. Navy submarine service in the Pacific. After moving to Portland in 1945, he earned a bachelor's degree from the University of Portland and a law degree from Willamette. He was a partner in Lane Powell Spears Lubersky until retiring in 1998. He had held positions with the Oregon State Bar and the American College of Trial Lawyers, and was a fellow of the American Bar Foundation. Survivors include his wife, **Peggy**, and three sons.



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	85	10.5%	\$2,625	\$1,785	\$12,869
TWO LIVES	65-65	6.6%	\$1,650	\$730	\$8,861
	70-70	6.8%	\$1,700	\$828	\$8,031
	75-75	7.3%	\$1,825	\$982	\$8,905
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## Gala thanks Willamette stewards

By Brad Millay '97

With a champagne toast and music by the Willamette Singers, Willamette celebrated its first Donor Recognition Gala. Held at the Portland Hilton on Oct. 21, 2000, the Gala was a black tie affair, organized by the University to recognize the extraordinary generosity of alumni, trustees and friends.

the Willamette of 1983, when he first became a member of the board, with the Willamette of today to demonstrate how donor support has advanced the University. Caring increases to endowment, student caliber, facility quality and national exposure, Hewitt remarked, "Your contributions, in so many different

farmers, teachers and a physician to the Willamette mission in 1840, the Lausanne Society was established to recognize donors whose lifetime giving to Willamette University totals \$100,000 or more.

President Pelton closed the evening with a warm address, in which he

Clockwise from top left:

President M. Lee Pelton (left) presented the Heritage Circle Award to Maribeth Collins (right).

Pictured left to right: Don Brown '68, Carol Anne Smullin Brown '67, Monique Ballargeon and Jon Carder '68, Willamette trustee, enjoyed an evening socializing with friends. Carol Anne Smullin Brown '67, is executive director of the Smullin Foundation, which received the Founder's Circle Award.

Roscoe Nelson L'73 (left), trustee of the Vivian I. Millon Foundation, received, on behalf of the foundation, the Founder's Circle Award from President M. Lee Pelton (right). Susan Hammer L'76 (center), Willamette trustee, served as master of ceremonies for the evening.

Willamette president emeritus Jerry Hudson (left) accepted the Laureate's Circle Award on behalf of The Collins Foundation from current President M. Lee Pelton (right).



The evening began with a reception in the hotel foyer, where honorees and guests renewed old acquaintances and made new friends. President M. Lee Pelton and his wife, Kristen, were on hand to give the attendees a special welcome.

Henry Hewitt L'69, chairman of Willamette's board of trustees, opened the evening by praising the efforts of WU donors and recounting the significant enhancements to the University that have resulted from their gifts. Hewitt compared

ways, have brought these dramatic improvements to our University. You embody Willamette's guiding principle, "Not unto ourselves alone are we born."

As dessert was served, Willamette trustee and alumna, Susan Hammer L'76, presided over the induction of the Gala's honorees into the Willamette University Lausanne Society. Named for the sailing ship which delivered the "Great Reinforcement" of ministers, carpenters, cabinetmakers, locksmiths,

expressed his deep gratitude to the Willamette community for their support of his family and the University. "Kristen and I brought our family to Willamette three years ago, strangers to Salem, and strangers to the West. Today we count our blessings. We found a community whose generosity of time, energy and resources rivals any I have seen."

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*In December of 2000, Salem received an unexpected "snowstorm."*

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