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## M. Lee Pelton Appointed President



M. Lee Pelton

*"I look forward to the new opportunities and challenges at Willamette," M. Lee Pelton said after accepting the presidency. "It is an exciting time in Willamette's history as Willamette seeks to increase its leadership role in American higher education. Willamette is a wonderful institution that attracts its students from among the nation's brightest. Its faculty combine engaged teaching with cutting-edge scholarship and research."*

Willamette University's new president, M. Lee Pelton, was elected by the board of trustees on January 8. Lee, who comes to Willamette from Dartmouth College, will begin his presidency in July. He has been dean of the college at Dartmouth, located in Hanover, New Hampshire, since 1991.

Lee was the overwhelming choice of the Willamette community and the presidential search committee. He is a special person who has demonstrated exceptional leadership skills and personal qualities.

We believe that Lee is well suited to lead Willamette in the years to come. It is a pleasure to welcome Lee and his family to Oregon.

Lee earned his Ph.D. in English and American literature from Harvard University. His bachelor's degree, magna cum laude, is from Wichita State University. Prior to his position at Dartmouth, he was at Colgate University, where he served as dean of students, then dean of the college.

Willamette's presidential search began when Jerry E. Hudson announced that he would step down in July 1997, after 17 years. Bryan Johnston is serving as interim president during 1997-98.

The search committee included faculty and administrators from all of Willamette's schools, as well as representatives of students, alumni and trustees. After our extensive efforts to generate and then narrow down a pool of potential nominees and applicants, four candidates were brought to the campus. Each of them spent two days at roundtables, presentations, meals and receptions which provided opportunities to meet the widest feasible number of campus constituencies.

Alumni will have opportunities to join others in the Willamette community in welcoming Lee and his wife, Kristen Wilson, and their two children after they arrive in Salem in July.

— Henry Hewitt, Chairman  
Willamette University Board of Trustees  
& Presidential Search Committee



M. Lee Pelton met with this group of students as part of his visit to the campus as a presidential candidate on December 15 and 16.

teams. The pride he felt in Willamette began in the days he was a student there himself. Last summer as we sat around a campfire at a family reunion, Allan became very animated (slightly out of character) as he sang Glee and other silly Willamette songs from the '40s — remembering every word! Those in the family who are WU alums, Miriam (Ferrin) Lidell '45, Tom Ferrin '79, Wendy (Brown) Ferrin '80, Ruth (Lidell) Woodward '82 and myself, looked at each other in amazement and pride as we sensed we were part of a great tradition. (I also wondered if those he served with on the board of trustees for many years ever saw this side of him!)

Allan Ferrin was a man of integrity, values, compassion and dignity. He embodied everything I believe Willamette hopes to instill in each of its students. It is good to know his legacy will live on as Willamette continues to achieve greatness in education and a richness of tradition that he valued so highly.

CATHY (LIDELL) RICE '78  
Wenatchee, Wash.

## Praise for WU and Liz

Congratulations on the breakthrough your university has made by putting Liz Heaston on the field to play football! It's 75 years overdue.

I would like to show my appreciation for Willamette by purchasing logo merchandise ....

I may be a Stanford alum, but I now wish to support Willamette!

FARYL M.S. REINGOLD  
Los Angeles, Calif.

## Errata:

Alisa Harvey '98 was pictured on page 23 in the Summer 1997 Willamette Scene. The editor regrets not identifying her accurately.

## About the Writers

Among the writers for the Willamette Scene are professional writers, student interns, alumni, professors and other staff of the University and of the Scene itself. Here's a brief introduction to those whose work appears in this issue.



**RICHARD BUCK**, class of 1966, is president of the Willamette University Alumni Association Board and past president of the Puget Sound Area Alumni Club. For 30 years he was a journalist, including 20 years as a business reporter for *The Seattle Times*. He is currently publications manager for Paul A. Merriman & Associates, an investment management firm in Seattle.

**DAVID MCCREERY** joined the Willamette faculty in the Religion Department in 1988. He teaches courses in Hebrew Bible/Old Testament, Ancient Religions and Near Eastern Archaeology. He has worked on numerous archaeological surveys and excavations in the Middle East (Cyprus, Syria and Jordan) since 1970. He served as the director of the American Center of Oriental Research (ACOR) in Amman, Jordan, for seven years (1981-88) and is now a co-director of the Tell Nimrin Excavation in the Jordan Valley.

**JENNIFER MILLER**, a Salem native, has been involved with journalism since the sixth grade when she started a two-page newsletter at her elementary school. She later served as editor-in-chief of the South Salem High student newspaper.

Jennifer freelanced for Salem's *Statesman Journal* for three years, covering arts and entertainment for the Living Section. She was a staff writer and sports editor for *The Collegian* and a staff writer for the *Willamette Scene* for two years while attending Willamette. Miller was head of press for Oregon State Representative Mike Lehman (D-Coos Bay) during the last legislative session.

Graduating from Willamette with B.A.s in English, Rhetoric & Media Studies and Spanish in 1997, Miller is a first-year Willamette law student.

**DESTON NOKES**, class of 1981, is a frequent contributor to *Willamette Scene*. He is the director of consumer information at NW Natural and works as a freelance writer and public relations consultant for White Horse Studios, an integrated media and web design studio in Portland. He also contributes articles to a variety of energy and home trade publications. He was recognized by the Public Relations Society of America and the American Gas Association for his work launching the NW Natural web site <[www.nwnatural.com](http://www.nwnatural.com)>. Deston spent six years as a member of Willamette's Alumni Board and he now devotes his free time to his two children.

**BENJAMIN WORSLEY** is a senior politics major from Tigard, Ore. At Willamette, he has focused much of his energy on writing, and is a writing consultant at the campus Writing Center. He has worked as a writer and editor for *The Collegian*, and is now an editor for the *Journal of Undergraduate Scholarship* and writing intern for the Office of News and Publications. Last summer he worked as a research assistant for Eleanor Berry, director of the Writing Center, and was a presenter at the Pacific Coast Writing Center Association Annual Conference in October. In politics, Worsley has narrowed his study to environmental politics, and was a recipient of the Mark O. Hatfield Award for the outstanding student majoring in politics.

**TANIA ZYRYANOFF** is a junior at Willamette University, double majoring in English and Russian. At Willamette, she has completed three internships and served as editor-in-chief of the *Wallidah* yearbook. She will study in Simferopol, Ukraine, spring semester. As a News and Publications intern fall semester, she worked on graphic design projects as well as writing articles. She says this experience has reaffirmed her multi-career interests instead of helping her choose just one.



## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

*Letter policy: Please limit length to about 125 words. We reserve the right to edit for length or clarity. Please sign your letter and include your name and address, plus your class year if you're an alumna. Write to the Editor, The Scene, Willamette University, 900 State Street, Salem, OR 97301, or e-mail <scene@willamette.edu>.*

### A Slice of Life in the '50s



As a member of the class of 1954, I read with interest the descriptions of student life in the '50s in the recent issue of the *Willamette Scene*.

Student life in the '50s went beyond the traditional activities described and I believe that the seeds of the big changes to come were present on campus in the '50s. The Korean War was hanging over our heads as was compulsory military service for males. In 1950 or '51, there was an active pacifist movement and I can recall many discussions on the issue. If memory serves, there was a demonstration on campus. For some, homosexuality was a significant issue. A professor, for whom I was an assistant and senior scholar, was gay. He was a fine teacher and a fine person. There were some lesbians in my living organization who were fine people, sensitive and caring. Again, there were many discussions, but for me, it was an opportunity to learn not to use sexual orientation as a litmus test for friendship. In my

freshman year at Lausanne Hall, there was a black girl who lived alone because it was deemed inappropriate for a black to room with a white. Again, many discussions and some who felt that the black girl was unfairly treated.

Many of us became intensely interested in politics and enjoyed the proximity to the legislature. Coming from a Republican family, I became a Democrat at Willamette and my earliest recollection of political activity was distributing flyers for Adlai Stevenson.

I was fortunate to be able to live in Bishop House, a lovely Victorian house across the park, since torn down. We were small in numbers and from a wide variety of backgrounds ....

Financially, Willamette was a real bargain even by the standards of the period. I was nearly always able to earn my tuition, my parents paid my room and board, and I earned spending money through various jobs including tutoring and being a bellhop. I had some outstanding teachers and I was excited about learning. The close relationships I developed with some of my professors changed my life, as did my relationships with my close friends.

So, you see, our student life was not all about traditions and curfews. We were growing and for some of us at least, the attitudes we developed in the '50s led to a degree of acceptance and indeed even some encouragement, of what happened in the late '60s and '70s.

SALLIE CHEAVENS VERRETTE '54  
*Grimell, Iowa*

### History Brought to Life

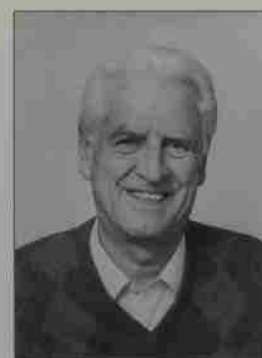


After reading your article about Melinda Strobel '85 in *Willamette Scene*, I am very interested in contacting her. I teach Washington State History

at Hudson's Bay High School in Vancouver, Wash. The idea of having a quality, live performance from the perspective of a pioneer woman is very intriguing. In your article, Strobel stated she has given her performances throughout our state....

LYNN MILLER BUTTS '70  
*Vancouver, Wash.*

### A Memory of Allan Ferrin



On May 10, 1997, Willamette lost a true friend. My uncle, Allan Ferrin '41, passed away, leaving a legacy that will be remembered for generations to

come. His endless support of Willamette included the time he gave serving many years on the board of trustees, the generous giving of his finances, and his devotion to following Willamette's athletic

## Head of the Willamette Draws Hundreds



Interim President Bryan Johnston (pictured far right above) served pancakes at a community pancake feed to kick off Willamette's first invitational regatta, Head of the Willamette, on Nov. 15.

Hundreds of spectators filled Salem's Riverfront Park to help celebrate the occasion. Willamette crew hosted the University of Oregon at the regatta and the Student Alumni Association sponsored the pancake feed.

Races began at the Willamette Landing residential complex downriver from the Marion Street Bridge. The teams finished 3,000 meters later in front of the park. Of the five races, Willamette won all but one. Successful crews included the women's novice lightweight 8, women's novice 8, men's novice 8 and men's varsity 8.

The second most populous sport at Willamette, crew still remains somewhat unknown. Its anonymity is partly due to the fact that, up until now, competition has been away from Salem. With completion of the Swindells Shellhouse and a successful first event, Bearcat fans can look forward to at least two more home regattas in the spring.

## Speaker Seeks Solutions to Foster Care System

While Brenda Eheart, a professor at University of Illinois, was doing research about foster children, she determined that the whole system was flawed, and that she could design a better one. So she did.

Through her efforts in founding and directing her program, Hope for the Children Community is operating successfully on a portion of the Chanute Air Force Base which had been mothballed. The community is an intergenerational one, providing subsidized housing for senior citizens in exchange for volunteering with children.

Foster parents are paid a salary and provided with housing in the community, with each foster family taking up to four children. One goal is that the children will be adopted by the families, ending the disruptive changes foster children experience in moving from placement to placement.

She told her story at Willamette University on Oct. 14, as the opening speaker in the Educational Programs Committee (EPC) series, focusing this year on community. Eheart said that her key elements of success were passion, politics and persistence.

## New Programs Started in Chile and Wales

Willamette and the Universidad de Los Lagos, located in Osorno, Chile, have reached an agreement on a student, staff and faculty exchange. The Willamette faculty approved the agreement and initiation of the program in January 1998. Faculty also approved a new exchange program with the University of Wales, Aberystwyth; a program in urban studies in Chicago; and a continuation of the Cuba program in collaboration with the Universidad de La Habana and the Center for Cross Cultural Study.

The Chile program provides students with an advanced proficiency in Spanish to study language, culture and the sciences at an important Chilean regional university located in one of the most scenic areas of the world (the Universidad de Los Lagos main campus is in Osorno, a city of about 125,000. Los Lagos also has campuses in Puerto Montt and in the Chilean Patagonia city of Coyhaique).

The new exchange at Aber (the familiar name for the main campus of the University of Wales) offers Willamette students in the humanities and social sciences the chance to study at the preeminent institution in Wales and one of the better institutions in the United Kingdom. Aberystwyth is a city of about 14,000 located on Cardigan Bay.

The Chicago urban studies program represents an extension and broadening of what once was a post-session-only program into a full semester of study and internship in one of America's most important cities. Willamette is cooperating with the Urban Life Center of Chicago on this program that should be of particular interest to students in sociology, anthropology, psychology, politics, history and the fine arts.

For further information on these programs, please contact the Office of International Education at (503) 375-5493.



WILLAMETTE UP CLOSE

## Fulbright-Hays Funds Study Tour to Jordan

David McCreery — Photos by Ann Niegorski



Members of the Willamette faculty make a journey to *Jebel Haroun* (Tomb of Aaron and near Petra) on camelback in 110-degree heat.

Planning for the 1997 Fulbright-Hays Study Tour of Jordan began with conversations between Kelly Ainsworth, director of international and off-campus studies, and David McCreery, professor of religion, in the spring of 1995.

While in Jordan on sabbatical in the fall of 1995, McCreery met with Marwan Kamal, president of Yarmouk University, and Zeidan Kafafi, director of the Institute of Archaeology and Anthropology at Yarmouk University, and they both expressed Yarmouk's support of the program and willingness to host the group during part of the trip.

During the fall of 1996 and winter of 1997, McCreery corresponded with a number of Jordanian contacts, including Aida Dabbas, program officer of the Jordanian-American Fulbright Commission in Amman. He agreed to assist in planning the program and identified two women, Kholood Abdo and Ghada al-Yousef, to serve as local coordinators.

The primary objective of the project was to provide experiences and information which would facilitate the teaching of courses dealing with various aspects of the Middle East. Reflecting the expertise of the educators in the group, the project attempted to be as comprehensive as possible, addressing disciplines such as: archaeology, art, cultural heritage, economics, environment issues, politics, gender issues, history, religion, etc. Visiting archaeological sites from different periods (from the lower Paleolithic through the Ottoman periods), throughout the country was viewed as a means of providing first-hand exposure to the rich archaeological heritage of the country as well as a means of acquainting the group with the topography and environmental diversity of the kingdom.

Another important goal of the project was to introduce the participants to different representatives of Jordanian society, so time was spent in large urban

areas like Amman and Irbid, smaller villages such as Madaba and Kerak, and also rural areas and the desert. Likewise, a conscious effort was made to introduce the group to members of the royal family, local academics, merchants and industrialists, villagers, farmers and Bedouin.

By the end of the six weeks, the group had visited around 30 cultural, educational and governmental organizations, attended 40 lectures/presentations and toured 80 archaeological sites throughout the kingdom. In a relatively short time, the group was able to get a good overview of Jordan's cultural heritage, its recent accomplishments and the challenges which lie ahead.

Besides McCreery, participants included Jeanne Clark, rhetoric and media studies; Lane McGaughy, religion; Ann Niegorski, art; Don Negri, economics; Joe Bowersox, politics; and Richard Sutliff, English.



Just south of Jerash, the group looks for flint blades and artifacts at the neolithic site of *Abu Siwwan*.

## Third Interim President is Leading Willamette



Bryan Johnston

Since Willamette's founding in 1842, only three interim presidents have been asked to serve while a search is conducted to find a permanent replacement for that position. Most recently Bryan Johnston was appointed to bridge the gap between Jerry Hudson, who retired after 17 years, and the next president. Those three interim presidents are profiled briefly here.

### GEORGE H. ALDEN (1914-1915)

George Henry Alden bridged the administrations of presidents Fletcher Homan (1907-1914) and Carl Doney (1915-1934). In 1914 President Homan had abolished the office of dean, a position held at that time by Gaylard Patterson, and friction between the two men escalated until the board of trustees ended up accepting both of the men's resignations. The board then restored the office of dean and appointed Alden to that position and also named him acting president for a year. Alden was 48 years old at the time. He was a graduate of Carleton College, and had earned his Ph.D. from the University of Wisconsin. He held his first teaching positions in the Midwest, moving to the Pacific Coast to teach in the history department at the University of Washington.

### JAMES H. CORSON (1972-1973)

James H. Corson served between the presidencies of Roger Jay Fritz (1969-1972) and Robert P. Lisensky (1973-1980). Open controversy over the presidency of Roger Fritz eventually led to his termination in 1972, and on July 6, 1972, James Corson, a 67-year-old former college dean and retired school administrator, assumed the position of interim president. When he received the call from board chairman George Atkinson, he was contemplating retirement in the Bay Area of California. He took over an administration plagued with low morale and broken trust, one with several key positions that needed to be filled, and was described by students before he left as having "revivified the spirit of Willamette by approaching problems openly, practically, and sensibly..." Corson had attended University of the Pacific, where he was captain of the football team and made All-Conference. He also won a bronze medal in the 1928 Olympics for throwing the discus.

### BRYAN JOHNSTON (1997-98)

President Jerry E. Hudson retired after 17 years as president and a search was begun to find his replacement. In July 1997, the board of trustees asked Bryan Johnston, 48, to serve as interim president while the search was under way. When Johnston was appointed, he had been serving since 1995 as a state representative from Salem, and had a private practice in dispute resolution. He was not new to Willamette. He had served in various capacities at the College of Law between 1984 and 1991, including associate professor of law, director of the Clinical Education Program, director of the Center for Dispute Resolution and associate dean. Johnston received a bachelor of science degree in education from Northern Illinois University and a law degree from Loyola University of Chicago.

## Science Students Visit WU

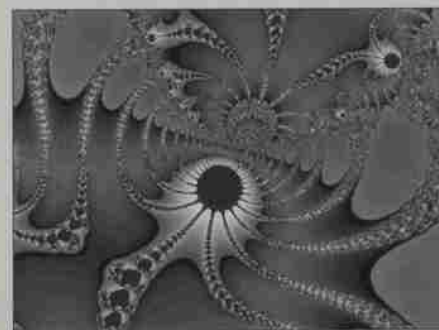
The Murdock Science Research Conference was held at Willamette Oct. 31 to Nov. 1 and more than 300 students and faculty from 22 colleges and universities attended.

The conference, funded by the Murdock Charitable Trust, is an annual regional conference on undergraduate research. Willamette is one of 26 schools from Alaska, Washington, Idaho and Oregon that are invited to participate.

David Grimaldi, curator and chairman of the Department of Entomology at the American Museum of Natural History, was keynote speaker. Grimaldi spoke on "Amber: Window to the Past."

John Koprowski, assistant professor of biology at Willamette, gave the Willamette presentation, which was titled "The Evolution of Sociality: Insights from a Social Carnivore."

Oral presentations were given by students, who also created posters relating to their research.



## Fractal Art is on the Web

Mathematics Professor Junpei Sekino's web page "Sekino's Fractal Gallery" (<http://www.willamette.edu/~sekino/fractal/>) is listed as an item of interest in the home page of the Pacific Northwest Section of the Mathematical Association of America. It is also part of the fractal images of Conservatoire National des Arts et Metiers, Paris; and he will appear as a fractal artist in the middle school math textbook *STEM Mathematics* published by McDougal Littell (A Houghton Mifflin Company) in 1998.

## Phi Beta Kappa Installation Planned for Founders' Day

An installation of the new Willamette chapter of Phi Beta Kappa will be held on Founders' Day, Feb. 1. Willamette received approval from the national Phi Beta Kappa Society in September to establish a chapter. The installation is being planned by members of the society who are also members of the Willamette community, and who are designated as "Charter Members."

Charter Members of Willamette's chapter of Phi Beta Kappa are: Robert Ackerman, dean, College of Law; Stephen Archer, professor emeritus, Atkinson Graduate School of Management; Virginia Bothun, English; Claudia Burton, College of Law; Judith Chien, Hatfield Library; Karen Creswell, counselor, Bishop Health Center; Gaetano DeLeonibus, French; Meredyth Goldberg-Edelson, psychology; Ellen Eisenberg, history; Richard S. Hall, math; Jim Hand, professor emeritus, religion; Randall Havas, philosophy; Norman Hudak, chemistry; Susan Kephart, biology; Deborah Loers, assistant vice president for student affairs and director of counseling; Carol Long, English; George McCowen, history; Helen Mazur-Hart, College of Law; Pamela Moro, anthropology; James Nafziger, College of Law; Larry Oberg, librarian; Genevieve Orr, computer science; Diane Reynolds, College of Law; Todd Silverstein, chemistry; Grant Thorsett, biology; Mary Tolar, academic grants and awards; Mark Usher, classics; and Valerie Vollmar, College of Law.

These members may choose certain faculty colleagues or others affiliated with Willamette, as a special mark of distinction, to be associated with them in the installation of the chapter. These persons are designated as "Foundation Members" and have yet to be selected.

## Former Congressmen Meet Students on Campus



Former Congressmen Tom Rees and John Erlenborn meet with ASWU President Michael Trotter.

This fall Willamette University was one of nine schools nationwide to have a visit from past congressmen from the Association of Former Members of Congress. On their three-day stay the Honorable Tom Rees and the Honorable John Erlenborn gave informal lectures to undergraduate politics classes, a presentation to law school students and a radio interview with KBZY 1490 radio, and headlined a forum on "Is Congress Broken?" among other activities.

Rees, a Democrat who served in the House from 1965-76, represented California's 26th district which had a population of 7,032,000. This is the largest population any state legislator in American history has represented. He served as chairman of the Banking Committee's Subcommittee on International Trade, Investment and Monetary Policy as well as several other committees. Prior to working in the House, Rees served for 10 years in the California State Senate.

Erlenborn is a Republican from Illinois, who served in Congress from 1965-85. Erlenborn is held in high repute as a moderate Republican who was not afraid to break with the party on issues. He, like Rees, has a law degree, and worked for several law firms before and since his congressional service. He is currently a professor of law at Georgetown University, specializing in employee benefits.

The two congressmen spent the majority of their time on the undergraduate campus during their stay facilitating discussion, visiting the classrooms of seven professors and faculty collectively, including Senator Mark Hatfield's The United States Senate course and Kathleen Powers' Compensation Design & Management course.

Senior Gar Willoughby, who spent last semester studying in Washington, D.C., and interning at the White House, was one of the several dozen students who listened to the congressmen relate their experiences and insights of the Capitol Hill experience in Hatfield's class.

"From experience I know the things they said about after-hours politicking between staff members is true," Willoughby said. "Both of the congressmen discussed the amount of work that went on after 5 p.m. and off the record."

The two men talked to law students candidly about the "way the system works" in a one-hour presentation during their visit. Nine of this year's first-year law students worked in the Oregon legislature in some capacity last session, and several were there to pose questions to the politicians.

Pat Egan, who worked for seven years in the House Democratic Office, the last four as chief of staff for Minority Leader Peter Courtney (D-Salem), was impressed by the bi-partisan cooperation he witnessed and the lessons the men taught.

"The two congressmen showed how easy and common it really is to have representatives from both parties getting along personally and professionally," he said. "They stressed the importance of public service and that ordinary people are the best people to become involved at any level."

The program was set up through the Stennis Center for Public Service.

—by Jennifer Miller

## Mellon Grant Aids Teaching of Languages

The trustees of The Andrew W. Mellon Foundation in New York approved a grant of \$820,000 to Willamette, Lewis & Clark College, the University of Puget Sound and Whitman College. This grant will be used over approximately three years (1997-2000) to improve foreign language teaching through the use of technology. This is the first grant of its kind to be made by the Mellon Foundation in the Pacific Northwest. Since 1994, other Mellon grants supporting the teaching of foreign languages through the use of new technologies have been made to consortia in Maine, Connecticut and New York, among other places.

The grant was made in response to a joint proposal submitted by the Northwest Language Consortium (made up of the four institutions) in April 1997. The proposal described a collaborative project designed to facilitate sharing of faculty expertise and technical resources and to promote more effective language learning. Lawrence D. Cress, dean of the College of Liberal Arts, will serve as the project director.

The grant will support the transition of teaching and learning in the four language departments from traditional text and audio-lab-based programs to interactive text and multimedia enriched curricula.

This three-year program of faculty development, technical support, equipment acquisition and consortial activity is expected to move the foreign language programs forward in significant and systematic ways to provide stronger language study and cultural understanding in the liberal arts college environment.

## Norman Hudak to be Honored by Alumni at Retirement Dinner on May 1



The Alumni Association's Faculty Retirement Dinner will be Friday, May 1, at Willamette University. A reception will be held prior to the dinner which will honor Norman J. Hudak, professor of chemistry, who has worked at the University since 1961.

If you would like to write a tribute letter to Hudak, please type or write neatly on an 8-1/2 X 11 sheet of paper with 1-inch margins. Send your mes-

sage to Cheri Nopp, Alumni Office, Willamette University. All messages will be compiled and presented to Hudak at the banquet.

Further details will be sent out to alumni who graduated with a biology or a chemistry degree. Plans are now underway for the dinner, so if you would like more information or to receive an invitation, please contact the Alumni Office at (503) 375-5304.

## Military Recruiters Cause Campus Controversy

The Department of Defense and Willamette's College of Law find themselves on opposite sides in a controversy over civil rights. The controversy centers on the Solomon Amendment, which forces universities to allow military recruitment on campus or risk losing certain federal funding. Since 1991 Willamette has required any recruiters coming to campus to sign a non-discrimination policy, and military recruiters had been unwilling to sign that policy.

Withdrawal of federal funding, which is used to subsidize federal work study and Perkins loans, was at risk. There was also a risk that federal funding might be cut from the undergraduate college's allowance as well as the College of Law's federal allotment. A sizable group of undergraduate and law students, and faculty, oppose both withdrawal of funds and allowing military recruiters on campus.

In August Interim President Bryan Johnston invoked a temporary suspension of the non-discrimination policy for military recruiters, while still seeking a

solution to the issue without risking the loss of federal funding. Students and faculty members held a peaceful rally in September when the first military recruiter in six years visited the law school.

On Oct. 24 the College of Law committee of the board of trustees, headed by Chief Justice Wallace Carson, heard several students speak on the issue. Carson gave a brief synopsis of the meeting at the subsequent board of trustees meeting that afternoon. The trustees had consulted counsel on the matter, but declined to take action until specific numbers were available about costs of taking a stance on the University's anti-discrimination policy. Rough estimates vary from \$80,000 to \$3 million in lost funds.

On Nov. 14 the College of Law board of visitors adopted a resolution in support of the University's nondiscrimination policy, urging its reinstatement. This resolution will be sent to the board of trustees for consideration at their next meeting in February.

## Good News About the Willamette Family

◆ Charles Wallace Jr., chaplain, has published his book *Susanna Wesley: The Complete Writings*, (New York and Oxford: Oxford University Press, 1997). Wallace has been working on this book for 15 years. It has involved trips to England for research. Susanna Wesley is the mother of John and Charles Wesley, founders of the Methodist movement.



◆ Willamette University's fall production of *On The Verge* was chosen to participate in the regional American College Theatre Festival this February in Pasco,

Wash. The ACTF consists of 13 regions across the country; in each region colleges and universities enter productions for adjudication. Out of these only four were chosen for the festival.

◆ Carol Ireson-Doolittle's book, *Field, Forest and Family: Women's Work and Power in Rural Laos*, was chosen by *Choice* magazine, a magazine of reviews for academic libraries, as one its 34th annual Outstanding Academic Books. Titles on this prestigious list include books reviewed in *Choice* during 1997. Selection criteria include excellence in scholarship and presentation; significance with regard to other literature in the field; and recognition as an important, often the first, treatment of a specific subject in print or electronic format. *Choice* called the book a "masterful interweaving of ethnographic observation with historic context."

◆ A \$10,000 gift to Willamette from Burger King in honor of Robert Tucker '97 was placed in Willamette's James B. Scariot Scholarship Fund, at Tucker's

request. Tucker is a former Willamette football player and now an assistant coach at Willamette. Scariot was a Willamette football player killed in a skiing accident in 1996. Burger King gives about 100 of these All-American scholarship awards to universities each year.



◆ Dale Weight, Atkinson Graduate School of Management, was appointed to the Governor's Board of Economic Advisors. This

board serves in an advisory capacity to the governor, the State Legislature and certain state agencies that deal with economic development issues and tax revenues. Weight retired from his position as dean in December, but will teach one class in the spring.

◆ The Atkinson Graduate School of Management was awarded a chapter of Phi Alpha Alpha, the scholastic honorary society for students focusing on public policy and public administration. It is the counterpart of Beta Gamma Sigma, which is the management scholastic honorary society.

◆ Ross Stout, director of Campus Safety, has been certified as a Certified Protection Professional (CPP). There are just over 6,000 people in the country with this certification.

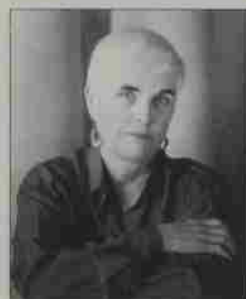
◆ Debra Ringold, Atkinson Graduate School of Management, and Karen Hamlin '75, School of Education, were named this year's recipients of the Jerry E. Hudson Distinguished Teaching Award. Tom Hibbard, economics, received The United Methodist Church Exemplary Teaching Award.

◆ John Doan, music, has had a new CD released: *Eire: Isle of the Saints*. It was in the top 10 charts, as listed in *The Oregonian* for sales in the Northwest.

◆ Mitzi Naucler L82 was appointed by the Oregon State Bar Board of Governors to the newly formed Interim Civil Legal Services Task Force.

◆ Robert Hess, art, had an exhibit, "Works in Silver, Copper and Bronze," at the Margo Jacobsen Gallery in Portland.

◆ James Thompson, art, had an exhibit at Quartersaw Gallery in Portland during December. His exhibit consisted of new paintings and prints and was titled "Certain Situations."



◆ Virginia Furtwangler, English, who writes as Ann Copeland, received an honorary doctor of letters degree from the University of New Brunswick-St. John.

Furtwangler's book *Season of Apples* was nominated this year for an Oregon Book Award.

◆ Steve Crawford, a student majoring in Spanish, co-translated an article for the journal *Latin American Perspectives*, which appeared in May 1997. Professor Bob Dash said that it is highly unusual for an undergraduate student to translate for a professional academic journal.

◆ Willamette's grounds crew was awarded an honor award from the Professional Grounds Management Society at their banquet in November.

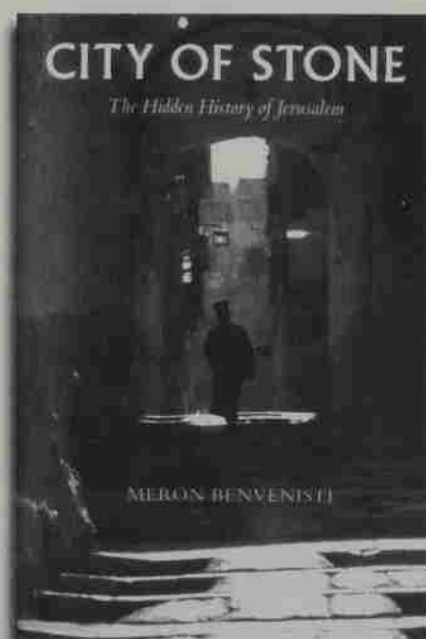
charade that has accomplished nothing? Benvenisti thinks not.

He sees the major accomplishment of the peace talks as being the recognition, on the part of both parties, that their adversary EXISTS, and has legitimate concerns. As obvious as this might appear to be to outsiders, Benvenisti views this as a profound psychological and humanitarian breakthrough.

His point reminded me of interviews I had heard some 30 years ago with Golda Meir and Moshe Dyan when they repeatedly argued that there were no such people as the Palestinians. Israel, the argument went, was "a land without people for a people without land," and the so-called Palestinians were neighboring Arab immigrants who came to Israel seeking work and then claimed to have been living there for hundreds of years. I also remembered living in Jordan throughout the 1980s when mentioning the word Israel was essentially taboo. One could speak of traveling to Jerusalem, crossing the river (Jordan), or visiting the West Bank, but never "touring Israel."

The discourse (or lack of it) and general situation has radically changed over the past five years. In Jordan today, people speak openly and often about the peace talks with Israel, highway signs give directions to Elath and other destinations in Israel, and hundreds of Israeli tourists visit Petra, Jerash, and other Jordanian tourist sites every day. In Israel there is much debate as to whether the Oslo Accords should be implemented but gone are the days when the leadership publicly denies that the Palestinian people exist and that they have legitimate complaints and needs.

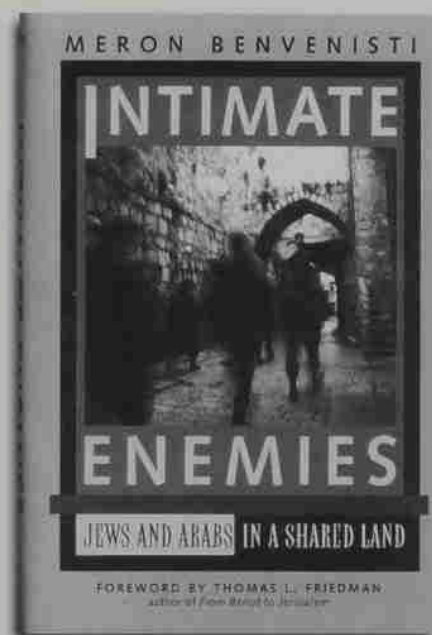
Does all this mean that peace is just around the corner? Benvenisti doubts it. The peace talks have provided an important beginning with Palestinians and Israelis publicly acknowledging that they are, in Benvenisti's terms, "Intimate Enemies." Unfortunately, that is about all the peace process has accomplished. It appears not to be "stalled" or "deadlocked" but truly "dead." With the lead-



*City of Stone: The Hidden History of Jerusalem* (1996)

ership of both Israel and the Palestine National Authority (PNA) unable or unwilling to implement the Oslo Accords and make progress on other fronts, Benvenisti believes that the talks must move in a fairly new direction.

Benvenisti does not claim to have an easy solution to the current impasse although he favors the idea of a federated Israeli/Palestinian state. He argues that now that the Israelis and Palestinians have come to acknowledge that they are intimate enemies there is the basis for a dialogue and that it is impossible to turn back the clock to the time when both parties chose to ignore and unrealistically hoped the other group would just disappear. The coexistence of Israeli Jews and Palestinian Arabs (Muslim and Christian) in the land of Israel/Palestine is inevitable. How peaceful and just that coexistence will be remains to be seen. With sensitive and creative people like Benvenisti addressing the issue head on, the prospect of "A Just and Lasting Peace," in the Middle East just might someday be transformed from an overused political slogan to reality.



*Intimate Enemies: Jews and Arabs in a Shared Land* (1995)

Although I personally am pessimistic about the prospects for peace in the Middle East any time soon, Meron Benvenisti's visit left me more hopeful. He did our students a great service in demonstrating the importance of looking beyond the pervasive political rhetoric and searching for new, innovative ways of viewing the Middle East and dealing with what appear to be irresolvable disputes.

For those interested in learning more about Meron Benvenisti and his views, I highly recommend his two most recent books, "Intimate Enemies: Jews and Arabs in a Shared Land" (1995), and "City of Stone: The Hidden History of Jerusalem" (1996), both published by the University of California Press.

## Meron Benvenisti — An Unconventional Zionist

by David W. McCreery

In late October, Atkinson Lecturer Dr. Meron Benvenisti, (university professor, professional journalist and former deputy mayor of Jerusalem), spoke to a full house in Smith Auditorium on the Israeli/Palestinian relations and the prospects for peace in the Middle East. His presentation nicely dovetailed with the Freshman World Views Seminar which for the past three years has focused on the Middle East.

Charming, engaging, stimulating, provocative, unconventional and genuine are some of the adjectives I heard used to characterize Benvenisti's lecture and his informal interactions with faculty, students, and the public during his two-day visit to Salem. It is difficult to encapsulate his lecture in a few words since he dealt with such a broad range of issues. It is likewise difficult to locate Benvenisti in a particular "political camp," although he is obviously sympathetic to the Peace Movement in Israel. In the often predictable, bipolar discussions of the history of Israeli/Palestinian relations, Benvenisti emerges as an unusually creative voice that is able to cut through the emotional rhetoric and bring the important issues into focus from his unique perspective.

In his opening comments, Benvenisti noted the difficulty in deciding where to begin a presentation on Israeli/Palestinian relations: Chronologically where does one begin? What are the decisive events? How does one describe the current reality? And most importantly, which narrative does one adopt; the Israeli or Palestinian perspective. This latter question is of course the most important for it determines the answers to the preceding questions. Which position is correct? According to

Benvenisti, both are equally valid even though they are often diametrically opposed.

Is it not a contradiction to assert that two different understandings of history and reality can be equally valid? Yes, Benvenisti is quick to affirm, but the Middle East is full of contradictions and paradoxes. Simplistic attempts to determine who is right and who is wrong fail to take seriously the triumphs and tragedies the two peoples have experienced over the past few decades, centuries and millennia.

When Benvenisti described himself as a Zionist who was proud of the accomplishments of the Zionist movement the past 100 years and the achievements of the state of Israel over the last 50 years, I thought I knew what was coming next. The former deputy mayor of Jerusalem with a distinguished record in the Israeli army was about to present a standard defense of Israel's current policies, or so I assumed. When he stated his opposition to a "two-state solution" (i.e. an independent Palestinian state in the West Bank and Gaza alongside the Jewish state), my suspicions were further reinforced. Although personally I do not think a two-state solution will lead to lasting peace as it is a form of apartheid that segregates the population along



Meron Benvenisti

ethnic/religious lines, I have reluctantly come to think that this may be the only feasible course of action. Benvenisti's call for a bi-national Jewish/Palestinian state where Palestinian Arabs would enjoy equal rights of citizenship with the Jewish community caught me off guard. Such a proposal is really quite radical as it would require the transformation of Israel from a distinctively Jewish State, to a truly pluralistic democracy. This is certainly not what has come to be understood as the mainstream Zionist vision of Israel although one can argue that the father of modern political Zionism, Theodore Herzl, might well have gone along with such an interpretation of his writings.

Following his lecture I had the opportunity to interview Benvenisti and was eager to ask him about his opinions of the current peace process. His responses were abrupt and to the point. "What peace process," "There is no peace process," "I have no confidence in the so-called peace process." As we talked, he expressed the skepticism that I have also felt, namely that the Peace Process has become, and to a certain extent was from the beginning, an ingenuous media event orchestrated by politicians who have dodged the substantive issues. Is it therefore simply a



## SPORTS

# Fall Sports Experience Mixed Results

**I**n order to have a championship season luck must play a key role. Luck in staying healthy, luck in playing a key opponent at the right time or luck in getting the right bounces.

Willamette's cross country, women's volleyball and men's soccer teams didn't see much luck in any form in 1997, but each squad had a season that has the respective coaches and players looking ahead to the fall of 1998 — when maybe luck will be on their side.

**VOLLEYBALL:** Willamette's five-year run as Northwest Conference volleyball champion came to an end in 1997 as the Bearcats placed third in the NCIC behind Puget Sound and George Fox. Coach Marlene Piper's Bearcats advanced to the four-team conference playoffs, where their season ended with a record of 13-14. WU finished 11-5 in conference play.

Willamette shook off a 1-7 start — thanks to a tough early-season schedule that featured Portland State and UPS (twice) — then went 12-6 down the stretch to clinch the playoff spot.

The Bearcats were led by sophomore outside-hitter Devon Bakken and junior setter Kathy Fisher. Bakken, who was named NCIC Player of the Week on two occasions, made the conference first-team all-star unit. Fisher, a recipient of another NCIC weekly honor, was among those making the second team unit.

**MEN'S SOCCER:** The Bearcats could certainly qualify as one of the hard-luck college soccer teams of 1997, losing seven conference matches by a single goal. But as the young team began to jell in mid-October, Willamette's game and outcomes took a turn for the better.

Coach Jim Tursi's squad began its turnaround on Homecoming weekend.



Sophomore Stephen Cruise took 39th at nationals.

In a span of five days, the Bearcats defeated Puget Sound (2-1), Pacific Lutheran (3-1) and Pacific (2-1) — three of the four teams which would qualify for the conference playoffs. Following a 3-0 loss to NCIC champion Seattle, Willamette dumped Whitworth (2-0) and Whitman (3-0) in the final weekend of the season to finish 7-10-3 overall and 6-9-1 in the NCIC.

For the second straight year, the Bearcats were led in scoring by Chase Jordan, who topped the team in goals (7) and assists (4). Trevor Frank, a sophomore forward like Jordan, added five goals. Sophomore midfielder Ivan Wood earned Pacific Northwest Region Player of the Week honors after the final weekend of the regular season.

**CROSS COUNTRY:** The injury bug followed the Bearcat teams like a shadow in 1997, dampening high expectations during Kelly Sullivan's rookie season as coach. First, two of



Sophomore Devon Bakken led the Bearcats in all hitting categories.

Willamette's top male runners were sidelined early in the season, dashing any hopes the Bearcats had of returning to the NAIA national meet. Then late in the season, the top female runner, Beth Fitzgerald, came down with a minor foot injury that precluded her participation in the conference championships.

The highlight of the season came from sophomore Stephen Cruise, who placed 39th out of 336 finishers at the NAIA championships after placing eighth individually in the conference meet. Cruise also led the Bearcats at the Willamette Invitational, the Big Cross meet in Pasco, Wash., and the University of Oregon Invitational.

Willamette's women were led the entire season by freshman Kelly Underwood, who was the Bearcats' top finisher in each outing and placed 25th at the NCIC championships. Willamette placed fifth in the conference in both the men's and women's races.

## Bringing the Best to Willamette

by Benjamin Worsley



Jim Sumner

### The Cost of an Education, 1962 vs. 1996: A Personal Perspective

1962 Sumner enters college (Pacific U.)  
Tuition (\$750), fees (\$100), room  
& board (\$686) = **\$1,536 total**

Gross parental income **\$10,054**  
(2 children, one income, family of 4)

Total college price as percent of family income = **15.3 percent**

1996 Tuition (\$15,368), fees  
(\$230), room & board (\$4,514) at Sumner's  
alma mater = **\$20,112 total**

1962 income in 1996 dollars = **\$54,292\***

Total college price as percent of income  
= **37.1 percent**

Family income required to equal 1962  
percentage = **\$131,580**

\*calculated by Russ Beaton, WU economics  
professor

Jim Sumner, vice president for enrollment, is charged with marketing Willamette University to thousands of prospective students. "The bottom line is that we have to make sure that we have the proper number and quality of students, as well as having a balanced class year after year," he said.

And Sumner has been doing this job for many years. He came to Willamette in 1974 as the associate director of admission and held that post until 1982. He then moved to the Office of the President, where he served as the assistant to the President (1982-84) and then the director of university relations (1984-87). Finally, he returned to the Office of Admission in 1987 to serve as its dean, and just this past year he became vice president for enrollment.

In some ways, he feels that his job hasn't changed much over the years. "The message for prospective students is the same. We continue to emphasize that Willamette is a place for high quality arts and sciences education." The University still uses many of the same techniques to recruit students: direct mail, interviews, encouraging visitation, visiting high schools, participating in college fairs, etc. Sumner continues to believe that "education is best when the environment promotes exchange between students and professors and students and students," and this is the environment that Willamette provides.

But some of the message has changed with the times. "We talk about scholarships, we talk about the quality of the faculty, and we talk about technology more than ever before," he said. The Office of Admission focuses more on extracurricular activities to "paint a balanced picture." They also spend more time selling the location, since Oregon is seen as an excellent place to live.

The message is changing, in part, because of the rise in the cost of attending Willamette. As that cost continues to rise, Sumner says, "we cannot meet all the financial needs that admitted students have." Thus, to give more aid to those who really need it, the Office of Admission is trying "to attract more students who can pay the total cost of attending Willamette."

Though some see the effort to recruit students in a better position to pay their full tuition as a negative, Sumner points out that, "more students are receiving more aid than ever before." Moreover, Willamette is making strides in its efforts to increase diversity within its student body.

Sumner recognizes the financial strains that many Willamette parents feel in a very personal way; his son is now a college freshman, and his daughter just graduated from college. Despite the costs, he enjoys his free evenings and the fact that his life is no longer, "generated by my kids' schedules." He has taken up golf and is an avid walker, and enjoys traveling with his wife, Annabelle.

Sumner thoroughly enjoys his work in the Office of Admission, seeing it as one of the few areas of education where he can get quantifiable feedback. "When the school year starts, we know whether or not we were successful." And he feels that Willamette is a good home. "I've found that Willamette provides me with the same balance it provides to its students: strong academics and strong activities."

## Hall of Fame Draws Crowd to Honor Inductees

Six years after its inception in 1991, the Willamette University Athletic Hall of Fame Banquet continues to be a well-received and well-attended event. More than 250 people packed the Cat Cavern in the Putnam University Center to witness seven individuals and one team be enshrined.

The inductees included Holly Brown '76, George Erickson '37, Walter Erickson '33, Wayne '42 and Shirley '44 Hadley, Stuart Hall '62 L'65, Walt Looney '67 and the 1941 football team who had an extended stay in Honolulu due to the bombing of Pearl Harbor.

"This year's Hall of Fame inductees were distinguished not only by their accomplishments relating to athletics, but by their diversity and success in later life," said Jim Booth, Willamette's director of alumni and parent relations. "It was particularly rewarding to recognize the '41 football team," Booth added. "Not just for its excellent record (8-2, with six shutouts), but also for its service to the country following the Pearl Harbor invasion and the recognition it brought to Willamette University. The friendships and bonding of the '41 team were evident all weekend," Booth said.

Preparations have begun for the 1998 banquet. However, if you have a nominee in mind and are not sure he or she has been nominated, please call the sports information office (503) 370-6110 at Willamette to find out.

"These Hall of Fame banquets provide a wonderful opportunity for alumni and teammates to reconnect and share memories of Willamette's proud athletic heritage," Booth concluded.



*Twenty-one members or widows of the 1941 football team attended the 1997 banquet.*



*Shirley and Wayne Hadley were inducted into the Hall for Meritorious Service.*



*Holly Brown receives her Hall of Fame plaque from Interim President Bryan Johnston.*

## Making History and Breaking School Records

### Willamette Football Finishes 1997 as NAIA Runner-up

Before the season began, head coach Dan Hawkins fully expected his 1997 Willamette Bearcat football team to make it to the NAIA championship game.

Three months and a school-record 13 wins later, the No. 2 Bearcats were headed to the title game in Savannah, Tenn., to face No. 1 Findlay (Ohio) — two 13-0 teams going head-to-head.

But what Hawkins didn't plan on was having to play the Oilers without star quarterback Chuck Pinkerton. A starter since the first game of his freshman year in 1994, Pinkerton broke a bone in his leg the previous Saturday as he helped lead Willamette to a 17-7 semifinal victory over Sioux Falls, S.D., in Portland.

Still, Willamette nearly won its first-ever national title in football. The Bearcats twice drove into enemy territory in the fourth quarter, but Findlay's defense held and the Oilers won a classic championship battle, 14-7.

All things considered, it was Willamette's most successful football season in school history. Not only did the Bearcats set a school record for wins (13-1) and achieve their highest-ever national ranking (No. 2), Willamette rewrote 24 other team and individual school records.

The Bearcats shattered 10 rushing and total offense records as Pinkerton and senior running backs Rich Rideout and Danny Osborne went over the 2,000-yard plateau in their four-year careers. Flanker Tim Blair, a sophomore, was named the offensive player of the game in each of the first three playoff contests: wins over Western Oregon (26-20, OT); Montana Tech (50-24); and Sioux Falls.

Rideout was named the Northwest Conference's Offensive Player of the Year, while junior linebacker Brandon Folkert won the NCIC's defensive award. Hawkins was a cinch pick for NCIC Coach of the Year.



*In October, Liz Heaston became the first woman to play in a college football game.*

Willamette's defense was unbending most of the year. The most points any team scored against it was 27 and the Bearcats held its five conference foes to a combined 27 points. The defense allowed just 11.9 points per game — the least allowed by a Bearcat team since the 1974 squad coached by Tommy Lee.

"It takes a special chemistry to get to the championship game," said Hawkins. "It involves talent, depth and experience. It involves some maturity and understanding the process. It's not so much you're shooting at winning a national championship as you are doing the things that will enable you to win a national championship. And that's why the players and the staff expected to be there."

### Heaston Makes History

But for all the Bearcats accomplished in 1997, they got most of their attention in mid-October when, while defeating NCIC rival Linfield (27-0), Willamette junior Liz Heaston became the first woman to play in a college football game.

With the football team having difficulties in the kicking game, Hawkins asked Heaston if she was interested in helping out the football squad, after hearing about her exploits on the Bearcat soccer team. Just before the season, Hawkins had received permission from men's and women's soccer coach Jim Tursi to "borrow" two goalkeepers from the men's squad to help with kickoffs.

In the Linfield game, Heaston made both of her point-after-touchdown conversion kicks — kicks that were heard around the world. The story of her feat hit all forms of media across the globe. Those who thought it was just a publicity stunt were proven wrong the next week when she played against Southern Oregon, but did not score.

### Women's Soccer Team So Close

The Willamette women's soccer team had a season that nearly paralleled the football campaign. The Bearcats won a school-record 14 straight contests, won their fifth consecutive NCIC championship and qualified for regionals.

But coach Tursi's team also suffered a devastating late-season injury. During the 13th of 14 wins, senior forward Jamie Barton was lost for the season with a knee injury. In the days preceding the injury, she had become Willamette's all-time career scoring (63 goals) and assist (38) leader.

The seventh-ranked Bearcats entered the regional tournament averaging three goals a game, but were eliminated in the semifinals by Seattle, 1-0. During the regular season, Willamette defeated Seattle by scores of 2-0 and 5-0. Willamette finished the year with a record of 18-3-1. Barton and Tursi were named NCIC player and coach of the year, respectively. Goalkeeper Robin Heard, midfielder Robin Schroeder and Heaston were named first-team all-conference.

Heard broke school records for shutouts in a season (14) and career (37), and posted an incredible 0.46 goals-against-average, also a school record.

### ed Loan

Ford Loans are either subsidized or unsubsidized. A subsidized loan is awarded on the basis of financial need. The federal government pays all interest on the loan until the student enters repayment. An unsubsidized loan is not awarded on the basis of financial need. Interest is charged from the time the loan is made.

# Confronting

the sticker shock of higher ed ..... why

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# College Costs

are costs escalating? ..... coping with debt



by Deston S. Nokes

# THE STICKER SHOCK OF HIGHER ED: A National Crisis?

*As the father of a Willamette sophomore, Bill Krauthoefer didn't mince words when asked about the cost of higher education.*

**I**t's expensive, extremely expensive," he said. "I think we're paying about \$20,000 per year and our daughter is receiving \$4,000 in aid. And remember that's after-tax dollars. When I went to Oregon State tuition was \$90 per semester."

Though he earns a good living as a bank executive and his wife works full-time teaching, Krauthoefer can't help but blanch at the financial commitment it takes for a quality college education.

"I think institutions like Willamette are in danger of becoming schools for affluent people," he charged. "There is no way my daughter, Anna, could pay her way. She couldn't earn it in a summer or accumulate it on her own. We have to help her and it's one hell of a sticker shock."

Higher-ed sticker shock is doing more than simply making parents and students scramble for the right kind of financing. Some are saying the sky is falling. A report released last summer by the Commission on National Investment in Higher Education asserted that skyrocketing tuition will eventually threaten the social order of our nation:

"... the college degree ... has replaced the high school diploma as the entry card into rewarding employment. Those who only finish high school — or drop out — start on the lowest rung of the wage ladder and will see their real hourly wages actually decline over their working lives. Unless the nation makes a concerted effort to raise the level of education and skill of these Americans, the wage disparities between the rich and the poor will become so large that it will threaten both America's social stability and its core democratic values. Widespread access to higher education is therefore critical to the economic health and social welfare of the nation."

But at current rates, the report claims, tuition will effectively double by 2015 and dash people's aspirations of having access to higher educa-



## Contributions to Rising Costs



**Willamette's aggressive efforts to raise its national reputation as a topnotch liberal arts university have contributed to rising costs. According to Todd S. Hutton, Willamette University's vice president for Academic Administration, the following items are among the specific costs most affecting operational budgets:**

**Attracting/Retaining Top Faculty** — Willamette is striving for national prominence by retaining the best faculty it can afford. The University is striving to meet the median in faculty salaries of the best higher-learning institutions in the region. Willamette is in the midst of a four-year effort to boost faculty salaries and reduce the student-to-teacher ratio from 12:1 to 10.5:1. Cost: \$1 million.

**Technology** — Students are demanding quality improvements in technology. In the last seven years, Willamette has spent \$8 million on technology alone. While foundation dollars have contributed greatly to the upgrade, there are significant operational costs. Whereas Willamette used to be resource poor in technology, Hutton now boasts that Willamette is in the vanguard of the Pacific Northwest's private higher learning institutions.

**New Construction/Renovation** — While construction is primarily funded through gift money, the operation of new facilities requires more money. The new Olin Science Center has placed an

additional burden on operational dollars, as has the investment in improved science equipment and technology. The University's new concert hall will require a new technical director to manage that building as well as Smith Auditorium.

**Student Affairs** — Willamette has worked to improve student services by adding additional campus safety personnel, a counselor and services for students with disabilities. Salem is now the second most populated urban area in the state, moving Willamette toward being an urban campus with the need for increasing security vigilance that that implies.

**Athletics** — A new fitness facility was built, and organized, staffed intramural activities have been added. Men's and women's crew teams have been added as well. The University is working to bring equity to women's and men's sports. As part of this effort, construction of a softball field is now a high priority.

growing importance of education to the nation's economic health and social stability. Public funding of education has stagnated since 1976 and it's time to reverse this policy.

- Higher-ed institutions should make structural changes to better enable decision makers to assess the relative value of educational programs and reallocate resources to those programs. This entails improving performance-based assessment, defining and measuring faculty productivity and integrating accounting systems.

- Higher-ed institutions should pursue more mission differentiation instead of striving to become full-service campuses, especially in statewide systems. Community colleges, undergraduate universities and research universities should embrace different missions, and reduce or eliminate more marginal activities.

- Higher-ed institutions should develop sharing arrangements to improve productivity. A greater sharing of resources could lead to significant savings and service improvements.

- The appropriate level of education in America must be redefined. All citizens planning to enter the workforce should be encouraged to pursue — as a minimum — some form of post-secondary education or training.

To carry out such changes, the addition of public resources is critical. Hutton wishes that he could be more optimistic about that prospect, but in the short term, it doesn't appear likely.

"It's difficult to prognosticate what will come out of Congress," Hutton said. "Although they recently passed a college tax credit bill that will help families a bit, I still don't foresee any major change in resources coming from the federal government.

"In fact, there was this year a proposal before Congress to eliminate the Perkins Loan program, which is for the lowest income students. Perkins loans have helped many Willamette students reduce the gap between the package we can offer and what is owed. More money may be shifted by Congress to the Stafford Loan program, but that carries a higher interest rate."

In the meantime, Bill Krauthoefer will continue to be concerned about the huge financial commitment his family makes for his daughter's education.

"Don't get me wrong, the quality is great," he said. "It has small classes, excellent instructors and great opportunities. But I have to wonder that at what point is it worth the cost in usable benefit as opposed to a state school."

However, an article in the Oct. 13 issue of *The Oregonian* listed the debt burden of various institutions. Among students earning an undergraduate degree in 1997, the average University of Oregon graduate had a debt burden of \$17,500, Oregon State University students averaged \$15,716 and Reed \$13,184.

"Willamette's average debt burden was \$16,000, and just under \$15,000 for those who received need-based loans," Hutton said. "Therefore, the issue of whether the state schools are a bargain is one that can be debated."

Still, Hutton realizes that there is no diminishing the financial pressures. "We sympathize and empathize with parents faced with extraordinary educational costs," he said. "By the same token, a high-quality education will require a significant financial investment on the family's part, and decisions about priorities must be made. I know that is more easily said than done."

tion. Effectively half of those who want to pursue a higher education will be shut out.

"For us it is an issue of access and equity," responded Todd S. Hutton, Willamette University's vice president for Academic Administration. "Every administrator I know who makes decisions about tuition, as well as our trustees, agonizes over the cost of education. Our trustees and the administration recognize that we don't want to price qualified students out of Willamette."

However, given that tuition for an incoming first-year student is \$20,200 per year (\$26,700 including room and board), hasn't Willamette already priced itself out of reach of deserving students?

"No, because of Willamette's commitment to the student aid program," countered Hutton. "Our trustees recognize that the need for endowment for scholarships is in the tens of millions of dollars."

There is no arguing that there has been a precipitous rise in tuition. Consider that freshmen in 1996 paid \$18,300 a year for four years (Willamette has been freezing tuition for students for up to five years). In 1995, tuition was \$16,400 and the year before that \$14,300.

It's more apparent than ever that, although expensive, a college education is critical to a student's future earning power. Peter F. Drucker, a professor and management expert at Claremont Graduate School and the author of 27 books, argues that the benefits of a quality education should be evaluated over the longer term. In a 1991 *Wall Street Journal* article, he said that a "college education is not a consumer good that will be used up and gone within a short time. It is a long-term investment in the lifetime earning power of the graduate." Since the lifetime earnings of a college graduate are about triple those of less-educated peers, it's an investment that pays off.

Willamette wants to keep its campus accessible and, according to Hutton, it is backing up its good intentions with significant dollars. Willamette is dedicating \$3.47 million in scholarship aid to this year's entering freshman class, with the average grant totaling \$9,974. When a federal loan is factored in, the average package is \$14,885 per year. That doesn't include federal grant money or work study.

"The average grant covers nearly half the tuition for 85 percent of the students," Hutton explained. "That means students on average are paying half the cost of tuition."

"Eighty-five percent of freshmen received aid," he explained, "and 72 percent received aid based on need and merit. Only 13 percent of the scholarships were awarded based on merit only. Our aim is to make Willamette accessible to students at all income levels, based upon an applicant's scholastic ability and also her extracurricular contributions to the school and community."

According to a recent article in *The Lawlor Review*, the creation of need-based aid is a direct result of attempts in the 1960s to promote greater diversity among students. Pell Grants, the Guaranteed Student Loan program, college work-study, are all relatively recent inventions. Before that time, scholarships meant you were bright, not needy.

Nowadays it seems need-based aid is the only thing that makes a college education a realistic aspiration for many families. But what if need-based aid begins to disappear?

According to *The Lawlor Review* article, some schools are "testing the marketplace" by quietly reducing need-based financial aid. The strategy is called "gapping." If a student needs \$10,000, a college may provide about \$8,000 and see if the student can come up with the additional \$2,000 elsewhere. The article asserts that some schools are unable to meet the gap between what the school can provide and what the family can pay.

Hutton admits that some colleges are starting to shift admissions based on the ability to pay, which gives credence to the dire warnings contained in the report by the Commission on National Investment in Higher Education. But he recoiled at the notion that Willamette is headed in that direction.

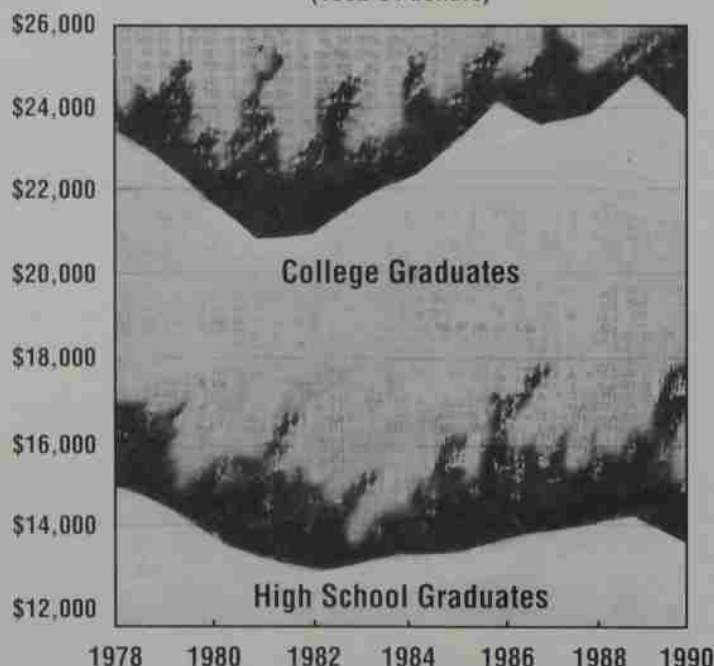
"We are looking for ways to increase our commitment to financial aid," he said. "For example, we are working on a proposal to create a \$1.02 million scholarship endowment to help the children of alumni gain access to a Willamette education."

There is no doubt that the nationwide problem of rising tuition, coupled with the specter of diminishing financial aid, is igniting a national debate over how to address the issue.

The Commission on National Investment in Higher Education makes the following recommendations:

- America's political leaders — at the federal, state and local levels, should reallocate public resources to reflect the

## Mean Annual Earnings by Educational Attainment (1982-84 dollars)



Source: U.S. Dept. of Education

Willamette or any university for that matter, is very labor-intensive. More than half the cost of our operating budget is in payroll.

Compounding this issue is the high cost of benefits on top of salaries. Health insurance, life insurance, workers' compensation, social security, disability insurance and retirement pay all add up to a sizable burden on the University.

In 1980, the average faculty salary at Willamette was \$19,000. It's now about \$45,000. Every time Willamette hires a new faculty member, we try to use the opportunity to upgrade the overall quality of the faculty. To do that, we have to offer a competitive pay package. And in order to keep things fair, as salaries go up for new hires, they have to go up for everyone else as well.

SCENE: What else?

HUDSON: We have seen an enormous increase in the services that parents and students expect us to provide. When I came to Willamette, I thought we could save some money by doing away with the health services building. After all, we are only a block away from

a big general hospital that provides much more than our little facility ever could. But when I shared this idea, you would have thought I had attacked the most sacred cow on campus!

Another example is campus safety. Except for student aid, the largest percentage increase in Willamette's budget has been the cost of campus safety. In 1970, we had one part-time watchman. Now we have three shifts of three people each for round-the-clock security. This has not improved the quality of education. It has not won any awards for Willamette. It's simply a necessity that has come to be taken for granted by students, their parents and, in fact, by the general public. We are also expected to provide more student services, more counseling, more of everything — and the expenditures multiply.

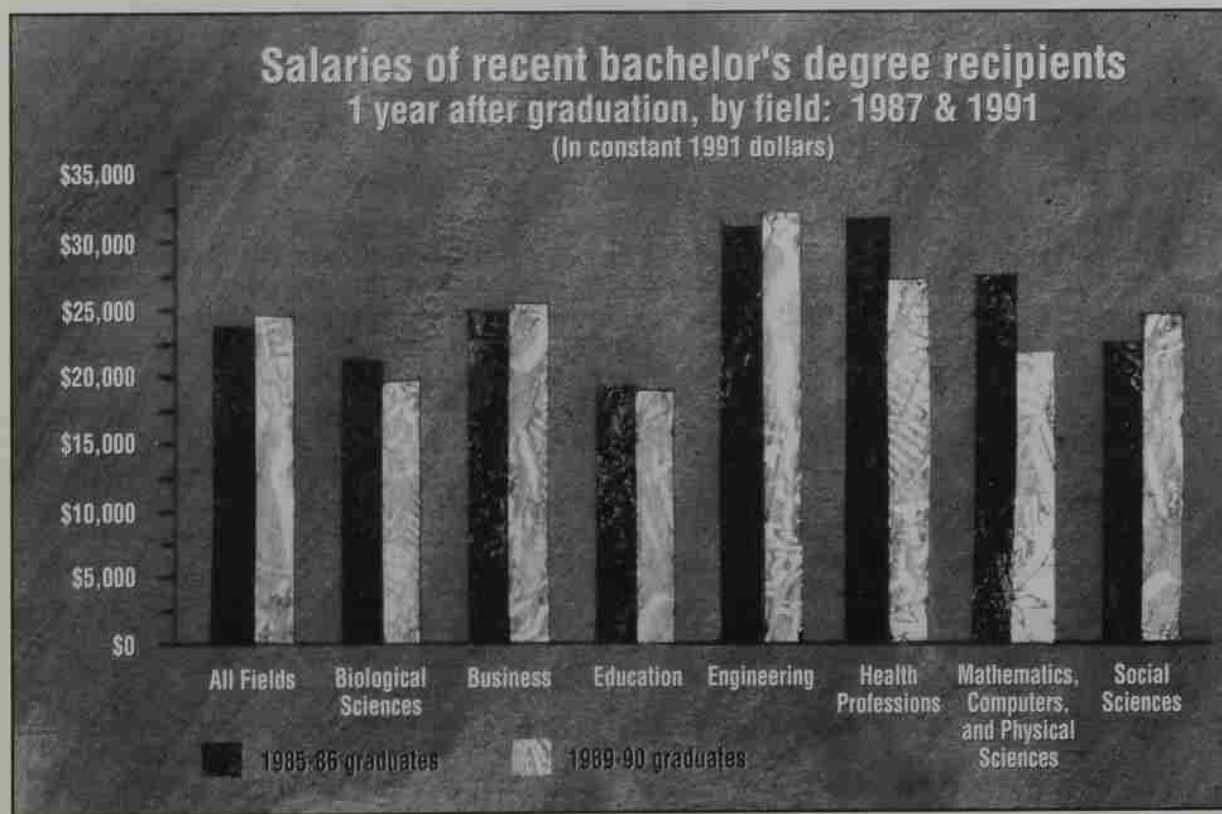
SCENE: Hasn't Willamette's budget increased a lot faster than the cost of living index?

HUDSON: Yes. Except for labor, almost all Willamette's costs have gone up much faster than the rate of the Consumer Price Index. Think about the cost

of libraries, books and periodicals. Think about supplies and equipment. Every faculty member has a personal computer. We have extensive laboratories, and the cost of outfitting those labs, especially in science, is escalating, and we have to replace much of this equipment long before it wears out, simply because something new comes along that can do a job better. An institution of higher learning has to be on the forefront of technology. Otherwise, we're short-changing students.

SCENE: It's easy to understand that technology is expensive. But why can't the University use this technology to become more efficient?

HUDSON: We use technology every way we can to do a better job for students. But technology is no substitute for great faculty members. Let's face it: The biggest difference between a large public institution and a quality liberal arts college is the size of classes and the level of attention that students get. And remember, at Willamette, we're not talking about attention from teaching assistants. We're talking about attention



Source: U.S. Dept. of Education

by Richard Buck



President Emeritus Jerry E. Hudson (center) walking with four Willamette students.

## Why Have Willamette Costs Escalated? Quality.

*If it has been a few years since you paid for college or sent a young person to college, today's tuition and fees must seem nearly unrecognizable. There is a popular perception that costs of higher education are simply out of control.*

Few people understand the reasons for this better than Jerry Hudson, who last spring completed 17 years as president of Willamette University and is now executive vice president of The Collins Foundation.

In the following interview, conducted last fall in his new office in downtown Portland, Jerry reflects on the reasons for Willamette's high costs and what can be done about them.

SCENE: Jerry, for more than 100 years, the higher education system in this country has set the standard for the world in terms of excellence and access to a large percentage of the population. But even as the demand for higher education seems to be rising, tuition seems to be escalating. Even if my own high

school record could get me into Willamette today (and I'd be decidedly below average!), I don't see how my family could have hoped to pay today's tuition.

And even though I now have an above-average income, I don't think I could pay for putting a son or daughter through even one year at Willamette, let alone four. What has happened to make Willamette so expensive?

HUDSON: I can assure you, you're not alone. I don't know many people who can write a check for \$20,000 or more a year.

You're right that the costs are dramatically higher now, and those costs are a problem for universities, for families and for our society. Let's start with something obvious: the cost of labor.

## Endowed Chairs



**Endowed professorships are one way that Willamette University creates enhanced educational opportunities for students. Like all Willamette professors, those holding endowed chairs teach. Part of what each endowed chair provides is funds for bringing in special speakers or other resources for enriching classes.**

Lane McGaughy, George H. Atkinson Professor of Religious and Ethical Studies, holds the first endowed professorship created in the College of Liberal Arts. McGaughy, who was found through a national search while teaching at the University of Montana and offered the endowed chair in 1981, feels that Willamette's approach to endowed chair positions is superior to other schools as far as students are concerned.

"Endowed Chairs have been defined at Willamette as enhanced faculty positions, meaning that the endowed chairs are not additional positions but are replacements for regular faculty," he said. "Most of us in endowed chairs are teaching a full load of classes. The benefit is that we've been able to attract some very distinguished people to these chairs. It has benefited students by having endowed chair professors be able to teach full course loads."

Willamette University has 11 endowed professorships. Each undergraduate professorship costs \$1.25 million to fund; slightly more funds the Thomas B. Stoel Professor of Law position at Willamette College of Law and the Guy F. Atkinson Professor of Economics and Finance, the Elmer and Grace Goudy Professor of Public Management and Policy Analysis and the Helen Simpson Jackson Professor of International Management positions at Atkinson Graduate School of Management. A 12th chair will be created by the end of the academic year and in use by fall of 1999, Vice President of University Relations Barbara Mahoney said. It will be the Mark O. Hatfield Chair in Politics.

Dean Lawrence Cress serves as the Dwight and Margaret Lear Professor of American (Pacific Northwest) History, the most recent chair which was added.

Cress, who is also dean of the College of Liberal Arts, says that endowed chairs are used in a variety of ways. "What an endowed chair does is free up a salary line so the University can use it for other purposes," he said. "Sometimes we create a whole new position. Sometimes we fill a vacancy. With the Hallie Brown Ford Professor of English and the Taul Watanabe Professor of Sciences, we filled vacancies." Virginia Furtwangler, who writes under the pen name Ann Copeland, holds the Hallie Brown Ford Chair and Gary Tallman, the Taul Watanabe Chair.

Many of the 11 existing chairs are relatively new. The E. Jerry Whipple Chair in American History, the Hallie Brown Ford Chair, the Taul Watanabe Chair and the Lear Chair have all been established in the past four years. The Irene Gerlinger Swindell's Professor of Music Chair was established in the early 1990s. Most of the endowed chairs came out of the 1989-1994 Sesquicentennial Campaign, Cress said.

Cress pointed out that another benefit of endowed chairs occurs after a professor steps down from the position. Normally a retiring full professor is replaced with a junior faculty member, he said. An endowed chair can recruit a more experienced professor because of the funding.

more valuable to the University than unfunded aid.

SCENE: What is "unfunded" financial aid?

HUDSON: "Unfunded" aid is simply a discount on the tuition. All this really does is reduce our revenue.

SCENE: Isn't this a phony concept, sort of like raising the price of a product and then putting it on sale?

HUDSON: In a way, that's right. If you do too much of this, you could be merely fooling yourself, and sooner or later you can go bankrupt. I know of several schools nationally that are in dire financial straits because they have given away tuition dollars to in-

crease enrollment. So despite the bulging enrollments, they are on the brink of bankruptcy.

So you can see why alumni giving, especially gifts directed toward financial aid, is vital to the University. To provide access for the needy and encouragement for the meritorious, financial aid is what makes it possible for Willamette to fill its freshman class each year with excellent students.

SCENE: One final question, Jerry. What are the biggest financial challenges facing Willamette and what will the University have to do in order to meet them?

HUDSON: Despite the natural desire to increase its services and improve everything it does, Willamette must be disciplined and live within its financial means. It must be as efficient as possible in order to keep its costs down. We cannot simply raise tuition.

Willamette also needs to do the best possible job of presenting its case for non-tuition income. As tuition has skyrocketed (necessarily, in my judgment), income from gifts and from the endowment has not risen at the same rate. This is a continuing challenge, and I am confident that Willamette will succeed in meeting it.

from real faculty members. I think that is primarily what students and their parents are paying for. Last year in the College of Liberal Arts, about half the classes had only 10 to 12 students in them.

If education is our product, the faculty is the most expensive component of that product. And in fact, one of Willamette's formal objectives is to reduce the student/faculty ratio from 12-to-one to 10.5-to-one in the next few years. This will probably cost in the neighborhood of \$500,000 a year. There's only one justification for doing this, but it's the only justification that's needed: simply to provide a better quality education.

And that's the only justification for the University's rising tuition. I used to tell parents that over the years, the cost of a year of education at Willamette was about the same as the price of a new Chevrolet. In 1940, that was about \$400. It was about \$5,000 in 1970 and in 1997 about \$18,000. But I stopped talking

about this after one parent told me: "Yes, but we don't buy a new Chevrolet four years in a row!"

SCENE: Quality of education is important, and Willamette must be offering something very valuable in order to attract the students it does. This year's freshman class had an average g.p.a. of about 3.8 in core subjects, which is mind-boggling to me. But isn't the university simply pricing itself out of the market? How do these students afford it?

HUDSON: You're absolutely right that the quality of today's students at Willamette is mighty impressive. So is the tuition they're expected to pay. And the University provides a very high quality product. But the end result is that unless you can provide substantial financial aid, you are eliminating the majority of students from access to this opportunity.

But even as dramatically as tuition has increased, Willamette is in about the same relative position as it has been for the past 50 years. Some private colleges

in Oregon have higher tuition, and many have lower tuition; that's the way it's been for many years.

SCENE: Jerry, that reminds me of something I've wondered about: the high level of tuition and financial aid that goes along with it. If you raise the official price of something but then you offer a big rebate — and that's what financial aid seems to be — aren't you just dealing in phony numbers? Couldn't you just reduce tuition by, say \$5,000, and reduce financial aid at the same time?

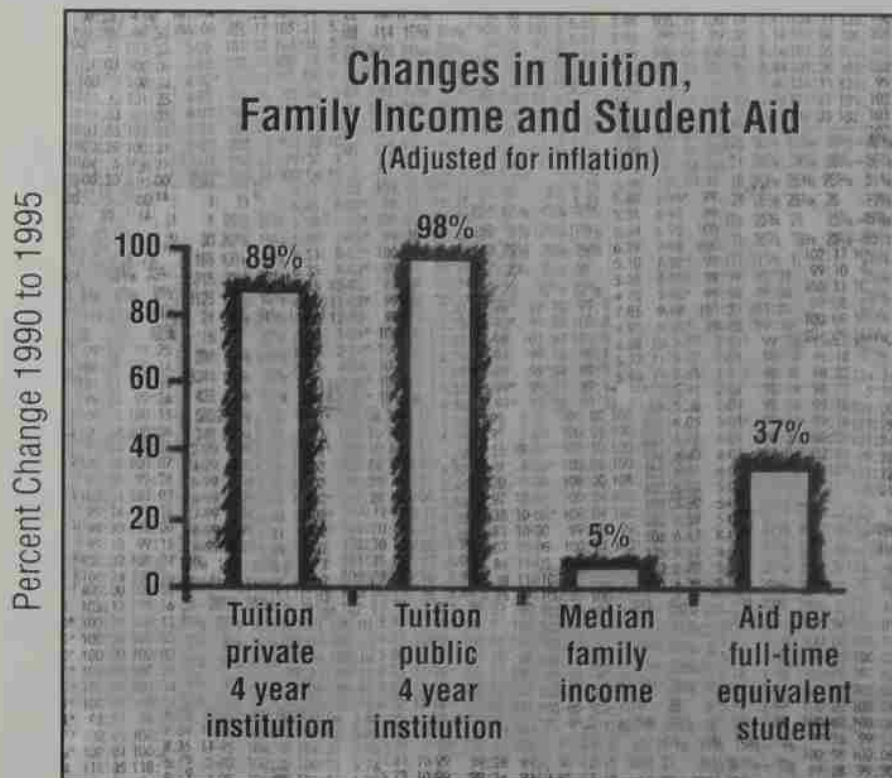
HUDSON: Yes, we could do that. But whether we like it or not, the public tends to equate quality with price. You could not necessarily get the same students if you charged \$5,000 less. In a university, the tuition is really the only place where you have the opportunity to put a value on the product. And thanks to gifts and endowment income, Willamette spends more money per student than even the full tuition covers.

SCENE: Let's talk about financial aid for a moment. Willamette seems to be devoting more and more dollars to this. Am I right in that impression?

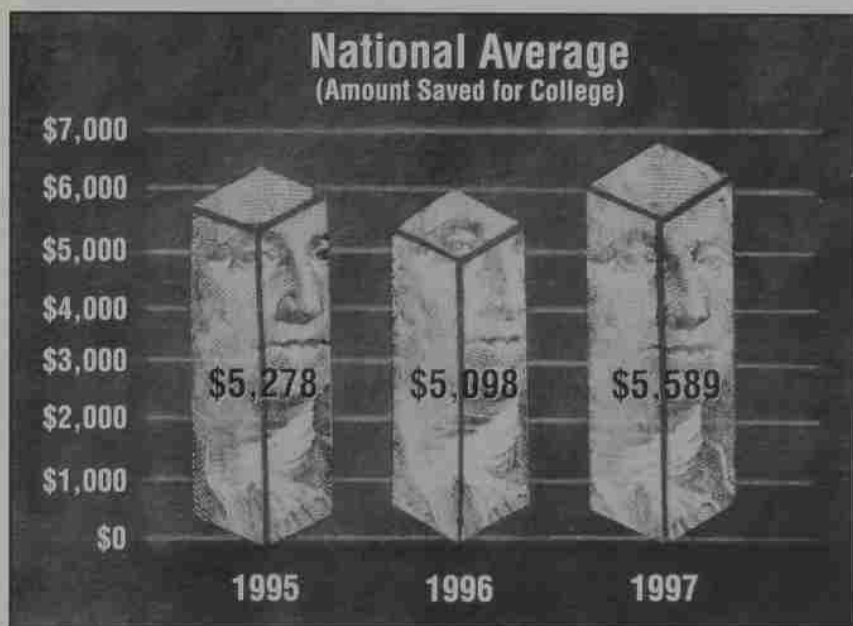
HUDSON: You're absolutely right. About 80-85 percent of Willamette students receive financial aid, and the average package is worth close to \$10,000. Financial aid is absolutely critical. In 1980, Willamette gave about \$600,000 in total financial aid. Last year, it was just under \$10 million, and the number of students is roughly comparable. In that same time, the University's total budget rose from \$10 million to \$50 million.

SCENE: That means financial aid is now roughly one-fifth of the total budget. Where does this money come from?

HUDSON: At the risk of getting into accounting terminology, I think it's important to understand that there are two kinds of financial aid, "funded" and "unfunded." "Funded" aid means somebody else is paying the bill. It includes scholarship dollars from endowment income and restricted annual gifts for that purpose. Whatever the source, funded financial aid is vastly



Source: The College Board



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### State vs. Private Education — Is There a "Right" Answer?

Tuition for a freshman in the undergraduate program at Willamette this year is \$20,200, up from \$10,730 for the 1990-91 freshman class. As Professor Hagedorn will contend, the cost of financing an education has outgrown national inflation.

"It's something everybody is concerned about, but costs keep going up. People have equated education to buying a car. Now it's the equivalent of buying a house."

Statistics confirm what the professor knows to be true. College costs are exceeding the rise in inflation by almost three percent this year alone, according to the College Board's Annual Survey of Colleges. Statistics like this have been true for the last decade in higher education. The average cost for a four-year private college is \$19,213 annually; the average cost for a four-year public university is \$7,472. And the costs keep rising.

Undergraduates at four-year colleges will pay about five percent more this year for tuition and fees nationwide, while inflation is 2.2 percent, as reported in the *Christian Science Monitor* on Sept. 29.

Some have questioned whether a private education is a worthwhile investment considering the cost of tuition. Many claim that there is no other way to go.

Small class sizes and quality of education were major reasons Rene Gonzales '97 of Anchorage, Alaska, attended Willamette University. He is continuing his education at Willamette's law school this year.

Jim Sumner, vice president for enrollment, believes quality versus cost of education is a strain Americans have placed on themselves.

"As higher education developed, no one ever imagined that having one student — even a graduate student — teach others in lecture halls filled with hundreds of students was a good idea," he said. "However, as Americans we have increasingly decided that we do not like to pay taxes and that we wish to continue to provide higher education to large numbers of our citizens, and that is exactly what is happening at most colleges."

Willamette is different than the normal state school, he contends. Part of that constitutes why Willamette costs what it does.

### Public vs. Private Costs: A Comparison

One incoming student from a lower tax bracket applied to the University of Oregon and to Willamette University for fall of 1993 admission and was offered these financial aid packages:

#### University of Oregon

\$1,550 Federal Pell Grant  
 \$1,200 Federal Work Study  
 \$1,200 fee waivers and educational opportunity grants  
 \$ 968 Oregon Need Grant  
 \$2,732 subsidized Stafford loan  
 \$ 707 unsubsidized Stafford loan option  
 \_\_\_\_\_ or family contribution

**\$8,355 budget for a year.**

#### Willamette

\$1,550 Federal Pell Grant  
 \$1,550 Federal Work Study  
 \$1,000 SEOG grant  
 \$5,100 Alumni Honors Scholarship  
 \$1,250 outside scholarship  
 \$1,772 Oregon Need Grant  
 \$4,875 subsidized Stafford loan  
 \$2,103 family contribution

**\$19,200 budget for a year.**

This person attending Willamette would have taken out \$4,875 in loans — a \$2,143 higher debt + \$1,396 in added family contribution for attending a school that charged \$10,845 more per year.

(These were real financial aid award notices taken from a student who applied to and was admitted at both Willamette and University of Oregon for the fall of 1993. Name has been omitted.)

by Jennifer Miller

# Coping with Debt

*When Willamette law professors Ed Harri L'73 and Richard Hagedorn L'73 graduated from Willamette College of Law, tuition prices had just reached over \$1,500 a year.*

**H**arri was married, had worked one summer harvesting wheat, grass and dry peas with his brother, and worked at the Oregon Supreme Court to help finance his last two years of law school. He graduated and passed the bar with no debt.

Hagedorn was also married, and worked as a country road crew gravel shoveler for two years before getting a clerkship with the Oregon Supreme Court. He also received his J.D. without debt.

For today's first-year law student, the total yearly cost for attending Willamette law school is \$27,920. The probability of earning a J.D. without accruing several thousand, if not tens of thousands, of dollars of debt is slim to none for any member of the class of 2000.

When looking at college and graduate school it is easy to make the argument of "investing" in one's future. On the other hand, it is also impossible not to see the realities of loan payments that can easily span decades after graduation.

Over 80 percent of Willamette's undergraduates this year have some form



of financial aid. Almost 90 percent of Willamette's law school and Master of Arts in Teaching (M.A.T.) students have financial aid, while just under 70 percent of Atkinson Graduate School of Management students receive aid.

College tuition has jumped nationwide an unprecedented 90 percent over the past 15 years. Family income, on the other hand, has increased only nine percent over that same time period.

These figures lead to one obvious fact: it's becoming a necessity for most students to look towards loans and financing the cost of college and graduate educations. This fact is especially true for graduate students, who pull scholarship monies from a smaller pool.

It is not uncommon for M.A.T. students to graduate with over \$25,000 in debt, for Atkinson students to gradu-

ate with over \$40,000 in debt, and for law school students to graduate with over \$70,000 in debt. With these graduate school debts, in addition to undergraduate loans, students may feel the education money crunch even more acutely.

Vince Goddard, a first-year law student from Beloit, Wis., had it easy as an undergrad. A recipient of a three-quarters ride scholarship for soccer at Drake University in Des Moines, Iowa, which costs \$17,500 a year, Goddard graduated after four years of studies with a double major in political science and economics and \$5,000 in debt.

This year Goddard took out \$16,500 in Stafford loans. He was able to save an additional \$7,000 in private loans because of a private scholarship he secured.

cost of living and inflation, actions are being taken to insure that America's next generation can receive the quality education they deserve and need in order to compete with international and national competition.

At least 20 states have enacted legislation to encourage parents to save for higher education possibilities for their children. Over \$55 billion in aid from government and institutional sources can help students in search of aid. Congress recently passed new tax breaks to help families keep up with higher education costs, and President Bill Clinton is making it a priority to increase accessibility to and availability of Pell Grants, which aid America's neediest students.

In addition, Congress created a national commission to report on the cost of higher education by January 1998.

### Securing Money After Admission — Understanding the System

Although there are many students who come up with creative ways to finance (see sidebar at right), others stick with the tried and true method for finding money: securing scholarships.

Junior Dustin Buehler of Boring, Ore., came into Willamette with a financial aid package that many would envy: a \$12,500 merit-based G. Herbert Smith award, and a forensics scholarship. With \$3,000 in loans, \$3,000 from his parents, and money he had saved from his summer job Buehler enjoyed his first year at Willamette. But he didn't stop there.

When Buehler came back his sophomore year he added a \$3,500 private scholarship, increased his forensics scholarship by \$1,500, and secured a \$1,500 music scholarship.

Buehler is not the only scholarship success story. Each year, a handful of students search through computer indexes to find unawarded scholarships throughout the state.

Others work connections in the Willamette community to find out what moneys are unawarded and see if they have the appropriate qualifications.

## Innovative Financing Students Work In Creative Ways



### Many Willamette graduates and students have a knack for finding creative avenues to finance their college and graduate educations.

**Dawna Davies '91** first became a property owner when she was 10 through the help of her parents. By the time she reached Willamette's campus, she was finding old properties, fixing them up with money she had from equity in other houses, and selling them for profit. Davies financed her college education through these endeavors.

**Kathleen Dowling M'81** opened a grass-seed brokerage firm during her years at Atkinson. She graduated debt free.

Senior **Jake Neil** and his brother, **Mark Neil '96**, have worked on several road crews during their summer holidays as well as working in a berry processing plant with a group of Willamette football players who live in Salem during the summer while training for the upcoming seasons.

**John Gerhardt M'97** worked part time as a helicopter pilot to offset the cost of his Atkinson education.

**Mike White**, a senior from Huntington Beach, Calif., works as the head chef at a downtown restaurant, earning discounted food and a paycheck which covers his rent and cost of living each month.

Third-year law students **Rita Gorlinoki** and **Don Fuchs** have both made money in computers. Gorlinoki owns a computer business, and Fuchs owns a computer consulting business.

Third-year law student **Carl Crowell** worked as one of the nation's leading experts on kite making last summer.

**Greg Pitter '96** worked as a composer during his time at Willamette, creating works of modern art music, including chamber music and music for contemporary orchestras.

Third-year law student **Jim Van Ness** finances his education doing federal administrative appeals for clients on the West Coast.

**Jason Atkinson M'97** worked as a ski instructor to help pay for graduate school.

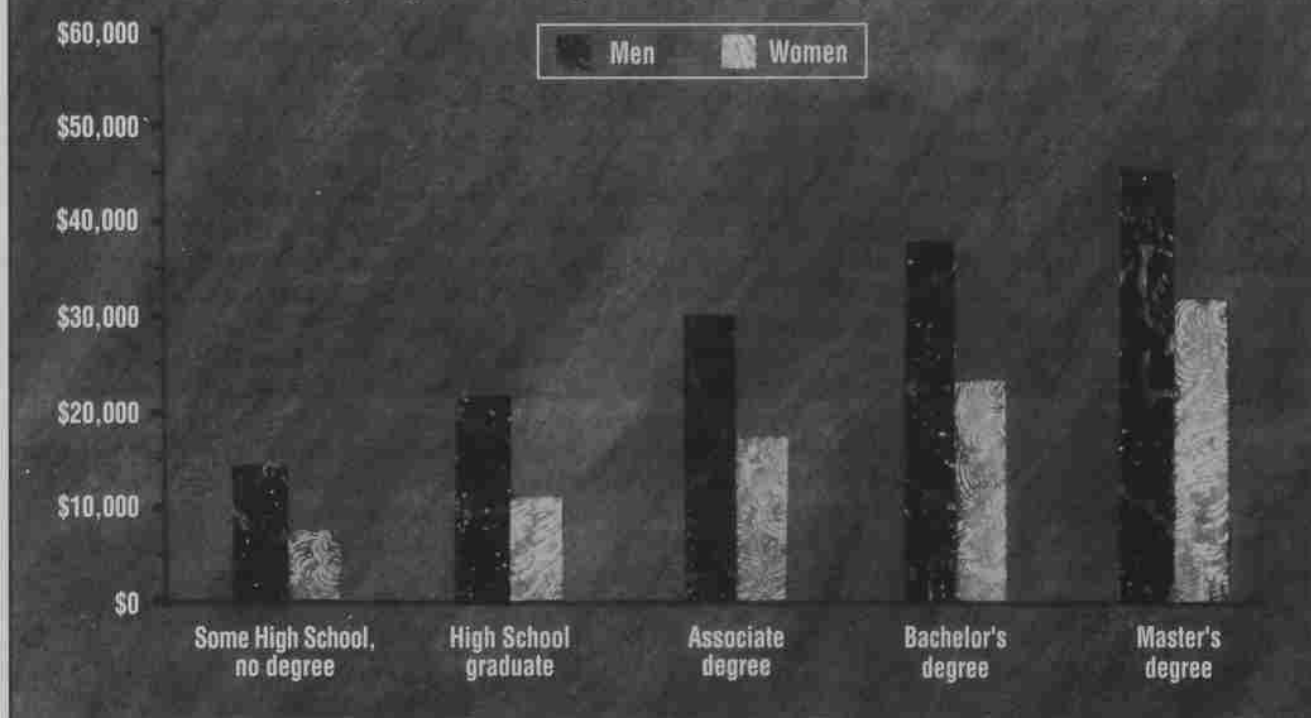
**Scott Kauffman L'96** and **Andrew Huff L'96** both bartended at Jonathan's downtown to subsidize their law school endeavors.

**Scott Mimnaugh**, a current M.A.T. student, helps coach offensive players on Willamette's undergraduate football team as a way to offset his cost of living while attending school.

Senior **Justin Gray** spends his evenings living in the Oregon School for the Deaf boys' dormitory, where he supervises deaf students. By day, he studies on Willamette's undergraduate campus.

Second-year law student **Bill Long** is teaching a course in theology at Willamette's undergraduate campus to help pay his tuition.

## Median annual earnings of workers 25 years old and over, by highest degree attained and sex: 1994



Source: U.S. Dept. of Education

"All classes are small, all are taught by professors with no teaching or graduate assistants, all classes foster discussion among the students and the professor, and the student-faculty ratio will soon be 10.5:1. Education at Willamette is a participatory experience, not a spectator experience," Sumner said.

Other factors come into play in the "quality of education" equation. It is challenging if not impossible to graduate from a state school within four years. This makes a difference in the number of years students take out loans, and how big a chunk they owe at the end of their undergraduate educations.

And, private institutions have bragging rights over the "earning potential" differential achieved by graduating from their schools as opposed to public counterparts.

For example, the University of Pennsylvania had its economists quantify the edge conferred by top-tier universities. They calculated that a student who

graduates from Penn will earn 56.6 percent more than if graduating from only high school. If that same student were to graduate from a public university, earnings would be only 31.7 percent more.

### Financial Aid Warfare — Public vs. Private

For some, the cost of an education at a private institution like Willamette is actually comparable with what it would have cost to go to a state school. Because of the requirements set up by federal regulations, schools must provide a certain amount of aid. This actually works to the benefit of students coming from less comfortable financial lifestyles prior to college.

A substantial portion of this money comes from federal and state sources, like State Need Grants, Federal Pell Grants, Oregon State System of Higher Education (O.S.S.H.E.) Supplemental

Fee Waivers, and Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grants (S.E.O.G.). This money is "free" in that it does not have to be paid back.

Money availability also fluctuates based on the cost of the school the student is attending. In other words, federal law requires that a certain amount of need be met for all students, and the amount required varies contingent upon how much it costs to attend a given institution.

It is possible to perform a comparison between awards given for an incoming student at Willamette University and its public counterparts to see the variance in financial aid awards. (See sidebar on page 27).

### National Support — Government Funding Improves

Despite the constant rise in the cost of education which far outweighs the



## Swimming Reunion: A New Tradition Begins

Willamette swimmers from past and present met on October 18 during Homecoming weekend for the first swimming reunion and swim meet. Over 60 alumni and students battled each other in a swim meet in Sparks Center's pool and then met afterward for a mini-social in the Martha Springer Garden. Current student swimmers were quite confident, but the resourceful alumni team held their own. One student quipped, "swimming is all about conditioning, I think we've got 'em beat." Both the alumni team and student team were pretty evenly matched. The students had the upper hand, however the alumni really proved their spirit by offering up quite a challenge! Coburn Grabenhorst Jr. '68, Willamette's first national qualifier, was in attendance, along with several other All Americans from years past.

Jennifer Hodges '96 worked with the coaches of the current Bearcat team and the alumni office to organize this reunion. Special interest reunions — events revolving around groups who shared a common experience at Willamette — are a wonderful way to make connections with alumni who may not be in your class year. The alumni office is happy to support these events and encourages alumni who are interested in hosting such an event to call the office and share your interests.

## Commencement Weekend Set May 16-17, 1998

Commencement will be held on the quad May 17. Weekend events will include the president's reception on Saturday, May 16, at 4 p.m.; and on Sunday, CLA baccalaureate at 11 a.m., departmental open houses at 12:30 p.m. and the University commencement at 3

p.m., followed by a reception. Tickets will not be required for the commencement ceremony.

Further details will be sent out to parents of seniors in March, and will be announced on the website <<http://www.willamette.edu>>.



(Left to Right) Robert Ackerman, dean, Wallace Carson Jr. L'62 and John Jelderks '60 L'64 at Law Alumni Day.

## First Law Alumni Day Held

More than 200 Willamette University College of Law alumni returned to campus for the first Law Alumni Day on Sept. 13.

Wallace P. Carson Jr. L'62, received the 1997 Distinguished Law Alumnus Award. Carson is chief justice of the Oregon Supreme Court, and a member of Willamette's board of trustees.

Outstanding Alumni Service Awards for significant volunteer service to the College of Law were presented to C.S. "Pat" Emmons L'31, an Albany attorney, and to Elizabeth Harchenko L'76, director of the Oregon Department of Revenue.

## Atkinson Alums Gather

The Atkinson Management Society (AMS), the alumni group for Willamette's Atkinson Graduate School of Management, gathered for a reunion on October 3 and 4. Activities included golf, dinners and a wine tasting tour, as well as a career management presentation.

Officers of the AMS executive board, elected in August, are Barbara Brunkow M'81, president; Ron Hamilton M'87, vice president; Lori Heckmann M'90, treasurer; Mark Green M'92, secretary; and Brian Bartholomew M'84, immediate past president. Also serving on the board are Sharon Blus M'95, Dan Fineberg M'81, Ann Glaze M'83, Ed Luttrell II M'77, Mark Shuholm M'88, Duncan Walker M'93 and Peter Skirvin M'97.



## A L U M N I C O N N E C T I O N S

### Looking for the Alumni Office?

Changes are taking place in the alumni office at Willamette University. The physical location of the office has changed. The United Methodist Archives moved to a new location in the Micah Building on State Street to free up space on the third floor of Waller Hall for the new Alumni Office.

The Alumni Office's web pages have a new look, too. You can update your address or phone information via the Internet; request a list of alumni in your area for career networking; find out information about events happening in your area; these are just a few of the things happening on the alumni website! Check out the Willamette Alumni On-line Community at <[www.willamette.edu/alumni](http://www.willamette.edu/alumni)>.

### Academic Listeners Program

Many alumni have inquired about the Academic Listeners Program at Willamette. Here is the lowdown: alumni may attend regularly scheduled classes without enrolling. As an academic listener, you may participate in limited classroom discussion, without taking examinations or being required to do assignments. Attend the first meeting, and before the end of the second week, take the academic listener application form to the instructor(s) to be signed. (Full-time students will get first preference.) Fees: \$60 a full-semester course; \$30 a half-semester course; senior citizens \$40 and \$20, respectively. For more information call (503) 370-6206.

*The Alumni Office has 360 tickets for the Splendors of Egypt exhibit at the Portland Art Museum on May 28. Call (503) 375-5304 for reservations.*

### Willamette's '50 by 2000' Campaign



Last fall the Willamette University Alumni Association launched an ambitious campaign, called "50 by 2000," the goal of which is to have more than 50 percent of Willamette alumni donating to the Annual Fund by the year 2000.

This campaign will be worth much more to the University than just the dollars we donate. When Willamette seeks foundation grants like the one that paid for the new \$7.1 million Olin Science Center, the University's quality is measured in many ways. One key test is how satisfied the University's alumni are and how much faith they have in the institution's future. The best demonstration of that is annual financial contributions.

Most of this country's premier universities consistently receive financial support from more than half their alumni, but Willamette has never achieved that level. Two years ago, 42 percent of Willamette alumni were donors. Last year, the figure slipped to 38 percent. (For historical perspective, it was about 13 percent in 1980.)

Many of us are very pleased by what we see at Willamette today, especially the dramatic improvements in many areas from physical plant to financial strength to the quality of students, faculty and curriculum (and of course Willamette's winning football team). What we may forget is that these things cannot continue without financial support from alumni. Alumni support is one of the few major issues that still separates Willamette from receiving recognition as a first-class national university. Achieving a 50 percent rate cannot happen unless alumni make it happen. The administration can't do it. The board of trustees can't do it. A few wealthy donors can't do it. Only the alumni can do it.

The most important thing each of us can do is make a donation this year and in future years. The second most important way to help is to spread the word to classmates and friends.

The nucleus of 50 by 2000 will be a committee from each graduating class working together with the Office of University Relations to make an annual appeal. The entire campaign should be fun for everybody involved as we renew our connections with one another. The campaign hasn't been fully formulated, and we're still looking for alumni who would like to be on class committees.

Although the University always welcomes and always needs substantial contributions, the 50 by 2000 campaign is about percentage participation. And in meeting our 50 percent target, a gift of \$10 counts as much as one of \$500.

Members of the Willamette board of trustees have personally promised to match all annual fund donations from alumni who have not contributed for the past three years. The Collins Foundation in Portland has pledged to do the same and to match increases in contributions from recent donors.

When we were students at Willamette, we were the beneficiaries of generations of men and women before us who cared enough to invest their time, their brains, their money and their hearts to create a university that would help our country build a better future. Right now it's especially important that we continue that investment.

— By Richard Buck '66  
Alumni Association President

## 1998 Alumni Travel Opportunities

The Continuing Education Committee for the Willamette University Alumni Association has endorsed these travel opportunities for alumni (and friends!) for 1998. For more information, contact the Office of Alumni Relations, 900 State Street, Salem, OR 97301, (503) 375-5304 or e-mail <alumni@willamette.edu>.

### College of Law Trip to Washington, D.C.

*Admission to the Supreme Court of the United States March 21-28, 1998*

You can join Willamette University College of Law (WUCL) alumni, family and friends for a week in the nation's capital and an opportunity for admission to practice before the U.S. Supreme Court. A group bar admittance ceremony will be on Tuesday, March 24. To qualify, applicants must obtain a certificate from the clerk, presiding judge or other official of the highest court of a state, evidencing membership in good standing in the Bar for at least three years. Only 15 spaces are available (\$100 additional payment).

The WUCL Office of Development and Alumni Relations has arranged a week-long travel package including round-trip airfare, lodging, Continuing Legal Education, tours of the Capitol, and the White House and an excursion to Gettysburg. Cost is \$1250 per person, double occupancy. For additional information or to reserve your space, call the WUCL Office of Development and Alumni Relations at (503) 370-6492 or toll-free 1-800-930-ALUM (2586) or e-mail Deleen Wills <dwills@willamette.edu>.

### Galapagos Islands and Ecuador May 29-June 5, 1998

Join Willamette University students and faculty in biology and Spanish language for a 10-day excursion to the Galapagos Islands and highland markets near Quito, Ecuador. A tourist boat will take you to numerous islands, where you can snorkel, swim, hike or lounge. Sun-

sets and animal and plant life are spectacular. Tour the islands for seven days, from May 29 to June 5, 1998, then fly back to Quito for two days, where options include indigenous markets in the highlands, or historical and cultural sites. Physical stamina is required—you might even hike up a volcano! Estimated cost: \$3100-\$3550. Just a few spots remain open. Includes airfare, transportation, boats, plus meals in the Galapagos Islands. Call or e-mail Dr. Susan Kephart (503) 370-6481 or (503) 371-7161 or <skephart@willamette.edu>.

### Golf Tour to Colorado

*Late June 1998*

Plans are being made for a late June golf tour to Colorado, featuring some of Colorado's best golf courses and lodging. Past trips have included historically significant and famous courses in Scotland and Ireland; the Monterey Peninsula; Hilton Head and Kiawah Island, South Carolina; Pinehurst, North Carolina; Lake Tahoe; and British Columbia. To receive more information when it becomes available, call (503) 370-6340 or e-mail <mbennett@willamette.edu>.

### Shakespeare in Ashland

*July 30-August 2, 1998*

Travel to Ashland (or meet the group there) on a four-day dash for a delightful dose of Shakespeare. Annually led by Professor Bill Braden and Alumni Director Jim Booth, you will see such classics as *Midsummer Night's Dream*, *Comedy of Errors*, and *King*

*Hemy IV, Part 1*. The Britt Music Festival and a trip to Crater Lake will be options at no extra cost! Limited to 25. Estimated cost will be \$575 (double occupancy) and \$725 (single occupancy).

### Heart of Alaska Cruise/Tour

*August 8-20, 1998*

Enjoy the best of Alaska via two modes of transportation: a seven-day cruise aboard the Sun Princess and five days on land featuring the Ultra Dome railcars of the Midnight Sun Express. In addition to seeing the inland passage, you will visit Anchorage and Fairbanks, with a scenic rail tour of Denali National Park and Mt. McKinley. Alumni Director Jim Booth and his wife, Sandy, plan to accompany the group. Fares will start at \$2667, not including airfare to Vancouver.

#### ALUMNI DIRECTORY UPDATE

After a year of updates and changes the 1997 Alumni Directory is finally finished and should be in your possession. If you have not received the copy you purchased, please call Cherri Nopp in the Alumni Office at (503) 375-5304. If you have not ordered a copy, but would like to have a directory, please call or e-mail <alumni@willamette.edu> the Alumni Office. ONLY \$19.95 plus shipping & handling. There is a limited supply, so order TODAY!

## Homecoming and Reunion Weekend: A Huge Success

**W**illamette University broke several records during Homecoming Weekend Oct. 17-19. The alumni office assisted in hosting 14 reunion classes with years ending in 2 & 7. In addition to the classes of 1972 and 1947 (celebrating their 25th and 50th reunions respectively), the classes of 1932 and 1937 decided to have separate class reunions outside of the traditional half-century reunion.

CONGRATULATIONS to the class of 1932 which had a record attendance for a 65th class reunion!

After the sesquicentennial celebration in 1992, this was the largest Homecoming Weekend ever. Willamette's football team also gained national acclaim. Excitement was in the air as junior Liz Heaston made college football history by being the first woman to ever play in collegiate football and the first to score — twice — in a game. The Bearcats' football victory over Linfield was sweet, with Liz's extra points really pushing Willamette into the spotlight. After the game, alumni met in the Cat Cavern in Putnam University Center for the alumni banquet. With over 365 alumni in attendance, another record was broken. If you have comments or suggestions for future reunion weekends, call the Alumni Office, (503) 375-5304.

### Distinguished Alumni Citation Recipients Honored

The 1997 Distinguished Alumni Citation Awards (established in 1957 to honor graduates who, in professional achievement and service to their communities, reflect the highest ideals of Willamette University) were presented to the following alumni:

**Mark Campbell, M.D. '67** (Medicine and International Health) received the award for his medical service both at home and abroad. He has dedicated his life to providing free and low-cost medical care to the underprivileged.



*Robert Donovan '47 receives an Alumni Citation from Bryan Johnston, interim president.*

**Robert Donovan '47** (Community Service) was honored for his involvement in the Salem community. He is a retired teacher and school administrator, who has involved himself in several service organizations. He has also served the University as a volunteer.

**Loren Hicks '42** (Legal and Community Service) practiced law in Salem until 1957 when then-Secretary of State Mark Hatfield asked him to join his staff. Thus began a 24-year career in state government in positions ranging from legal counsel for the governor to judge and state court administrator.

**Doris McCain Loder '52** (Music) grew up playing the violin in the Portland Youth Symphony. She is now a professional violist, and has played with the Orchestra Society of Philadelphia, Princeton Chamber Orchestra, Trenton Symphony, Delaware Symphony, Reading Symphony and Kennett Symphony Orchestra.

**Claris Poppert '57** (Business and Philanthropy) has an outstanding record of public service to Oregon that includes serving on boards and raising funds for numerous non-profit organizations. He has operated a successful international business, Tom Benson Industries, for several years.

**Allan Voigt '47** (Medicine) retired in 1988 from the Eisenhower Medical Center in Rancho Mirage, Calif., where he served as vice president and medical director. He worked with former First Lady Betty Ford in setting up and operating the Betty Ford Center for the treatment of alcoholism and other drug dependencies, and prior to that was medical consultant to the State of California in Sacramento.

**Jim Vidal '67** received the Sparks Medallion for service to Willamette.

The Lestle J. Sparks Medallion, established in 1981, is awarded annually to the graduate whose loyalty and service to the University best reflects the ideals of one of Willamette's most devoted alumni, Lestle J. Sparks '19.

Jim Vidal is a tireless worker for Willamette and one of the University's most successful admission counselors. Each year Vidal, an attorney in Kalispell, Mont., develops a list of outstanding students in the Flathead Valley area, and then begins telling them about Willamette.

Each January he hosts a dinner for prospective students and admission counselors, which he pays for himself, then follows up with a special mailing and personal telephone calls to prospective students.

Since Vidal started this program, Willamette has enjoyed tremendous admission success in the Flathead Valley area.

His interest doesn't stop with admission, however. He also spends a great deal of time during the rest of the year with parents, as well as students. Once or twice during the year he visits campus, takes the Flathead Valley contingent to lunch and catches up on how they are doing.

Vidal has been a member of the Alumni Association board of directors since 1992.



## CLASS LINKS

### 1920s

- **C. Gilbert '26 H'52 and Kathleen (LaRaut) '24 Wrenn** live in Tempe, Ariz. They were married 70 years ago by WU President Carl Gregg Doney. In 1995, Gilbert published *Intelligence, Feelings, Caring; Some Personal Perceptions*, his 38th book.
- **Ila G. Comstock '26** lives at Rose Villa in Portland, Ore., where she is on the United Christian Fellowship executive committee. She also volunteers at Emanuel Hospital and has accumulated over 13,500 hours at a variety of jobs.
- **Margaret (Raught) Kramis '27** still lives in the home in Hamilton, Mont., which she and her late husband, Nick, built in 1936-37. Her two sons live in Savannah, Ga., and Portland, Ore.
- **Edna (Wentz) Pesonen '27** lives in Beaverton, Ore. She still corresponds with **Edna (Ledbetter) Paris '27**. They carry on the tradition of the five Delta Phi graduates of the Class of '27 who maintained a "Round Robin" correspondence over the years. The other members were Letha (Miller) Moorland, Sadie Jo (Douglas) Read and Eleanor (Merewether) Lobaugh.
- **G. Kenneth '29 L'29 and Frances (McGilvra) '30 Litchfield** are retired and live in Newport, Ore. Kenneth's office, where he practiced from 1940-90, has been reconstructed by the Lincoln County Historical Society with his roll-top desk, manual typewriter, safe, file cabinet, photos and other memorabilia. Ken and Frances are parents of **Carol (Litchfield) Rehfuss '56**, **Ralph Litchfield '60** and **Richard Litchfield '63**.
- **Beatrice L. White '29** made a gift to the University to establish the Class of 1929 Scholarship Fund. Other contributions to the fund are welcome. When fully endowed, the fund will assist generations of Willamette students in the name of the Class of 1929.

### 1930s

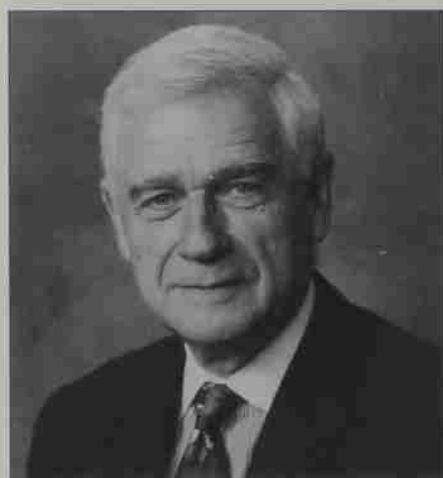
- **Helene (Price) Green '30** is retired and lives in Chehalis, Wash. She writes that she is appreciative of the music education she had and for the benefits in everyday life of music, the universal language.
- **Clarence A. Poor '32** retired from his solo practice of internal medicine in Oakland, Calif., last summer, after 52 years.
- **Paul H. Hauser '36** of Portland, Ore., and his sister, **Margaret (Hauser) Ebert '38** of Salem, cruised through the Panama Canal in February 1997.
- **Donald J. Egr '36** lives in the Rose Villa retirement community in Milwaukie, Ore., and is a member of the board of directors of the Rose Villa Foundation.
- **Jean (McElhinney) Nelson '37** lives on a wheat ranch between Lone and Lexington, Ore., in Morrow county. She is busy with church, Historical Society and the Oregon Trail, which passes through the county.
- **Margaret (Macy) Wilson '39** is a volunteer for Rolling Reader USA. One day per week, she reads to four elementary classes at a school a few miles from the 1992 Los Angeles riot area. It is a rewarding opportunity.

### 1940s

- **George P. Gutekunst '41** of Sonoma, Calif., is writing a series of short stories and a novel he started and abandoned 52 years ago.
- **Enid (Nelson) Ashford '43** and husband **Bud** celebrated 50 years of marriage Feb. 9, 1997. They met at a Willamette Beta Chi (now Pi Beta Phi) sorority house party in 1942, and married in 1947. They live in Portland, Ore.
- **Paul Jaquith '46** and wife **Farah** live in Goshen, N.Y. Paul is a retired professor at the City University of New York, but teaches one course in educational psychology and maintains a private practice in psychotherapy.
- **Lora (Curtis) Lafky '47** of Benicia, Calif., attended the 50th reunion of the Class of 1947.
- **Dale and Marilee (Olson) Morgan '49** have retired in Pleasanton, Calif., to enjoy travel, gardening and community service. Marilee received the Fellow of the College award from Rio Hondo Community College District in Whittier, Calif., in recognition of her 14 years as a member of the governing board of trustees.
- **Karl Thelen E'49** lives at Capital Manor in West Salem. He has been a member of the Salem First Presbyterian Church choir for over 50 years, 20 years in the Musicator Quartet. He is volunteer director of the Capital Manor ladies' and men's choruses, and is garden editor of the Salem Area Garden Club newsletter.

### 1950s

- **Dale G. Cleaver '50** is retired from the faculty of the University of Tennessee, and lives in Knoxville. He cruises on Chesapeake Bay five months of each year and travels to the Oregon coast each summer to gather materials for paintings.
- **Fabian A. Nelson '50** and wife **Frances** of Salem celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary, March 14, with their three children.
- **Sara "Sally" (Smith) Gunn '51** and husband **George** live in Banner Elk, N.C., and enjoy life in the mountains. She works for National Campus Ministry Association, is part-time church secretary, presbytery nominating committee member, and pursues porcelain dollmaking.
- **Dale Parnell '51** lives in Salem and is a professor emeritus at Oregon State University, School of Education. In 1996 his latest book, *Why Do I Have to Learn This?* was published.
- **Phillip Hammond '52 E'53**, in the fall of 1996 was the Eric Vogelien guest professor at the University of Munich, Germany. His 14th book, *From Toleration to Liberty*, was published.



Mark O. Hatfield

### Meyer Memorial Trust to Endow Hatfield Chair

Willamette University has received a grant from the Meyer Memorial Trust for \$1 million to endow the Mark O. Hatfield Chair in Politics.

Hatfield, who graduated from Willamette in 1943 and then served as dean of students and professor of politics from 1949 until his entry into full-time politics in 1956, has returned to the University as a professor once again. Fall semester he taught a class about the U.S. Senate. Hatfield served in the U.S. Senate from 1966 until his retirement last year.

Born in Dallas, Ore., Hatfield attended Salem schools and received a bachelor's degree in political science from Willamette. While still dean of students at Willamette, he was given permission by then-President G. Herbert Smith to also serve in the Oregon Legislature. In 1956, at the age of 34, Hatfield became the youngest secretary of state in Oregon history; he was chosen soon after as governor, and after two terms in that office, entered the U.S. Senate.

After Hatfield's retirement from Willamette's faculty, the chair will support a permanent position in the Politics Department of the College of Liberal Arts.

The Meyer Memorial Trust of Portland was created by the personal philanthropy of Fred G. Meyer and is in no way connected with Fred Meyer, Inc.

## Gifts Provide Financial Aid for Students

Providing adequate financial aid and controlling graduates' debt load are ongoing concerns for Willamette University's board of trustees and its administration. Over the past several months, Willamette's students, present and future, have benefited from the generous foresight of several donors.

Since the early 1980s, Willamette has received distributions from the estate of Spencer Collins, a Eugene lumberman, most of which have gone to create the Willamette Honors Scholarship Fund. A recent distribution of \$1,160,691 further enhanced that fund which now totals more than \$4 million.

Maynard Wilson graduated from the College of Law in 1940 and practiced law in Cottage Grove, Ore. Before his death in 1994, he made arrangements

for a major portion of his estate to come to Willamette after his wife's death. The University recently received \$613,717 to create an endowment to provide financial aid for students in the College of Law.

Through the Oregon Community Foundation, John and Elizabeth Gray have arranged for a gift of \$500,000 to establish two endowed scholarships funds. One honors Garrison J. Gray, John Gray's grandfather, who attended Willamette in 1852 to become a teacher. The other is named for Elizabeth Gray's father, George Neuner, a 1908 graduate of the College of Law who later became the district attorney of Douglas County, the U.S. attorney for Oregon and Oregon's attorney general.

### Lecture Inaugurates Newly Established Lear Endowed Chair

Willamette University's eleventh chair, the Dwight and Margaret Lear Chair in American (Pacific Northwest) History was inaugurated on Oct. 15. The inaugural lecture was given by Lawrence D. Cress, historian and dean of the College of Liberal Arts, who was appointed as the first occupant of the chair. The lecture topic was "In Search of a Secure Society: Citizenship, Federalism and Military Service in the Early American Republic."

The chair has been established through a series of gifts by Dwight and Margaret Lear. Dwight earned his bachelor's degree in history from Willamette in 1929 and his law degree in 1932. Both Dwight and Margaret have been long-time supporters of Willamette, having established several scholarships and made many other special gifts to the University. Dwight was awarded the Les Sparks Medallion in 1995, in recognition of his loyalty and service to the University.



Bryan Johnston with Dwight Lear, who co-established Willamette's eleventh endowed chair.

## Brothers Take Different Paths in Fight for Justice

AS TWIN BROTHERS, MARK AND BRUCE HARMON, CLASS OF 1966, WERE BORN, RAISED AND EDUCATED TOGETHER. DESPITE SIMILAR BACKGROUNDS, THEY HAVE FOUND HAPPINESS IN TWO DISTINCT OCCUPATIONS: MARK IN LAW AND BRUCE AS A TELEVISION SCREENWRITER. THE ONE COMMONALITY IS THAT BOTH BROTHERS HAVE ACHIEVED SUCCESS IN THEIR CHOSEN FIELDS.

Their mother, Lilian, often reflects on their childhood as the foundation for their future successes. They have "always been like knights in shining armor, going to the aid of others," she said. Though they were very different, she says, "they really followed each other."

As they looked to college, both brothers were interested in Willamette. However, there wasn't enough money for both to attend. Seeing their dilemma, George Atkinson, a friend of their mother, offered them both scholarships to attend Willamette.

When they first enrolled, Mark planned to be a dentist, while Bruce was looking ahead to law school. Mark's interest in dentistry didn't last long — "I didn't care to look at rotten bicuspid for the rest of my life" — and he soon found himself sharing Bruce's passion for law. "I got interested in law because of Bruce," he said.

Their experiences at Willamette significantly shaped their lives. When they attended Willamette in the 1960s, no student was allowed to drink alcohol. If a student was accused of drinking, he or she could be expelled on the basis of that accusation without any form of a hearing. They remember one professor, Ivan Lovell, who opposed these rules. The British history professor stood up for the students, yet "he was marginalized," according to Bruce. Professor Lovell stood for fairness, but he was ridiculed by others at the school.

Mark and Bruce took Lovell's mission — standing up for fairness — with them to law school. They both attended Hastings College of Law in San Fran-

cisco. But after graduating, their lives finally diverged.

Mark decided to work for the government as a public defender, and it wasn't long before he achieved success in that area. He won the U.S. Attorney General Distinguished Service Award, the highest award given to Department of Justice attorneys, for his prosecution of the criminal case against Exxon for the Exxon Valdez oil spill. The settlement was the largest criminal settlement ever, and Mark believes it "changed the way people looked at the environment."

Mark has also served as a federal civil rights defender, where he worked to protect the rights of people, as well as fight against those who work to limit others' rights, such as the Ku Klux Klan. Currently he is prosecuting Bosnian war crimes in The Hague. "It's a tragedy," he says, "that extremists prevailed and were able to convince neighbors to kill their neighbors." Mark has remained a public defender because, "I am not interested in a paycheck. I'm interested in making a contribution."

Like his brother, Bruce also strives to make a contribution, but in a very different venue. Though he has a law degree, he has never practiced law. "I probably wouldn't have been a very good lawyer," he said. After graduation he found himself working in advertising and one of his clients was ABC. He began writing the blurbs about television programs that one reads in magazines like *TV Guide*. To write the descriptions, Bruce had to read scripts, and he soon realized that he "could write as badly as those scripts were written."



Mark and Bruce Harmon '66 as children.

Bruce has written about two dozen movies, and all of them have been real-life stories that encounter a particular issue, such as racism, rape and abortion. He feels that his most dramatic movie was "Any Mother's Son," which aired on the Lifetime network in August. It received the channel's highest viewership for that month. It tells the story of a Navy sailor who was murdered because he was homosexual, and the Navy's cover-up of the murder. Bruce has received several Emmys and Aces (both are television awards), and he has also been awarded the Humanitis Award for his humanitarian efforts.

For both brothers, their number one supporter is each other. "He's my best friend," says Mark of Bruce. And Bruce agrees. "We talk two or three times a week. You should see the phone bill." Another ardent supporter is their mother. "I'm really proud. They've achieved a lot, but more importantly, they're both very decent people."

Perhaps their jobs really aren't so different after all. They both have remained true to themselves, and have fought for what they believe is fair. And, as Bruce points out, they are both advocates. "Mark is an advocate in the law, and I am an advocate for the issues."

— Benjamin Worsley

- **Suzanne (Shipley) Dreyer '53** of San Francisco is a travel agent and owner of Ewald Travel Service.
- **Shirley (Griffin) Jacobs '53** and husband Del have a new home on the water in Port Ludlow, Wash. They enjoy retirement, winter at their beach condo in California, traveling and their sailboat.
- **Ann (Shidell) Mueller '53** and husband Lee toured Australia and Tasmania for four weeks during October and November 1996, then divided two weeks between Tahiti and the north island of New Zealand. They live in Houston, Texas.
- **Patsy (Faber) Stratton '53** of Eugene, Ore., has been caregiver for her aunt, **Leola (Johnson) Faber '35**, in Central Point, Ore., for five years. Patsy is now semi-retired.
- **Dale T. '54** and wife **Jan (DeWeese) '55 Ackerman** of Camarillo, Calif., spent seven weeks in Asia. Dale worked with schools in Korea and New Guinea for Western Association of Schools and Colleges accreditation. Both were selected to work in accreditation of education departments that certify California teachers.
- **Fadhilla (Peters) Bradley '55** is retired in Berkeley, Calif., where she is involved with the Tibetan community. She is a sponsor of Tibetans in India and Nepal, and has a Tibetan student living with her.
- **Roland B. Bliss '56** writes that he has found his way home to Oregon with a small horse ranch in Sisters.
- **Robert G. and Marilyn (Russell) Kaufman '56** are semi-retired and live in Medford, Ore., after a 10-year absence from Oregon family and friends. Bob is a consultant in medical management and Marilyn is a nurse.
- **John A. and Carol (Litchfield) Rehfuss '56** of Newport, Ore., spent Christmas 1996 in Denver, Colo., with their three children and five grandchildren.
- **Richard C. Brockway '57** lives in Middleboro, Mass., and owns Ancient Art International, selling antiquities from ancient Greece, Rome, Egypt, Middle East, China, Gandhara and Islam.
- **A. Dan Feller '57 MME'64** of Portland, Ore., retired from teaching after 30 years. He is an applied chemist at Intel Corporation and the owner of three patents. He is also the proud grandfather of four.
- **E. Harvey Koepf '57** retired after 25 years in teaching, but continues as a West Coast

scout for the Detroit Tigers. He and wife Mary Ann live in Half Moon Bay, Calif., and spend their time biking and sailing in northern California and the Northwest, in the summer.

- **E. Keith '58** and **Carolyn (Burr) '57 Neubauer** live in Vancouver, Wash. They are retired but continue to teach music privately and are involved in church, musical and community organizations. Their travels have taken them to England, Italy, Alaska and up and down the Pacific coast.
- **Carole (Pfaff) von Schmidt '57** of Salt Lake City, Utah, received a Granite Foundation Catalyst Award from previous students for excellence in teaching and an award for multi-cultural literature curriculum development from the Granite District.
- **Paul Aldinger '58** retired in June 1996, after 35 years of teaching. After 30 years in the political science department of Clark College, he and wife Nadine moved to their home on Puget Island. Paul was reappointed by the governor of Washington to another four-year term on the State Legislative Ethics Board. He also serves on the Committee on Episcopacy of The United Methodist Church, Pacific Northwest Conference.
- **Harold Mischke '58** and wife Sheila have returned to Salem after eight years overseas in Malaysia, Thailand, India and Albania. Harold is senior administrator in human resources at Praegitzer Industries in Dallas, Ore.

## 1960s

- **Carol (Dixon) Oakes '60** teaches at the West Hills Elementary School in Knoxville, Tenn.
- **Sammie (Barker) McCormack '61** lives in San Diego, Calif., is a consultant for the California and U.S. Departments of Education, and does professional writing. She vacationed for six weeks of 1997 in Greece, Turkey, Italy, France and Spain.
- **G. William "Bill" Paulson Jr. '61 L'65** and wife Jeani are active in residential real estate sales in Sun City, Ariz.
- **Ed Thornton '61** of Monterey, Calif., was designated Distinguished Professor at the Naval Postgraduate School where he has taught since 1969.
- **Ray M. Blouin '62** of Lexington, Va., and **Tom Adams '62** of Santa Barbara, Calif., are recording an album as part of the folk group,

the Wayfarers, which began at the Sigma Chi house in 1958.

- **Marcia (Ruby) '62** and **Jim '64 Douglas** live in Portland. Jim is a self-employed computer graphic and image animation designer. He provided the video animation, computer graphics and computer-generated sound for the Columbia Gorge Discovery Center at The Dalles, Ore., and the Washington Historical Museum in Tacoma. Marcia is manager of Workforce — Educational Programs in the Portland Development Commission.
- **Nancy (Gray) Snyder '62** and husband Wayne of Alamo, Calif., traveled 22,000 miles around the U.S. in 1996. Wayne is retired and Nancy took a year's leave of absence from teaching.



- **John T. Baker '63**, vice president of student services at San Diego Mesa College, was chosen to attend the League for Innovation in the Community College's Executive Leadership Institute in August in Newport Beach, Calif.

- **Gail Durham '63** was awarded the Sister Shawn Marie Barry Distinguished Service to Youth Award from the Pacific Northwest Association for College Admission Counselors. She left her teaching and counseling position of 27 years at the Catlin Gabel School in Portland, Ore., to be an independent college counselor, using her home office.
- **Charles H. Evans '63** and wife Margi attended the 50th anniversary of the Miami Triad at Willamette. Charlie is senior vice president of Lustig & Co. in San Francisco.
- **Mary Gayle (Shaffer) Stewart '64**, **Sharon (Paulsen) Beardsley '64** and **Nan (Means) Steenson '64** had a mini-reunion in April at Mary Gayle's home in Phoenix, Ariz. She is an assistant to the pastors at Camelback Bible Church.
- **Linda Pond '64** is developing a vineyard on her ranch in Gilroy, Calif., she also opened the first gallery of Billie Coyne International watercolor art in Los Gatos and is active in Silicon Valley real estate and ranch property.
- **Leslie (Minkner) Duncan '66** of San Rafael, Calif., was a Legend Award Winner in March 1997 from Prudential Real Estate Affiliates. Only 35 real estate agents in the U.S. and Canada have ever received this honor.

Plateau Golf Country Club which opened August 1997, after a long struggle with King County's entitlement process.

- **Olu S. Sarr '80** lives in Dakar, Senegal. He is an editor for the English service of the Pan African news agency. Occasional assignments take him away from headquarters, such as Seoul, S. Korea, in 1994 and the World Food Summit in Rome in 1996.
- **Robert Skinner '80** is a surgeon and assistant chief of urology with Kaiser Permanente in Portland, Ore. He is also on the staff at St. Vincent's Hospital and is an adjunct professor at Oregon Health Sciences University. He and his wife, Susan, have three children.
- **Dawn (Lien) Betts '81** and husband Steve teach at the International School, Bangkok, Thailand. They have two children, Braden, 9, and Lauren, 5.
- **Donald L. Krahmer Jr. '81 M/1987**, a partner in the Portland firm of Black Heltelme, is chair-elect of the Oregon State Bar Business Law Section for 1999. Editorship of the section's publication, *Oregon Business Lawyer*, is shared by faculty of Oregon's three law schools.
- **Heidi Breyer '82** is the senior director of health and fitness at the downtown YMCA in Oakland, Calif.
- **Bruce A. Bornholdt '83** is an associate attorney with Sather & Associates in Portland, Ore. The firm's emphasis is personal injury litigation.
- **Susan (Breshears) Buck '83**, husband Cameron and six children moved to St. Paul, Ore., where they farm and home school. Susan is on the Oregon Department of Education Home School Advisory Committee.
- **Sharon Roe '83** is senior marketing manager for REDGATE in St. Andrews, Scotland. Her husband, Gerard DeGroot, is a senior lecturer at the University of St. Andrews.



claims and marketing. Andy joined Farmers in 1985.

- **Andy Laudenslager '84** was appointed Virginia state executive director of Farmers Insurance. His office is responsible for business results in the state and supervises all legislative and regulatory matters.
- **Eric W. Paulson '84**, CEO and president of Lektro, Inc., in Warrenton, Ore., was 1997 Small Business Person of the Year for Oregon.
- **George Weaver '84** completed his doctorate in statistics at Oregon State University in 1996. He and wife Carol and two sons live in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia, where he is a research fellow at the Forestry Research Institute.
- **Brenda (Wagner) Gantz '85** completed a regional anesthesiology fellowship at Virginia Mason Medical Center and is an attending physician at Maricopa Medical Center in Phoenix, Ariz., in the anesthesiology department.
- **Jeff Butler '86** is president of Choice One Finance Corp. in Glendale, Calif.
- **Wayne Epps '86** and wife Marcia moved to Eatontown, N.J., after three years in Germany. Wayne is a contract manager for the U.S. Army at Fort Monmouth, N.J. They have two children Andrew, 6, and Francesca, 4.
- **Randall S. Fallau '86** and wife Tracy own Island Marine Service, a marine repair and storage business, in Kaneohe, Hawaii. Daughter Sierra is 3.
- **Guy B. Mulder '86** is senior veterinarian at the University of California at Irvine, after completing post-doctoral training at the University of Washington.
- **Francie Sharpe '86** completed five years of residency in orthopedic surgery and has a one-year fellowship in hand surgery at the University of Southern California.
- **Lauren Canning-Luckenbach '87** works in human resources at United Nations Capital Development Fund in New York. She spent two years with the U.N. in Laos and has been back at U.N. headquarters for almost four years.
- **Jane (Feige) '87** and her partner Paul Sauer share the combined last name of Sage. They live in Portland, Ore.
- **John E. Hasbrook '87 L'91** is an attorney in Monmouth, Ore. He and wife Michelle have two children and live on a ranch.
- **Marilyn (Cholometes) Tzolomitis '87** and family have moved to Bainbridge Island, Wash. She and husband Jim celebrated their 10th wedding anniversary.

- **John '89 and Janine (Pringle) '88 L'92 Blatt** live in Ellicott City, Md., where John is director of field operations with the Enterprise Foundation.
- **Leanne (Chrisman)-Khawam '88** is a faculty member at the University of Pittsburgh Medical School affiliated Family Medicine Residency at Meadville Medical Center in Meadville, Pa.
- **Melissa (Rose)-Essdadi '88** is director of foundation and corporate grants for Mercy Corps, International, a non-profit humanitarian assistance organization, headquartered in Portland, Ore.
- **Anne Elizabeth McCormack '88 MAT '94** teaches special education at Heritage Elementary in Woodburn, Ore.
- **Christopher B. Ross-Davis '88** and wife Kelly live in Birmingham, Ala. Chris is an immigration advisor-tax affairs at the University of Alabama at Birmingham Center for International Programs.
- **Rhonda Studnick '88** is a consultant for Andersen Consulting in Portland, Ore.
- **Thomas D. '88 and Jennifer (Long) '89 Ward** live in Tigard, Ore. Tom is a supervisor for a lighting manufacturer's representative.
- **Roxann (Ingersoll) Ashworth '89** and family live in Baltimore, Md. Roxann is a research technician at Johns Hopkins University and mother of two.
- **Todd Doran '89** received a master's degree from Oregon State University and finished Physician Assistant School in August 1997. He has accepted a commission in the U.S. Navy and is stationed at the Naval Hospital in Beaufort, S.C. His wife, Angela, is President Emeritus Jerry Hudson's daughter.
- **Mark A. Fink '89** is a graduate student in library and information science at San Jose State University in Calif.
- **Donald F. Potter '89** received his teaching credential from the University of San Francisco and taught fourth grade in 1993-94. In December 1994 he went to Guinea, West Africa, with a United Nations-sponsored refugee education project for Libertain and Sierra Leonean refugees in Guinea. He worked on teacher-training, curriculum development and school construction, returning in August 1996. He is in the master's program in international education at Stanford University.

• In August 1996 a mini-reunion of Chi Omegas was held in Kirkwood, Calif. (near South Lake Tahoe), at the vacation home of Carol (Schmidt) Huebner '67. Attending were: Cathy (Goodart) Blumberg '67, Jan (Loomis) Faust '67 and her daughter, Vicky (Withcombe) Remy '93 MAT'94, Sue (Johnson) Harper '67, Lois Horton '67, Kirk Ann (Christensen) Neil '67, Carol (Pratt) Olson '66, Marcy (Harvey) Taylor '67, Susan (Robertson) Rotramel '67 and Janyne (McLeod) Slabaugh '67.

• Carol (Curtis) Stiltz '67 is a writer and part-time instructor at Flathead Valley Community College in Columbia Falls, Mont. She is doing research for a series of children's books.

• Jeffrey R. Slottow '67 and wife Joan of Los Angeles, Calif., celebrated their 26th anniversary in May. Jeff and his melodic jammed with other musicians in Yosemite at the Memorial Day weekend bluegrass festival, to start a month-long trip to Massachusetts for their son's graduation from MIT.

• Kenneth Fukunaga '68 received a national distinguished service award in document management from the Association for Information and Image Management, in New York City. Ken is senior partner in the law firm Fukunaga, Matayoshi, Hershey and Ching in Honolulu, Hawaii.

• Lynnette (Jones) Tracadas '68 teaches Spanish in San Bernardino, Calif.

• Clayton '68 and Mary Susan (Pacquer) '69 Morris boast of the total WU family commitment, including daughter Andrea Morris '93 in psychology and son Jonathan Morris '97 in sociology. Clayton is chief liturgical officer at the Episcopal Church Center in New York and Mary Susan is sales manager for Empire Blue Cross.

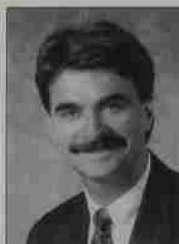
• Larry H. Brown '69 lives in Junction City, Ore., where he retired and sold his ownership in a petroleum distribution company.

• Suzanne (Cauble) Levitas '69 lived in Rayong, Thailand, in 1996-97, and worked for the Thai government. She moved to Rosario, Argentina, in mid-June for a one-year assignment with General Motors.

## 1970s

• Kimbal '70 and Susan (Upton) '72 Logan live in Vancouver, Wash., and have a real estate company there. Kim is president of the Clark County YMCA and was Volunteer of the Year in 1996.

• Glenn Steiner '72 celebrated his 20th year as a freelance photographer in Sausalito, Calif. Corporate projects have taken him from Camas, Wash., and Milpitas, Calif., to Singapore and Penang, Malaysia.



• Ray Colvin '73 is regional vice president of Piatti Restaurant Company. He is responsible for the renovation of Piatti on Broadway in the Benson Hotel in Portland, and development in the Northwest.

• Scot and Joann (Young) Dannen '73 are divided between El Segundo, Calif., and Colorado Springs, Colo. Joann teaches biological and physical sciences and math at El Segundo High School and Scot is comptroller and manager for Wise Electric's office in Colorado Springs.

• Lynne (Mitchell) Baab '74 was ordained as a Presbyterian minister in August. She is a half-time associate pastor at Bethany Presbyterian Church in Seattle, Wash.

• Bradley H. Boyden '74 teaches biology at Oregon Episcopal School in Portland, Ore.

• Matthew H. Brink '75 M'79 is the publisher of Butte Publications in Hillsboro, Ore., which produces books for deaf people, parents of deaf children and teachers.

• Janet (Brock) Carlson '75 and husband Kevin live in Salem. Janet was committee administrator to the House Committee on Children and Families in the 1997 Oregon legislative session. She received a Ph.D. in education this fall from the University of Oregon.

• David C. Jory '75 L'78 is vice president of R. Duffy Wall & Associates in Washington, D.C., a government relations consulting firm. He and wife Linda have two sons, Calvin, 6, and Ryan, 3.

• Dee Miller Staple '75 lives in Salem and is a commercial real estate appraiser.

• Lei-Ann (Stender) Durant '77 and husband Ron are owners of Florextotica Hawaii. They specialize in permanent flowers and trees and provide interior design consultation. They have two sons.

• José J. Fernández '77 and wife Veronica live in Vista, Calif. José is an associate professor/counselor at Palomar College in Escondido.

• Virginia (Daquil) Smethers '77 is a real estate agent for Realty One, Inc., in Gig

Harbor, Wash. The family is remodeling an old farm house with an orchard. They have two children.

• Darvl L. Williams '77 moved back to Bend, Ore., where he teaches golf, is remodeling a barn into a home, models and does some acting.

• Susan Ruff '78 and her mother, Thelma Ruff '53, traveled to Norway in summer 1996 for a relative's 100th birthday. Susan is married to Rey Medina and lives in Rock Springs, Wyo.

• Steve Whorf '78 works for DHL International in Singapore and travels extensively in Asia on business. (See page 48)

• Sandra J. Barton '79 is an internist/pediatrician in Forest Grove, Ore.

• Jeffrey N. Christiansen '79 is the medical administrator for California Physical Medicine in Bakersfield, Calif. He and wife Stacey were married March 1, 1996. Daughter Danielle Beatrice was born Apr. 11, 1997, and son Connor is 7.

• Harriett (Metzler) Dalos '79 is a full-time, stay-at-home mom for her two sons, Matthew, 5, and Martin, 2, in Auburn, Wash.

• John Robert Deller '79 is president of Desert Capital Management Group, Inc. in Palm Desert, Calif. He is divorced and missing his son, Cory, age 7.

• Raissa Fleming '79 toured in 1994 with Artists Repertory Theatre to India, Pakistan, Bangladesh, Sri Lanka, Nepal, Kenya, Egypt, Syria and Jordan. The highlight was meeting Mother Teresa in Calcutta. She is now in the role of mother to Robert Aiden Fleming, born Nov. 17, 1996.

• Larry J. Houle '79 is senior manager for long distance products at General Communications, Inc. GCI is an Alaska-based telecommunications company offering long distance, cellular, internet, cable TV and local services. Larry, wife Sunnie and three sons are building a family log cabin on a lake one hour north of Anchorage.

## 1980s

• C.S. "Cammy" (Shay) '80 and Ernest L'80 Artiz and three children live aboard a 43-foot sailboat, "Vientos del Mar," in League City, Texas. Ernest is an attorney and Cammy is a college instructor.

• Hiro Hino '80 and family live in Woodinville, Wash. Hiro is president of

• **Schelleen E. Scott '89** is promotion and sponsorship director at *Seattle Weekly/Eastside Week*. She has climbed all the major peaks in Washington state and volunteers with the Seattle Mountaineers Club as a hikes leader.

1990s

• **Aiko (Kasukawa) Chin '90** and her husband bought a new home in Omiya, Saitama, Japan. Their daughter, Satone-Huei Jou, 2, likes to play with the vegetables they plant.

• **Trent Eastman '90** and wife Christie live in Dhaka, Bangladesh. Trent is country director for Food for the Hungry International, which integrates human resources development, primary education and micro-enterprise development. Son Jacob Sebastian was born in May 1996. Both Trent and Christie do workshops in Korea and Japan on "perspectives of world hunger," "Christian response to hunger" and "relief and development."

• **David D. Schultz '90** and wife Kristi live in Marysville, Wash. David is an agency interface analyst at AMS Services, Inc., in Bothell.

• **Douglas A. Schumaker '90** is a third-year resident in internal medicine at St. Vincent Hospital in Portland, Ore. Daughter Halle Makera was born Feb. 18, 1996.

• **William Wilkerson '90** received a doctorate in philosophy at Purdue University and is an assistant professor of philosophy at the University of Alabama in Huntsville. He lives with Michael Hames-Garcia '93.

• **Steven A. Bradbury '91** is an engineer for Solid Systems in Denver, Colo.

• **Suzanne (Allen)-Guerra '91** is an architectural intern at Matt Stais Architects in Fairplay, Colo. She received a grant to document the architecture of Mary Jane Colter in the Southwest.

• **Molly Hamblin '91** received a master of theological studies from Drew Theological School in Madison, N.J., and the Toombs Award for outstanding scholarship in Old Testament history. She is office manager for Dr. Grewe & Assoc., an accounting firm specializing in German multi-national corporations with U.S. branches. She lives in Port Chester, N.Y.

• **Patrick Kurkoski '91** graduated from Lewis & Clark Law School in May.



• **Andrew Hermann '93** was the only U.S. qualifier in the 50K Racewalk at the 1997 World Track & Field Championships held Aug. 1-10 in Athens, Greece. He trained in Barcelona, Spain, for a year prior to the World Championships, coached by Jose Marin. His time in the 50K improved by seven minutes to 3:58:54 (7:38/mile), 3:20 at the marathon

distance (26.2 miles); and at 20K improved by two minutes to 1:26:07 (6:50/mile). However, he was disqualified at 38K (23.75 miles). Of the 42 competitors in the field, 15 were disqualified and over 30 received red warning cards. (Any competitor with three is disqualified.)

Andrew sees the turning point in his racewalking as the time he spent in Lake Placid, N.Y., following graduation from WU. His coach emphasized that one can only do two things at a time well. When Andrew thinks back to his time at WU he sees that he had too much on his plate.

Andrew is in the master's program in International Business at the University of San Diego and training at the U.S. Olympic Center in San Diego, Calif. His goal is to compete at the 1999 World Track & Field Championships in Seville, Spain, and the 2000 Olympics in Sydney, Australia.



• **Angie Smith '92** and **Chris Simmons '93** were captains of Harvard Graduate School intramural basketball teams; Angie as captain-coach for the philosophy department team, and Chris as captain-coach for the Cronkhite Graduate Center team (made up of students from the Kennedy School of Government and School of Education). The teams had the best records in the league and met in the finals where the philosophy team won. Angie is a doctoral student in philosophy and Chris received his master's in administration, planning and social policy. Chris lives in Washington, D.C., where he is a policy analyst for the National Commission on the Cost of Higher Education.

• **Charles '93** and **Molly (Borghorst) '91 Mickley** live in Cincinnati, Ohio. Charles graduated from the University of Cincinnati College of Law in May, and Molly is in her final year.

• **Chris Roche '91** is the first executive director of the KIDSPORTS Foundation in Eugene, Ore. KIDSPORTS has provided youth sports activities in the Eugene-Springfield area for more than 40 years and the foundation was formed to serve as the fundraising and public-relations arm of KIDSPORTS.

• **Paula M. Bandonis '92** completed her master's degree in applied population research at the Institute of Population Studies, University of Exeter (England) in fall 1996. She is a Japanese interpreter in Portland, Ore.

• **Kim (Coghlan) Koning '92** lives in Olympia, Wash. She completed her doctoral degree in English Literature at the University of Michigan, with a dissertation that studied the manuscripts of four Victorian authors.

• **Coral A. Pruitt '92** lives in Roseburg, Ore., and is executive director of the American Red Cross for Douglas County.

## Gift From Strangers Puts Sacre on the Road to Success

FROM HIS HOMETOWN OF SALEM, ORE., TO ATLANTA, GA., JEFF SACRE '89 M'90 HAS VENTURED FAR FROM WILLAMETTE'S CAMPUS TO ESTABLISH A SUCCESSFUL CAREER AND GROWING FAMILY. CURRENTLY, AS A HUSBAND OF THREE YEARS, BRAND-NEW FATHER AND VICE PRESIDENT OF SOFTWARE DEVELOPMENT FOR THE MEDICAL RECORDS CORPORATION (MRC) GROUP, SACRE IS OFTEN OVERLOADED.

Sacre graduated from WU with an economics major, computer science minor and a little help from two local community members. A generous donation from an elderly couple in Salem helped Sacre pay for approximately one-third of his education at Willamette. During his senior year in high school, this couple was investigating various avenues for involvement in philanthropy. At that time, they heard about the rising cost of college education and decided to create a scholarship for Salem-area high schools — a reward to be administered by the particular schools. "I was chosen because of my financial need and grades," Sacre explained. He is very thankful for the couple's contributions. "They are great people. It is like having an extra set of grandparents." Although the elderly gentleman has recently passed away, Sacre still keeps in frequent contact with his "adopted grandmother."

Upon completion of his undergraduate work, Sacre directly enrolled in the 3-2 program at Atkinson. This special program allows students, who have completed all their undergraduate requirements in three years, to enroll directly in graduate school. Thus, in five years they receive both an undergraduate and graduate degree. He earned his

master's degree in '90, with a main focus in accounting and statistics. Looking back, Sacre remarked, "I think very highly of the graduate program ... I do not regret my years at Willamette."

Presently, as vice president of software development for the MRC Group in Smyrna, Ga., Sacre has traveled a long way from the flip of his tassel seven years ago. The MRC Group is the world's largest transcription service, employing 2,600 people. It provides transcription and computer output of medical documents such as records and charts.

Sacre joined the MRC Group a year and a half ago when the company was established from several successive mergers. With his seven years of experience in the transcription industry, Sacre's skills, laced with a little luck, enabled him to ride the wave of various mergers and land an impressive position at this newly formed company.

His particular department oversees communication with clients and makes sure computer systems are operating smoothly. As head of the department, Sacre's duties also entail management of people and projects along with problem solving and project tracking. When asked what his biggest challenge is, Sacre replied, "My height. I am five feet



Jeff Sacre '89 M'90

four inches." Then getting more serious, he added, "My biggest challenge is always personnel. The balance between company objectives and employee objectives is difficult." Yet despite the difficulties, Sacre enjoys his work. "Overall, I am thrilled with what I do. It is fun, very high pressure and challenging — all the things my type A personality thrives on," Sacre said.

The most recent changes and challenges in Sacre's life are not occurring at work, but at home. Last August his wife, Cara, gave birth to Cayla, their first child. Although Sacre felt his life was busy before, Cayla has brought new meaning to the word. Sacre said, "It is amazing how much time these little creatures take. But it is time well spent."

Between balancing baby and business, Sacre is left with little time to blink let alone think of future plans. Yet this has not deterred him from reaching a little higher. "Both my wife and I would like to go back to school and get our doctorates," Sacre said. Although Sacre has achieved much in just seven years, he is still looking forward — toward new goals and new challenges.

— Tania Zyryanoff

• **Amber K. Lowitz '96** is a resort service representative for Suncoast-Destination Management in Orlando, Fla.

• **Daniel Reese '96** is a graduate student in history at the University of Cincinnati, Ohio.



• **Joshua M. Barrett '97** is an associate for Black Helterline, a Portland law firm specializing in corporate, tax and securities law.

• **Anna Eng '97** and **Erin Lynett '97** were

among 107 new volunteers serving in the Jesuit Volunteer Corps: Southwest. The Southwest region places volunteers in a variety of social service agencies throughout California and Arizona, including domestic violence and homeless shelters, schools, medical clinics, AIDS ministries, refugee services, legal clinics, food banks and job placement programs. Anna is working for a non-profit Spanish radio station in Fresno, Calif.

• **Norma J. Salyer '97** is a law student at the University of Oregon.

## Marriages

• **Tim McFarland '81** and **Cherie Ulmer** married March 28, in Salem. Tim is a Special Education case manager at Stayton High School and Cherie is a guidance counselor at the Oregon School for the Deaf.

• **Cheryl Aylesworth '87** and **Andrew Masterman** married Oct. 18, 1996, in Portland, Ore., and honeymooned in Fiji. They live in Tokyo, Japan where Cheryl is a singer/songwriter and Andrew is president of Walbro Japan, Inc.

• **Christopher Todd Davis '88** and **Catherine Allday** married Dec. 14, 1996, and live in Tokyo, Japan. Chris is a senior merchandiser for United Grain Corporation.



• **Megan Taylor '88** and **Clint Capper** married July 26 in a garden ceremony in Eugene, Ore. Attendants included **Sally (Peters) Gray '88**, **Jill (Tarnasky) Schmid '88** and **Kelly (Slaybaugh) DeFatti '89**. They live in Wilsonville, Ore.



• **Alisa Coats '89** and **Scott Clemans '89** married July 26 at Westminster Presbyterian Church in Portland, Ore. Attendants included **Wendy Johnson '88** maid of honor, **Edgar "Tad"**

**Tomlin IV '89** best man, **Jay Borcharding '89** and **Dan Keppler '89** groomsmen, **Jennifer (Long) Ward '89** candlelighter, and **Michael Jochimsen '89** usher. Others in attendance included **Tom Ward '88**, **Tamara Stephas '89**, **Meagan Flynn '89**, **Martha Bennett '89**, **Linda Christopher '89**, **Tamara (Leite) Dieck '89** and **Chris Carden '90**. The couple honeymooned in Honolulu, Hawaii. Scott is a master's student at Portland State University in communications and Alisa is a school psychologist in the Beaverton School District.

• **Wendy Shoemaker '89** and **Matt Peloquin** married Sept. 7, 1996. Wendy is sales and marketing director of Personnel Management Systems, Inc., in Bellevue, Wash.

• **David Berthoff '90 MAT'92** and **Michelle Fraleigh '93 MAT'94** married August 9 in Portland, Ore. David teaches at Clearlake Elementary School and Michelle teaches at Wilsonville Primary School.

• **Christine "Chris" Penttila '90** and **Tom Maynard** married Dec. 26, 1996, in a private ceremony in San Jose, Calif. Chris is an advertising consultant and freelance writer in Eugene, Ore. Tom is a doctoral student in neurobiology at the University of Oregon Institute of Neuroscience.

• **Margaret J. Cunnane '91 MAT'92** and **Brian Nelson** married July 19, 1996, at the Canby United Methodist Church. Maid of honor was **Leslie M. Donaca '91**. Those in attendance included **Kimi (Iboshi) Sloop '91**, **Christinia (Nelson) Fritz '94** and **Shay Fritz '93**. Margaret teaches language arts at North Marion High School in Aurora, Ore., and Brian is a senior programmer analyst at Pacificorp in Portland. The couple lives in Oregon City, Ore.

• **Audrey Sunghoe Lee '91** and **Edwin Rhim** married May 31. Audrey is a dentist and Edwin a physician. They live in Shoreline, Wash.

• **Kelly Duncan '92** and **David Neumeier** married June 21 in a small chapel in Stanley, Idaho, at the base of the Sawtooth Mountains. Kelly's sister, **Kristen Duncan '94** was

a bridesmaid and **Michele Lanetot '93 MAT'94** was a reader in the ceremony. The couple lives in Arcata, Calif.

• **Mark Lovre '92** and **Audrey Querns** married July 4. Mark teaches at Cedarcrest High School in Seattle, Wash.

• **Heidi Sinclair '92** and **Matthew Talbert '92** have married and live in Tualatin, Ore.

• **Todd Field '93** and **Michelle Draeger** married April 27 at Rosario Resort on Orcas Island, Wash. Todd is a stage manager for Princess Cruises at Denali Princess Lodge.

• **Mark W. Hanken '93** and **Kimberlee K. Harper '94** married Aug. 17 at the Old Church in Portland, Ore. Wedding attendants included **Christopher A.M. Simmons '93**, best man; **Dirk E. Hmura '92**, groomsmen; **Alison L. Schmitke '94**, **Tamara D. Egans '94** and **Kathryn "Katie" (Carlson) Salas '94**, bridesmaids; **Nathan A. McLemore '93**, reader; and **Dr. Lane C. McGaughy**, officiant.



• **Andreas Lubring '93 M'94** and **Silvia Seegers** married June 13 at the Evangelical Christus-kirche in Münster-Hiltrup, Germany.

• **Karmen Cates '94** and **David Katwyk** married June 14, in Portland, Ore. They live in Corvallis.

• **Erin P. Kelly '94** and **Robert Bruce Thomson III** married Sept. 13 at the Guardian Angel Cathedral in Las Vegas, Nev. Those in attendance included **Theresa M. Sprain '94**, **Rachael M. Tiller '94**, **Aaron D. Putnam '93**, **Blythe E. Gardner '93**, **Jeffrey J. Butler '93**, **Jennifer M. Pruitt '94** and **Jenna (Schuster) Bass '93**. Erin is a public affairs coordinator for Exxon Chemical Company in Linden, N.J.

• **Mohammed Naveed Baggia '95** and **Lisa M. Pennington '96** married Aug. 16, in Eugene, Ore. Mohammed is an assistant manager at Radio Shack in Beaverton and Lisa is a master's student in special education at Western Oregon University. They live in Dundee, Ore.

• **Scott M. Bueffel '95** and **Jennifer Heaton** married July 19 at the Shilo Inn in Beaverton, Ore. **Daryl Palsulich '95** was a groomsmen. Also in attendance were **Nich Anderson '95 MAT'96** and **Daphne Green MAT'95**. Scott is a network engineer at CFI ProServices, Inc. in Portland. They live in Beaverton, Ore.

- **Katharine "Katie" Burton '93** lives in Portland, Ore., and has completed her dietetic internship in Salem. In October she became a registered dietitian.
- **Maria Esfahani Chitsaz '93** is in the MAT program for teaching a foreign language (German) at the Monterey Institute of International Studies in Monterey, Calif.
- **Linda S. Conway '93** is attorney services administrator at Crowell & Moring L.L.P., in Washington, D.C.
- **Lisa Golda '93** sang previews with the Portland Opera in *Don Giovanni* and the Seattle Opera in *The Marriage of Figaro* in fall of 1997. She teaches voice privately at the Catlin Gabel School and lives in Portland, Ore.
- **Steven Johnson '93** is a master's student in electrical engineering at the University of Colorado in Boulder, and is developing automatic targeting algorithms for the Defense Advanced Research Project Administration at Data Fusion Corporation.
- **Matthew Long '93** is student advisor and coordinator for peer leadership programs at Sonoma State University in Rohnert Park, Calif.
- **Lauryn (Flori) Monash '93** is in the EMT program at Chemeketa Community College in Salem, working toward a dual degree in Emergency Medical Services-Paramedic and Fire Protection-Suppression.
- **Brian Newman '93** lives in Oakland, Calif., and is a master's student in city planning at the University of California, Berkeley.
- **Joseph G. '94 and Trina (Roth) '93** MAT '97 Rosevear live in Salem. Joe is shipping supervisor at Summit of Oregon, in Stayton. Trina teaches seventh grade in the North Marion School District.
- **Lisa Tomlinson '93** received a master's degree in international economic policy at the American University. She is a financial analyst for the International Trade Administration at the Department of Commerce in Washington, D.C.
- **Rebecca Zisch '93** received a master's degree in popular culture at Bowling Green State University in Ohio. She works in the curatorial department at the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame and Museum in Cleveland.
- **Dawnn (Crick) Amador '94** is a facilitator/pre-release coordinator for the Shangri-la education program at Oregon State Correctional Institution in Salem. She also volunteers for the Mid-Valley Women's Crisis Service hotline and mentors for the Oregon Women's Correctional Center.
- **Kristin Beck '94** is in the master's program in public health. She is enrolled in the physician's assistant program at Oregon Health Sciences University.
- **Paolo Benzan '94 and Elizabeth Spring '94** MAT '96 live in Portland, Ore. Paolo is a software engineer for Azad.
- **Kyle E. Bradbury '94** is manager of McDonald's in The Dalles, Ore.
- **Stephan Daues '94** received an M.A. in International Affairs from American University in Washington, D.C., in Dec. 1996. He and wife Gretchen live in Sacramento, Calif.
- **April Renee Ellenwood '94** received her MAT degree in teaching German as a foreign language and a certificate in teaching English as a second language in December, from the Monterey Institute of International Studies in Monterey, Calif.
- **Minda B. Hedges '94** returned from the Peace Corps in the Solomon Islands and lives in Portland, Ore.
- **Roberta "B.J." (Wilgus) Larmouth '94** is a graduate student in special education at Western Oregon University in Monmouth.
- **Aimee L. Mathews '94** received a master's degree in education at the University of Northern Colorado in Greeley, Colo.
- **Christy Anne Olson '94** is attending the master of occupational therapy program at the University of Puget Sound in Tacoma, Wash.
- **Clayton Webb '94** lives in the "live music capital of the world," Austin, Texas, and is a reporter for the CBS affiliate, K-EYE television.
- **Julie A. Webster '94** is a publishing assistant at Yale University Press in New Haven, Conn., and received a master's degree in religion and ethics from Yale University, in May.
- **David Welch '94** lives in Aurora, Colo., and is sales manager for Lotto Sport, USA. He received his master's degree in sport administration from the University of Northern Colorado in May.
- **Lisa M. Westlund '94** is a library assistant at Salem Public Library.
- **Yi "Jonathan" Zhang '94** was elected a member in Alpha Omega Alpha honor medical society at Baylor College of Medicine in Houston, Texas.
- **Emily Anderson '95 and Martin Roth '96** live in Benicia, Calif. Martin is in the doctoral program in philosophy at University of California at Davis. Emily received her M.A. in English literature from Mills College, and is in the doctoral program at University of California, Berkeley.
- **Kathryn L. Bruebaker '95** is director of government affairs for the Home Builders Association of Lane County in Eugene, Ore.
- **Suzanne J. Crawford '95** is a doctoral student in religion and culture, with an emphasis in Native American Religions, at the University of California, Santa Barbara.
- **Heather C. Dahl '95** is deputy press secretary-producer for U.S. Senator Gordon H. Smith, in Washington, D.C.
- **Tamara Finch '95** is Miss Oregon '97 and represented the state in the Miss America pageant in Atlantic City, N.J. She is taking time off from pursuit of a doctorate in piano performance to fulfill Miss Oregon duties.
- **Michelle Ganiere '95** MAT '96 teaches sixth grade at W.S. Reyes School in Saipan and works part-time as a tennis instructor at a resort.
- **Peter J. "Pete" Goertzen '95** of Tualatin, Ore., is a senior software engineer at Jeppesen Sanderson, a Denver-based aviation company. He has a commercial pilot's license and serves as a volunteer search and rescue pilot with the Civil Air Patrol.
- **Jodi Hanauska '95** is in the 1997-99 physician's assistant program at Alderson-Broaddus College in Philippi, W. Va.
- **Jory Hockett '95** is working on her teaching license and bilingual endorsement. She works with bilingual second and third graders at Myers Elementary School in Salem.
- **Kate Kenski '95** is a master's student in communication at the Annenberg School for Communication at the University of Pennsylvania in Philadelphia.
- **Jennifer Steele '95** lives in San Francisco, bartending and taking prerequisite courses for a master's program in acupuncture and oriental medicine.
- **Masami Tokumo '95** graduated in May from Teachers College at Columbia University with an M.A. and Ed.M. in psychological counseling.
- **April Fleeman '96** is an outside sales representative for Salinas Valley Embroidery which specializes in custom logo embroidery.

Survivors include his wife, Helen; son John Jr., of Concord, Calif.; three granddaughters; and two great-granddaughters.

• **Ella R. Pfeiffer '28** died July 1, in Falls Church, Va. She was an Army staff sergeant and defense intelligence analyst until retiring in 1962. She taught high school English in Oregon from 1929-41. She joined the Women's Army Corps in 1942 and served in North Africa, Italy and Germany during World War II. She was a member of the Wild Thymers herbalist society, Wanderbirds hiking group, Maryland Ornithological Society and Arlington Historical Society. Survivors include her sister, Meta Pfeiffer, of Walla Walla, Wash.

• **Helen (Bridgeman) Petter '29** died June 7, in Carmichael, Calif. Survivors include her husband, Robert, and two sons.

• **Helen Mildred McPherson '30** died May 4 in Florence, Ore. She received a master's degree in music from the University of Oregon, and taught choral music in Coos Bay, Ore., for many years.

• **Bonnie (Zeller) Ruch '30** died April 13, in Eugene, Ore. Survivors include her husband, Willard Ruch '32 E'32.

• **Leslie W. Skuzie '30** died Aug. 12 in Eugene, Ore. Survivors include his wife, Cathrin.

• A memorial service was held for **Roberta (Archibald) Dykes '31** on June 2 in Portland, Ore. Survivors include sons Robert William and James Lee, daughters Donna Jean Winchell and Joyce Louise Hernandez, sister Martha Bronson; four grandchildren, six great-grandchildren, and numerous nieces and nephews.

• **Charles Sumner Campbell '32** died July 11, in Salem. While at Willamette he was student body president and was elected to the Cum Laude Society. He practiced medicine in Salem for more than 52 years and was founder and director of the Diabetes Training Center at Salem Hospital. He served on the State Board of Health 1965-71. In 1995, he was named Salem's First Citizen. Survivors include his wife of 60 years, Della; sons Timothy of Portland and Daniel J. of Salem; daughters Mary E. of Mill Valley, Calif. and Catherine Tindle of McMinnville, Ore.; 12 grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

• **Margaret (Hagg) Bianco '36** died May 18, in Portland, Ore. She was a member of the Delta Phi sorority and was involved with theatre. She did social work with the Port-

land Police for several years. Survivors include daughters Katie Melcher of Medford, Ore. and Sally of Albuquerque, N.M.; son Doug of Salem; and two grandchildren.

• **Leonard G. Morley '36** died April 11 of brain cancer, after one month's illness, in Gig Harbor, Wash. He was a retired physician. Survivors include his wife, Borghild.

• **Cecil Ray Scheuerman '36** died July 4, in Lincoln City, Ore. He married Bernice Davis in 1940. He owned Southeast Roofing Company from 1956-86, when he retired. In 1988 they moved to Lincoln City where he attended the Faith Baptist Church. Survivors include his wife, Bernice; son Gary and daughter Brenda Albers; one brother and two sisters; two grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

• **Howard Cole '37** died December 12, 1996, in Yakima, Wash. He was a minister at the First Christian Church in Vancouver, Wash., for a time. Survivors include his wife, Ruth (Reasor) Cole '38, sons Edward H. '65, Dennis C. '68 and Brian; daughter Shelley; and daughter-in-law Susan (Cox) Cole '68.

• **Lucille (Brainard) Kelly '37** died Sept. 22 in Gresham, Ore., at age 80. Survivors include her husband of 56 years, John Kelly '39; son Jeffrey; daughters Shannon, Jill and Kerry; brother Wendell Brainard; sister Beverly Austin; and five grandchildren.

• **Margaret (Doege) Kennedy '37** died June 10, in Santa Barbara, Calif. She received a Ph.D. in French literature in 1942, having delayed the completion of her own work to assist her husband in attaining his Ph.D. in economics. The couple met in Madison, Wis., while pursuing their graduate work. They moved to Santa Barbara in 1946. She took an active part in establishing a nursery school at Hoff Heights, which led her to children's literature. Survivors include her husband, William; three sons; and three grandchildren.

• **Esther (Callison) Van Pelt-Slusker '38** died of cancer May 2, in Portland, Ore. She was manager of Toyland in the Capitol Shopping Center in Salem for many years. She retired from the Lloyd Center Toyland in Portland in the 1970s. She was active in the American Businesswomen's Territory in the 1980s and had a love for the early history of Oregon. Survivors include sons **Richard Van Pelt '64** and **Eric Van Pelt** of Salem; stepchildren Don Slusker and Pat Paul of Portland; two grandchildren; and

many stepgrandchildren and stepgreat-grandchildren.

• **Jeanette (Brown) Wilkinson '40** died July 10, in Mehama, Ore. A native Oregonian, she lived in various areas of the U.S. and Europe while her husband was in the service, and moved to Mehama in 1970. She taught defensive driving to people older than 65, and reading in grade school. She was a member of AARP and the Air Force Sergeants Association Auxiliary. Survivors include her husband, Eugene; sons **Tedd Wilkinson M'83** of Wilsonville, Ore. and **Randy** of Martinsville, N.J.; one brother; and six grandchildren.

• **Foster Milton Hagy '42** died Feb. 11 in Newport Beach, Calif. During his career as a chemist he worked for Turcol Putex Industrial, Pennwalt Corp. and Ato Chemical North America Inc. He is survived by three daughters and two sons.

• **Elizabeth "Betty" (Kellar) Hale '43** died May 22, in Portland, Ore. She was a librarian in Portland public schools, including Mount Tabor Elementary and Madison High schools. She retired in 1979. Survivors include her husband, Herbert; sons Jack of West Hartford, Conn., Robert of Portland, Ore., and Douglas of Tillamook, Ore.; and five grandchildren.

• **Frances Alice (Kells) MacCollin '43** died April 4, in Salem. She is survived by husband Edmond; two daughters and two sons.

• **Elmer Harrold '44** died of lung cancer Aug. 2, in Sacramento, Calif. He was co-owner of one of the oldest family-owned Ford dealerships in the U.S. He joined his father in the auto sales business shortly after serving in the Navy in World War II. After his father's death in 1964 he became president, and later chairman, of Harrold Ford. He was on the boards of directors of Capitol Federal Savings and Loan, San Francisco Savings and Loan, the Sacramento Children's Receiving Home and of the Mercy McMahon Terrace residential facility and a member of the Sacramento Downtown Rotary Club, the Sacramento Host Committee, Shriners, the Grandfathers Club and the Del Paso Country Club. He was an avid bicyclist and also loved hiking. Survivors include his wife, **Mary Jean (McKay) '45**, niece of a former Willamette president, Bruce R. Baxter; son Steven and daughter Ann Harrold Taylor of Sacramento; brother Fred Harrold; sister Martha McBride; four grandchildren; and six nieces and nephews.

• **Jennifer Wheeler '95** and Todd Enzor married Sept. 6. **Lena Vaughan '93** played harp at the ceremony. Jennifer is in graduate school at Portland State University in the Inclusion Program, which focuses on special education.

• **Bessie J. Powell '96** and Erin J. Barth married Aug. 9. Attendants included **Jessica Duff '95 MAT'96** and **Tonja Saxe '95**. Tiffany Davidson, a WU student, was also in attendance. Bessie is a music therapist at the Southside Art Center in Sacramento and Erin is a teacher at the Woodland Christian School. They live in Dixon, Calif.

• **Charity Masterson '96** and Joseph Lechuga married Aug. 16 at St. Patrick's Church in Canby, Ore.

## Births

• **Melissa (Jensen) Livengood '80** and husband Lee, a son Glenn Edward, born Aug. 28, 1996, in Savannah, Ga. Brother Lloyd is 3.

• **William K. Stewart '82** and wife Michelle, a son Harry Rankin, on May 3, in Portland, Ore.

• **Diane (Fitzgerald) '84 Bliesner** and husband Steve of Renton, Wash., twins Nicholas Fitzgerald and Sarah Marie, born May 30.

• **Brooks B. '85 M'87 L'89** and **Susan (Bozlee) '85 Houser** of Portland, Ore., their second son, Grant Knight, on April 25. Brooks Bonham Jr. is 2. Their uncle is **Bradley Knight Houser '89**.

• **Jeff '85** and **Karma (Herd) '87 Kilday**, a daughter Allison Elizabeth, on Feb. 15. They live in Seaside, Ore., where Jeff is a regional manager for Shilo Inns and Karma teaches sixth grade.

• **Mark A. Michel '85** and wife Traciann, their first child, a daughter Cadence Lily, on Aug. 24. They live in Gig Harbor, Wash., where Mark works for Alaska Airlines.

• **Mary Louise (Van Natta) '86** and **G. Harvey Gail '87** of Salem, a son Caleb Frederick, on June 18. Grandparents include **Mariel (Fahlstrom) '60** and **Fred Van Natta '60** and **Thomas Gail '58**.

• **Bob Glikbarg '86** and wife Jan of Los Altos, Calif., their first child, a daughter Leanne Christine, on Mar. 26.

• **Sherry (Kuntz) '87 Purdy** and husband Kevin, a daughter Madison Lanae, on April 7. They live in Superior, Colo.

• **David '87** and **Anne (Gastineau) '88** Scarce, their first child, a daughter Sophia Anise, on June 24. They live in Portland, Ore., where David is a benefits supervisor at Standard Insurance and Anne is an advertising-marketing manager at Adidas America. Grandparents are Kathleen and Jerry Gastineau '65 L'73 and Fran and Robert Scarce '55.

• **Barry '88** and **Heidi (Mercer) '87** Melin of Danville, Calif., a daughter Sydney Elizabeth, on Aug. 27, 1996 (also Barry's birthday). Brother Mason is 2.

• **Julie (Cathy) '88 Boland** and husband David of Reno, Nev., a son Konor Jay, born July 15.

• **Pat '88** and **Karen (Wilcox) '89** Carman of Newberg, Ore., a daughter Reece Margaret, 8 lbs. 2 oz., on April 29. Sister Sierra is 2.

• **Karen (Guyton) L'88 Dowling** and husband Christopher of Jacksonville, N.C., their second son, Collin Mitchell, on May 16.

• **Tomi Rae Holden '88** a daughter Taylor D'Lorene, on Jan. 28, 1997, in Bend, Ore. Brother Travis Pech is 4.

• **Leslie Dailey '88** and **John Duarte '90** a daughter Sabra Ana Juanita, on May 19, 6 lbs. 0 oz., in Portland, Ore.

• **Susan (Carlson) Goffena '88** and husband Steve, a son Evan Michael, on July 30, 1996. They live in Tigard, Ore., where Susan is controller for Western Family Foods.

• **Leanne M. (Chrisman)-Khawam '88**, a daughter Elisa Marie, on Dec. 30, 1995, in Spokane, Wash. Her brother, Malek Anton, born Jan. 17, 1994, was attended by **Marilyn (Cholometes) Tsolomitis '87** and **Janet (Chrisman) Lambert '90**. The family now lives in Meadville, Pa.

• **Marc Overbeck '88** and **Deborah Bellemore '89 MAT'90**, a daughter Shayna Rose, on Dec. 30, 1996. Marc is coordinator for the Oregon One Stop Cancer Center System, in Salem.

• **Renée Lirette '90** and husband Douglas Beck, adopted a daughter, Korean-born Mikhail Mee-Yun Lirette Beck, born Aug. 11, 1996. They live in Lancaster, Calif.

• **Jeanette (Sorenson) '90 Martin** and husband Larry, a daughter Page Nicole, on April 19, in Salem.

• **Roger '93 L'96** and **Tracy (Moreland) '93 Bailey** of Yakima, Wash., their first child, a daughter Madison Jade, on April 21.

• **Paul '94** and **Jane (Reinke) '93 M'95** Jackson of Gresham, Ore., a son Kenneth, on March 6.

• **Shannon (Smith) MAT'95 Sheppard** and husband Monty, a daughter Sara Renee, 7 lbs. 6 oz., on Oct. 28, 1996. Brother Shane is 3. Shannon teaches first grade in Sweet Home, Ore.

• **George S. Pitcher L'96** and wife Julie, a son Jack Harrison, on March 26. They live in Tualatin, Ore.

## Obituaries

*Errata: Michael Garold Meinke '53 in the Summer '97 Scene, page 40, was misspelled. Most people knew him as Garold but he also went by Mike. The Scene editor apologizes for the error.*

• **Grace E. (Brainerd) White '23** died May 21, in Portland, Ore., at age 95. She was born in Lafayette, Ill. After graduation from Willamette she did graduate work in mathematics at the University of Hawaii. She taught in high school and at the University of Hawaii. She was president of the Honolulu YWCA and the local branch of AAUW, and moved to Portland in 1963. Survivors include her husband, **Bruce E. White '23**, son Bruce H., of Portland, Ore.; two grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

• **Trevall Clifford Powers '25** died June 30, in Green Valley, Ariz., at age 97. He was an internationally known authority on the chemistry of concrete, lecturing before engineering societies in Europe as well as the U.S. Upon retirement he began a 15-year study of economics which resulted in publication of a book, *Leakage: The Bleeding of the American Economy*, in 1995. He received a WU Distinguished Alumni Citation Award in 1969. Survivors include son William of Durango, Colo.; daughter Alice McElhone of Darien, Conn.; and sister Barbara Powers Cole of Oregon.

• **John P. Russell '27** of Grants Pass, Ore., died April 12. Born in Crookston, Minn., he graduated from the University of Oregon Medical School in Portland in 1932. He began practice as a family physician in Grants Pass in 1936 and retired in 1986. He served from 1942-45 in the European Theater as a physician with the rank of captain in the Medical Corps. His many memberships included Newman United Methodist Church, Oregon Physician's Service, the American Medical Association, Lions Club, Kiwanis, Elks Lodge and the Masome Lodge.

Oregon District Attorneys Association, Oregon Criminal Defense Lawyers Association, National Trial Lawyers Association, American Bar Association and the Grants Pass Elks Lodge. Survivors include his wife, Jeannie; sons Troy and Tod; daughter Romi Burrows; two stepdaughters Paula Prossie and Kimberly Ragani; stepson Grant Walker; mother Norma Burrows; 10 grandchildren; and three step-grandchildren.

- **Alfred Theodore "Ted" Fritts '70** died July 13, in San Diego, Calif. He was the executive editor and co-publisher of the family-owned *The Bakersfield Californian* from 1978-88. He was the youngest of three brothers, born in San Mateo, Calif. He contracted the AIDS virus in 1984 and aggressively championed the development of AIDS treatments. Survivors include brother Donald Fritts, publisher emeritus; and sister Virginia "Ginger" Fritts Moothouse, publisher of *The Bakersfield Californian*.
- **Thomas J. Reuter '73 L'76**, age 46, died in a car accident, Sept. 19, in Lebanon, Ore. He was named Lebanon Junior First Citizen in 1983 and was past president of the Lebanon Kiwanis Club, the Strawberry Festival Board, the Linn County Bar Association and

the Lebanon-Sweat Home Community Concert Association. Reflections and memories were given at the funeral service by **Susan Leeson '68 L'81** and **Jim Cuno '73**. Survivors include wife **Heitho Bokides-Reuter '76**; sons Theodore, John and George; mother Phyllis; and brother Robert. A college fund has been established for his children c/o Linn-Benton Bank, 1600 S. Main, Suite C, Lebanon, OR 97355, Attn.: Reuter-Children's Educational Fund.

- **Malinda (Gray) Feely '74 M'79** died of a heart attack June 27, in Portland, Ore., at age 45. She was a senior financial analyst for the city of Portland. Classmates **Barbara Read M'79** and **Elizabeth "Betsy" Gilchrist M'79** traveled from Seattle to attend the service. Survivors include her husband, **Thomas Feely M'79**; son Bryan, 11, and daughter Sarah, 7; sister **Joan (Gray) Miller '78**; brothers John and Andrew; and father John M. Gray Sr. of Dundee, Ore.

- **Kent T. Wells '74** died July 11, at Cabrini Medical Center in New York City, after an extended respiratory illness. He was an honors student and theatre major at WU. Survivors include two brothers, Michael and Rick of Helena, Mont.; and two uncles.



- **Jeremy Edwin Zuck '80** died Jan. 2, 1997, in an airplane crash outside McCall, Idaho. He was returning from a family gathering, for a trial, by private plane due to road closures caused by bad weather. He was known for his quick wit, sense of humor, ability to laugh at himself and bring joy to others. Willamette alumni gathered following the memorial service to share stories and photos well into the evening. A trust has been established for Jeremy's children c/o Joel Wilson, 300 Pioneer Tower, 888 S.W. Fifth Ave., Portland, OR 97204. Survivors include his wife, Anita; sons Austin, 8, and Avery, 6.

- **Loren D. Shook '89** died Jan. 16, 1997, in Denver, Colo., at age 30. He was sales manager for State Chemical Co., and a member of Beta Theta Pi. In 1991 he played first division soccer with the Denver Kickers as well as with the Colorado Nationals indoor soccer team. He did volunteer work for the homeless. Survivors include his parents, Catherine and Dennis Shook of Beaverton, Ore.; sister Brandi; and two grandmothers.



- **Robert "Bobby" Dettling '93** of Fairview Heights, Ill., died June 16, after suffering for over three years with a headache. He served as a volunteer in a local hospital, at the local animal shelter, as a lector and eucharistic minister of his church, and as a teacher's assistant. Survivors include his parents, Mary and Robert E. Dettling.

- A memorial service celebrating the life of **Paul Evans**, associate professor of psychology, was held in Cone Chapel August 28 and with the student body on Sept. 3. Survivors include his parents, Peter and Rosina; brother Peter Jr.; and sister Justine.



- **Myron Maurice "Mike" Hall** died July 9 in Salem, at age 74. He served as a part-time instructor and acting chaplain in 1982-83 at WU. He attained a Master of Divinity degree from Union

Theological Seminary, New York, N.Y., in 1947 and earned his Doctor of Sacred Theology from San Francisco Theological Seminary in 1973. He pastored Jason Lee United Methodist Church in Salem for 10 years. He was founder and president of Oregon Housing for 25 years. He was pastor of the Jefferson, Ore., United Methodist Church from 1978 until his retirement in 1985. Survivors include his wife, Jeanne; daughters **Lenore Hall Child '68** of Derry, N.H., Lark Hall Quinn and April Hall Cutting; son Scott Hall; stepchildren **Diane (Hunnex) Dorsch '64** and husband **Anthony Dorsch '63** of Redmond, Ore., James Hunnux, and Richard Hunnux; grandson **Anthony Dorsch '90** of Redmond, Ore., and 10 other grandchildren.

- **Helen Luther** died June 13 in Salem. She was a substitute in the Salem public schools and was instructor of Latin at WU 1939-40. She was active in Willamette faculty wives affairs and the First Congregational Church. She was preceded in death by her husband, **Chester Luther H'75**, emeritus professor. Survivors include daughter **Marilyn (Notson) Egans '67**; sons Robert and Norman; **David Luther '88**, **Tamara Egans '94** and seven other grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.

## GUIDELINES

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- M/L = Joint degree, Law and Management
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- E = Master of Arts in Education
- MME = Master of Music Education
- H = Honorary Degree

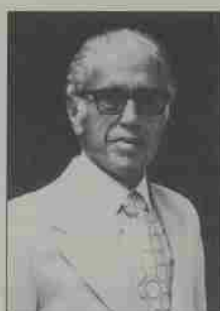
• **Sybil (Spears) McLeod '44** died May 12, in Salem. She was a member of Pi Beta Phi sorority and was alumni secretary at Willamette from 1944-46, also working for former Willamette president G. Herbert Smith. She taught for 20 years at Grant and McKinley Elementary Schools. She was a member of the Assistance League of Salem and St. Martha's Guild. Survivors include her husband, **Carlton J. McLeod '43**; brother Frank Spears of Portland; daughter Franca Dyer, sons Scott and C.J.; and six grandchildren.

• **Ella Rose (Mason) Scudder '44** died June 15, in Claremont, Calif. She was a secondary teacher, receiving her credential at the University of California at Berkeley. At Berkeley she met Franklin E. Scudder, a graduate student of social work. They married November 29, 1947, and the following year started their own private boarding school, Scudder Oaks Country School, which they co-directed for many years. She was a member of the Pomona Chapter of PEO and the Daughters of the American Revolution and had served as president of each. Survivors include her husband, Franklin; sons Richard and David; daughter Marilyn Black; and eight grandchildren.

• **Jean (Barham) Smither '47** died of cancer July 18, in Salem. She was president of the Salem YWCA board of directors in 1972-73, and a member of Calvary Baptist Church and Alpha Chi Omega. She was a volunteer family mentor with the state Department of Human Resources for seven years, and was volunteer of the month in 1990. She was preceded in death by her husband, Ralph. Survivors include sons James of Vancouver, Wash., and Michael of Otis, Ore.; daughters Suzanne of Terrebonne, Ore., and Rebecca Peters of Salem; two sisters; two grandchildren; and two stepgrandchildren.

• **Herbert Beryl Davis '49** died Oct. 4, in Portland, Ore., at age 76. He served in the Oregon National Guard during World War II, worked for Chevron USA for many years and retired in 1978. Survivors include his wife, Shirley; and daughter Sally Williams.

• **Robert William "BJ" Johnson '49 MED'52** died Aug. 11, in Medford, Ore. Born in Sioux Falls, S.D., he graduated from Lead High School in 1942 where he lettered in track, basketball and golf. From 1943-45 he served in the Army Air Corps as a waist gunner on 17 missions in World War II. While at WU, he and his brother, **James C. "JJ" Johnson '49 MED'52**, were standout



• **Kenneth D. McCormick '28 H'50** longtime editor in chief of Doubleday and a major figure in American book publishing, died June 27, in New York City, N.Y. He began reading manuscripts for Doubleday publishing house in 1935 and was promoted to editor in chief just seven years later. In 1971 he stepped down from the post, and continued until 1987 as senior consulting editor. He was considered a titan in the literary world and edited books by many public figures such as Eisenhower, Nixon, Truman, Dewey and Robert Kennedy, and literary figures including W. Somerset Maugham, Noel Coward and Leon Uris. An excerpt from *The New York Times* obituary of June 29, 1997, says: "... John T. Sargent, a Doubleday editor who was president of the company from 1961-78,

wrote about Mr. McCormick in 1995: 'He was the most talented editor I ever worked with. He had a knack of treating a first novelist with the same attention, care, sympathy, editorial skill and enthusiasm as he would treat an Irving Stone or Robert Graves or an Eisenhower; they became equally his admirers and friends.'" He was also a champion of First Amendment rights for publishers and authors, for which he received publishing industry awards. Born in Madison, N.J., the son of a Methodist minister, he grew up in Minnesota and Oregon. Survivors include his wife, Anne; daughter Dale of Hallowell, Maine; sons Kevin of Toronto and John of Avon, Conn.; and three grandchildren.

athletes in basketball and golf. He was a teacher, coach and counselor in Oregon until he retired in 1985. In 1990 he moved to Medford to live with his son and grandson. Survivors include his brother, "JJ"; sister Dorothy Ballander; son Jim; daughters Diane Velin and Linda Taylor; and six grandchildren.

• **Patric W. Paddock '52** died of cancer Feb. 11, in Knoxville, Tenn. He taught computer science and math at George Mason University in Fairfax, Va., retiring in 1990. Survivors include his wife, Jackie; and sisters Avis Matt of Tigard, Ore., and Paula Winkel of West Linn, Ore.

• **Roderick Asher '53** died Aug. 20, in a car accident in Nevada. He was a geologist and member of the American Institute of Mining Engineers, Sigma Xi Society of Economic Geologists, 5th Regiment Combat Association, Geological Society of Nevada and the Episcopal Church. Survivors include his wife, Shirley; mother Mabel Asher; sons Curt, James and Brad; brother Verne; sister Beverly Worthman; and four grandchildren.

• **Nancy Lee Doughton '54** died July 13, in Portland, Ore. She worked with the Department of Labor's Civil Rights Division and was former personal secretary to Gov. Robert E. Holmes. She moved to the Lake Oswego-Portland area in 1960. Survivors include brother Robert and sister-in-law **Carolyn (Averill) '54 Doughton** of Lake Oswego, Ore.

• **George Norman Gross L'54** died Aug. 29, in Salem. He served in the Air Force during World War II and the Korean War as a captain and pilot. After graduation he was assistant district attorney in Marion County. He practiced with the firm Burt, Swanson, Lathen, Alexander, McCann & Smith with **Neil Lathen L'74, J. Michael "Mic" Alexander L'75, Donald McCann L'75, Todd C. McCann L'93, D. "Keith" Swanson L'69 and Gregory A. Smith L'86**. He was also a pro-tem judge, and a trustee for the U.S. Bankruptcy Court. He was a life member of the Salem Elks Lodge and loved to hunt, fish and spend time on his house boat. Survivors include daughters Gayle Young and Jody Kacalek; sons Daniel and John; sister Virginia Jager; nine grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

• **David L. Kitchener '61** died July 12, in Wilton, Calif. He was an insurance underwriter for 35 years and a member of the Chartered Property and Casualty Underwriters (CPCU). Survivors include his wife, Joyce; son Mark; one brother; and one grandson.

• **Robert Marshall Burrows L'64**, former Josephine County district attorney, died Sept. 21, in Grants Pass, Ore., at age 58. He never fully recovered from a stroke suffered in 1994 and had been in failing health recently. He was a member of the Oregon State Bar Association, a life member of the

# CALENDAR

Whether you are a fan of music, archaeology, theatre or art, there is something for you at Willamette this spring. Time and location changes sometimes occur; please call to confirm if you wish to attend an event.

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All lectures begin at 7:30 p.m. For more information, call (503) 370-6250.

**Jan. 28** — "Memory and Imagination: The Making of an Exhibition of Maidu Indian Art," Rebecca Dobkins, assistant professor of anthropology, Willamette University, Hatfield Room, Mark O. Hatfield Library.

**Feb. 11** — "The Mid-Holocene (8000-4500 BP) Archaeological Record at The Dalles, Oregon: Results from Recent Field and Lab Research," Virginia Butler, assistant professor of anthropology, Portland State University, Hatfield Room, Mark O. Hatfield Library.

**March 5** — "Christians and Pagans in Ancient Panaea (Cesarea Philippi)," John Wilson, professor of religion, dean of Seaver College of Arts, Letters, and Sciences, Pepperdine University, Hatfield Room, Mark O. Hatfield Library.

## POETRY

Willamette will present a series of poetry readings this spring, featuring poet-in-residence Clémens Starck and other important Northwest poets. Call 370-6061 for more information.

## FORUMS

Willamette will sponsor the following forums, which are held on the 41st floor of the U.S. Bancorp Tower, Portland. They begin at 7 a.m. and reservations are required. Cost is \$15. Call (503) 370-5304 if you are interested in attending.

**Wednesday, Feb. 4** — *Show Me the Money: Venture Capital in Oregon*. Gerry Langelier, partner, Olympic Venture Partners (original founding partner of Mentor Graphics).

**April 2** — *Blending Business Interests with Public Policy*. Duncan Wyse, president, Oregon Business Council.

## FACULTY COLLOQUIA

are held in the Writing Center of Matthews Hall at 4:15 p.m., usually on the second and fourth Thursday of each month. For more information, call 370-6276 or 370-6428.

## GILLIS LECTURE

**April 2** — Laurence Meyer, governor, Federal Reserve Board, Cone Chapel, 4 p.m.

## ATKINSON LECTURE SERIES



Anna Quindlen

**Feb. 26** — *The Politics of the Family*, Anna Quindlen.

**April 2** — *Was Blood Thicker Than Water: Ethnic vs. Civil Nationalism in the Civil War*, James McPherson.

These lectures cost \$5 and tickets are available two

weeks before each lecture. Both lectures are 8 p.m. in Smith Auditorium. Call 370-6267 for more information.

## MUSIC

For more information about any of these music events, call the Music Office at 370-6255, unless otherwise noted.

**Jan. 28** — Huaxia Chamber Ensemble, from People's Republic of China, Smith Auditorium, 7:30 p.m. Tickets: \$5; \$1 for high-school students. 375-5390.

**Jan. 30 & 31** — Puttin' On the Ritz, Cat Cavern, 7 p.m.

**Feb. 1** — "Tubby the Tuba," A Family Concert, Salem Chamber Orchestra, Bruce McIntosh conducting, Smith Auditorium, 2 p.m. Tickets: adults, \$15; students/senior citizens, \$10; children 12 and under, \$3. 375-5483.

**Feb. 8** — Distinguished Artists Series: Pianist Claude Frank, Smith Auditorium, 3 p.m. Single concert tickets: adults, \$18; students/senior citizens, \$10. 370-6255.



Claude Frank

**Feb. 9** — Claude Frank Master Class, Smith Auditorium, 10 a.m. Free.

**Feb. 14** — Jazz Festival XVII, featuring Conte Candoli, one of the greatest trumpet players in the business, at the 8 p.m. concert in Smith Auditorium. The festival runs all day.

**Feb. 25** — 3rd Angle. A dynamic young ensemble composed of musically adventurous members of the Oregon Symphony along with other virtuosi from the region. Smith Auditorium. Meet the composers, 7 p.m. (Jeffrey Peyton, artistic director for 3rd Angle will interview the composers.) Concert, 8 p.m.

**Feb. 28** — Bands Concert, featuring University Band and Chamber Winds, Smith Auditorium, 7 p.m.

**March 3** — Concordia College Choir, conducted by René Clausen, Smith Auditorium, 7 p.m. Sponsored by the Willamette Chamber Choir.

**March 8** — Willamette Woodwind Quintet, Cone Chapel, 3 p.m.

**March 13** — Jazz Night, Smith Auditorium, 7 p.m.

**April 3 & 4** at 8 p.m.; **April 5** at 3 p.m. — *West Side Story*, presented by Musical Theatre Workshop; book by Arthur Laurents, music by Leonard Bernstein and lyrics by Stephen Sondheim, Smith Auditorium. Tickets: \$8, adults; \$5, students and seniors.

**April 9** — Oregon College Jazz Summit, featuring Just 4 Kicks and the Willamette Singers, Smith Auditorium, 8 p.m.

**April 25** — Choirs Concert, featuring Male Ensemble Willamette, University Women's Choir and Chamber Choir, Smith Auditorium, 7 p.m.

**May 1** — Jazz Night, Smith Auditorium, 7 p.m.

**May 9** — Willamette Master Chorus Concert: Romantic Songs from the Stage, featuring classic and renowned works. Puccini to Andrew Lloyd Webber, Smith Auditorium, 7 p.m.

**May 16** — Senior Honors Recital, Smith Auditorium, 2:30 p.m.

## THEATRE

For all the dates and times, plus ticket prices, call the theatre box office at 370-6221.

**Feb. 27 through March 8** — *The Hostage* by Brendan Behan, Arena Theatre.

**April 3-5** — Dance Concert: "as freedom is a breakfast food," artistic director Kimberly Christensen, Kresge Theatre.

**April 24 through May 3** — *A Midsummer Night's Dream* by William Shakespeare, Kresge Theatre.

## Fireworks Herald Changes in Hong Kong

by Steve Whorf '79

The movers are inside packing my belongings from three years, 57 days, 15 hours, 45 minutes in Hong Kong. However I am not, as most of the U.S. press would have you believe, leaving because of the July 1 handover, I am leaving because of a better job opportunity in Singapore.

I stayed in Hong Kong during the four-day handover celebrations and have lived here during the days leading up to them. Little has changed since the last fireworks exploded in the harbor.

The weekend itself was a series of celebrations by British, the People's Republic of China, the new Special Administrative Region and a host of associated groups rushing to ingratiate themselves with the new bosses; including the unwieldy "Hong Kong Association for the Celebration of the Reunification of Hong Kong with China." At times it was worse than watching U.S. Republican/Democratic party conventions, what with all the proclamations of love of the motherland and damning of the British for the evils of the opium war, mostly by people who 13 short years ago were all happily members of Exco (the Governor's Executive Council), who religiously send their kids to school in the U.K./U.S./Canada/Australia and carry another passport in their back pockets.

The final British send-off was a dignified affair with beating of retreat, lowering of the Union Jack and the British Hong Kong flag, a performance by a troupe of local school children and the expected tears and a few verbal parting shots at the mainland officials. It was, rather pointedly, not attended by the two most senior mainland officials; President Jiang Zemin and Li Peng, or by Tung Chee Hwa, the new SAR head. This was followed by a large fireworks display in the harbor, something that almost any occasion here seems to warrant



Meanwhile, at the new Convention Centre, the official lowering of the flags and announcement of the creation of the SAR took place. Not too many gaffs here, with the exception of the time Prince Charles managed to have his back turned when Qian Qichen, PRC foreign minister, toasted Jiang Zemin.

Tuesday, July 1 was the big display. As the British and the Chinese sides of the Joint Liaison Group could not agree on a joint fireworks presentation, the Chinese side did theirs that evening. I can't recall the exact figure, but I believe something on the order of 30 or 40 tons of fireworks were blown up in the space of about 15 minutes. I watched from a friend's harborside apartment. The evening was preceded by Tan Dun's commissioned composition for the handover, "Heaven, Earth, Mankind." Tan Dun is a mainland-born composer, now a resident of Boston, who has composed some marvelous pieces mixing East and West. Try "Shanghai Suite" if you can find it.

Fireworks included something called "horizontal" charges (no, not tanks) and charges set to go off on the fireworks barges themselves. The sound and light levels were above and beyond

what a busy Hong Kong restaurant is capable of generating at lunchtime. An estimated one million people came to both sides of the harbor to view them.

We got one more day off and business returned to its normal frenetic pace. Those out of favor, such as the Democratic Party, or the *Apple Daily* newspaper, continued on about their business while awaiting next year's elections. Hong Kong will use a bizarre system called "functional constituency" voting, whereby corporate boards from each of the government defined areas (transportation, banking, manufacturing, agriculture, etc.) select representatives to Legco. The U.S. equivalent would be something akin to Proctor and Gamble, 3M, GM, IBM and Ford meeting over lunch to pick Congress ... come to think of it there isn't much difference, is there.

In these first 59 days there have already been clear indicators that both sides are having an impact on one another. The People's Liberation Army has already canceled all local supply contracts in favor of vendors in Shenzhen, the mainland boomtown across the border. Members of the handpicked Provisional Legislature have actually begun to voice some dissent and the mainland is beginning to allow free elections at the village level. Today it was even announced that they are considering them at the aggregate village level, one step below county government with the idea of moving it to county level in 2002.

At the end of the day, this is one of the most free societies on earth, with flat taxes, a simple framework of law, an active press and an entrepreneurial spirit unmatched anywhere on earth. There is no question that Hong Kong will succeed, provided it is allowed to follow its own course. In Singapore, I will miss the pace, excitement, and hardheadedness that are so common here.



*The Bearcat football team won 13 games and was ranked No. 2 going into the NAIA national championship game against No. 1 Finlay (Ohio) on December 20 in Tennessee. Read about the team's season of success on page 14.*



*What's this women's soccer standout doing on the football field? See page 14.*

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