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Seasons of Transition



Bryan M. Johnston

The 1997-98 academic year is approaching the end of its season. As the Willamette campus blossoms into spring, much of the energy here turns toward graduation. Winter turns to spring; students become graduates; one president leaves, while another will soon arrive: these are days of transition for Willamette University.

In Willamette's history book, we have just closed the well-written chapter entitled "The Hudson Years." The new chapter, "M. Lee Felton," has yet to be written, but we are eager to turn those pages, too.

In the short period between these presidencies, however, the Willamette community has continued to change, reminding us that every season — every day, in fact — is one of transition. Today, we continue to reap the harvest of the Jerry Hudson years. For instance, in 1998 a local chapter of the Phi Beta Kappa Society was established, something Willamette has long sought. Over the past six months we have watched the construction of a state-of-the-art music building, which will literally give a new reverberant sound to the music performed on campus. On a daily basis, changes occur to the former US West Communications Building, which will soon become the Hallie Ford Museum of Art, a showcase for Willamette's art collection and an educational and cultural resource for the entire Willamette Valley.

But most of this year's real accomplishments occur in the day-to-day lives of Willamette's students. Here, too, we find many examples of excellence in the midst of change. We saw athletes who posted a legendary 13-1 football season, and said good-bye to their beloved coach, Dan Hawkins. We rooted for students who became finalists for the Rhodes Scholarship in three states, and then went on to submit applications for other national and international competitions. A new theatre professor, Steven David Martin, accompanied his first production (of Eric Overmyer's play about transition, *On the Verge: Or the Geography of Yearning*) to the regional finals of the American College Theatre Festival in Pasco, Wash. In forensics, three teams of debaters have recently qualified for the world finals. At Atkinson, professor Debra Ringold's marketing class became the first in a graduate business school to do a research project for General Motors Marketing Internship Program. And at the law school the negotiation team took second place at the national competition in Nashville, Tenn.

Even the physical plant has changed this year. Successful negotiations have secured a property contribution that will give the University a women's softball field by the coming summer. Perhaps most notable of all, the city of Salem has received drawings that, when approved, will allow the University to transform Winter Street from a barrier dividing the campus to one of the most attractive features uniting it.

In an often-quoted passage from *Ecclesiastes*, we are told that "For everything there is a season, and time for every matter under heaven" (3:1). At Willamette University, the seasons of this academic year have seen changes that will make this a better place in our time, and a better place for all times.

Bryan Johnston
Interim President

In Tribute to Paul Trueblood

[To see obituary, turn to page 43]

... Death is inevitable; Paul Trueblood had lived a very long, full, productive life ...

... I reread the correspondence Paul and I had exchanged over the years and, inspired by a note that he had written to me upon the death of my father nine years ago, I opened a text on English Romantic Writers that Paul had used in his classroom, reading from it for the first time since leaving Willamette. Between the pages were notes from lectures, a to-do list and an editorial from the *Statesman* about students rejecting violence. Paul's handwriting dated the editorial "Dec. 3, 1970."

And suddenly, as if pulling back the curtain of time, the floodgate of memories of my life at Willamette gushed forward. It was a time of dramatic change in this country ... and at Willamette. In my freshman year, there were still freshman beanies, a dress code for walking into town, chapel, queens and courts for every event imaginable, and curfews for women. By my senior year, the winds of change that had been fomented by the Viet Nam War and the civil rights movement and that had swept across every other university in America had engulfed Willamette.

... Willamette had professors who weren't looking for submissiveness, professors whose purpose wasn't to teach us a trade, professors who didn't believe in the practicality of education, but professors who *did* believe in helping each of us develop our potential ...

Paul Trueblood was just such a one. As we students compared notes about the teachers we had, I'd wonder about a professor who'd get so carried away that he'd stand on his chair to recite poetry to his students, who'd teach — and re-teach — and re-teach — the Alma Mater, "Old Historic Temple." ...

... Certainly our life's vision, how we see the world and our place in it, is continuously shaped by the events we have participated in and the people who have mattered most to us ... Paul was a great part of that experience ...

BRUCE BOTELHO '71 L'76
Douglas, Alaska

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.



PATRICIA ALLEY '73 received her Ph.D. in English from Claremont Graduate School (now Claremont Graduate University) in 1983. After working in development positions at Scripps College, the Los Angeles Theatre Center and Loyola Marymount University, she returned to Willamette in 1990, as director of Academic Grants & Awards. Since 1995, she has been director of Foundation Relations & Government Grants.

JENNIFER MILLER '97 a Salem native, freelanced at Salem's *Statesman-Journal* for three years, covering arts and entertainment for the Living Section. She was a staff writer for the *Willamette Scene* for two years while an undergraduate at Willamette, and was head of press for Oregon State Representative Mike Lehman (D-Coos Bay) during the last legislative session. Miller is a first-year Willamette law student.

MELANEY MOISAN has been writing for the *Willamette Scene* for eight years, and is associate editor. Like Jennifer she did her time with the *Statesman-Journal*, and has also worked as a florist, a movie usherette, an elevator operator and a calf feeder. Of these, she prefers writing.

DESTON NOKES '81 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. Most recently 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). Asked about his athletic expertise, he responded that he is working to redeem his misspent youth by running and lifting, and coaching his son's T-Ball team.

ANNE O'ROURKE is an assistant in the sports information department. A free spirit, she has lived in six states since graduating from Stephens College in Columbia, Mo. However, she settled long enough in Tucson, Ariz., to obtain her master's degree at the University of Arizona, where she worked in the sports information department. To escape the routine grind, she takes camping and hiking journeys across the country with her beloved weimaraner "Sequoia."

MARY ANN SPRINKLE is director of development for Willamette University and was formerly the director of development and alumni relations for the College of Law. She has been at Willamette since August 1991. A native southern Virginian with a slight accent, a summa cum laude graduate of Stephens College in Columbia, Mo., and the University of Oregon, Mary Ann is a daily commuter from Portland and a pen-up writer in disguise.

CLIFF VOLIVA is a 1982 graduate of Oregon State University, and has worked at the *Albany Democrat-Herald*, and the *Cottage Grove Sentinel*. He was a sportswriter for Times Publications, which publishes two weekly newspapers in the Tigard-Beaverton area, and has been Willamette's Sports Information Director since 1987. He enjoys vacations by car, country music, golf, fantasy baseball, rockhounding and gardening. Among the people he most admires are former OSU basketball coach Ralph Miller, Willamette alum and golf aficionado Kent Myers and Willamette men's basketball coach Gordie James.

BENJAMIN WORSLEY is doing free-lance writing for the Office of News and Publications this spring and will graduate with a degree in politics this May. Then he will be looking for a full-time job.



LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Promoting Equality

I thought you would like to see the additional publicity the *Willamette Scene* generated. I was president of Lawyers Club in 1993-94 and want to thank Willamette for promoting "equality of the sexes in our society" not only for Liz Heaston but also for me and my classmates. We thrived in the environment at Willamette and went on to achieve great careers. In fact, I will soon be visiting with two close Willamette friends; one a retired U.S. Air Force colonel (Patricia Blank Garland '75) and the other, a senior vice president of a \$120 million equipment financing company (Patricia Campbell Montmorency '75).

REBECCA MICHAEL JONES '75
San Diego, Calif.

Editor's note: *Rebecca enclosed the March 1998 Lawyers Club News, noting that Liz Heaston — from Rebecca's alma mater — was the first woman to play in a college football game.*

Give Credit on Plaques

We were impressed with the *Annual Report 1996-97*. I especially enjoyed Jerry Hudson's commencement remarks and the profiles of the persons for whom the Willamette buildings are named. I can't remember knowing about these remarkable people when I was at Willamette. If it hasn't been done, I'd recommend commemorative plaques with more information about the person he posted inside the residence hall, classroom building, U.C., etc. Nice job.

KARLA WENZEL '83
Portland, Ore.

Editor's note: *A plaque at the WU president's residence refers to it as the "Bishop House." If you have historical information about it, contact the Scene.*

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 alumnus/a. Write to the Editor, The Scene, Willamette University, 900 State Street, Salem, OR 97301, or e-mail <scene@willamette.edu>.

...

A Regatta and Boathouse

... This weekend was a dream come true for me. Racing on our own course, from our own boathouse and with a large supportive crowd out on the banks cheering for us was extremely rewarding. Sitting on the opposite shore, I wished that the team members could have visited with the crowd so that we could have shared with you the bubbling enthusiasm that your presence caused. This sense of community that draws professors, administrators and other students to attend events is what makes Willamette truly special and why I am glad to have been a part of it.

I also want to share with all of you and our novices why this first regatta was so important and awe-inspiring to me. As a senior I never ever believed that rowing as a sport at Willamette would come this far while I was here. Students who now enter this program are getting something quite different from the experience that met me and those before me. When I came there was no coach and talk of a boathouse was just that, meaningless talk

We love rowing for many reasons individually, but it is the unity of the seemingly contrasting mix of beauty, grace, power, pain, dedication and commitment that crew unites. For each member of the team, crew has enhanced our Willamette and life experiences tremendously

HILARY BAYLY
Student

Editor's note: *Excerpted from a letter to Interim President Bryan Johnston after WU's first regatta at home in November.*

But Was it the Best Ever?

With all due respect for the 1997 year in football at WU are you sure "it was the most successful football season in school history?" When I was researching *Not on a Silver Platter*, I am sure that I ran across a story about how one year Oregon State refused to play Willamette rather than take an ignominious beating. Even if I made a note of it, it would be of no use now as the notes are long gone. Maybe someone else will stumble across the story and flaunt it.

The recent Scenes are spectacular, beautifully done.

BEATRICE (LOCKHART) WHITE '29
Forest Grove, Ore.

Class Size Clarification

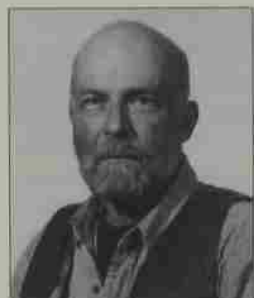
Linda Cates called to my attention Jerry Hudson's statement in Rich Buck's interview that half the classes in CLA had 10 to 12 students. While we have small classes in CLA in good number, his estimate overstates the mark.

Here are some representative numbers (fall 1997), not including science labs (usually enrolling 16 to 24 students), private instruction and "x" courses (usually more than 15).

Class sections:
fewer than five students 11
five to nine students 52
10 to 15 students 70
16 to 20 students 100
21 to 25 students 69
26 to 30 students 44
30 to 35 students 21
above 35 students 18 (most of these are science courses that carry multiple labs)

LAWRENCE CRESS
Dean, College of Liberal Arts

Poetry Series Features Book Award Winners



Clemens Starck

With support from The Witter Bynner Foundation for Poetry, the Willamette English Department and the Hallie Brown Ford Chair in English presented a series of poetry readings by Northwest poets this spring.

The series opened on Feb. 6 with readings by Dorianne Laux, author of two collections of poetry, and Ingrid Wendt, recipient of the 1988 Oregon Book Award.

Other poets in the series included Vern Rutsala, winner of the 1992 Oregon Book Award; Carlos Reyes, a finalist in the 1993 and 1995 National Poetry Series Competition; Barbara Drake, who has published several books of poetry and is the recipient of a National Endowment for the Arts Fellowship; Charles Goodrich, whose poetry has been published in a large variety of publications; Clemens Starck, poet-in-residence at Willamette this spring and 1996 Oregon Book Award recipient; and Robert Peterson, poet-in-residence at Willamette in the spring of 1991 and again in 1992, who has published nine books of poetry.

Oregon Initiative Process Discussed at Symposium

The growing concern about the integrity of the initiative process was the subject of a symposium at the College of Law in February, sponsored by the *Law Review*.

The symposium, "Redirected Democracy: An Evaluation of the Initiative Process," opened with a lecture by Philip P. Frickey, whose topic was "Republican Government and the Initiative Process." Frickey is Faegre & Benson Professor of Law at University of Minnesota Law School. He examined direct democracy and state legislative processes critically and suggested responses worthy of consideration by the legal community.

Events also included lectures by Clayton B. Gillette, professor of law at University of Virginia School of Law; and the Honorable Robert H. Henry, U.S. Court of Appeals, Tenth Circuit. Gillette addressed a series of criticisms of the initiative process in a speech titled "Is Direct Democracy Anti-Democratic?" Henry, who was once the attorney general of Oklahoma, discussed the initiative process, using examples from his experiences in Oklahoma during the populist movement, in a lecture titled "Deliberating About Democracy: A View from Several Trenches."

Additionally, several panel discussions were held throughout the symposium. There was a discussion on the "Battlegrounds of the Initiative Process," moderated by Deputy Attorney General David Schuman, which revolved around controversial issues such as physician assisted suicide and homosexuality, as well as a panel discussion on "Budgeting by Initiative."

MLK Celebration at WU Features Noted Author



Cornel West, author of *Restoring Hope and Race Matters*, was the featured speaker for the celebration of Martin Luther King Jr.'s birthday in January.

Faculty Respond with Teach-In About Persian Gulf Crisis

Faculty at Willamette held a Teach-In on Feb. 24 in response to the Persian Gulf crisis. There were several different speakers, including Bryan Johnston, interim president, who spoke on "The United States and International Negotiations — Our Achilles Heel!"

Other speakers and their topics were: James Nafziger, Thomas B. Stoel Professor of Law, "The Legal Framework of the U.S./Iraq Crisis"; Adele Birnbaum, professor of English, "Weaponry — Ours and Theirs"; Ann Nicgorski, assistant professor of art, "Archaeological Looting in Iraq: The Human Costs"; Ken Nolley, professor of English, "Bombing as an Instrument of Foreign Policy"; Rich Surliff, professor of English, "Edward Said on Iraq"; Bill Smaldone, associate professor of history, "Let's Not Forget Our History"; Charlie Wallace, university chaplain, "The Ancient & Honorable Tradition of Antiwar Activism in Church & University"; Pamela Moro, assistant professor of anthropology, "Classical Iraqi Music"; Carol Ireson-Doolittle, professor of sociology, "Voices from the Iraqi Countryside"; Lane McGaughy, George H. Atkinson Professor of Religious and Ethical Studies, "Iraq and the American Monomyth"; Bill Braden, professor of English, "Poetry on War"; Nader Nazemi, assistant professor of politics, "The Regional Context of the Current Crisis and Its History"; David McCreery, professor of religion, "Why Does the Arab World Oppose Military Action Against Iraq?"; Michael Carrigan, Oregon PeaceWorks, "Peaceful Conflict Resolution"; and Sam Hall, professor of mathematics, "What Next?"

Approximately 300 people filtered in and out of Cone Chapel to hear the speakers, who presented their topics at 15-minute intervals throughout the afternoon. Many of those attending were retirees involved with the Institute for Continued Learning at Willamette.



WILLAMETTE UP CLOSE

Phi Beta Kappa Chapter Installed at Willamette

Installation of a new chapter of the Phi Beta Kappa Society was held at Willamette University on Willamette Founders' Day, Feb. 1. At that time the following Foundation Members, chosen by their colleagues, were inducted into the chapter: Wallace Carson Jr. '62, chief justice, Oregon Supreme Court and Willamette University trustee; Maribeth Collins, president, The Collins Foundation and Willamette University trustee; Lawrence Cress, dean of the College of Liberal Arts, Willamette University; Jerry E. Hudson, president emeritus, Willamette University, and executive vice president and director, The Collins Foundation; Dorothy Patch Garlinghouse '30, retired; and Loren Winterscheid '48, professor emeritus of surgery, University of Washington and Willamette University trustee.

New officers were also elected. They are: George McCowen, E. Jerry Whipple Professor of American History, president; Norm Hudak, professor of chemistry, vice president; Grant Thorsett, professor of biology, secretary/treasurer; and Virginia Bothun, professor emerita of English, historian.

Willamette received approval to establish a chapter of this national honor society at the 38th Triennial Council of Phi Beta Kappa, held last fall. Approximately 30 Willamette faculty and staff are members of Phi Beta Kappa, which was founded in 1776. It is the nation's oldest academic honor society, with chapters on 255 of the most prestigious campuses, and chartered alumni associations in more than 50 metropolitan areas. Phi Beta Kappa's mission is to foster and recognize excellence in the liberal arts and sciences. The society's distinctive emblem, the golden key, is widely recognized as a symbol of academic achievement.



Dorothy Patch Garlinghouse, Maribeth Collins, Wallace Carson Jr., and Lawrence Cress were inducted as foundation members into Willamette's chapter of Phi Beta Kappa.



Steve Maser

Maser Named Interim Dean of the Atkinson School

Interim President Bryan Johnston has appointed Steve Maser, associate dean and professor of public management and public policy, as interim dean of the Atkinson School. The appointment was made with unanimous support from the faculty and staff at the Atkinson School.

Maser has taught at the Atkinson School since 1978 and has served as associate dean for the past two years.

Maser replaces Dale Weight, who had served as dean of the Atkinson School since 1990. Weight has retired, although he is teaching a class during spring semester. He and his wife, Carilee, plan to go on a mission for their church.

The search for a permanent replacement for Weight has been ongoing since September, and a final selection is expected this summer.

Recognition, Awards and Achievements Noted

◆ **Jim Sumner**, vice president for enrollment, has been selected to travel to Germany in April to attend the 1998 Seminar for U.S. Administrators. The seminar, which is planned and sponsored by the Fulbright Commission, brings 25 administrators from various universities, colleges and community colleges throughout the United States together for a two-week seminar in Germany. Candidates are given the opportunity to discuss international exchange programs as well as learn about the inner-workings of German higher education. The program also provides participants with the opportunity to travel throughout Germany and visit selected universities. The administrators are flown to Bonn, Germany, where the program begins. They will also make visits to universities in Brandenburg, Berlin and several other eastern cities. The administrators are also given the opportunity to work with selected German administrators who will be traveling to the U.S. in May for a similar seminar on the United States's higher education system.



◆ **Rebecca Dobkins**, anthropology, spent five days in New York City for the opening of an exhibit she has curated entitled "Memory and Imagination:

The Legacy of Maidu Indian Artist Frank Day." The exhibit opened Feb. 15 at the Smithsonian's National Museum of the American Indian in New York City and will be there until May 3. The exhibit is the first comprehensive overview of Maidu artist Frank Day and features 49 paintings and drawings by the self-taught painter. Day, who lived from 1902 until 1976, was a California Indian painter. The Maidu are from north central California in the region around the Sierra Nevada Mountains.

◆ The Clinical Law Program of the College of Law was named a Pro Bono Award recipient as Law Firm of the Year by the Marion County Bar Association this winter. The program is administered by M. David Daniel and Mitzi Naudler L82.



◆ **Richard Ellis**, politics, has been awarded the prestigious Graves Award, an award intended to encourage and reward outstanding accomplishment in actual

teaching in the humanities by younger faculty members. His project is titled "The Rise of Popular Executive Leadership in Great Britain and the United States, 1832-1920." The award will finance a trip to Britain in the spring of 1999, which will enable Ellis to visit a number of libraries for research on the rhetorical behavior of late 19th and early 20th century prime ministers, especially William Gladstone.

◆ Willamette has received a \$15,000 grant, payable over three years, to support a Service-Learning component in Latin American Studies. The grant comes from the Western Region Campus Compact Consortium, in partnership with Oregon Campus Compact.

◆ **Frank Zizza and Dick Iltis**, mathematics, have won Faculty Fellow awards from the NSF program, Oregon Collaborative for Excellence in the Preparation of Teachers. This includes a stipend for summer work and money for course release, as well as for travel and supplies. The proposal was titled: "The Mathematics of the Universe." The goal of the course is to present mathematics and mathematical ideas in the context of the human desire to impose order on the universe. In the first realization of this course, the context will be astronomy and cosmology. The approach will be historical. It will start with the ancient Greeks and their "Music of the

Spheres." The middle of the course will be a careful analysis of the ideas and contributions of Copernicus, Kepler, Galileo, and especially Newton. The evolution of hyperbolic geometry as the precursor of Riemann's differential geometry and role of the new geometries in Einstein's general theory of relativity will complete the course.

◆ **Joey Lillywhite**, senior classics major, has been accepted for participation in the prestigious Agora Excavation for this summer. He will spend 10 weeks excavating in the heart of ancient Athens, a project sponsored by the American School of Classical Studies in Athens, and Princeton University. This is an excavation granted to American excavators by an act of the Greek parliament in the early 20th century.

Press Clippings

Steve Bryan L/M'93 was featured in an article in November which appeared in *The Wall Street Journal*. The article was about Bryan's company, Pierian Spring Software. The story talks about Bryan's early career in technology, beginning in the 1970s repairing Dow Jones news printers.

Willamette Week in Portland had an article about professor **James Thompson's** art show in Portland in December. Calling Thompson a "painter's painter," the article talked at great length about his career as a teacher of art at Willamette and as an artist. He was described as: "A career painter of the first rank, the solid mold who sustains and deepens the sometimes maddeningly fickle proposition of art."

Eric Paulson '84, who was named Oregon's 1997 Small Business Person of the Year, was profiled in *Oregon Business* magazine. Paulson is president and CEO of Lektro Inc. and makes his home in Astoria, Ore. His company was started in 1945 by his father and its products include forklifts, golf carts, mink and chicken feeders, and parts distribution vehicles for General Motors.

Willamette Welcomes New Administrators

DIRECTOR OF THE HALLIE FORD MUSEUM OF ART



John Paul Olbrantz of Bellingham, Wash., has been named the director of the Hallie Ford Museum of Art. Olbrantz has served since 1987 as the deputy director of the Whatcom Museum of History and Art, and prior to that worked as the director of both the San Jose Museum of Art in California and the Bellevue Art Museum in Washington. Olbrantz received his bachelor's degree in history of art from Western Washington University and studied arts administration and management at the University of California, Berkeley. He received his master's degree in history of art from the University of Washington. He also did graduate

studies at the University of California, Santa Barbara. He was appointed to the Washington State Arts Commission by Governor Booth Gardner in 1991 and serves on the Policy and Planning Committee and chairs the Visual Arts Committee. He was voted Newsmaker of the Year in the Arts by the *Bellingham Herald* in 1989 for "A Different War," an exhibition he organized that examined the impact of the Vietnam War on American art of the past 25 years.

INTERIM ASSISTANT DIRECTOR FOR STUDENT ACTIVITIES



David Martinez '90 has been named as the interim assistant director for student activities. He replaces Sue Corner '90 in that position. Corner is serving as interim director of student activities. At Willamette Martinez majored in sociology and minored in Spanish. Immediately after graduation he worked briefly with the Migrant Education program in the Salem-Keizer School District. This was followed by a position as a Youth Advocate for Community Youth Services of Washington County, located in Beaverton, Ore. For the next two years Martinez worked as an educational advisor, for an Educational Talent Search

Program — Project PLUS, housed at Portland State University. Most recently, from July 1994 to September 1997, he was the director of multicultural student services and programs at Western Oregon University in Monmouth. Martinez was the first member of his family to graduate from high school and receive a college degree.

DIRECTOR OF DEVELOPMENT AND ALUMNI RELATIONS, COLLEGE OF LAW



Sharon Blus has been appointed director of development and alumni relations for the College of Law. Blus received a B.A. degree in history from Oregon State University and is a 1995 graduate of the Atkinson Graduate School of Management. She previously worked at the Humane Society of the Willamette Valley where she was a development manager. Blus serves as a board member on the Atkinson Management Society Executive Board and the Mid Valley Development Professionals Board. She is also an active member of several other professional and community organizations.

The World Calls WU Juniors

There is life after Willamette, and the junior class heard all about it on Saturday, Feb. 21, when more than 100 juniors participated in *Saeculum Vocat* (the world is calling). Subtitled "a focus on the future," this first-time event addressed the challenges that students face as they prepare for their senior year and for life after college. The workshop was coordinated and supported by members of the CLA faculty, Career Services, Academic Grants & Awards, Student Affairs, Alumni Relations, Academic Administration, Residence Life, University Relations and the CLA Dean's Office.

The day began with brunch and a keynote address from Willamette alumnus (CLA and law) Keith Lovett, senior vice president, Human Resources, Fred Meyer. Students then broke out into vocation-based sessions led by panel members drawn from alumni, faculty and the community. Students attended sessions including Health and Medical Professions; Public Service, Government and Law; K-12 Education and Youth Programs; Creative and Performing Arts; Commerce and Industry; Academic Research and Scholarship; International and National Volunteer Service; Applied Sciences and Technical Careers; Human and Social Services; and PR, Marketing and Communications.

Preparing to leave Willamette takes time, thought and effort. Too often seniors become overwhelmed — by GREs and LSATs, senior seminars and papers, graduate and professional school applications, and resumes and job interviews. They find themselves unaware, unprepared or ill-equipped to face the decisions they must make as they take their leave of Willamette. The workshop provides a much needed heads-up to the junior class, giving them the opportunity to explore career and service interests and opportunities.

best way to give it the intensity of narration that it needed was in the first person. I thought for a while about doing *Black and Blue* in the third person, omniscient, and decided that what I really wanted to do was get in Fran's skin and tell it from her point of view. I do think it gives it a kind of forward thrust, a sort of pitched momentum that it wouldn't have otherwise.

PA: During the period of your first two novels, you were writing the novels and writing the columns in tandem. Now that you're a full-time novelist, is there a difference in your writing schedule, and do you miss the camaraderie of the newsroom?

AQ: I hadn't been in the newsroom since Christopher, our second son, was born, in 1985. I left the paper then because I had two little boys in two years, and when I started writing again (a column called "Life in the Thirties"), I did it from home. I have no idea who that woman was who was writing a novel and two columns a week, but I do not want to be her again. And when people say "Couldn't you still do both?" I say, "oh, you try it and raise three children as well."

PA: A few years ago you commented that only you and Ellen Goodman were writing columns from a woman's point of view. Do you think that situation has changed much?

AQ: Ellen and I were the best known and most widely syndicated people writing from a woman's point of view. There are many more women columnists now, but I think op-ed editors still have a peculiar myopia about how they staff their columns. The mind-set seems to be still that you have one arch conservative, one moderate, perhaps two liberals, one person of color, and then you have one woman. That sounds like it makes sense until you realize that women comprise 51 percent of the population, which means that by any statistical demographic measure, there should be

probably three-four of them on every op-ed page during any given week.

PA: You've been quoted as saying that you hope your children grow up thinking that interior decorating means having enough bookshelves for their books. What books are you and your family reading right now?

“ I think that sometimes it's a mistake to think too much about issues and too little about people. As a journalist I found that no one really cares about issues. They care about people, about one person who is dying of cancer and wants to be relieved of their suffering and indignities. ”

AQ: Quinn is reading *Streets of Laredo* by Larry McMurtry. He was never so happy as when he discovered that there were other books about all those people in *Lonesome Dove*, which he loved so much. Christopher, a horror movie aficionado, is reading *The Horror Show*. Maria just finished a book called *The Personal Diary of Katy Roberts*, and tonight I told her to read another book from the Wrenn series, which are wonderful children's books. I am right now reading a book called *Gutenberg's Elegies* as part of the research for the long essay/short book I'm writing for a new series from Random House, called *The Library of Contemporary Thought*. My husband scarcely ever finds time to read because he's a trial lawyer, and what he's usually reading are briefs and depositions.

PA: Does your family still read *A Christmas Carol* every Christmas?

AQ: Every year, every year! My father came for Christmas and he kept dozing off in the chair, and every time he woke up he'd say "That was wonderful," and it was!

PA: You give every appearance of being a person who can readily balance the demands of being a writer, mother, wife and public figure. How difficult is that balancing act, and do you think it will be difficult to sustain in the future?

AQ: Well, I'm scarcely ever a public figure. About one percent of my life is as a public figure, for which I am deeply grateful. My job as mother gets less physically onerous and more psychologically taxing as my kids get older. But I don't mind because I love it so much, and I have the kind of work that I can do what I want when I want. So I would say it's sometimes difficult to hold it all together, and there seems never to be enough clean laundry. But compared to women who really have to struggle to make ends meet or who can't get flex time, I feel things have been pretty easy for me. And that's more a function of good fortune than any particular abilities on my part.

PA: You once remarked that everything about winning a Pulitzer prize was wonderful. Would you like to win another one, and what would you like to win it for?

AQ: You know, I don't think anybody should wish for a Pulitzer because it's like wishing someone would leave you a hundred million dollars in their will. I mean, it's an impossible dream, so that when you do get it, it's like manna from heaven, but I certainly don't think you should wish for more than one.

An Interview with Anna Quindlen

by Pat Alley

PA: Three of your novels deal with the disappointments of romantic love within the context of marriage: the difficulties of marriage, adultery and spousal abuse. Do you think that Americans have an unrealistic view of marriage and the longevity of romantic love?

AQ: Yes, there is frequently a misconception of marriage that is summed up in *Black and Blue* by protagonist Fran Benedetto: she thought it would be a dating relationship forever. I'm always perplexed by people who say very politely about a bad marriage involving abuse, "Why doesn't she just leave?" It's clear to me that while you start out with a romantic relationship with one other individual, it turns out to be a shared life, a shared home, shared friends, shared family, the shared rituals of holidays, and above all, children. George and Kate Golden in *One True Thing* grew up thinking marriage will be everything, a spouse can be everything. When I outgrew that I knew I could have a successful marriage.

PA: To go back to *Black and Blue*, Fran seems entirely isolated in her marriage in terms of escalating levels of violence and fear. Did you talk to any victims of spousal abuse before you began the novel?

AQ: I didn't do any research for this book other than being human for 45 years and watching other people for 45 years and soaking it up. I think that sometimes it's a mistake to think too much about issues and too little about people. As a journalist I found that no one really cares about issues. They care about people, about one person who is dying of cancer and wants to be relieved



Anna Quindlen

Journalist, novelist and social critic Anna Quindlen spoke as part of the Atkinson Lecture Series in February. Quindlen is the author of the current best selling novel *Black and Blue*. She was a columnist at *The New York Times* from 1981 to 1994. In 1992, Quindlen won the Pulitzer Prize for commentary. She has written two best-selling novels, *Object Lessons* (1991) and *One True Thing* (1994). She is also the author of a collection of essays titled *Living Out Loud* and two children's books, *The Tree that Came to Stay* (1992) and *Happily Ever After* (1997).

of their suffering and indignities. People who know about this subject say that I got it right. I was supremely confident that if I got her right, if I got her psychology right, if I made the reader understand why she was drawn to Bobby, that it would all not only seem very real but would become very real.

PA: I was fascinated by Fran and her son, Robert, who doesn't see everything that is going on between his mother and father. Was the portrait of Robert based on your own son?

AQ: I think the overwhelming love that Fran has for Robert and the way she almost melts inside when she looks at him when he can't tell she's looking is absolutely based on the incredible love I have for my son.

PA: You dedicated the book to him.

AQ: My eldest son, my 14-year-old son. And it's also based on my experience as a mother, understanding full well how important it is for boys to separate from you and attach psychologically to the notion of manhood in general and to the specific man in their lives, their father, at a critical point in their development. It's no accident that Robert is 10, because that's the bridge between being a child and becoming a young man.

PA: Two of your novels are written from the viewpoint of a female narrator looking back in time at a complex family situation. What advantage does that narrative style give you as a writer?

AQ: Given how intense the life events contained in the novel were, the very



SPORTS

Hopes Rise, Then Fall, for Winter Sports Teams

by Cliff Voliva

The phrase "better luck next year" is an appropriate one for Willamette's basketball and swimming teams. All four teams came oh-so-close to their goals, but fell just short. However, with few seniors graduating from those teams, the Bearcats are bound to have better luck, and fortunes, in 1998-99.

Willamette's men's basketball team improved by four games in the win-loss column from the previous year, finishing at 14-10 overall. But the 10-8 record in the Northwest Conference could only earn the team fifth place in the standings, just one spot out of the four-team conference playoffs. In a season full of highlights, including three wins over teams that went to the national tournament, the Bearcats could not win a game in overtime. Four conference contests went to an extra period, and Willamette dropped each one. How close were the Bearcats to a stellar season? Wins in those four overtime games would have translated into an 18-6 record and tied the Bearcats with Whitworth for the NCIC championship at 14-4.

Kevin VandenBrink, the team's only senior starter, was named second-team all-conference after leading the Bearcats in scoring (12.0 points per game) and rebounding (5.6). Three other players averaged in double figures for 11-year head coach Gordie James — junior guard Brad Nelson (11.2), sophomore point guard Shawn Gahr (11.0) and sophomore post Jason Downey (10.6).

Willamette's women's team, which had no seniors, had a similarly up-and-down season as the men. The Bearcats finished 13-11 overall and 10-8 in the conference, one game out of the playoff picture behind fourth-place Linfield.



Kevin VandenBrink played all five positions for the Bearcats his senior season.

Willamette's young talent allowed it to be in the hunt for the playoffs all season long, but in the end, it missed the leadership often provided by seniors.

Coach Paula Petrie's team was led the entire season by newcomer Kirstin Anderson, a center who transferred to WU after playing her sophomore year at nearby Chemeketa Community College. She earned first-team all-conference accolades after averaging a team-leading 15.8 points and 9.3 rebounds a game. Both of those marks rank No. 2 all-time at Willamette for a single season.

The Bearcats had three other players earn all-conference honorable mention status — juniors Peggy Waliezer and KayLyn Charriere, and freshman Kelly Sorenson. Waliezer was the team's second-leading scorer (10.3) and rebounder (5.0). Charriere broke Willamette's single-season assist record by leading the conference with an average of 5.4 per

game. Sorenson set Willamette single-game records for scoring (32) and steals (9) and shot an NCIC-best .430 from 3-point range, averaging 9.9 points a game.

Willamette's swimming teams performed as expected for the majority of the season, but came away with a bit of an empty feeling at nationals as the women finished ninth and the men placed 13th. The women, who were third in the nation a year ago, were hoping for a finish in the top five, while the men had their sights set on a top 10 placing.

But that didn't take away from an impressive regular season which both squads experienced under first-year coach Al Stephenson, who was an assistant at WU for nine previous seasons.

The Bearcat women went 8-1 in dual meets, losing only to eventual NAIA champion Puget Sound in the first outing of the season. Willamette went on to finish second to the Loggers in the NCIC championships, repeating their placing from the year before. Junior Gerianne Mikasa finished second in the 50-yard freestyle and took third in both the 100 freestyle and 100 butterfly to lead the way.

At nationals, Mikasa and sophomore Becky Fox scored in three individual events and helped all five relays score to pace the Bearcats.

Willamette's men went 5-4 during the dual meet season, including a big victory over Pacific Lutheran. The Bearcats then finished fifth at the NCIC meet for the fourth straight year as junior Carey Cox and sophomore Greg Amorelli shined in the backstrokes and sprint freestyles, respectively. Cox placed sixth at nationals in the 200 backstroke.

For Speckman Coaching is More Than Calling Plays

By Benjamin Worsley

The athletic field allows students to learn important lessons in a different kind of classroom. No one recognizes this as clearly as Willamette's new head football coach, Mark Speckman. Coach Speckman spent the last three years as one of Willamette's assistant football coaches under former head coach Dan Hawkins, who recently resigned to take a position at Boise State University.

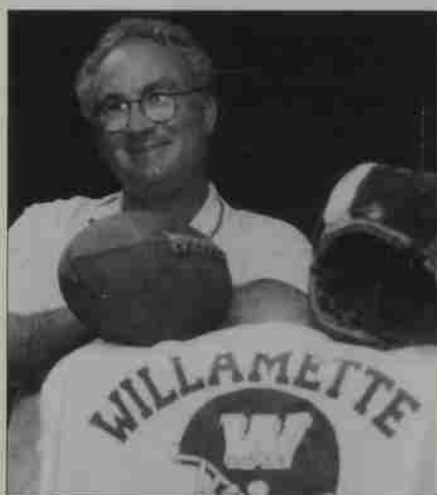
Despite the coaching change, don't expect things to be different on the field. "We've lost a significant number of our coaches so there will be a lot of new faces, but as for the overall philosophy and style of play, people won't notice any changes whatsoever." And as those who follow the Bearcat football team know, it's the philosophy that makes Willamette's program unique.

Speckman sees football as a journey, and he considers the process of the journey to be more important than the destination: "The learning happens on the way." The destination at the end of the 1997 season was indeed special, as Willamette earned its way to an 11-1 record and played in the national championship game. "But through the whole season, we never said we were going to win a national championship. We said we needed to give a national championship effort every day," said Speckman.

Learning to work hard is just one lesson that athletes learn from playing college sports. According to Speckman, what the players learn on the field helps them succeed later in life. "In our society, you need to appreciate competition. There is no better way to learn about competing than on an athletic field." Teamwork is yet another lesson learned on the field. "You have to be a team player to succeed in football."

Football also teaches valuable lessons in getting along with others.

Speckman sees the importance of the education that comes on a football



Mark Speckman is the new head coach for Willamette's football team.

field, but he also recognizes the importance of the work done in the classroom. Speckman himself had to balance school and athletics as a high school teacher and varsity football coach for 18 years.

Balancing school and football in his players' lives is something that Speckman works hard to facilitate. "We do a great job of balancing the academic and athletic parts of Willamette, but it is hard to do," he says. The team has study hall requirements and spends time working in study groups. "But the best thing we do is create a peer pressure to get good grades and succeed in the classroom." The efforts have paid off well, as the football team achieved an average g.p.a. of 3.0 and all 92 players on the roster passed their classes.

Part of the reason for the team's academic success is because of the way Speckman and his staff approach recruiting. "In recruiting, we make no bones about the academic side of things," Speckman said.

"There are a lot of good football schools and a lot of good academic schools out there, and Willamette excels at both. The guys that want both challenges are the guys we want here."

Despite the pressures to compete, Speckman stresses that he wants his players to have fun. He doesn't want to see the "business" of football get in the way of his players' enjoyment of the sport. However, recent changes have given Willamette players a glimpse at the business side of things. "Our guys got the taste of the business side of things with all of the coaches leaving. No one blames them for moving on and taking positions that are better for them, but this is one of the first times we've seen the business side of things."

Because Willamette rarely sees the business side of sports, Speckman has found that great player-coach relationships have developed. "The coach has a big role in the players' lives." For some players, Speckman finds himself acting as a sort of mentor. "But others come from a situation where they need a role model," he says. Many of these relationships become very important to both the coach and the player.

"As a teacher for 18 years, I wasn't able to experience the close personal relationship I have had with my players as a coach."

Away from his time-consuming job, Speckman's main hobbies include working out, playing racquetball, reading, and spending time with his family. His wife, Sue, is a drug and alcohol counselor for the Salem school district. Speckman also has a stepdaughter who is a freshman at Willamette, a son who is a junior in high school, and a stepdaughter in the sixth grade.

Part of the reason Speckman likes Willamette so much is because it gives students so many opportunities to succeed. "Football isn't for everyone, but that's what's great about Willamette. Everyone deserves a niche and no one's niche is more important than another's."



Yell leaders were an important part of the game in the 1950s.

When I started this story, I wanted to look at the groups and organizations that support athletes, such as the dance team and the pep band, to understand how they impact Willamette sports. But what I learned is that, to understand the impact of these groups, we also need to understand all the students at Willamette. What are sporting events at Willamette like? Do Willamette students really support their athletes?

On one hand, this year's football team drew huge crowds as they earned their way to the national championship game. Laila Cook, president of the Football Boosters, said attendance was certainly higher than normal at this year's games, and she cited several reasons for the increased attendance, including the mild weather, the team's success, and the attention from having a female player on the team. But she was quick to point out that the Football Boosters worked hard to publicize the games and encourage students, especially freshmen, to attend. All these factors together helped make

Saturdays at McCulloch Stadium events that no one wanted to miss.

Still, most of Willamette's athletic teams don't get the same student support that the football team did, and much of this season's support for the football team can be attributed to the team's successful record.

Willamette doesn't boast a cheerleading squad, but we do have a pep band, which only played at a handful of games this season, and a two-year-old dance team called Danceforce. The crowds at most events are small and generally unenthusiastic.

Willamette's size precludes it from having the same kind of sporting events that large, Division I schools have. However, alumni and even current students point out that things haven't always been the way they are now. Senior cross-country and track participant John Waller says, "Sporting events get less participation now [than they did my freshman year]." And 30 years ago, sports were even more intense. Mike

Bennett '70, director of planned giving and major gifts and a former Willamette athlete himself, said, "My recollection, and it may be sentimental, was that basketball games were a big event." Though the gymnasium was smaller than Cone Fieldhouse, he remembers the cheerleaders, and the pep band encouraging enthusiastic crowds comprised of the community, faculty, staff and students. "In football," he continued, "the last two seasons were the closest I've seen to the crowds during my years [as a student]. There were always big turnouts for the games, and there were cheerleaders and a marching band." What changed?

It is important to remember that Willamette is not the same school it once was. In just the four years I've been a student, I have seen school spirit decline, as indicated by the demise of Freshman Glee. Cook, a senior, said, "I think people are less inclined to participate than in the past. The whole idea of campus pride has gone down."

One of those changes is that Willamette has become more academically challenging, and students have to study rather than attend the big game. Danceforce co-leader Jen Martin commented, "There are a lot of times when people can't make it to practice because of tests or study groups and it is really hard to find times when we can all practice."

Compounding the academic problems are financial problems. The cost of attending Willamette is extremely high. Because of this, more and more students are being forced to find jobs, both on- and off-campus. Students must work on evenings and weekends, the same times as most sporting events.

Also conflicting with sports are other Willamette activities. According to Miles Ward, pep band director, "Two of our trumpet players are in the same fraternity, so if that fraternity has an event on a game night, that means we have a small trumpet section. And a pep band without a trumpet section doesn't get the job done."

But Waller doesn't think that these changes really are the problem. "I think

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ROAR

of the Crowd

by Benjamin Worsley

There you are, surrounded by thousands of screaming fans. A 100-member band blares forth with the school's fight song. Enthusiastic cheerleaders jump, spin and yell, moving the crowd to even greater decibels. A prancing dance team and costumed mascots further add to the festivity as the public address announcer reads the starting line-up. Next to you in the bleachers are crazy, face-painted students cheering their support. Sports at a large university are more than just games, they are events. It's just like this at Willamette. Or is it?



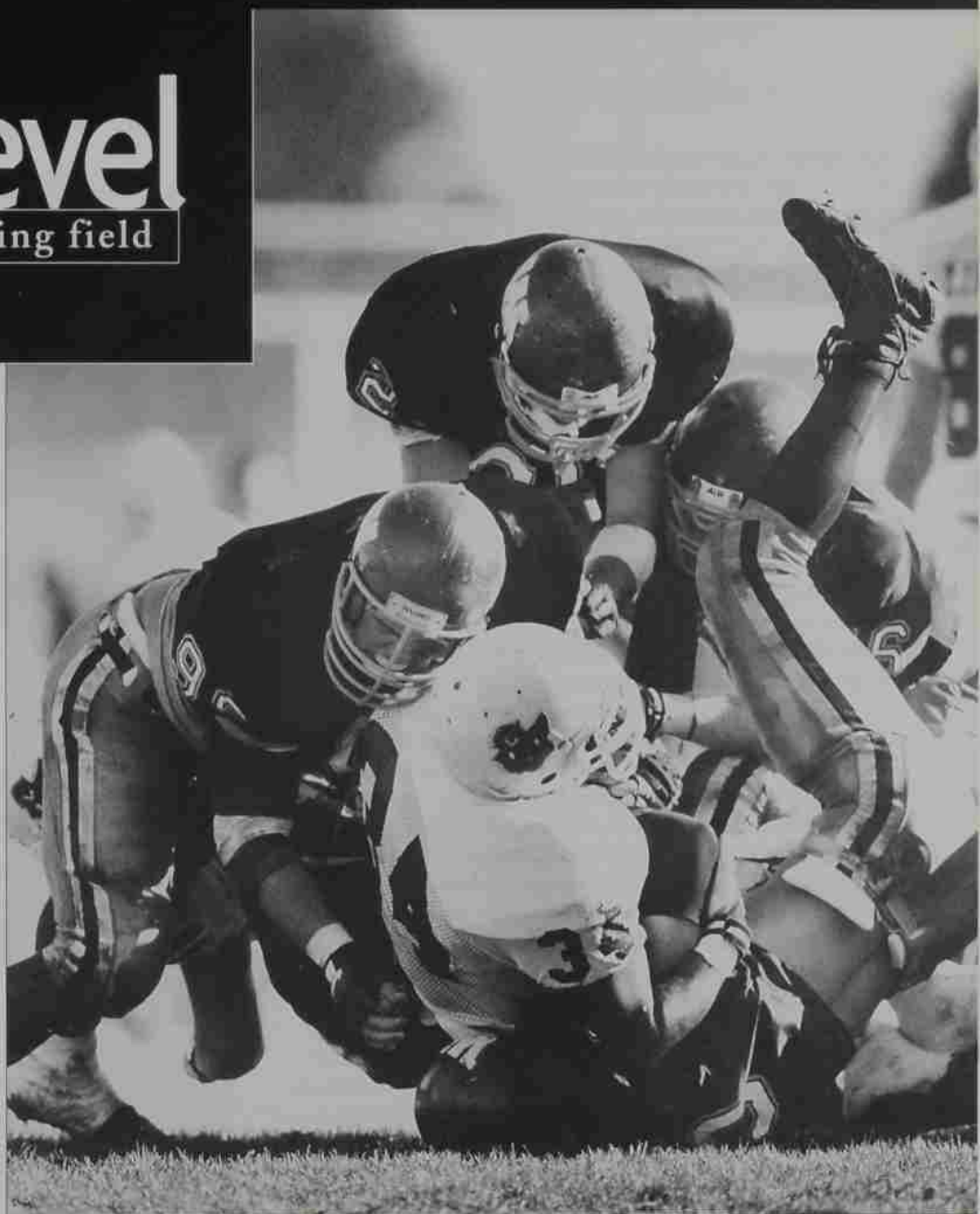
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New, but Level

by Deston Nokes

playing field

Willamette University's quest for greater national stature has been a multi-faceted effort. It has hiked Willamette's endowment to unprecedented size and security. The campus has undergone an astounding physical revitalization of its living, dining and learning edifices.



This effort transformed the campus library into a computerized research center, started a Phi Beta Kappa chapter, constructed the Olin Science Center, raised faculty salaries and completed other accomplishments too numerous to mention.

But the University's latest status upgrade will resonate further than its structures and dollars (okay, maybe not more than dollars). Willamette and the entire Northwest Conference of Independent Colleges are departing the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics (NAIA) to become members of the National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) Division III in fall 1998.

"The move to Division III really has to do with who we are as a university," explained Willamette President emeritus Jerry E. Hudson. "We want to compare ourselves to other Division III schools such as Amherst, Oberlin, Occidental and Tufts. From an academic standpoint, there isn't an NAIA conference in the country that can compare with Willamette and the other schools in the Northwest Conference.

"We wanted to make this move as an entire conference," Hudson said. "It wasn't unanimous, but a clear majority of the colleges believe it's the right thing to do."

"Although we have enjoyed success with many of our athletic programs, we have been operating at a competitive disadvantage," observed Jim Sumner, vice president for enrollment. "That's because for years, we have not awarded financial aid based on athletic ability, and we maintain high academic admis-

there's a general case of apathy. Regardless of how much time students have to work or study, if the attitude was different, they'd make the sacrifices to go." Waller says an example of this is when place kicker Liz Heaston was the first female to play in a college football game last fall. Because students wanted to be at the game, they made it a priority and went to the game, putting aside their studies for one day.

So, is there any hope for Willamette sporting events? I think so. This year's football season shows that the student body can come out and support athletics if they want to. Moreover, alumni continue to be active at athletic events, which helps to bolster the crowd.

And Danceforce and pep band are enthusiastic about the future. Support for Danceforce has grown over the years. "As we've become better performers," said Martin, "we've gotten more support. I get a lot of positive comments from students." Danceforce has become a crowd favorite at Willamette events, and many people come in part to see the group perform.

Ward feels the pep band is also improving crowd support at basketball games. "When I went to my first basketball game without a pep band, there was a small crowd and very little support for the team. The pep band's job is to add that excitement to the crowd so they can transfer energy to the players." Though the band currently has only 17 members, Ward, a freshman, hopes that affiliation with Willamette's University Band in the future will increase those numbers. And unlike the pep bands of the last few years that have disappeared due to lack of interest, Ward promises that this incarnation will endure. "The pep band will be here as long as I'm here, and I hope that I'll find someone else to be excited and carry it on," he said.

The only way that athletic events will improve is if students change their attitudes. "If students don't want it to happen, it won't happen," Bennett said. As Waller said, "School spirit is contagious, but so is apathy." There may be enough spirited students, like those in Danceforce and the pep band, out there now to spread enthusiasm throughout the entire campus and bring back the "good old days" to Willamette.

Athletic Acronyms 101

by Cliff Voliva

In almost any field of work, acronyms are casually thrown into a conversation to speed up and simplify dialog.

But unless you're part of that particular field, translating that alphabet soup can be as difficult as a steeplechase race. So, because we don't want you to run into any barriers or jump into any water pits, we welcome you to "Athletic Acronyms 101." We'll begin with the athletic conference Willamette first joined and still belongs to: The Northwest Conference (**NWC**) began in 1910 with the major colleges in the Pacific Northwest. Willamette joined the NWC along with Pacific University after World War I. Charter members of the NWC were the universities of Oregon, Washington, Idaho and Montana, Oregon Agricultural College (Oregon State University), State College of Washington (Washington State University), Gonzaga University and Whitman College.

The Women's Conference of Independent Colleges (**WCIC**) was created in the mid 1960s when women's sports began their ascent to the intercollegiate level. In 1984 the NWC, which included only men's sports, merged with the WCIC to become the **NCIC** — Northwest Conference of Independent Colleges. Conference officials recently agreed to return to the former title and acronym — NWC.

The conference has long been a member of the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics (**NAIA**), a governing body for colleges and universities that has been in existence since 1940. The organization formed in that year as the National Association of Intercollegiate Basketball (**NAIB**) in an effort to put together a national tournament for basketball. James Naismith, credited with inventing the game of basketball, was one of many who helped lay the groundwork for the NAIB and NAIA.

The National Collegiate Athletic Association (**NCAA**) was officially formed in 1910 and has now grown to more than 1,200 members — institutions, conferences, organizations and individuals "devoted to the sound administration of intercollegiate athletics."

The NCAA's membership was divided into three competitive divisions in 1973 — Division I, Division II and Division III. Generally, the differences in classifications include sports sponsorship minimum criteria, football and basketball scheduling requirements, academic and eligibility standards, and financial aid limitations. The presidents of the Northwest Conference voted three years ago to change affiliation from the NAIA to NCAA Division III. The Presidents felt the conference's institutions, teams and athletes would be better served by competing against colleges and universities with more similar philosophies — specifically those placing a higher priority on academics.

NCAA Division III is comprised of 397 institutions, which compete for national championships in 24 sports — 13 for men and 11 for women. All but two of the conferences in Division III are located east of the Rocky Mountains.

The other conference on the west side of the mountains is the Southern California Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (**SCIAC**). The SCIAC includes California Lutheran (located in Thousand Oaks), California Institute of Technology (Pasadena), Claremont-Mudd-Scripps (Claremont), La Verne (La Verne), Occidental (Los Angeles), Pomona-Pitzer (Claremont), Redlands (Redlands) and Whittier (Whittier).

The NWC now includes George Fox (Newberg, Ore.), Lewis & Clark (Portland, Ore.), Linfield (McMinnville, Ore.), Pacific University (Forest Grove, Ore.), Pacific Lutheran (Tacoma, Wash.), Puget Sound (Tacoma, Wash.), Seattle, Whitman (Walla Walla, Wash.), Whitworth (Spokane, Wash.) and Willamette (Salem, Ore.).

RECRUITING WITH ONE HAND TIED

"When it comes to the needy student athlete, recruiting under Division III rules is a concern," Jim Sumner pointed out. "Although we won't often lose a needy student athlete to a Lewis & Clark or Whitman, we may lose him or her to Division II, which can offer scholarships. Other schools have told recruits that Willamette is such a tough place academically that they won't have time to run track. It's all just part of the recruiting wars. I recently came across a letter written in 1890 where the presidents of Pacific and Willamette bickered over recruiting practices."

"The competition is mainly the cost of tuition," Paula Petrie explained. "With no athletic scholarships, it is a challenge to get kids to seek out academic scholarships and not be

afraid of Willamette's cost. Also, as academic standards increase at Willamette, we are finding ourselves going after students who are being recruited by Ivy League schools and the service academies."

Cliff Voliva thinks Division III will broaden Willamette's recruiting potential by bringing in more students from other areas of the nation.

"I think Division III will end up giving Willamette greater national exposure and that will enhance recruiting," Voliva said. "A student athlete looking for a Division III experience might be more apt to venture far from home and come to Oregon. Student athletes are primarily going to college to get a degree. The Division III image is rich and very well known, particularly in the Northeast and Southern California.

"When I talk to parents, they know very little about the NAIA. It's only strong in parts of the Midwest, the Bible Belt and the Pacific Northwest," Voliva said.

The impact NCAA Division III membership will have on Willamette's competitive success is unclear. After all, for four years Willamette's coaches have been living under Division III rules while facing NAIA competition and have often done quite well.

"The jury is still out on how we'll stack up in Division III, especially on sports based on time," Petrie cautioned. "Team sports are a little tougher to judge. Our primary challenge will come from outside our conference. In postseason individual or team play we may not have as many athletes who qualify."

According to Voliva, the greater number of institutions (400) in Division III is going to make it tougher. In football, 217 schools compete, compared with 100 schools in NAIA.

"It will be more difficult," Voliva agreed. "Our swim coach and I looked at the times of athletes in the NAIA nationals and found that the qualifying times in the Division III nationals were much tougher."

"I think that we will compete as well as we did in NAIA, and that we will do well nationally," said Hudson. "It will take time to get recognition from some more established Division III schools. Some national competition is by invitation, not based just on win/loss records."

Anyone who witnessed the heart of last season's football team knows it would be a mistake to sell Willamette short.

"The NAIA used to have two separate playoffs based on the size of the colleges," Booth explained. "In NAIA, you can offer as many as 22 full tuition scholarships. But the NAIA has been losing so many schools, this past year they had to combine the two divisions under one playoff. On the way to the championship game, Willamette had to play a scholarship school, Montana Tech, which played for last year's NAIA Division I championship. We still beat them.

"That tells you how good our Willamette team really was."



Athena Zeek '98

sion standards. Many other NAIA schools consider athletic ability in their financial packages and/or award athletic scholarships and often have lower academic admission standards."

For the uninitiated, that means many rosters have players who were admitted based on athletic talent.

That is simply not the Willamette way.

SEEKING A BALANCE

Even in past years, when Willamette gave some financial aid tied to athletic talent, the University consistently achieved a balance of academic, athletic, service and artistic success. Willamette recruits student athletes in the true sense of the term.

"I think our entire athletic department knows that we're fortunate to be at an institution that emphasizes excellence in all aspects of a student's life," said Paula Petrie, assistant athletic director and women's basketball coach. "At a small school you get to know the student personally. Good students make good athletes because they know how to manage their time.

"If a student is mentally drained and can't practice, as coaches we can work with that. We stay flexible and work alongside the rest of the faculty because we recognize the support they give to the athletic program."

On the other hand, students recruited for their athletic abilities alone often have a different set of priorities.

"At Willamette you can't just be an athlete," said Mike Bennett '70, director of planned giving and a diehard Bearcat fan. "But at NCAA Division I, Division II and many NAIA schools, if you get an athletic scholarship, you're beholden to that program; they own your soul."

In national competition, Willamette athletes sometimes found themselves going up against a different type of athlete.

"Our tennis team has ended up going to nationals only to face international players of Davis Cup caliber," complained Cliff Voliva, sports information director. "And it isn't uncommon to face scholarship athletes who transferred from NCAA Division I and Division II schools. This isn't just about what type of institution we measure ourselves against; it's about a level playing field."

A NEW WAY OF DOING BUSINESS

NCAA Division III forbids financial aid based on athletic ability. Until the mid-1960s, Northwest Conference schools could grant athletic scholarships. Then the schools went to a system of enhancing financial aid packages to athletes using a conventional financial needs analysis.

For example, if two students of equal academic talent needed \$15,000 in financial aid, a recruited athlete might have received \$12,000 in grant money, compared to \$10,000 for the nonathlete. The difference may not have been that much, but it gave college coaches something with which to work. Plus, it gave students and their parents a certain amount of status for receiving "an athletic scholarship."



Mike Corey '98

When Willamette and the rest of the Northwest Conference schools decided to join Division III four years ago, they had to eliminate all athletic-based aid. The four-year "waiting period" allowed Northwest Conference schools to graduate athletes who were given financial aid packages based on NAIA rules.

From a financial standpoint, joining Division III is a real plus.

"While the NAIA put on some very good national meets, it was expensive for the University," said Jim Booth, director of alumni and parent relations. "NCAA Division III pays the travel, room and board for the players and coaches for national meets and postseason play.

"For example, we had to pay a lot of money to compete in the football playoffs," Booth said. "In order for us to host the recent playoff games at Parker and Civic Stadiums, we raised about \$15,000 from alumni donations and Adidas.

"And I'll guarantee you one thing: an NCAA Division III championship game won't be played in the middle of nowhere in a town that doesn't even have a college," he said, referring to the football Bearcats' title game in Savannah, Tenn.

Not only were there fewer opportunities for girls, but often the programs that did exist were governed by rules for a "weaker sex." "We couldn't play full court basketball," said Williams. "They didn't think we could handle it. That really bothered us. We'd play on the full court when we had a chance, but in intramurals we had to abide by the rules."

Playing by the rules — written and unwritten — was frustrating for women athletes prior to the 1970s. "We had to do a lot of outdoor sports," said Williams of her pre-1972 decades at Willamette, "like soccer and softball. There was only one gym and it belonged to the boys. We always wanted more sports. At Willamette there was a \$10 student body fee, but it all went to the men's programs. We used to complain that the women paid the same fee, but all it got us was a card entitling us to watch the boys' games."

Worse, girls who were enthusiastic about sports were seen as "different." "People made smart remarks to try and put us down," said Williams. "We were called 'jocks' and it wasn't a compliment back then. We were told we would lose our femininity." Then Williams laughs. "What a bunch of hooley."

Unfortunately that "hooley" was enough to keep a lot of girls standing on the sidelines. "Some girls wouldn't participate because they didn't want to be teased," Williams said.

Marlene Piper, Willamette's volleyball coach and strength/conditioning coordinator, agrees. "Social pressures may have been one of the biggest factors that held programs back," she said. "Often women athletes were shunned, ostracized. Even their parents would want them to quit and 'be a young lady.' P.E. teachers, operating under the beliefs of the time, would also discourage girls, believing that participation in sports might be harmful."

Title IX has played a large role in changing those attitudes. Since 1972 women have broken down many of the barriers in sports that had been erected against them. High schools and colleges have thriving women's sports programs.

A girls' basketball tournament gets the same front-page coverage as the boys' tournament, and several new magazines are devoted exclusively to women's sports. Most recently women have taken their place as referees in the NBA and in an expanding WNBA. And perhaps the most important change of all, women athletes are no longer a sideshow or seen as tomboys who don't fit in the neighborhood.

So, how exactly did Title IX bring about all this change? Basically it required that male and female athletes receive the same benefits of athletic participation, which includes the same quality of equipment, uniforms and supplies; the same access to weight room and training rooms; equal practice facilities; the same size and quality of locker rooms; equal access to practice and games during prime time; the same

quality coaches; equal opportunity to play opponents of the same quality; the same awards and award banquets; and to have cheerleaders and the band perform at girls' games. In effect it pulled girls' and women's sports out of their place as second-class programs.

While this second-class status was common, it wasn't necessarily universal. Not every woman athlete prior to 1972 shared Jean Williams' experience. Paula Petrie, women's basketball coach and assistant athletic director at Willamette, had a different experience growing up. "I was always interested in sports," she said, "and had plenty of opportunities to participate."

Petrie was raised in an athletic family, and attended a high school in Pennsylvania that had good sports programs for girls. In high school she played field hockey, basketball and lacrosse, and even





Title IX — The Leap that Put Women into the Game

"It made all the difference in the world. It brought about the kind of change I had worked for my entire life," said Jean Williams '42.

by Melaney Moisan

"It" is Title IX of the 1972 Education Amendments Act, which states very simply: "No person in the U.S. shall, on the basis of sex be excluded from participation in, or denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination under any educational program or activity receiving federal aid."

For 32 years — until her retirement in 1981 — Williams coached and taught P.E. and health at Willamette. And for most of those years she struggled against the inequalities between women's and men's sports — inequalities that began long before young women got to college.

Before 1972 there may have been high school girls interested in sports, but there were few programs available to them. According to statistics published on a University of Iowa web site for Gender Equity in Sports, there were about 290,000 high school girls participating in organized sports in 1971, one year before Title IX. This is compared to about 3.6 million high school boys involved in sports that same year. By the 1996-97 school year, the number of girls in high school sports had risen to about 2.5 million compared to 3.7 million boys.

by Mary Ann Sprinkle

all day i dream about...



The author muses with feminist elation about Liz Heaston, Number 39, who made history kicking a football on October 18, 1997.

The thing is, I don't even know Liz Heaston. I am not an Alpha Chi sorority sister or a friend from Richland, Wash. I am not a Willamette professor who has taught her in class or a fellow Bearcat soccer player. I am simply a bystander.

But on the day that Liz Heaston kicked the first (and then the second) extra point against our Homecoming rival, Linfield College, I suppose we all felt we knew her. Liz Heaston had, after all, made history. She made history for Willamette University (which more people, including Katie Couric and Johnny Majors, now know how to pronounce). She made history for Willamette's extraordinary football team who all seemed to be supportive of her, and, frankly, she made history for women. So, in that way, many of us as women take it one step further. We not only feel as though we know Liz, but feel as though we are, in some strange way, connected to her.

There are those of us, of course, who are more sensitive regarding women's issues than others. I am one of those people. As a graduate of a women's college, which taught me early on my "voice," I am one of those people whom other people often want to quietly strangle. I push and prod about things

— is the *Scene* balanced, are we highlighting women artists in the Distinguished Artists Series, do we bring the same number of women in to speak as we do men for the Atkinson Lecture Series, how in the world can we get women to play in the Fore Willamette golf tournament, what can we do to encourage strong women candidates for key Willamette positions — vice presidencies, deanships, well, maybe even someday, the presidency?

I think about it all the time. And sometimes it means you come up with crazy, dreamy ideas. Once, while on a tennis court with a College of Law alumna, I expressed rather vehemently that, despite the already roughly 180 ABA-accredited law schools, the way an institution could make its mark in legal education was to develop a law school for women, something that, to my knowledge, has never been done.

Don't get me wrong. I am not encouraging radical, feminist notions here. Though often misconstrued as such, I

am simply talking about balance, opportunity, equality, a chance. I simply am saying that, yes, Liz Heaston's efforts should make us think about these chances. This is not about Title IX. This is about Willamette University's statements and actions about women and women in sports. This is about our assuring that the women's softball team has an equal and deserving chance — just as the men's baseball team does. And securing that softball field is more than important. And let me add that I feel strongly, and you are free to disagree with me, that women themselves also need to work to make this happen. If it means dollars toward women's sports and connections toward women's sports then so be it.

We should celebrate, then, the Liz Heastons. But we should also celebrate our women coaches — Carol Grauer (softball), Paula Petrie (basketball) and Marlene Piper (volleyball). And, finally, we should celebrate our women's teams and all the women who play sports, again, just as we do the men's teams.

I will end with this. If I were adidas America's president/ceo, Steve Wynne (CLA '74 & College of Law '77), I would not only have adidas support the football team with a sizable gift for their playoff-related expenses (which they graciously did and we thank them), but I would also consider the women's soccer team at Willamette University. Last year they could have had three sets of twins to highlight. This year they could have Liz and her teammates. Perhaps (and this is likened to my crazy ideas on the tennis court) their slogan could be similar to the whimsical acrostic words we used to chant in grade school when we wore adidas apparel with one word exchanged and you can guess which one: all day i dream about ... soccer! (Of course, if Mr. Wynne from adidas America, Inc. wanted to call, I could go on ad nauseam about other ideas I have, too.)

The world of sports is ever-changing. The world of women's sports has reached a new plateau. Coach Dan Hawkins and Liz Heaston had a hand in that. Willamette University had a hand in that. That's Willamette, (Wil lam ut) Katie and Johnny!

entertained thoughts of playing football or baseball.

"When Title IX passed in 1972," she said, "I was a freshman in high school. By the time I reached the University of Delaware, changes (facilities, field space, etc.) had already been made due to federal legislation."

Piper grew up in British Columbia with no idea that women didn't always have the same opportunities to play sports as men. That all changed when she began looking at colleges in the United States. "I ended up at the University of British Columbia, because there were no sports programs for women in the U.S.," she said. "I had never heard, for example, of six-person (half court) basketball. I took our opportunities in Canada for granted."

Early in her career Piper realized how little programming there actually was for young girls. In the mid 1960s she taught at a junior high school in Estacada, Ore., then at a high school in Gladstone. The junior high had programs for girls, and the girls at Gladstone participated in tennis, golf and track, but there were no team sports for girls. Piper began calling around to other schools, inviting teams to come play volleyball and basketball. This laid the groundwork for her decision while coaching at Portland State University to begin a high school volleyball tournament for girls which has evolved into the state volleyball tournament. "Now," she said, "girls have tournaments at the state level for all kinds of sports."

Piper and Petrie represent a growing number of women coaches, but men still dominate that field. According to a study done of Division I-A institutions by the *Chronicle of Higher Education* in March 1997, the median personnel expenditure for women's athletics was \$431,282, less than one-half of what was spent on football alone. A National Women's Sports Foundation evaluation to which 767 of 902 Division I, II and III institutions responded, found that men held about three-fourths of the nation's full-time head and assistant coaching positions. Just 1.9 percent of the head coaches of men's teams were women, while 45 percent of the head coaches of women's teams were men.



"The Girls' Basketball team of Willamette was composed of the pluckiest girls that ever bloomed forth in bloomers." From the 1905 Wallulah.

In 1984, while at U.C.-Berkeley people would ask Piper why she wanted to coach. Isn't it difficult for a woman to be married, they would say, and have children and still be a coach. Of course, she answered, it was difficult, but it was also possible. Women can be coaches and agents and trainers and athletes and have personal lives. For Piper there was just nothing else she wanted to do as much as coach. "I love sports so much that I wanted to share some of the great moments I have had in sports and teach others," she said. "I wanted to share my enthusiasm."

Like Piper, sophomore Katie Edmonds has a love for sports that she wants to share by coaching soccer or basketball when she finishes college. Edmonds chose Willamette in part because, as an athlete, she wanted to be close to home so her parents could still attend her games. They had always been her staunchest supporters, beginning with soccer and basketball in the first years of elementary school.

Edmonds certainly didn't grow up with the idea that girls were too delicate for sports, only with the idea that she could do anything she set her mind to doing. "It was ingrained in me from

such a young age that it was a natural part of my life," she said. Far from being "too delicate," Edmonds accepted the bumps and bruises as part of the game. "I've had sprains, broken fingers, black eyes," she states with a shrug. "It just comes with the territory."

There may always be a gap between men's and women's sports, Edmonds feels, but it will be narrow and today's women athletes are providing great role models for little girls. "Dads didn't use to point to a woman athlete and tell their daughters: 'Look at her. See what you can do.' They do now."

This, Edmonds said, is the message of Liz Heaston's moment of history on the football field. "I don't think young female athletes saw her do that and felt they could necessarily go on to high school and play football. What they thought was 'If she can play football, I can achieve anything I want.'"

"I've never seen barriers in anything I've wanted to do," said Edmonds. "I have the competitiveness, the assurance and the drive to try anything. I know it may not be easy, but I'll try. Does that come from being involved in sports? Maybe. It probably does."

to hire a diving coach. Since most swim coaches didn't have the expertise to coach diving, it became a liability and safety issue."

Diving is a specialized sport and WU was fortunate that Brik had a diving background to coach both swimming and diving. Perhaps that is why Willamette had two All-America divers in its final year, but it was not enough to keep the sport afloat.



Jason Nichols '99

While the 1980s saw the end of four sports at Willamette, others were added.

Rowing began as a club sport in 1990; because of enormous student support, then-president of Willamette Jerry E. Hudson gave his unwavering approval for the addition of rowing as a varsity sport. In the beginning, the crew teams had to operate with used and borrowed equipment from other universities. In 1996, the teams purchased two new boats (shells) and this year they welcomed a new boathouse and dock on the Willamette River. In November 1997, the men's and women's teams hosted their first regatta.

Rowing's popularity has been overwhelming, but it is still not a conference sport. There are five NCIC schools that offer rowing, one shy of the number needed to become a conference sport.

In 1994 women's golf was added to Willamette's sports program, bringing the total number of sports offered to 20. For years, women had asked Willamette golf coach Steve Prothero about playing golf, but since there wasn't a women's team, the only alternative was to play with the men's team.

"No one ever took me up on the offer until Amber Lowitz played on the men's team in '93," Prothero said. "The following year we had a lot of women who wanted to play golf. So we (Willamette) went ahead and added a team since it was going to become a conference sport in '95."

In the first year as a conference sport the Bearcat women won the NCIC championship with three golfers. The women's golf team continues to grow at Willamette, fielding seven golfers this year. Women's golf at the NCAA level has skyrocketed from 133 sponsored schools to 310 in the last 10 years.

On the drawing board as a new sport at Willamette is women's lacrosse, which may begin as early as the spring of 2000. Such an addition would help Willamette better comply with Title IX, which mandates that intercollegiate athletic participation opportunities for men and women be proportionate to school enrollment.

"It's just part of the national trend to add lacrosse," said assistant athletic director Paula Petrie, who coached lacrosse at University of Massachusetts and won an NCAA lacrosse title while playing at Trenton State College. "It's a relatively inexpensive sport to start up, which makes it attractive to add."

Women's lacrosse teams at the NCAA level have almost doubled in 10 years, with 85 schools adding the sport during that time span, bringing to 199 the total number of schools offering lacrosse.

"It once was considered only as an East Coast sport but now it has become popular in the Northwest at the private high school and club level. I think it's a sport that will take off at Willamette."



Willamette's 1916 freshman basketball team.



Student Enthusiasm Rows this Boat

by Anne O'Rourke

If you're looking for a photo of the wrestling team in the latest *Wallulah*, you won't find it. Nor will you find a photo of the women's field hockey team. As interest wanes, some of the old, familiar sports vanish. But with others taking their place, Willamette now has a 20-sport athletic program, in which it takes a great deal of pride.

A tour of old *Wallulabs* illustrates the gradual growth of Willamette's athletic program, from the beginning of organized sports with the 1894 football team to today's variety of programs. For years most of the varsity sports were men's sports. In fact, until the 1970s the only varsity women's team was tennis, but a variety of intramural sports were offered, such as archery, badminton, and bowling. Despite the continuous growth of intercollegiate sports in the 1970s, some sports could not survive at Willamette during the 1980s. In most cases, lack of interest killed a sport.

Women's field hockey, for example, saw its last official season at Willamette in 1981 after 11 years. The program went out in style, boasting a career record of 101-58-13 and capturing seven conference championships, yet it wasn't enough to keep the sport alive.

The lack of feeder programs and declining number of nearby opponents

hurt women's field hockey. Eventually, Willamette joined the trend set by other schools and replaced women's field hockey with soccer in 1982. One reason was that soccer required less equipment and less money, said Jean Williams, who coached almost every women's sport during her 32 years at Willamette.

Wrestling was dropped after the 1983 season. It was a respected program and several wrestlers represented Willamette at the NAIA national tournament. "When I was there I had tremendous support from Chuck Bowles to keep the program," said Vern Petrick, who coached Willamette wrestling from 1973 to 1981.

Willamette athletic director Bill Trenbeath said that it became harder to find wrestlers who wanted to continue wrestling at the collegiate level. "If you were able to recruit wrestlers, a lot of them would come to school and then decide they didn't want to wrestle,"

Trenbeath said. "Just like field hockey, wrestling died a slow death at small colleges."

In the last 10 years, 43 NCAA schools have cut college wrestling and only two NCIC schools offer wrestling as an intercollegiate sport. If schools continue to drop wrestling at the current rate, it will disappear as an NCAA sport within 15 years.

Even though men's and women's diving were successful at Willamette, the sport took a plunge when it was eliminated in 1986. The lack of diving programs at other Northwest schools hurt the program, making it harder to schedule competition nearby.

"Northwest Conference schools did not have adequate facilities for diving and they were reluctant to spend the money to improve the pool and boards," said Jim Brik, former Willamette men's and women's swimming and diving coach. "They also didn't have the money

Williams also recalls sending her injured athletes to the Health Center for treatment. With the exception of sprained ankles, there weren't any serious injuries, Williams said. To help prevent injuries, she watched her players closely and replaced them when they were fatigued. "Coaches did everything or in some cases did nothing," said Deborah Cagle, one of three athletic trainers now at Willamette.

A respected sports medicine program now cares for Willamette student-athletes. Deborah Cagle, Russ Cagle and Peter Harmer head the service and education components of the

program. The service component provides up-to-date evaluation, treatment and referral procedures of injured athletes.

Deborah Cagle said that athletic trainers help minimize the severity of the injury and get the athlete back to full health as early as possible. Treatment centers at McCulloch Stadium and Sparks Center have hydrotherapy areas, therapeutic modalities and rehabilitation facilities.

Besides obvious benefits to the student-athlete, the program also helps students interested in athletic training or other medical fields gain valuable

experience working in a clinical situation. An average of 11 students per semester have served as student athletic trainers for Bearcat sports during the 1997-98 year. They cover practices and games, and work in the treatment rooms on a rotating schedule.

"Rather than having the coaches spread themselves across the board by doing everything, the trainers free the coaches up," Cagle said. "If an athlete gets hurt, the coach can say: 'go see the trainer.' Coaches don't have to worry about treating the athlete's injury. They can focus on coaching."

Besides the specialization of coaching and addition of athletic trainers, Willamette athletics has made progressive strides toward providing state-of-the-art facilities to its athletes.

Think back for a moment: picture athletic life before the Sparks Center opened its doors in 1974. Images of the one-court gym appear; male athletes worked out in the basement with barbells that had cement-filled coffee cans as weights. There wasn't a campus swimming pool and the swim teams used the local YMCA pool for practices and meets.

Men's athletics had priority to use the gym while the women only had use of the gym one night a week. "We had to fight to get the gym," Williams said. "We did not have equal time; the girls resented it and so did I. Finally, I scheduled my teams in my P.E. classes and that's when we practiced. I knew they couldn't take my classes away."

The Lestle J. Sparks Center was the first step in progress for the Willamette athletic program and became home to Bearcat basketball, volleyball and swimming programs.

"Sparks Center was wonderful," Williams said. "It opened things up for women's athletics at Willamette. We were able to get more, if not equal, practice time. And the women also could use the weight room with the men."

Both the Henkle Gymnasium and Cone Fieldhouse in Sparks Center are large enough to hold partial track & field, baseball and softball practices during the winter. Sparks Center also features handball and racquetball courts, classrooms, dressing rooms and offices for the departments of athletics and exercise science.

However, Sparks needed a facelift after 20 years of use, and in the fall of 1995, a \$1.1 million addition to Sparks was completed. This provided a new fitness room, conference room, class room, coaches' offices, another men's and women's locker room, and a much larger athletic training room.

In 1992 McCulloch Stadium, where Bearcat football has been played since 1950, was renovated, costing more than \$1 million. The playing surface was completely transformed into a sand-based design in 1993, and Charles Bowles Track, which circles the football field, was resurfaced in 1993. The Chester Stackhouse Track House, located south of McCulloch Stadium, was built in 1994.

In 1989, Spec Keene Stadium was built surrounding what has long been regarded one of the best baseball-playing surfaces in the Northwest — John Lewis Field. The stadium seats 1,200 and includes covered batting cages. If not for donated materials and labor, the cost would have been more than \$800,000.

"In the last 25 years, all we're doing is keeping up with the rest of the campus," Trenbeath said. "We've made every attempt at providing the athletes with facilities that are efficient, functional and modern."

A boathouse and dock were needed after crew was added as a sport in 1992, and construction began last summer for the \$225,000 facility on the Willamette River.

New timing systems were installed in the swimming pool and at the track in conjunction with the Salem Aquatics Club and the Salem Track Club. The six outdoor tennis courts were resurfaced. Many of the improvements to the athletic facilities have been possible because of donations of money, labor and materials provided by individuals and businesses.

To comply with Title IX, the softball program will gain a facility comparable to the baseball complex. The softball team plays both at Phillips Field in Bush's Pasture Park and across the Willamette River in West Salem at Wallace Marine Park.

Arrangements are being finalized to obtain property south of Tokyo International University (TIUA). In a joint development project between Willamette University and TIUA, the land will be used to build a softball field. Construction should begin during the summer of 1998 and is expected to be ready for play this fall.

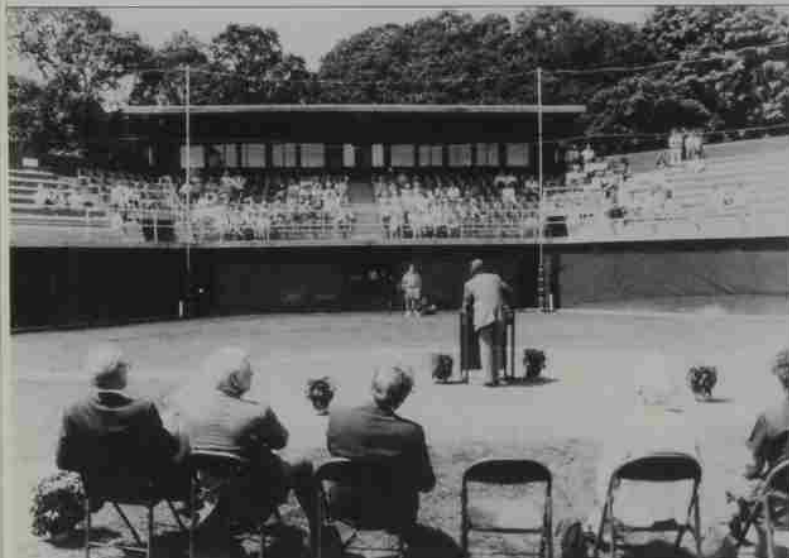
Willamette's athletic program continues to evolve — and those who have watched it happen couldn't be happier. "I'm just glad I lived long enough to see this happen at Willamette," Williams said.

“In a sense, we're going away from the small college model where coaches were involved in more than one sport.”

Athletic Program

by Anne O'Rourke

muscles up



If one thing has been consistent over the past several decades in Willamette athletics, it has been change — changes in coaching, training and facilities.

Many former athletes remember coaches Roy S. "Spec" Keene, who began coaching at Willamette in 1926, and Jean Moore Williams '42, who taught and coached at Willamette from 1945 to 1981. During Keene's 17-year tenure at Willamette, he coached football, baseball and basketball, and Williams coached every sport offered to women at one time or another. In addition to her coaching duties, Williams also served as the Women's Physical Education director and taught 22 hours a week.

"I don't know how we did it, but we did," Williams said. "Sure it hurt our teams by coaching everything, but we didn't have a schedule like there is today. We would play five to 10 games for a sport so we could go on and cover the next sport."

"In a sense, we're going away from the small college model where coaches were involved in more than one sport," said athletic director Bill Trenbeath, "although there are four coaches at Willamette who head both the men's and women's team of the same sport."

"It's a specialized profession now for coaches," Trenbeath said. "We look for the extent of their background. We seldom hire out-of-sport candidates regardless of how successful they were in other sports."

That helps the coaches concentrate on their given sport in all aspects — teaching, counseling, recruiting and mentoring. Bearcat coaches are updated on current trends in coaching by attending camps and clinics throughout the year, though it is not a requirement.

"It gives some legitimacy to your sport with the national conventions," said volleyball coach Marlene Piper, who has been a presenter at the American Volleyball Coaches Association conference.

Piper is one of several WU coaches who also head youth camps. She hosts four youth volleyball camps during the summer at different locations in the Northwest. Camps are an excellent tool to educate and promote a sport, Piper said. It's also a great way for the athletes to see the campus; however, Piper said she has never looked at the camps as a recruiting tool.

Despite the trend toward one-sport coaches at Willamette, there still are three sports that have part-time coaches. Along with that comes some disadvantages, primarily the availability to the student-athletes for one-on-one counseling and recruiting, which has become more time consuming through the years.

Years ago coaches at Willamette also had to serve as athletic trainers. One of them was Lestle J. Sparks, who served as a volunteer in that capacity. "We never had a full-time athletic trainer," Williams said. "Mr. Sparks helped out for years as a volunteer for almost every sport, doing things like taping up ankles."



In 1894, a student wheelbarrow brigade hauled in dirt and built a field, and the first scrimmage was held.

Where does a fan get the most for his money? Notre Dame vs. Northwestern? No ... [here's] the inside story of small-college competition. Prize example: Oregon's Willamette.

This season, by a conservative estimate, more than 7,000,000 Americans will watch small-college contests, a phase of football blithely overlooked by the rating bureaus, syndicated columnists, national radio networks and most metropolitan fans. ... you don't have to pay scalpers' prices or \$5.50 for a Rose Bowl seat to enjoy the pastime to the hilt.

"Little" schools — those with enrollments running from 100 or so students up to 1500 — get few headlines. Yet far from the tumult of ticket hustler, pool-sheet scrambling and well-paid publicists, they have an impressive impact on the game.

Willamette, where they patch the pigskins and have never yet dismissed a coach for losing, comes about as close as any school to the definition of a model small college ...

... The football arena is a nondescript pasture sporting a rickety, leaky-roof grandstand that seats about 3,000. The gymnasium is an outmoded bandbox built in 1923. For years, Willamette's Bearecats have held title to the worst playing surface for football in 11 Western states.

... a former Big Nine official who worked a Willamette game reported, "I was never so shocked in my life. It was only drizzling, but when I walked onto the field I immediately sank past my ankles in thick green mud. I've seen gooney fields, but this one was a hog wallow ..."

Just then the head lineman yelled, "If they kick it in the creek, I'll get the ball!"

"What creek?" asked the newcomer.

Willamette's coach ... Jerome (Jerry) Lillie, [is] a bald, cheerful T-formation disciple who serves as combined varsity and jayvee head coach, athletic director, equipment manager, purchasing agent, trainer, ticket manager, promotion man and employment bureau ...

Small College Football Circa 1948

Football's Biggest Bargain

by Al Stump

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Years ago, Willamette had all big-time aspirations slapped out of it. The University of Oregon gave the Bearecats 47-0 and 97-0 lacings, and when a 17-man Willamette squad went to Seattle to play the University of Washington, which had 75 crew-cut killers on the bench, the score was 108-0. The choice was between sticking on the Washington and Oregon schedules as a chopping block — but at a tempting guaranty — or playing in its own class. Willamette pulled in its neck.

Lillie's men, like other students, must carry a full 12-hour work schedule and must pass in ten hours each semester. ... The result is shown in a check of Willamette football letter men covering the past ten years. Seventy-one percent graduated. Their over-all scholastic average was 2.9, just short of a "B." Ninety-two percent of these are now gainfully employed in such positions as lawyer, public-relations counsel, plane pilot, high school principal, chemist, police chief, city engineer, doctor and personnel manager.

... the small-college coach must try to help needy players through by wangling jobs for them from the townspeople. ... Two of his boys split a shift at the state penitentiary, keeping tabs on trustees. ... A Bearecat earns \$210 a month as recreation director at the nearby state correction school for boys. "We don't want our players swabbing toilets or sweeping phone booths," says Lillie. "The jobs we get are instructive and allow time for studying while earning."

... Willamette [has] one of the best records in the nation. Northwest Conference champions 10 of the past 11 years ...

In 1941 Willamette made one of its rare grabs for bigger money, and has never ceased to regret it. When the Honolulu Shriners guaranteed Willamette \$5,500 for two games in the Islands, the school reversed its policy on long trips ... On Saturday, Dec. 6, the Bearecats bought postcards and trinkets in the Kalakaua Avenue souvenir shops and turned in early ... the next morning they were feverishly digging trenches and stringing barbed wire for the Army on Waikiki Beach. Those waterspouts they'd seen offshore at breakfast hadn't been target bombs, after all.

"Wow!" exclaimed one player. "I never thought they'd call off the game on account of war!"

did someone say

DUMB JOCK



by Cliff Voliva

Nobody really knows who originated the phrase “dumb jock,” but whoever it was certainly couldn’t back up those words with any statistics — at least, not these days.

Studies show — whether it be at a major college steeped in athletic tradition, or a small college known more for its academics — student-athletes, overall, perform better in the classroom, stay in school and graduate at a higher rate than the average student.

According to a recent three-year study of freshmen entering Willamette, 75 percent of all students graduated within five years, while 80 percent who competed in intercollegiate athletics during that same time span graduated. The numbers are decidedly lower at the major college level, where intercollegiate sports are also big business. But student-athletes still outperform the general student body.

In a 1997 survey of NCAA Division I graduation rates — for students entering college in 1990 — student athletes graduated at a rate of 58 percent within six years, while the general student body graduated at a rate of 56 percent over that same time period. It marks the fifth year in a row that student-athletes graduated at a higher rate than the general student body. In this survey, student-

athletes are defined as those students who received an athletics scholarship.

At least part of the reason for the improvement in student-athlete graduation rates can be attributed to the increase in the number of female athletes, who are afforded more collegiate athletic opportunities each year.

During the same six-year time period, female student-athletes graduated at a rate of 68 percent, while female students as a whole graduated at a rate of 58 percent. Meanwhile, male student-athletes graduated at a rate slightly below the percentage of the male student body, 53 and 54 percent, respectively.

Part of the reason for the disparity in the numbers between the genders can be linked to male athletes having many more opportunities to turn professional, thereby delaying or ending their hopes or chances of graduating within six years. A look at the graduation rates of Division I basketball players underscores that notion. Males at Division I schools graduated at a rate of 54 percent, while male basketball players graduated at a rate of just 45 percent. Females at Division I schools graduated at a rate of 58 percent, but female basketball players graduated at a much higher rate — 67 percent.

It will be interesting to see if — with the recent addition of two professional women’s basketball leagues — those two numbers come closer together in the near future.



ALUMNI CONNECTIONS

Having our Cake and Eating It Too!

by Jim Booth '64, director of alumni and parent relations

As a former undergraduate participant and now as an avid supporter of Bearcat athletics, I am very pleased to be a part of this issue of the Scene, which focuses on athletics at Willamette. Although athletic participation is and always has been an extracurricular aspect of the University's academic mission, it nonetheless is a major contributor to our heritage as a well balanced and diverse educational environment in which to prepare for life. Let me share a little of my own perspective ...

As a four-sport athlete in a small high school, I loved the diversity and diversion of sports all year around. The constant discipline of practice and games actually contributed to the discipline of academics, resulting in a high g.p.a. at graduation. Although I might have been able to play one sport at the major college level, it was my desire to continue to mesh multiple sports and quality academics in college. In 1960, Willamette had the reputation for strong programs in both, so my decision was an easy one. Like many student-athletes before and since, I got to have my cake (multiple-sport participation), and eat it too (math-economics degree and acceptance to the best graduate business schools in the country). I tell this story because I believe Willamette still offers that same diverse opportunity for student athletes.

Alumni in recent years have shared a concern that Willamette is placing so much emphasis on high g.p.a. and SAT scores that athletics will suffer in terms of quality and quantity. Just looking at the outstanding fall seasons and national



Jim Booth '64 participated in four sports while attending Willamette University.



rankings of our football and women's soccer teams will answer the quality question. The emergence and popularity of men's and women's crew, the huge football roster, and the enormous participation in intramural sports speaks volumes about the quantity issue. The 3.5 average g.p.a. of this year's men's basketball team would also seem to say that we can have quality athletic teams with quality academic minded-students. Indeed, alumni can be very proud of our current student athletes.

Athletics can play a pivotal role in a university's public visibility and reputation. Unfortunately, many schools are known more for athletics than academics. Willamette has always been able to keep its academic quality at the forefront (currently ranked among the nation's best four-year liberal arts institutions); yet it continues to compete at an exceptional overall level in both

men's and women's sports (fifth in National NAIA rankings in 1996-97 for overall athletic programs). Thus, like Stanford, Willamette seemingly has been able to have its cake (superior academic program), while eating it too (excellent extracurricular learning, led by a strong athletic program).

I am also happy to have played a role in establishing an Athletic Hall of Fame to celebrate Willamette's storied and still strong athletic heritage. If you come to campus, stop by our beautiful Sparks Center, and you can share some of that heritage by reading the plaques of the 57 Hall of Fame inductees to date. As the current director of alumni relations, I am proud to tell you that the life profiles of these great athletes parallel the successes in life of our non-athletic alumni. There is no question that Willamette has been blessed with outstanding students, teachers and facilities for educating on the field, as well as in the classroom.

Willamette's athletic heritage is the result of a conscientious effort to make athletics an integral part of its educational mission and personality. With continued support from all of our constituencies, I trust Willamette will continue its strong heritage for outstanding academic and extra-curricular education.

inspiring the fans:

"I'm a Crowd Rowdy, A Crowd Coach"

by Jennifer Miller

John Rodgers sings a song he wrote, to the tune of "Stand By Your Man."

*We're Bearcat fans
The best fans in the nation.
We'll shake your concentration
And make the Bearcats stronger ...*

When John Rodgers L79 talks — or sings — about Willamette athletics, his face lights up with a grin that makes fans want to yell, holler or hoot in support of Willamette football or basketball.

Rodgers, who spreads his enthusiasm at home games and many away games, began cheering the Willamette football and basketball teams to victory in 1989. Rodgers has also supported his undergraduate alma mater, Pacific University in Forest Grove, from the broadcast booth, doing radio play-by-play.

When Pacific faces Willamette in basketball, Rodgers cheers for the visitors in the first half and the home team in the second half. It was after the 1989 basketball game between the two schools that John Rodgers became a permanent fixture of Willamette athletics.

Rodgers cheered and hollered for Pacific in the first half, and at half time Pacific was up by 14 points. Then Rodgers went over to the Willamette bleachers to work his magic. The Bearcats came back to tie the game and then win 89-88. Athletic Director Bill Trenbeath approached him after the game and asked if he'd be willing to help long-term. "I was available and I was asked, that's all it took," Rodgers said.

Willamette is noted as being one of few schools not to have a rally squad, and the only college to have a man like John Rodgers leading the fans in cheers that shake the roof. When Rodgers started in '89, the school did have a squad, and he liked to work with them because they could "play off of each other."

Rodgers comes to all home football games and as many local road games as possible. He has made it to every home game at McCulloch Stadium since 1989 with one exception: He missed this year's game against Eastern Oregon because he won a trip to Mexico. "I said to myself, 'well, a cruise for four days in Mexico; the Bearcats can probably do it without me.' And they did, but just barely!"

Rodgers loves basketball because it's an up-tempo, intellectual, psychological game. There is a lot he likes to do to manipulate the psychology of the game. The vast majority of fans, officials, referees and players alike love what Rodgers does to the energy level of games. However, he has been in trouble once or twice, he concedes.

It was the home playoff game against Whitworth several years ago, and a player pushed into R.J. Adelman '95. Rodgers blasted the player for doing it and started mentioning that the referees hadn't done anything to stop the push when referee Nate Jones stopped the cheer and told him not to pull the referees into his cheers.

"Everything I do is designed to help the Bearcats; if it doesn't help them, I don't want to do it," he said. "The K-I-C-K B-U-T cheer is a crowd favorite, although some people in my church and even some fans don't like it. It's really designed to get folks' attention and make people laugh. It's really not about violence. What we're saying is that we are now going to turn up our effort and blow you out of here."

One of the things Rodgers loves about his work with Willamette athletics



John Rodgers began cheering the Willamette teams to victory in 1989.

is that it's blossomed into a relationship and he gets to know the players.

Although he likes to give "gentle reminders" from time to time, there is no way Rodgers would trade what he's doing to try a turn at coaching.

"I have seen what the coaches do with their teams. That is so much work. In fact, after games instead of saying 'great game' I say, 'Great week of work!' I don't know this game. I couldn't coach this game," he said. "I know sports psychology. I know the mindset that an athlete ought to have to excel, and I try to create that mindset it takes to excel. We have the excellent coaches, and creating the atmosphere just helps take the game up one more level."

He is quick to assert, however, that traditional cheerleaders "create atmosphere but don't affect the flow of the game." Rodgers is out there to create sports momentum for the team, a wholly different thing. The last time Willamette had a rally squad was 1993 and it lasted for just under one football season. Rodgers wouldn't mind if we had a squad again. "I don't want to be *instead of*," he said. "I am a different thing. I am not a mascot — Barney is a mascot. I am a crowd rowdy, the crowd coach."

50 by 2000 Campaign Seeks Increases



Initiated by the Alumni Association board of directors, the 50 by 2000 Campaign is designed to increase the number of alumni who annually support the Annual Fund to 50 percent by the year 2000.

As part of this campaign, members of the Alumni Board are working with individual classes to raise their class giving percentage. As of March 1, the classes of 1954, 1960, 1978, 1983, 1986

and 1994 have established class committees and are actively working to increase their giving percentages for this year.

If you have not yet made a gift to Willamette, I hope you will do so before the end of the fiscal year on May 31. This campaign is about *participation*, not dollars raised. Even a small gift will greatly impact the University and your class giving percentage. Your participation is needed if we are to reach this very important goal.

If you are interested in checking your class giving percentage, it can now be found on the world wide web at <www.willamette.edu/alumni/ag/annual_giving>. Percentages are updated at the beginning of each month.

— by G. Ryan Scott '94
Director of Annual Giving

Career Network is Online

The *Alumni Career Network* is now accessible from the *Alumni On-Line Community* <www.willamette.edu/alumni>. Call to obtain the login and password, (503) 375-5304. Over 2900 alumni volunteers have offered to network with students and alumni about their vocations.

Bylaw Change Proposed

The Nominations Committee, with approval of the majority of the Alumni Association board of directors, submits the following bylaw changes:

ARTICLE IV — strike *distinguished alumni citations*; replace with *alumni recognition*.

ADD: Section 4 — YOUNG ALUMNI LEADERSHIP AWARD. Beginning with the 1998 Alumni Banquet, Alumni from the last 10 years will be recognized for outstanding leadership in their vocation, community service and/or service to the University. Special consideration shall be given to the 5th and 10th year reunion classes. Nominations will be received by the Office of Alumni Relations during the year. No more than three of these awards will be presented in any given year.

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Computer Basics Set for Bearcat Beginners

For the second year, Willamette's alumni board Continuing Education Committee is arranging beginner courses in using computers and the Internet. The classes will be taught by M.A.T. students on new Macintosh computers.

"These classes are for alumni who may be a little afraid of computers, but know they should learn about them," explained David Bertholf '90 MAT '92, course designer and continuing education committee member. "It's a great way for people to try it out without a large up-front investment."

The first session on Saturday, May 23 will cover the basics of operating a Macintosh computer. It is a beginners' class that will cover using the mouse, pointing and clicking on icons, and opening and saving files.

The second class on Saturday, June 6 will focus on the Internet, which connects users with a vast library of information and allows e-mail communication. Both sessions will be held at the

School of Education. Each session has 15 available slots and runs from 9 a.m. to noon. The cost is \$30 for one course and \$50 for both. To sign up, contact Cheri Nopp in the Alumni Relations Office at (503) 375-5304.

ALUMNI BOARD NOMINATIONS

The Alumni Association board of directors wishes to thank outgoing directors Deston Nokes '81, Tom Warren '89, Lonnie Jackson '79, Martha Peterson '59, Bob Woodle '83, Pat Hogan '69 and Bob Packard '73 for their time and energy on behalf of the Alumni Association.

Board members who will return for a second three-year term include Mary Barlow '85, Barbara Barne '59 and Mary Bunn '70. Nominees to fill new three-year terms on the board (see ballot) include Jim George '69, Rocky Johnson '70, Sally Gray '88 and Dawn Hoff '84. If you have a write-in candidate or would like to recommend an alumnus/a for the board, please contact the Alumni Office, Willamette University, 900 State Street, Salem, OR 97301. You may also call (503) 375-5304, fax (503) 370-6830 or e-mail alumni@willamette.edu.

President-elect Wendy Willis has been recommended to serve a three-year term on the University board of trustees, representing the Alumni Association. Her term will coincide with her final year as president-elect and two years as president of the alumni board of directors.

Alumni Association Ballot

Please vote for four candidates for the alumni association board (three-year terms):

- Jim George '69 Sally Gray '88
 Rocky Johnson '70 (write-in) _____
 Dawn Hoff '84 (write-in) _____

Return by May 2 to the Office of Alumni Relations (see above addresses).

Student Alumni Association Formed at Willamette

Willamette University and the Office of Alumni Relations have formed a new campus organization, the Student Alumni Association (SAA). The goal is to link Willamette alumni, students, faculty, staff and the Salem community. This year, the SAA sponsored a pancake feed at the first-ever Willamette Crew Regatta. *Dinner for Eight Strangers* involved 20 Salem-area alumni who volunteered to host dinners for students and faculty in their homes. Participants shared their Willamette experiences, networked and drew on relationships between the different constituencies of the University.

Young Alumni Active

Willamette University has active young alumni programs in Salem, Portland, Seattle, Bend, San Francisco and Boise. These clubs have social "after hours" events aimed at connecting alumni from the last 10 years with others in the area. Salem and Portland have expanded their programming to include community service projects, art shows and movie viewings. If you live in one of the cities listed above, get involved and attend events or sit on the planning committee! If you are interested in starting a young alumni club in your area, please call Brian Hess at the Alumni Office, (503) 375-5304.

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SPLENDORS OF ANCIENT EGYPT

TOUR OPPORTUNITY



Artifacts from the Splendors of Ancient Egypt Exhibit include Statue of the scribe Heta, Ca. 2300 B.C. (Left), and Model of a plowman, Ca. 2000 B.C. (Right).

Willamette University invites you and your family to contemplate one of the world's greatest civilizations in this exhibition in Portland.

Making its sole West Coast appearance, this exhibit contains more than 200 works of art and offers an extensive view of Egyptian culture from the predynastic period to the seventh century A.D. On May 28, tours for the exhibit will begin at 5:15 p.m. Following the tour, as well as while waiting for your tour time, you can meet other Willamette alumni and friends at the reception in the Oregon History Center and take a self-guided tour of ongoing exhibits, including a special exhibit of Oregon rivers by photographer Larry Olson.

Price for the reception and tour is \$22 for adults, \$20 for seniors/students, and \$15 for children (16 and under); family package (two adults and up to four children under 16) \$60. Law alumni are encouraged to sign up for the 6 p.m. tour. Bus transportation from Salem (leaves at 4:00 p.m.) will be provided at an additional \$5 per person. Ticket confirmation will be mailed.

For more information, call the Alumni Office at (503) 375-5304.

The Collins Foundation Gives Funding to Grace Goudy Distinguished Artists Series



The Guarneri String Quartet



David Finkel and Wu Han

When construction is complete, the new music building on the Willamette campus will host a wide variety of musical events, from the Salem Chamber Orchestra to Willamette's own Jazz Combo. One longstanding series that has inspired a dedicated following since its first season in 1982-83 is the Distinguished Artists Series. During the 1997-98 season, the series (coordinated this year by Professor Jean-David Coen in the absence of Professor Anita King, who is on sabbatical) brought such stellar performers as pianist Claude Frank, bassist Edgar Meyer, and the American Brass Quintet to the Willamette campus and Salem community. Other recent performers and ensembles include cellist David Finkel and pianist Wu Han (in a stunning dual concert), the legendary Tokyo String Quartet and the equally renowned Guarneri String Quartet, both of which brought audiences to their feet in an overwhelming standing ovation.

Thanks to the generosity of The Collins Foundation, the Distinguished Artists Series has been permanently endowed in honor of one of Willamette's most generous benefactors: in the future, it will be known as the Grace Goudy Distinguished Artists Series, named for Grace Collins Goudy, a lifelong lover of music and the arts, graduate of the Class of 1922 and life trustee of Willamette University, who died on March 18, 1996. Along with her husband, Elmer Goudy, Mrs. Goudy was a tireless advocate for Willamette and the causes she believed in. It is thanks to their generosity and educational vision that generations of Willamette students (many of them majoring in music) have received the prestigious Elmer and Grace Goudy Scholarships, among many other philanthropic causes she sponsored at Willamette. She was also an active volunteer with the YWCA board, Doernbecher Hospital Guild, the United Methodist Church and P.E.O.

The Grace Goudy Distinguished Artists Series will find a new home in the music building that is presently under construction. We can only speculate on the performers who will visit Willamette in the future, but if they bear any resemblance to the brilliant solo and ensemble work of soprano Susan Narucki, cellist Anner Bylsma, pianist William Doppmann, Cuarteto Latino-Americano, and the Scholars of London, both Willamette and the Salem community, and the memory of Grace Collins Goudy, will be well served by performers whose work is truly "distinguished."

- by Pat Alley

New Music Building Brings Naming Opportunity

Four hundred seats in the performance hall of Willamette's new music building are available for dedication for \$500. Dedicated seats will include a plaque.

This opportunity is patterned after Willamette's Sesquicentennial Rose Garden. The Rose Garden, now completed, has provided a way for friends of the University to honor faculty, staff, students, relatives and other loved ones. Each dedicated rose bush has a dedication plaque.

Construction of the new music building brings another such opportunity, with each seat in the performance hall available for dedication. With a \$500 contribution a donor receives the opportunity to honor a favorite professor, a fellow student, a relative, a mentor or friend. The donor can decide on wording for a plaque affixed to the seat. This is an opportunity to thank individuals who have had a significant impact on one's life, while at the same time helping Willamette's music programs.



The newest building on campus rises from the former Bishop Health Center site. This music center and recital hall is expected to open spring semester, 1998-99.

ROGERS FELLOWS

GIFT ENDOWS SCIENCE RESEARCH PROGRAM

"... there's another side to John Rogers — that of a philanthropist working to meet human needs, something in which his mother, Mary Stuart Rogers, adamantly believed."

At Willamette University, John Rogers was a psychology major who went on to earn a master's degree from the University of Colorado in guidance and counseling. John served in the U.S. Air Force until his retirement in 1989 and now owns and operates Sky Trek Aviation, a charter service and corporate aircraft management company. John and his wife, June, own a 10-acre ranch in Hughson near Modesto, Calif., and produce their own merlot, using his mother's family name of Stuart on the label.

But there's another side to John Rogers — that of a philanthropist working to meet human needs, something in which his mother, Mary Stuart Rogers, adamantly believed. John now serves as president of the Mary Stuart Rogers Foundation, which was founded in 1983. Since that time, the foundation, which has not sought publicity and promotion, has quietly distributed millions of dollars in student scholarships, provided food banks for the needy in Stanislaus County, Calif., assisted battered women and helped the homeless. In particular, at Willamette University, we have seen support of \$1 million for the Mary Stuart Rogers Art Gallery and Rehearsal Hall in the new music center and \$1.5 million for the Mary Stuart Rogers Scholarship program which benefits both College of Liberal Arts students and Master of Arts in Teaching students. Now, Willamette is pleased to announce a \$2 million gift from the Mary Stuart Rogers Foundation to endow the undergraduate Science Collaborative Research Program. This gift will allow for the naming of the Mary Stuart Rogers Fellows.

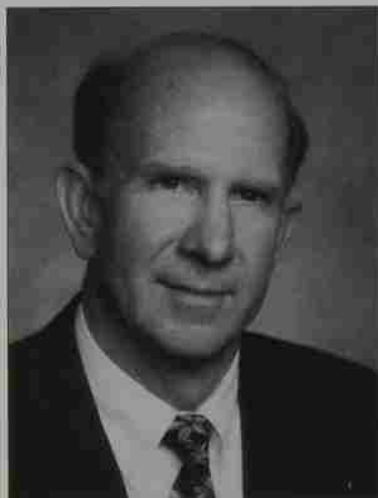
This gift is significant in many ways. For one, funding from the Murdock Charitable Trust will expire in the summer of 1998. Willamette had indicated to the trust its wish to be the first institution to fully endow the program — Murdock had challenged each liberal arts institution initially funded to come

up with a sustaining endowment. With assistance from the Mary Stuart Rogers Foundation, Willamette has indeed become the first to endow the program. The Mary Stuart Rogers Fellows Program will allow students to join faculty from across the science spectrum and engage in the excitement of doing basic research, presenting papers at professional meetings and publishing results in peer-reviewed professional journals. The program, primarily a summer research program, speaks to Willamette's mission to provide excellent teaching and to support scientific inquiry and promote intellectual camaraderie among students and faculty. Many students live in the same house for the summer, afterward expressing that they literally "live and breathe and eat science" all summer long. Past student participants have relayed that the experience has been career-altering as they have been involved in an active, not passive, role in research.

While the Mary Stuart Rogers Foundation has been good to Willamette University, the foundation has also been supportive of scholarship programs at California State University at Stanislaus, California State University at San Bernardino, Central Catholic High School and St. Stanislaus School in Modesto and the Webb Schools, where John received his preparatory education. Additionally, the Foundation has provided two endowed chairs at Lewis & Clark College — one in music in memory of John's brother, James W. Rogers, a 1964 graduate of Lewis & Clark who died in 1994; the other in education.

John Rogers is a 1963 graduate of Willamette University, where he also entered the Air Force ROTC program. Col. Rogers is an accomplished pilot whose duty tours included Vietnam and whose decorations include the Distinguished Flying Cross, Meritorious Service Medal and the Air Force Commendation Medal. He and June have a daughter, Janet, a son, Jeffrey, and three grandsons.

— by Mary Ann Sprinkle



Col. John Rogers

50th Reunion of the Class of 1948
Loren and Muriel (Oliver)
Winterscheid, co-chairs
(206) 232-2716

- **Mark Crunican '48** of Beaverton, Ore., sold his insurance agency in July 1997.
- **Helen (Wynn) Hoalst '48** and husband Preston live in Nampa, Idaho. Helen retired from teaching piano but continues to play the organ and piano, and direct the St. Paul's Catholic choir which sang at the centennial celebration of the Marist order's religious service to St. Paul's in 1997.
- **Fred A. Anderson '49** is retired and has lived in Wasco, Ore., for 70 years.
- **Will J. Henderson '49** of Honolulu, Hawaii, 1988 recipient of the Order of the Rising Sun from the Emperor of Japan and past president of the Japan-America Society, will attend the Japan-America Society's International Symposium in Fukuoka, Japan, in June.
- **Joan (Cooper) '49** and **Joe F. '49** Power of Coldspring, Texas, were in Salem for the 55th class reunion at Salem High School. They visited with **Mary Eyre '18 H '75**, age 100.

1950s

- **Sophie (Guyton) Smith '50** and husband Ross of Seneca, Ore., enjoy keeping up with the growth and changes at WU. They have four grown children and eight grandchildren.
- **Margaret (Austin) Taylor '50** and husband Ronald live in Bremerton, Wash. Margaret retired from practice as a marriage and family therapist and is recovering from spinal surgery.
- **Charles S. Bowe '51** and wife Hazel of Hood River, Ore., spend winters in San Diego, Calif. They often visit with **Don Hosford '52** and **John Markoskie '52**.
- **Norman D. Potter '52** and wife Rheta live in Riverside, Calif. Rheta is looking forward to retirement and a possible return to Oregon.

45th Reunion of the Class of 1953
Marlene (Vincent) Muchow
(503) 253-7463 and
Ralph Bolliger (503) 644-9311,
co-chairs

- **Joseph D. Formick '53** of Brookings, Ore., remembers meeting Bishop Bruce Baxter (for whom Baxter Hall is named) in about 1938. This meeting impressed him enough to influence his eventual attendance at WU.
- **Amaryllis (Lilles) Powell '53 MME '66** is a retired administrator/teacher in the Tigard-Tualatin Schools. She lives in Salem and is a volunteer for the Salem Police Department and the governor's office. Her daughter, **Mary Elizabeth Powell '93**, is an attorney in Lafayette, Calif.
- **Robert D. Wilson '53** retired after 32 years in internal medicine at Corvallis Clinic. He and wife Margaret live at Eagle Crest in Redmond, Ore., and enjoy travel, golf and time with the family.
- **Daline (Montag) Gregory '54** of Falls Church, Va., enjoyed the photographic details and biographies of the campus buildings in the last Scene.
- **Howard L. Wilson '54** and wife Virginia live in Corvallis, Ore. Howard is retired from the math faculty at Oregon State University.
- **Karolyn (Kremer) Cooper '55** lives at McNary golf course in Keizer, Ore., to be near family and Willamette. Son **Dan Cooper '79** and family live in Salem, son **Tom Cooper M '95** lives in Portland, and daughter **Nancy** and family live in California.
- **Kent Holmes '55** of Compton, Md., was appointed to the Mid-Atlantic Regional Committee of the American Red Cross.
- **Duane S. Alvord '56** is retired and lives in Miami Beach, Fla. He plays tennis and writes.
- **Diane (Osborn) Bingham '56** is retired from Family Services in King County, Wash., and lives in Des Moines, Wash. She is the mother of **Jama Hudelson Reed '82**.
- **J. Clint Elwood '56** of Syracuse, N.Y., remembers his exemption from physical education by the dean of men — the understanding dean was **Mark Hatfield '43**.
- **Delpha (Short) Hammerle '56** retires from Umpqua Community College in

Roseburg, Ore., in June 1998. She and her husband look forward to time with their five grandchildren and to traveling.

- **Tom A. Larson '56** is festival director for the Foundation for Arts, Culture and Environment which is planning a celebration of planet Earth in the Fiji Islands for Millennium 2000. He lives in Freedom, Calif.
- **Doug '56** and **Laura (Huson) '57** Wall live in Palm Springs, Calif. Doug retired from McDonnell Douglas where he worked on the Delta Rocket project. Golf, travel and their grandchildren keep them busy.
- **Curt Culver '57** senior vice president of Coldwell Banker in Salem attended the national meeting of Rural Electric Cooperatives in Orlando, Fla., in January. He is a board of directors member for Salem Electric which serves portions of Salem and Keizer, Ore.
- **John '57** and **Patricia (Turner) '57** Edmundson live in Heppner, Ore. John is chairman of the North Central Oregon Tourism Council.



- **Douglas G. Houser '57** of the law firm Bullivant Houser Bailey in Portland, Ore., and member of WU's board of trustees, was appointed to the board of The Rand Corporation, Institute for Civil Justice. The

Institute's principal purpose is to make the civil justice system more efficient and equitable by supplying policymakers with analytical research. Houser's legal practice focuses on civil commercial litigation in federal and state courts. He served on the board of governors and as treasurer of the Oregon State Bar Association, president of the Oregon Association of Defense Counsel, chair of the Tort & Insurance Practice Section of the American Bar Association, fellow in the American College of Trial Lawyers and as a member of the American Law Institute.

- **Don Peterson '57** was named 1996 Citizen of the Year in Saratoga, Calif. He is a former mayor and long-time resident of Saratoga. Don's community involvement includes work with the Saratoga Education Foundation, Saratoga Rotary Club, the Historical Society, city Finance Committee, as chairman of the Planning Commission and member of the Santa Clara County Planning Commission.



CLASS LINKS

1920s

- **Robert C. '24 and Adelia (White) '25** Notson moved to Holladay Park Plaza in Portland, Ore., in January.
- **Ruskin D. '27 and Evangeline (Heineck) '28** Blatchford are enjoying life at Capitol Manor in West Salem.
- **Walter P. Lee '27** is "in remarkably good health" and active in the Friends Church in Nampa, Idaho. He attended his 75th annual session of the Northwest Yearly Meeting of Friends Church in Newberg, Ore.
- **Beach Patton '28** expressed a feeling of loss for Freshman Glee. He remembers the great spirit and the grand four years at WU had by his class.
- **Buneva (Culbertson) Ginn '29** lives in San Diego, Calif., with her daughter and is active in the Delta Kappa Gamma Society.

1930s

- **Loise (Benjamin) Gardner '30** of Portland, Ore., celebrated her 90th birthday!
- **Rosetta (Smith) Caswell '32** of Portland, Ore., had a wonderful time visiting with classmates at the reunion luncheon for the Class of 1932 in October.
- **Miriam A. Pearson '32** of McMinnville, Ore., welcomed her first great-grandchild, Gabrielle Miriam Keford, on June 27.

65th Reunion of the Class of 1933
Esther (Folquet) McMinimee, chair
 (360) 274-6455

- **M.E. "Gus" Moore '33** turned 86 on Sept. 28 and shor his age at the Mira Vista golf club in El Cerrito, Calif., on Oct. 30. He also plays basketball twice a week. He is president of the Northern California Chapter of Retired YMCA Executives. He received a Life Membership at Salem Golf Club from Tom Kay '81 and played golf there in September with John Mistkawi '64 and Jim Booth '64.

- **Harry Emmel '36** retired after 40 years of practicing orthopedic surgery in Seattle, Wash. He and wife Anne live on San Juan Island. Their grandson, Pete Jenkins, is a WU student.
- **Randall B. Kester '37** is a partner at Cosgrave Vergeer & Kester in Portland, Ore., and is still practicing law.
- **Helen (Burdick) Rinker '37** moved to Lindale, Texas, following the death of her husband, William, Oct. 31. Her son, daughter and grandchildren live in Lindale.

60th Reunion of the Class of 1938
**Verne and Lorene (Tompkins)
 Reiersen, co-chairs (503) 646-3680**

- In pursuit of their interest in zoology **Barbara (Crookham) Euler '38** and daughter **Connie (Euler) Harris '69** went beluga whale watching in Churchill, Manitoba, on Hudson Bay in July.
- **Ariss (Jones) Wold '38** lives in Joseph, Ore. She enjoys reading about Willamette.
- **Lois (Burton) Cleveland '39** and husband Harlan live in a retirement community in Sterling, Va., near the Dulles airport, and are busier than before retirement.

1940s

- **Sarah "Beth" (Hall) Clark '40** participated in the Iowa Sister-States volunteer tour to Yamanashi, Japan, in November. Members stayed in private homes and toured colleges, schools, civic centers and nursing homes, and learned about the culture.
- **George P. Gutekunst '41**, a free-lance writer in Sonoma, Calif., is working on a screenplay of the novella *The Sugar Room*.
- **Margaret (Burk) Hill '41** lives in Hillsboro, Ore. She is in the process of immersing herself in the analysis of current American poetry.
- **Dorothy (Palmer) Knox '41** retired and returned to Salem after 50 years in California.

- **Dorothy L. Moore '41** keeps fit in Gresham, Ore., swimming 20 laps five times a week, walking at least two miles a day and golfing when weather permits. She enjoys her retirement.
- **Dick B. '41 and Marie (Bendiksen) '40 Tatro** enjoy retirement and live in a home on the Desert Aire golf course in Mattawa, Wash., on the Columbia River.
- **Carl Bowman '42** professor emeritus of music at the University of New York had a ballad he composed released on a CD, *Bel Conte Double Bass*.
- **Frances (Harris) Parke '42** and husband Henry live in Sycamore, Ill. She was sorry to miss the 55th reunion of her class in October. "We had a wonderful class."

55th Reunion of the Class of 1943
Edna Mae (Hopfer) Bryan, chair
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- **Ray E. Short '44** of Lafayette, Colo., presented 84 programs nationwide on his two bestseller books on young-adult sexuality, *Sex, Love or Infatuation: How Can I Really Know?* and *Sex, Dating and Love: In Fall 1997* he was the main speaker for the Kentucky-Indiana United Church of Christ youth assembly and a presenter at the Catholic Teacher's Conference for the Washington, D.C., archdiocese.
- **Margaret (Allen) Carey '47** is an associate broker at Coldwell Banker-Mountain West Real Estate in Salem. She proudly reports that the October issue of *Bon Appetit* magazine reviewed two Portland restaurants: Zefiro owned and managed by her son, Bruce, and Saucebox, managed by her daughter, Susan.
- **Sisters Evelyn (Deal) Roberts '47 and Dorothy (Deal) Wells '48** attended the 50th reunion of the Class of 1947 in October. They also visited Oregon cousins before returning to their respective homes in Walnut Creek and Alamo, Calif.

• Genette "Genny" (Buecker) McGraw '67 and husband Joe live in Edmonds, Wash., where Genny is an interior designer.

30th Reunion of the Class of 1968

Barbara (Montfort) Courson

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Bill Opray (503) 635-2698 or

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co-chairs

• Thomas J. Mathiesen '68 is editor of *ACTA Musicologica*, the journal of the International Musicological Society. He and wife Penelope live in Ellettsville, Ind.

• Nancy (Bearg) Dyke '69, husband Bill and daughters Sarah and Rachel live in McLean, Va. They vacationed last summer, as they have many times, with Kim (Foskett) Duncan '69, husband Angus and sons Collin and Cameron, of Portland, Ore.

• Chrysan (McAllister) Gallucci '69 is a second-year doctoral candidate in educational leadership and policy studies at the University of Washington.

• Claire (Hauntz) Mohr '69 and husband Ralph of Coos Bay, Ore., spent Christmas in Madrid, Spain.

• Cynthia Welsh '69 teaches social studies in grades six through 12 at Mingus Mt. Academy, a residential treatment center for teenage girls with emotional problems. She lives in Prescott Valley, Ariz.

1970s

• Barbara (Pati) Archer '70 and husband Stephen live in Vancouver, Wash. Barbara is in USC's doctoral program for Public Administration.

• Jacquelyn Agee '71 is now publisher of the *Ashland Daily Tidings*, a promotion which fulfilled her long-time dream of running a daily newspaper.

• Karen Boone '71 is a doctor of Oriental Medicine in Bonsall, Calif., a licensed acupuncturist and certified reverse speech analyst. She is the mother of Priscilla Boone '95 and Tyler, 22.

• Diane K. Dieter '72 is founder and president of Wyrnhole Publishing Ltd., an audio publishing company in Boulder, Colo.

• Sylvia (Jensen) Fewel '72 L'75 and husband Jock live in Portland. Sylvia is an attorney for the Bonneville Power Administration. Nephew James Jensen is a student at WU.

• David '72 and Caroline (Langalis) '74 Greger live in Portland. David is a stockbroker for Paine Webber. In his spare time he volunteers as director of two handbell choirs at the Westminster Presbyterian Church. The youth handbell choir played with the Oregon Symphony on Dec. 21, in the family concert series.

• Heidi (Walter) Maxfield '72 enjoyed the 25th reunion of the Class of 1972. They had a great turn out. Heidi is a migrant coordinator in the Portland Public Schools.

• Wendy (McLean) Weikum '72 and husband Keith of Roseburg, Ore., went to Paris over Christmas to visit their daughter, Rhannon, a WU student in the international study program. They also spent time in Holland with Wendy's brother, George McLean '70.

25th Reunion of the Class of 1973

Jeff W. Taylor, chair (503) 393-5162

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• David '73 and Beverly (Iverson) '74 Brenner live in Louisville, Ky., where David is a divisional claims superintendent for State Farm Insurance and Beverly pursues her music interests. Their daughter, Julia, is 6.

• Lyndel V. Stride '73 is a credit card service representative for Wells Fargo Bank in Beaverton, Ore.

• Kenneth V. Jorgensen '74 M'76 is an advisory financial analyst at Siemens Business Communications in Santa Clara, and lives in Sunnyvale, Calif.

• Bruce '74 and Cindy (Grazda) '75 Neuschwander live in Pleasanton, Calif. Cindy is an elementary school teacher and has published two children's picture books, *So Conference and the First Round Table* and *Amanda Bean's Amazing Dream*, listed at <amazon.com>.

• Janet Voss '74 is a senior vice president at Banc One Corporation, on leave to relocate to Portland, Ore., and to care for an ill family member.



• Janet (Brock) Carlson '75 of Salem completed her doctorate, an interdisciplinary program from the University of Oregon. She was an adjunct faculty member in WU's MAT program fall semester. She also

consults with child and family organizations in Oregon to develop family centers and improve outcomes and service delivery.

• Leslie D. Hall '75 is a development officer for the Mount Pisgah Arboretum and teaches gender and communications, and women, violence and health at U of O. She presented a paper to the American Academy of Religion conference in San Francisco, titled *A Theology of Mutual Responsibility: Gender, Family and the Case of Housework*.

• Steven E. Petrone '75 and family live in Jackson, Calif. Steve is an investigator for the Amador County district attorney.

• Peter Hartnett '76 lives in Davis, Calif., and is a professional advisor to the California Board of Equalization. He and wife Debra have two sons.

20th Reunion of the Class of 1978

Steve Fullmer, chair (602) 331-0882

or <stevenf@goodnet.com>

• Kendall E. Horn '79 is a dentist with Dixon Creek Dental Center in Corvallis, Ore. He and wife Claire have relocated from New Orleans, La.

• Martha J. Ketcham '79 coordinated 20 WU alums and friends watching the NAIA championship football game at the Cheerful Tortoise in Portland, Ore.

• Rick H. Muller '79 and wife Karen moved to Longmont, Colo., from North Carolina. Rick is a project director at RELA Inc. in Boulder, Colo.

1980s

• Cynthia (Anderson) Pemberton '80 is an associate professor at Linfield College in McMinnville, Ore. She completed her doctorate in educational leadership and post-secondary education administration in August 1996.

40th Reunion of the Class of 1958
Al Siebert, chair (503) 289-3295 or
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- **Gerald G. Ackerson '58** and wife Suzanne live part-time in London since his retirement from United Air Lines. Suzanne is a flight attendant for United based at Heathrow International Airport. Besides their home in London, "the world's most exciting city," they have a home in Seattle, Wash.
- **Ann (Barber) Niedringhaus '58** of Santa Ana, Calif., retired in June 1996. She has time to spend with her three grandchildren, travel and volunteer at church and county youth music programs.
- **D.H. "Skip" Wilcox '58** of Bayview, Idaho, completed 15 years of running "alternative to drugs" summer camps for teenagers.
- **Bradley D. '59** and **Gloria (Carver) '60** Lucas of Fairfax Station, Va., celebrated the birth of their first grandchild, a boy, Jett Manning born May 13.

1960s

- **Nancy (Weeks) Federici '60** of St. Helen's, Ore., sold her late husband's business, Tony's Shoes, and became a consultant for it. She now has time to sing, travel, enjoy her grandchildren and renew old friendships.
- **Charles R. Foster '60** was appointed associate dean of faculty development at Candler School of Theology, Emory University in Atlanta, Ga. His book *Embracing Diversity: Heading Multicultural Congregations* was published by Alban Institute.
- **Patricia (Whelan) McAlister '60** has "downsized" to condominium living in Yakima, Wash., since the sudden death of her husband, John, in February 1996. She and classmates **Nancy (Weeks) Federici '60** and **Gary Lovre '60** gathered in August, with Mary Lou Hobson, widow of Larry Hobson '60.
- **Howard E. Nelson '60** and family live in Madison, Wis., where he is a transformational mind/body worker at the Wellhouse Center.
- **Jan Gilmore '61** is a hospice volunteer coordinator at Kaiser Medical Center in Oakland, Calif.

• **Irma (Provorse) Jones '61** is retired and lives in Portland, Ore. She has four children. When the family gets together they almost make a community by themselves.

• **Donald Chi '62** lives in Gaithersburg, Md. He is director of information systems for the Food and Drug Administration, in charge of the nationwide information technology infrastructure.

• **Christine (Ryer) Meny '62** of Fairfield, Calif., is a travel agent.

• **Phillip L. '62** and **Marian (Hanke) '62** Thom of Seattle, Wash., had a great visit at the 35th reunion of the Class of '62. Their three daughters have had August weddings the last three years. They are parents of **Tracy (Thom) Walker '88**, **Kristin** and **Stephanie**.

35th Reunion of the Class of 1963
co-chairs **Pat McLarney (617) 738-6974** and **Thelma (Ray) Rueppell (503) 297-2496** or

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• **Floyd '63** and **Judi (Rogers) '63** Whiting live in Reno, Nev. Floyd works for the Washoe County crime lab and has had three professional papers published in national forensic science journals the past two years. He has logged 60,000 miles running in 19 years and competes in runs up to 100 miles. Judi teaches freshman English and speech at Truckee Meadows Community College.

• **Rosemary (Myers) Carlsen '64** lives in Lake Oswego, Ore., and is a tutor. Her husband, **Bernie**, teaches chemistry at Wilson High School in Portland. Continuing the WU connection are daughter **Julie R. Carlsen '97** and MAT student, and son **George A. Carlsen**, a current WU student.

• **Patricia L. Holland '64** is office manager for Vegas Truck Center in Las Vegas, Nev. Her free time is devoted to her four grandchildren.



• **Margo Maris '64** received an honorary Doctor in Divinity degree from the Protestant Episcopal Theological Seminary in Virginia. She began her ministry in Oregon as a leader and

teacher with young people. She moved to Wyoming and Minnesota where she served in parishes, a university and an Episcopal diocese. She is on sabbatical from the Mt. Angel Convent in Mt. Angel, Ore. She is married and has one child.

• **John E. Vaagen '64** and wife **Beth** live in Coos Bay, Ore. He retired after 30 years in child welfare and social work management, and consults for child protective services.

• **Robert '65** and **Marilyn (Viken) '66** Blodgett live in Atascadero, Calif. Bob is a professor in psychology and human development at Cal Poly, focusing on educational technology. Marilyn is a teacher trainer for Montessori World Educational Institute. She is also a classical guitarist with the New World Baroque Consort which has a compact disc titled "Lost Treasures of New Spain."

• **B. Hunter Dixon '65** is a government contractor for BTG, Inc., which supports the intelligence division of the U.S. Special Operations Command at MacDill Air Force Base in Tampa, Fla.

• **Keith W. '65 L'68** and **Linda (Chatham) '67 Lovett** live in West Linn, Ore. Keith is senior vice president of Fred Meyer Inc.

• **Arlene (Rice) Dietz '66** of Alexandria, Va., is chair of the council overseeing 50 committees of volunteers researching transportation for the National Research Council's Transportation Research Board. As director of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Navigation Data Center she plays an active role in the North American Transportation Statistics Interchange.

• **Barbara (Whalin) Olsen '66** and husband **James** of Portland, Ore., have both sons attending WU; **Don** is an art and American studies major and **Michael** is a first-year student. **Jim** and **Barbara** are teachers in the Portland Public Schools.

• **Julie Branford '67** is the director of human resources of SEH America, Inc. SEH is a silicon wafer manufacturing facility in Orchards, Wash., with approximately 1750 workers, making it one of Clark County's largest employers. SEH America is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Shin-Etsu Handotai, Ltd. of Tokyo, Japan.

• **Vicki (Baker) Kramer '67** is a staff nurse at Shalom East Nursing Home in Stillwater, Minn., and has three sons at various colleges.



• **Mark Terry '80** is an art instructor at George Fox University in Newberg, Ore. He joined their staff following 10 years of teaching at Sprague High School in Salem.

• **Eva (Slack) Lewis '81** lives in Olympia, Wash., and is in her 13th year teaching first grade in Lakewood, Wash.

• **Charles "Chuck" Martin Jr. '81** is an assistant men's basketball coach at Liberty University at Lynchburg, Va., an NCAA Division I school. Wife Rebecca (Roberts) '83 will finish the school year in Wasilla, Alaska, and join him in Virginia.

• **Janine E. Secord '81** is a chiropractor in Phoenix, Ariz. She is currently pursuing a license in acupuncture and applied kinesiology.

• **Chris Wuerker '82** relocated to Alexandria, Va. He is the medical director at MedSTAR which operates two helicopters and ground ambulances. He is raising two daughters Taylor, 7, and Hana, 4.

15th Reunion of the Class of 1983

Jeb S. Smythe (503) 620-1260 or <JebSmythe@pennzoil.com> and Janice L. Deringer (503) 635-1030 or <janice.deringer@bglobal.com> or <janiced@havanet.com>, co-chairs

• **Mark Foster '83** moved to Palo Alto, Calif., in December 1997.

• **Nichlas "Nic" Adams '84** joined the international team at Dayton Hudson, the owner of Target Stores, Dayton Hudson and Marshall Field. He and wife Mary have a two-year-old son, Stephan, and live in Eden Prairie, Minn.

• **Everett E. Fruehling '84** is an associate in the intellectual property group of the law firm Foster Pepper & Shefelman in Seattle, Wash.

• **Diana (Williams) Francis '84** received her master's degree in human resources and organization development from the University of San Francisco in May. She is a senior consultant for Steelcase in the Silicon Valley and San Francisco Bay area.

• **Craig Johnson '84** is pastor of the Willamette Free Lutheran Church in Beaverton, Ore.

• **Chris Tompkins '84** and family live in Bothell, Wash. He is a senior scientist with Cell Therapeutics, in a molecular biology group. They have cloned several novel lipid-modifying enzymes important in cell signaling.

• **Johnny Lee '85** is senior vice president and regional manager of General Bank in Cupertino, Calif., working with growth technology and import-export trading companies in the area. He and wife Michelle have a new home in Fremont, Calif.

• **Todd M. Alberts '86** is an attorney and owner of Alberts Development in Eugene, Ore. He is developing the 210-acre Emerald Valley Resort just south of Eugene.

• **Lorene Bartell '86** retired from her teaching position at Head Start in 1997. She volunteers at Sumpter Elementary School in Salem and helps with her grandchildren.

• **Barbara (Marsh) '86** and **Ernest G. '90** Bootsma have a new home in Portland, Ore., where Ernest is an attorney. Their older daughter, Mollie, started kindergarten this year; Margaret is 2.

• **Kimberly (Edwards) Copeland '86** is an assistant professor of pediatrics at Children's Hospital of Alabama in Birmingham. Her husband, Randy, is a private pediatrician.

• **Susan (McAulay) Pyne '86** and husband Dan live in San Jose, Calif. She is an in-house attorney for Amdahl Corporation in Sunnyvale. They have two children.

• **Victoria J. Saunders '86** is executive director of the San Diego Dance Institute, a non-profit organization which provides dance-based education programs in schools and community centers in San Diego, Calif.

10th Reunion of the Class of 1988

Katherine (Eaton) Speckman (503) 588-2431 and Helen A. Siggins (206) 364-1002 or <HRYBS1A@prodigy.com>, co-chairs

• **Kimberly Curnell '88** and **Michael Heggen '90** of Salem, married in Portland in 1991. Kimberly is a physician at Childhood Health Associates in Salem.

• **Greg '88** and **Janell (Schuetz) '88** Ginsburg live in Powell Butte, Ore. Greg moved his dental practice from Prineville, Ore., to Richmond, Ore., in July 1997.

• **Nancy (Keefer) Hutchison '88** is manager of operations for Valley Physical Therapy and Sports Rehabilitation in Ketter, Ore. She and husband Don are certified bare boat and coastal navigators and own a 23.5 foot sailboat.

• **David A. Luther '88** and family have relocated to Beaverton, Ore. He is a manager at Claremont Technology Group, Inc.

• **Patricia (Nauta) Magnani '88** is an assistant program manager for Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA) in Seattle, Wash. She trains and supervises CASA volunteers who are advocates for children in the court system.

• **Garret Nelson '88** of Rock Hill, S.C., completed his doctorate in industrial organizational psychology at the University of Maryland. He is a compensation manager at Sonoco Products and his wife, Donna Webster, is an assistant professor at Winthrop University.

• **Kathryn D. Botsford '89** completed a master's degree in special education at the University of Arizona in Tucson, to teach children with visual impairments and is working on a second certification.

• **Jeanna (Newton) '89 M'92** and **Ryan R. '94 Morris** are business analysts for State Farm Insurance. Both were promoted by the company and moved to Bloomington, Ill.

• **Gwen (Edlund) Seaver '89** is a pediatrician for Pediatric Associates in Santa Rosa, Calif.

• **John T. Zinn '89** is a graduate student at DePaul University and assistant to the public relations director for the Theatre School at DePaul, night manager in a restaurant in Chicago and "Sunday Lounge Night" deejay at a Chicago club.

1990s

• **B. Landon "Lanny" Ball '90 MAT'94** teaches English and coaches soccer, basketball and track at Mark Twain School in Silverton, Ore.

• **Cathy Burles '90** is a research and development project manager for Hewlett Packard in Boise, Idaho. She coaches a 13-14-year-old girls' soccer team which participated in the far west regionals in Salt Lake City, Utah, after winning the state title in Idaho.

Once Upon a Time There Was an Actor ...



Kate Myre

*"It's a story
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Her story reads like a school girl fantasy: A young actor studies her craft all the way through graduate school, then heads for the small time in the Pacific Northwest and dreams of the big time. She teaches children about acting; she does commercials and voice-overs; she auditions for plays, and sometimes she gets a really good part in Portland or Seattle or Denver. Or in Valdez, Alaska, where she plays a woman in a mental hospital named Patricia in a play by Arthur Miller called "The Last Yankee."

Miller sees her in the play, and one of the best-known playwrights in America calls her performance "superb" and "immensely moving." Miller says she does things he never expected, and even though he usually dreads watching his work being performed, he is very happy with her portrayal of a character he has created. So happy in fact, that he arranges for her to have an audition in New York for an off-Broadway production of the same play. The next thing she knows she is signing a contract, and a theatre critic for *The New York Times* is saying she "acted with immense intelligence and genuine humor" in her New York debut. It's a story too good to be true; the gossamer from which dreams are woven.

But it happened just that way to Kate Myre '86. And when she relates the story her large eyes grow even wider, as though she can scarcely believe it herself.

Myre's story began in high school in West Linn, Ore. "My brother was a rechie," she said, "and I liked the people he hung out with." It wasn't long and she was hooked. After high school she came to Willamette, where she earned a Bachelor of Theatre degree. In 1992 Myre earned an M.F.A. in the Professional Actor Training Program at Brandeis University. For the next few years she taught classes at the Seattle Children's Theatre and Seattle Shakespeare Festival, as well as at the Immediate Theatre and Cornish College of the Arts, also in Seattle. She performed on stage in Shakespeare and in commercials for Boyds Coffee. Along the way she married Tom Graham, who teaches English as a Second Language. The bright lights of New York seemed very far away. But for a few months this winter, the lights of Broadway were directly over her head as she left the Signature Theatre after work each night and headed back to her borrowed apartment.

In New York Myre made contacts and auditioned for three plays — "... to see if I was marketable in New York," she said. Out of those three auditions, Myre was cast in one play, but the decision was made not to produce that play. So on her last weekend in New York, the only future plans she had were getting on a plane in a few days, flying back to Seattle and unpacking her bags for awhile. Her bags weren't unpacked for long. Within three weeks she was back on the East Coast — in Springfield, Mass. — appearing in a play called "The Road to Mecca" by a South African playwright, Athol Fugard. After that — she's not sure.

The dream of walking onto a New York stage is powerful and hard to resist. As "The Last Yankee" was closing, Myre talked about returning to New York in a few months to give it one last try before pursuing another, very different dream. Not even Broadway is more important to Myre than family and, at 34, she says she is ready to settle down and co-star with her husband in a production of their own.

- **Andrea (Malby) Schmidt '96** is a public service representative for Oregon Health Sciences University Pediatrics in Portland.
- **Ty T. Turner '96** is a graduate student in fine arts at California State University in Fullerton.
- **Kurt B. '97 and Suzanne (Anderson) '97 Peterson** live in Tacoma, Wash. Kurt is an assistant attorney general in environmental law and hazardous waste issues representing the Washington Dept. of Ecology. Suzanne is a genetics researcher at the Fred Hutchinson Cancer Research Center.
- **Cindy S. Rosenberg '97** is a sales associate at Runner's Choice in Boulder, Colo., and volunteers at the Nature Conservancy while seeking a position in the environmental field. She lives with **Jennifer Rosenberg '95** and **Eli Caudill '96**.
- **Jennifer Shiprack '97** spent six months in Aix-en-Provence (south of France).
- **Jesse K. Thompson '97** is an assistant network administrator at WaferTech in Camas, Wash.
- **Brian A. Torres '97**, of Foster City, Calif., traveled to Rajasthan, India.

Marriages

- **Anthony H. Good '63** and **Maria Helena Del Llano** married Sept. 6 in Petersburg, Alaska.
- **Karen Schweppe '81** and **William Dyck** married Sept. 6 at Grousemonte Estate in Redmond, Wash. Karen is senior merchandise planning manager at the Eddie Bauer Company and Bill is manufacturing manager at Primex Aerospace. They live in Woodinville, Wash.
- **Roy Widing '81** and **Laurie Repplinger** married Sept. 4. Mother of the bride is **Judy (Miettunen) Repplinger '62**. The couple lives in Astoria, Ore.
- **Louise Foster '83** and **John-Paul Nelson** married May 17, 1996, in an outdoor ceremony at the groom's family house in Poulsbo, Wash.



• **Julie Conrad '85 M'87** and **Larry Peterson** married Sept. 28 at Boone Memorial Presbyterian Church in Caldwell, Idaho. She was baptized and her parents were married in the same church.

Julie is a senior estate planning specialist with Bankers Life and Casualty Company in Boise, and Larry is the director of the water quality division of the Department of Environmental Quality.

- **Doug Colley '86** and **Jill Cabrinha** married Aug. 23 in Saratoga, Calif. Among those in attendance were **James K. Bassett '86**, **Robert C. Glikbarg '86**, **William '86** and **Tara (Brelje) '88 Guimont**. Doug is a facilities consultant at PB Management Services and Jill is a benefits consultant for Howard Johnson and Co. in Seattle, Wash.
- **Kristine Edmunds '86** and **Frank Brunings** married Oct. 12. Kristine is development director for the Center for Community Advocacy and Frank is a housing coordinator for Monterey County. They live in Salinas, Calif.
- **Krista Tyler '88** and **Robert Kabacy** married Nov. 15 at Trinity Episcopal Cathedral in Portland. Those in attendance included **Susan (Carlson) Goffena '88**, **Helen A. Siggins '88**, **Teri Jo Kleine '88**, **Tammy (Shearer) Marshall '88**, **Katherine "Kate" (Johnson) Speckman '88**, **Christine "Chris" (Duncan) '89** and **Larry Didway Jr. '88**. Krista is a claims adjuster for Self Insured Management Services and Robert is an attorney in Portland.

• **Jeff K. Parker '89** and **Ruthanne Johnson** married Aug. 16. Jeff is a portfolio manager for SeaFirst Investment Counselors in Seattle, Wash.

• **Molly Blackaby '90** and **Rick Harder '91** married Aug. 3 in McCall, Idaho. **Kelly (Thalman) Running '90** was a bridesmaid. Groomsmen included **Barry W. Engle '91** and **William "Bill" T. Frith '91**. Others in attendance included **Cathryn "Cathy" N. Burles '90**, **Kevin '91** and **Leanne (Winkler) '91 Hogan**, **Alyssa Valenti '91**, **Heather (James) Frith '90** and **Michael S. Bartlett '92**. Molly is an account manager at Oliver Russell & Associates ad agency and Rick is in corporate sales at Micron Electronics.

• **Carri M. Lyda '90** and **George M. Lucier** married Aug. 30 in Roseburg, Ore. In attendance were **Marin (Frost) Isaak '90** and **Kristine "Kris" (Schuyler) Ronk '95**. Carri and George teach chemistry at Eastern Oregon University and live in La Grande, Ore.

• **Robyn R. Blatchford '91** and **Steven R. Johnson** married Nov. 8. Robyn is a chef/caterer for The Blue Lake Catering Com-

pany and Steven is a sales representative for Aqua Cool/Brewed Hot Coffee. They live in Gresham, Ore.

• **Jennifer Lawrence '91** and **Russell Hunscom** married July 4 in St. John's, Antigua, British West Indies. They are building a new home in Mukilteo, Wash. Jennifer is director of communications and membership for the Washington State Medical Association.

• **Wendy Walker '91** and **Timothy Hall** married in August. Wendy is an insurance and collections clerk for a chiropractic clinic in Painesville, Minn.



• **Lisa Lessley '92** and **Craig Briscoe '92** married Sept. 13 in Oysterville, Wash. The maid of honor was **Kaylene Smith '92**. Among those in attendance were **Paula Emerick '91**, **Kristina Detwiler '93**, **Lorri Baldwin '91**, **Holly**

Briscoe '91, **Amy Ellsperman '93**, **Kirsten (Williams) Schaub '93**, **John Horton '91**, **Kevin Smith '94**, **Aaron McGrath '91** and **Kevin Grossman '93**. Lisa is a technical writer and Craig is a graduate student at the University of Washington school of architecture. They live in Seattle.

• **Marty Steingrebe '92 MAT'95** and **Amy Cummings '94** married July 12 at the Edgefield Inn in Portland, Ore. Attendees included bridesmaids **Michelle (Fraleigh) Bertholf '93 MAT '94**, **Sarah E. Tyson '94**, **Christy A. Olson '94** and **Diana K. Fales '93** and groomsmen **David M. Bertholf '90 MAT'92**.

• **Ann Marie Alden '94** and **Steve Caplan** married Sept. 7. In attendance were **Gabrielle Buller '95**, **William "Bill" Scheer Jr. '95** and **Tiffany (Loescher) Scheer '96**. Ann Marie is a lead clerk at Borders Books and Music and Steve is manager at REI in Northville, Mich.

• **Aimee Lorraine Mathews '94** and **Shane Paul Fentress** married Nov. 29 in Ft. Collins, Colo. Bridesmaids were **Lani M. Parr '94** and **Jennifer B. Reinke '95**. Aimee is a substitute elementary school teacher and Shane is an ensign in the U.S. Navy. Their home is in Ballston Spa, N.Y.

• **Tiffany Reynolds '94** and **Kevin Krake** married July 26, in Portland, Ore. Those in attendance included bridesmaid **Jennifer**

She was named Idaho Coach of the Year for 1997. She also coaches in the Olympic Development soccer program.

- **Carl '90 and Cathryn '90 MAT'91 (English)-Straub** live in Helena, Mont. Carl is a special education teacher in the Montana City Schools and head women's soccer coach at Carroll College in Helena. Cathryn is a day treatment therapist at Golden Triangle Mental Health Center.

- **Julie A. Fisher '90** lives in Richland, Wash., and is a project coordinator for AirTouch Cellular.

- **Teri Ikeda '90** lives in Portland, Ore., and is a senior consultant for Deloitte & Touche Consulting Group.

- **Anne Vestergaard '90** is in her final year of pediatric residency at OHSU Medical School in Portland, Ore.

- **Nicholas C. Zagone '90** is a master of fine arts student in the playwriting program at the University of Nevada-Las Vegas.

- **Kevin J. '91 and Patti (Lurette) '92 Adkisson** live in Ellensburg, Wash. Patti completed a certification program to teach biology and health. She is substitute teaching, but will look for a permanent position. Kevin is head cross country and distance coach at Central Washington University.

- **Karen (Lytle) '85 MAT'91 and Glen MAT'91 Bledsoe** of Salem have published *Classic Ghost Stories II*, a children's book, *365 Native Crafts* and two keepsake books. Glen teaches at Keizer Elementary School and Karen is a lecturer at Western Oregon University.

- **Holly Briscoe '91** received her master's degree in rehabilitation counseling from Ohio State University. She is a career track coordinator at the Goodwill Rehabilitation Center in Columbus, Ohio, which serves persons with traumatic brain injuries.

- **John Hathaway '91** is a real estate developer in Dallas, Texas, working in South and Central America with an international movie company developing theaters.

- **Laura A. Schweger '91** is a podiatric physician and surgeon at Northwest Foot Care in Bend, Ore.

- **Marci Smith '91** is a senior commercial underwriter for Farmers Insurance Group in Vancouver, Wash. Her territory includes Seattle and northwest Washington.

- **Richelle M. Tustin '91** traveled in Europe for a month with her brother after taking the bar exam. She is an associate at Stoel Rives in Portland, Ore.

- **Victoria (Bollen) Campbell '92** is a doctoral candidate in chemistry at the University of California at Irvine.

- **Stephanie (Libby)-Cummins '92** is a physical therapist at Virginia Mason Medical Center in Seattle. She and husband Brad live in Lynnwood, Wash.

- **Steven M. Peck '92** was deployed for six months to the western Pacific Ocean, including a stop in Hong Kong, aboard the fleet oiler USS Sacramento with the U.S. Navy.

- **Karen Polis '92 MAT'93** teaches at Franklin High School in southeast Portland, Ore., and is the school's activity director.

- **Barbara Utr '92** received a master's degree in public administration from Seton Hall University and is volunteer program manager at the Community FoodBank of New Jersey. She lives in Montclair, N.J.

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- **Marci Ellsworth '93** received a master's degree in student development administration from Seattle University in June 1997 and is the international student advisor at Old Dominion University in Norfolk, Va.

- **Eric Harker '93** is enrolled at Duke Medical School in Durham, N.C.

- **Chad A. Michael '93** received his post-baccalaureate premedical certificate in April 1997. He is also a pilot and president of Aviation Express Services, Inc., in Menlo Park, Calif.

- **Christal R. Winesburgh '93** is an administrative assistant at Tucker-Maxon Oral School in Portland, Ore., which teaches deaf children to talk. She is also choir coordinator for Lake Baptist Church children's choirs.

- **Michael E. Worden '93** is a graduate student at the University of Chicago School of Business.

- **Paul '94 and Karen (Hill) '94 Aucherlonie** live in Cambridge, Mass. Paul is a master's student at Harvard Graduate School of Education and Karen is a labor and delivery nurse.

- **Steve Clair '94** is a master's student in curriculum and instruction at the University

of Colorado at Denver and teaches English as a second language at Overland High School in Aurora, Colo.

- **Erika (Berkenhoff) '94 and Evan '94 Hill** are master's students at Seattle University.

- **Sean K. Moon '94** received the Coast Guard Commendation Medal while assigned to the Marine Safety Office in Huntington, W.V. As operations department chief he developed and implemented a risk assessment and resource management system for bulk oil and chemical facilities. His program decreased their overall pollution risk and was adopted by Coast Guard headquarters for nationwide implementation.

- **Heather A. Peterson '94** is a marine research naturalist studying humpback whales and dolphins at the Pacific Whale Foundation in Kiheti, Maui, Hawaii.

- **Kristin M. Anderson '95** is a master's student in student affairs at Colorado State University in Ft. Collins, Colo.

- **Amy L. Carlson '95** lives in Portland, Ore., and is a campus organizer for OSPIRG.

- **Matthew R. Filpi '95** is a law student at Southern Methodist University in Dallas, Texas.

- **Thomas G. Lucas '95** works in construction in Kailua-Kona, Hawaii.

- **Liz O'Dea '95** is a cartographic technician at the Mt. Hood National Forest headquarters in Sandy, Ore.

- **Jake Storms '95** is an actor and lives in New York, N.Y.

- **Adam Lee Ballard '96** is a master's student in chemical engineering at Colorado School of Mines in Golden, Colo.

- **John '96 and Jennifer (Harris)-Clippinger '96** are pursuing master's degrees, John in music education at the University of Illinois and Jennifer in art history at the University of Toronto. They live in Urbana, Ill.

- **Malaika M. Eaton '96** is a legal assistant at Clark, Lindauer, McClinton in Salem.

- **Jennifer Hodges '96 MAT'97** is a teacher in the Seattle School District.

- **Susan J. Long '96** is a veterinary technician at the Edgewood Animal Clinic in Eugene, Ore.

- **Bonnie Pennebaker '96** is an assistant administrator with Kiwanis International in Indianapolis, Ind. She works with Key Club International, the world's largest high school service organization.

- **Geraldine (Cook) Dotson '26** died Nov. 5 in Portland, Ore. She taught at Canyonville, Gresham and Hood River high schools, retiring in 1970. She was a member of the Methodist Church. She was preceded in death by her brother, **Claude Cook '34**. Survivors include daughters Jeri Silfies and Judy Dotson.
- **Ralph Merwin Stolzheise '26** died peacefully in his sleep July 15. He received an M.D. from the University of Oregon Medical School in 1934 and practiced at the State Hospital in Hartford, Conn. Survivors include daughter Linda Horman and son **Michael Dean Stolzheise '65**.
- **Iva Dell (Crozer) Dykeman '27** died Sept. 12 in Paradise, Calif. She was a retired English and French teacher. Survivors include her sister, **Viola M. (Crozier) Guichard '32**.
- **Henry Joseph Oberson '28** died Nov. 6 at Evergreen Hospital in Kirkland, Wash. He graduated from Harvard Medical School in 1932 and completed an internship in San Diego, Calif. He served in the Army Medical Corps in World War II in northern India and later practiced medicine in Lynn, Mass. He was a member of the Masonic Lodge and the Massachusetts Medical Society. He was preceded in death by his brother, **Louis E. Oberson '28**. Survivors include his son, Henry J. Oberson; sisters Marguerite Robinson and Marie Wattenbarger; two grandchildren and one great-grandson.
- **Theresa (Schotthoefter) Saalfeld '28** died Jan. 4 in Portland, Ore. For six years she taught history and English and coached drama and basketball in high schools at Harlan, Tuft and Waldport. She moved to Eugene in 1935 to raise her family and manage the office of the family business, Eugene Plumbing and Heating. She moved to Portland with her husband in 1987. Survivors include her husband, Bernard; son Bernard; daughter Sister Joan Saalfeld; and sisters Gertrude Jontentz and Barbara Schotthoefter.
- **Paul Graham Trueblood '28 H'84** died Dec. 27 in Salem, at age 92. He was an English literature professor and an internationally recognized authority on the poet Lord Byron. He wrote three books on the life and works of Lord Byron, focusing on the poet's political and social satire. Before returning to Willamette in 1955, he taught at colleges and universities in Kansas, New York, Idaho, California, Washington and Oregon. During his 16 years at Willamette he served as chairman of the English department, retiring in 1971. He was a member of the International Byron Society and founding member of the American Byron Society. He was the first American to address the Byron Society in the House of Lords on the 163rd anniversary of Byron's maiden speech in Parliament. Survivors include daughters **Susan (Trueblood) Stuart '60** and **Anne (Trueblood) Williams '61**, four grandchildren, and three great-grandchildren. His wife, Helen, survived him but died Jan. 17 (see obituary on page 44).
- **Lucille (Rhoten) Lewis '29** died Dec. 26 in Salem. She taught high school English, French and Latin in Ione, Ore. She was a member of American Association of University Women, Eastern Star, Daughters of the Nile and a bridge club. Survivors include daughters **Justine (Lewis) Jones '57** and **L. Gay Leisman**; brothers **George A. Rhoten '27**, **J. Ray Rhoten L'36** and **Rex R. Rhoten '34**; sister-in-law **Ruth (Ross) Rhoten '25**; nephew **David Rhoten '56**; five grandchildren including **Roderick M. Jones L'87**; three step-grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.
- **John Wesley Evans '30** died Oct. 25 in Newport, Ore. He received a degree from the University of Oregon Medical School in 1933. He served on the staff of Holladay Park and Good Samaritan Hospitals, as assistant clinical professor of psychiatry at the University of Oregon Medical School and as psychiatrist for the Oregon State Parole Board. He also served in the U.S. Army as a lieutenant colonel during World War II. Survivors include his companion, **George Folkin**; and sister **Barbara Husk**.
- **Richard V. Weatherford '30** died Nov. 6 in Glendale, Calif., at age 89.
- **Helen (Pemberton) Price '31** died Nov. 6 in Newport, Ore. She was a teacher from 1931-72, retiring from the Lincoln County School District. She was a member of the Lincoln County Foundation and various bridge clubs in Newport. Survivors include sons **Rod and Rick**, and daughter **Sue Price**; brothers **Paul A. Pemberton '25**, **H. Earl Pemberton '28**, **Howard Pemberton '37** and **Philip Pemberton '39**; sister **Margaret (Pemberton) Fisher '44**; sister-in-law **Dorothy (Ellinger) Pemberton '38**; brother-in-law **Ivan Corner Sr. '21**; and nieces **Marie (Corner) Hitchman '53**, **Joan (Pemberton) Cravens '61** and **Janet (Cousins) Cook '64**.
- **Richard Hampton Lucke '35** died Dec. 29 in Portland, Ore. He was student body president at Willamette. He served on the boards of directors at Goodwill Industries of the Columbia Willamette and Albertina Kerr Centers. He was president of the Portland Board of Realtors in 1958 and was a partner in Bullier & Bullier. He later formed the real estate firm of Lucke, Drake, Van Houten & Co. Survivors include his wife, Elma; daughters **Ann and Joe**; sons **James Pinter-Lucke and Karl**; and four grandchildren.
- **Harry J. Mohr Jr. '37** died Dec. 23 in Salem. He was a teacher, educator and principal in Salem public schools for 36 years, retiring in 1976. He was a member of the First Presbyterian Church, Masons and Kiwanis. He enjoyed fishing and gardening. Survivors include his wife, **Dorothy**; daughters **Judy Young and Susan McKnight**; sister **Betty Gordon**; and two grandchildren.
- **Vivian E. (Noth) Younce '40** died Oct. 30. She worked for the city of Oregon City and retired in 1984. She moved to Omaha, Neb., in 1996. Survivors include sons **Geoffrey, Richard and Leonard Jr.**; daughters **Julie LaRue and Susan Sunderman**; 16 grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.
- **John Hulbert Stalnaker '41** died Nov. 7 in Portland, Ore. He received his medical degree from Oregon Health Sciences University in 1945. He had a private practice in internal medicine in Portland until 1971, when he joined the staff of the Veteran's Administration Hospital in Vancouver, Wash., as head of the respiratory department. He retired in 1978. Survivors include his wife, **Louise (Lucas) Stalnaker '44**; sons **John P. and James M.**; daughters **Carol Burnett Daily, Janet Nelson, Mary Lou Gieffe and Laurie Cosgrove**; brother **William**; 14 grandchildren and one great-grandchild.
- **Ralph Arthur Rude '44** died Nov. 28 in Eugene, Ore. He piloted B24 aircraft in the U.S. Army Air Corps during World War II, flying 50 combat missions and earning the Silver Star, the Air Medal with four oakleaf clusters and the European, African and Middle Eastern service medals with six bronze stars. He was a contractor and manager of Kendall Ford Truck & RV. He was past president of the Lions Club and a member of Rotary International. He was named state Lion of the Year in 1962 and Volunteer of the Year for the Eugene Sports Program in 1965. Survivors include his wife, **Jacklyn**; sons **Jeffrey, Scott and Stuart**; daughter **Janet Erwin**; brother **Ronald**; sister **Mildred**; and two grandchildren.
- **Grace (Shields) Mohney '48** died Dec. 17 in Salem. She was a certified orthoptist

(Garner) Noble '95, Tracy Scheuneman '95 MAT'97, Brenda Baumgart '95, Whitney Mehner '95, Toby Merriman '93, Mark Nemecek '93, Amanda (Dunham) Smith '94 MAT'96, Melissa Hemstreet '94 L'97 and Jamey Chown '95. Tiffany is an agent at Barnes & Reynolds Insurance and Kevin is a machinist at The Trade Bindery.

• **Kristine Grace Schuyler '95** and Shane Eric Ronk married Aug. 9, at the bride's parents' home in Roseburg, Ore. The maid of honor was Elizabeth E. Schuyler '95, the bride's sister. Others in attendance included Karyn Liere '96 and Jennifer Olson '96. Kristine works at SureCare Health-Plans in Roseburg and Shane works for Roseburg Forest Products.

• **Amy R. Volchok '95** and Craig Stoltz married Sept. 13. Amy is an accounts manager for Employers Overload. The couple lives in Aloha, Ore.

• **Matt Traeger '96** and Jennifer Melson MAT'97 married April 5 in Cone Chapel. The maid of honor was Christie Turnidge '97. Others in attendance included Chuck Itoh '69, and MAT'97 alumni: David Arney, Sara Atkinson, Myonnie Bada, Jessica Branco, Melisa (Thomas) and Bill Bush, Michael Cooper, Angela Darrow, Brent Fodge, Mick Glaze, John Hirte, Eric Ihde, Ryan Iselin, Suzanne (Torongo) Kosmin, Windy Lathen, Alissa Lindeman, Britt McCombs, Kathy (Embick) and Leif McElliott, Michelle Nicholson, Dan Noyes, Kristen (Uffelman) White.

• **Benton D. Bales '97** and Traci Lynn Mayberry married Dec. 6. Ben is a Salem police officer and Traci is an evidence officer for the Marion County sheriff.

• **Patricia Humphrey '97** and John Bradley Wagner were married June 21. They live in Prairie City, Ore. Patricia is in the MAT program at Eastern Oregon University and John works for Les Schwab.

• **Jessica E. Patterson '97** and Jerrod Haarstad married Dec. 27. Jessica is a master's student in counseling in education at the University of North Texas and a preschool teacher in Denton, Texas, and Jerrod is an assistant manager at Pac-N-Mail.

Births

• To **Edward L. Nelson '77** and wife Carla of Eldersburg, Md., a son Andrew Kristopher born Oct. 27. Ed is head of the immunotherapy laboratory at the National Cancer Institute in Frederick, Md.

• To **P. Lynne (Davis) Reynolds '78** and husband Drew of Huntsville, Ala., a son Eli Andrew born April 3, 1997. They also have a puppy and Hardy, 7, and Lindy, 5.

• To **Laura (Fear) Archer '79** and husband Robert of Independence, Ore., a son Johnathan Roberts born Jan. 10, 1996.

• To **Marjorie Mobley-(Oorthuys) '80** and husband Brent, their first child, a son Hendrik David born Sept. 19. Marj teaches at Stayton Middle School and Brent is an adjunct faculty member at Chemeketa Community College.

• To **Kevin Higgins '82** and wife Tamara, a daughter Molly Claire born September 25. They live in Sparks, Nev.

• To **Sally (Channing) Santiago '85** and husband Gale of Turlock, Calif., a son Trevor James born June 7. They also have two daughters.

• To **Kristen (Best) '85** and Truman '86 Collins of Portland, Ore., a daughter Clara Grace born Feb. 7.

• To **Christine (Miller) '86** and Donald J. '86 McLean, a daughter Rebecca Allison born Sept. 9, in Oxnard, Calif. They have two boys and two girls.

• To **Keith S. Miller '86** and wife Melissa of Mountain Home, Idaho, a son Reese Timothy born Oct. 24.

• To **Shari (Lord) Greer '87** and husband Mike of Beaverton, Ore., a daughter Abigail Flore born Dec. 2. Grandparents are professor emeritus Richard Lord and wife Patricia.

• To **Anna (Brief)-Mueller '87** and husband Douglas of Hollywood, Calif., a son Joshua David born Dec. 1.

• To **Joseph W. Centanni '88** and wife Robyn of Meridian, Idaho, a daughter Sierra McKenzie born Oct. 11. Joe is an applications assistant for Micron Technology Inc.

• To **Stacey (Lawrence) Dodson '88** and husband Chris of Portland, Ore., their first child, a daughter Emily Cecille born Dec. 11. A baby shower was hosted by Leslie Dailey '88, attended by Nancy (Olsen) Roth '89, Kristin (Wingo) Parks '89, Amy (Thomas) Huddleston '88, Wendy (Goddard) Gregory '88, Erin (Reynolds) Peters '88, Tricia (Smith) Ehl '88, Julie (Burr) Adams '89 and Michelle (Kirkpatrick) Johnson '88. Stacey is a vice president at US Bank's corporate banking division.

• To **Jeanette (Blum) Fox '88** and husband James of Portland, Ore., their first child, a daughter Tiernan Blum Fox born Oct. 24.

• To **John T. '88** and Karen (Jacobson) '89 MAT'92 Gabriel of Corvallis, Ore., a daughter Annika Esther born Nov. 24, 1996.

• To **Jeffrey S. Gedrose '88** and wife Karlyn of Portland, Ore., a son Corey Christopher born May 2, 1997.

• To **Jack '89** and Angela (Norwood) '89 Catton of Tacoma, Wash., a daughter Sage Elizabeth born Feb. 24, 1997.

• To **Sharon (Quint) '89 MAT'90** and Gerald "Jerry" '89 Cook of Charleston, W.Va., their first child, a daughter Elizabeth Marie born May 29, 1997.

• To **Eric Freidenrich '91** and wife Amy of Atherton, Calif., a son Theodore David born Nov. 21.

• To **Rob C. '91** and Amy (McCann) '91 Nash of Loomis, Calif., a son Jared Edward born Oct. 10.

• To **Kim (Coghlan) Koning '92** and husband Tim of Spokane, Wash., a daughter Elizabeth born Nov. 11.

• To **Patty (Phillips) Runyon '92** and husband Mike of Concord, Calif., a daughter Julia Nell born Oct. 28.

• To **Erin (Good) '93** and David '93 Audley of Seattle, Wash., a daughter Sarah Elizabeth born Sept. 19.

• To **Lisa (Martin) '94** and John W. '94 Harrison of New York, N.Y., a son Maxwell Ryan, 7 lbs. 3 oz., born Sept. 30.

Obituaries

• **Bruce E. White '23** died Dec. 31 in Portland, Ore., at age 100. He was a teacher and administrator for 27 years at the University of Hawaii. He moved to Portland in 1967. He was preceded in death by his wife **Grace (Brainerd) White '23**. Survivors include his son, Bruce; two grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

• **Mary (Wells) Geer '24** died of pneumonia Nov. 26 at her home in Bellevue, Wash. She wrote French textbooks and 50 other books, taught French around the world aboard the S.S. Ryndan as the "University of the Seven Seas," remodeled houses, made dolls and was the widow of Willard Geer, who invented the color television tube. Survivors include sons Richard and Charles Geer; foster daughter Bok Lim Kim; nephew **John E. Benjamin '88**; four grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

The Sarajevo Rose

By Gary Mansavage '63

Some reflections on life in Sarajevo, a symbol of inhumanity and rage, passion and love. The Sarajevo rose bears witness.



Gary Mansavage '63 left Sarajevo in February 1997, after almost eight months assisting the U.S. portion of the civilian reconstruction program.

Mention Sarajevo and one's mind flashes back to indelible television images: Sniper's Alley in front of the Holiday Inn, walking skeletons in Serb detention camps, unearthed remains of mass graves and people lost in confusion and turmoil. There is grief in the eyes you meet on Ferhadija Street.

Consider how complex life is here. Start with Serb nationalism which was stoked to aggression by the same leader who crowds are challenging today in the streets of Belgrade. Bosnia-Herzegovina became the battleground, and merciless shells rained down on Sarajevo where Bosnian Muslims, Croats and Serbs had lived together. The Muslims and a few minorities remained, and mosques, Catholic and Serbian Orthodox churches and synagogues still help define the skyline.

Visualize burned out homes next to untouched dwellings — eerie and constant reminders of ethnic cleansing that took place. Why? Religion, ethnicity, nationalism or just because they are Balkan? A Bosnian friend explained that it was violent retribution — one group against another — for perceived inequity during a period of economic hardship. The root cause has also been described as hatred deeper than hate.

Minorities still cannot return to their homes in communities where there is a different majority, or move freely as agreed in the Dayton Accord. Those who try confront violence, even death, keeping some two million refugees from returning home. Ask the 70-year-old woman who was thrown out of her apartment last month because she is not a Croat, the ethnic majority in that community.

Allied air power got the immediate attention of the Bosnian Serbs and the killing stopped, yet there are no air strike equivalents today for authorities who, with international support, attempt to introduce new government structure and revitalize the economy. Some are even promoting a practical,

pocketbook approach to reconciliation by encouraging revival of cross-ethnic-line commercial ties. The economy faces a double whammy. Not only is it struggling to recover, but simultaneously free-market mechanisms must replace the mismanaged and unsustainable ways of doing business in the communist era. Mix in corruption and the mafia, and one wonders how this new nation will survive. ☺ just as Tito did in the former Yugoslavia.

And the re-emerging Sarajevo? "This is the most intellectually and emotionally complicated place I've ever been, but I love it here," said a friend. One remembers the Sarajevo which invited the world to the Winter Olympic Games in 1984. A festive atmosphere was beamed into your living room. Over a decade later you see with disbelief the remains of its Olympic showcase, the heavily damaged ice rink just across a slope from a famous interdenominational cemetery. This scene evoked strong emotions at an international track and field meet last October. A handful of Olympians, including Americans from the Atlanta games, put aside security concerns and attended. The crowd, roaring welcome at the mere sight of one competitor emerging onto the bright green infield, seemed desperate for a sign of normalcy. Just beyond the stadium rim and in stark contrast to the jubilation, were new grave markers dotting the landscape. What a testimony this event was to the resilience and vibrance of Sarajevo, and its people.

Last summer the city was reborn, literally bursting into life. Barricades were removed, hammers echoed everywhere, and thousands of people strolled the streets to recapture life that was robbed by four years of siege. Cafes remain full today of Sarajevans drinking cappuccinos, chain smoking and spending time with one another. Their talk is not of the weather or work "like Americans do," a Bosnian said. "We discuss life, deeply and all of it," she added. It's "cafe therapy," and a place to hang out when you're routinely without water and heat at home.

The children, who were confined to basements during the war, are relearning how to play together as communities recover. American generosity has contributed to local non-profit groups like "Be My Friend," which helps those traumatized by the war. Their drawings appear to the untrained eye to reflect hope. "Kids Around the World," combining American and Bosnian volunteer work at its best, completed a large playground for the children of one of the most heavily damaged, front line suburbs. Their laughter now replaces the sounds of war.

And the Sarajevo rose? A cluster of marks etched into sidewalks by mortars which bounced for maximum kill radius — a strange visual sensation for an outsider, but ignored by Sarajevo couples, arm-in-arm — most without worry for the future. The city and its people seem to be saying, don't see us as another Beirut but remember our passion for life.

technician and a social worker for Marion County. She was a certified foster parent and raised more than 200 children. She was a member of Delta Gamma sorority Eugene chapter and enjoyed reading and caring for children. Survivors include her husband, **Kenneth L. Mohnney E'62**; sons Mark, David and Michael; daughter Ann Scott; and three grandchildren.

• **J. David Bristow '49** died of cancer Dec. 30 at his home in Portland, Ore. He was widely recognized for excellence in clinical teaching and research and played a large role in determining national research priorities in the field of cardiovascular disease. He served as chairman of Oregon Health Sciences University's department of medicine from 1971-75 and headed the cardiology training program from 1981-92. He received an Alumni Citation from Willamette in 1974. He served on numerous peer review committees at the National Institutes of Health and chaired the Cardiology Advisory Council of the National Heart, Lung and Blood Institute. Survivors include his wife, **Kathleen "Kay" (Stark) '51**; sons Michael and James; daughter Nancy; mother Vivian; and brother Richard.

• **Avis Dorine (Roberts) Brennan '50** died Nov. 2 at age 69. She moved from Portland to Manzanita, Ore., in 1992 and was elected to the City Council. She was preceded in death by her husband, **James W. Brennan '49**. Survivors include sons Michael, Stephen, Philip and Paul; daughters Kathleen Vincent and Maureen Conner; stepmother Anna Roberts; and 15 grandchildren.

• **Fabian Albert Nelson '50** died July 9 in Salem. He was a teacher for nine years for the Salem School District in physical education, coached basketball and baseball, and was an athletic director. He was a state training officer for the Oregon National Guard and served as an operations, training and recruiting, and military support plan officer for the State Military Department. He was the military support officer for all emergency operations for the Oregon National Guard. He retired as a colonel after 41 years. He was a member of the Masonic Order and Lions Club and served as a former president of the Salem Capitol Lions. In 1994 he was awarded the Lions International Melvin Jones Award for outstanding service. Survivors include his wife, Frances; son Christopher; daughters Sandra Todd and Penny Sollis; brother William Wilson; and two granddaughters.

• **Don H. Malagamba '52** died of cancer Aug. 29. He worked for A.B. Dick/Ittek Corp., retiring as vice president of marketing after 31 years. He became active in the U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary, serving as commander for the Suislaw Station Flotilla. His ashes were committed to the sea with a full Coast Guard escort. Survivors include his wife, Patricia; four children; two stepchildren; and seven grandsons.

• **B. John Wallace '52** died of cardiac arrest Oct. 30 in Salem. He was an accountant for American Can Co. in Salem and Astoria, Ore., and a cost accountant for Moore Business Forms in Salem until his retirement. He was a member of the First Congregational Church, Salem Lions Club, Elks Club and a life member of Masonic Lodge Pacific. Survivors include his wife, Patricia; sister Leona Ward; two half-sisters; four half-brothers and seven grandsons.

• **Joanne L. (Bunnell)-Clemmer '53** died Oct. 24 in Salem. She was employed by the state for 31 years, retiring in 1986. She was a member of the Chi Omega sorority. Survivors include her brother, James Bunnell; and stepsister Bette Jones of Salem.

• **Earl Herring Atkinson '54** died Nov. 24 in Tucson, Ariz., at age 65. He was the grandson of **Guy F. Atkinson H'44** and son of **George H. Atkinson '26**. Survivors include his wife, Julia; sons David and John; daughter Susan Atkinson; brothers **Ray N. Atkinson '50** and **Duane Atkinson '51**; sister Lois Atkinson; sister-in-law **Daphne (Lekas) Atkinson '50**; aunt **Elizabeth (Atkinson) Whitsett '31**; cousin **Robert W. Atkinson '53**; niece **Mary D. Atkinson '84**; and three grandchildren.

• **Mina Sue Van Vliet '70** died peacefully at home in Davis, Calif., June 2 of breast cancer. She worked as a county building inspector and a computer specialist. She was known as a kind, caring and generous person whose smile brightened the days of those who knew her. Survivors include her long-time companion, John Padgett; daughter Erica Haskell; son Trevor Haskell; father Frank Van Vliet; brothers Chris and Blair Van Vliet; and sister Nancy Arnold.

• **Loren A. Wahl '75 M'83** died Oct. 13 in Melba, Idaho. He served in the Marine Corps during the Vietnam War. He worked in the metallurgical field and moved to Idaho in 1988. He retired from being laboratory manager of Envirosafe Services due to ill health. Survivors include his wife, Margo; daughters Mary-Catherine and Andrea;

mother Patricia Wahl; brother Douglas; and sister Wendy Slonecker.

• **Mary Judith "Judy" (Thompson) West** died of cancer Dec. 8 in Salem. She was mail services supervisor at WU. She had been director of the Catholic Social Services Battered Women's Shelter in Anchorage, Alaska, a food service manager and owner of a secretarial business in Salem. Survivors include her parents, Frank and Mary Ball; daughter Laura "Jeanne"; sister Susan Marr; and brother Michael Thompson.

• **Helen (Churchill) Trueblood** wife of the late **Paul Trueblood '28 H'84**, emeritus professor, died Jan. 17 in Salem, Ore. She was a descendant of Oregon pioneers. She was head dietician at Portland Medical Hospital 1928-31 and subsequently a dietician at Doctors' Hospital in Seattle and Salem Memorial Hospital. She was a member of the National Dietetic Guild, president of P.E.O. Council and a member of the Weavers Guild. She was an accomplished weaver, textile artist and a gourmet cook. Survivors include daughters **Susan (Trueblood) Stuart '60** and **Anne (Trueblood) Williams '61**, four grandchildren, and three great-grandchildren.

• **George Warner**, a longtime Eugene, Ore., artist died of heart failure Jan. 6. His original watercolor of Waller Hall was reproduced by the U.S. Postal Service on a commemorative post card in honor of Willamette University's sesquicentennial. The work was commissioned as a Christmas gift to the late **Ed Cone '41** from his wife, **June (Woldt) Cone '42**.

KEY

- L = Doctor of Jurisprudence or LLB
- M = Master of Management or Master of Administration
- M/L = Joint degree, Law and Management
- MAT = Master of Arts in Teaching
- MEd = Master of Education
- E = Master of Arts in Education
- MME = Master of Music Education
- H = Honorary Degree



One of Willamette's newest sports is one of its most popular. (See story on page 22).

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