The Logger men’s and women’s basketball coaches are different in every way but one: they’ve both built winning programs.
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Coach Suzy Barcomb and
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Eric Bridgeland by Ross
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— Professor Emeritus of Geology Al Eggers, page 17.
Puget Sound sports: ‘The sweatiest of the liberal arts’

I love the madness of March. You don’t have to be a basketball fan to know that “March madness” has become an annual ritual and part of our American vocabulary. Here at Puget Sound, we had our own double version of it this past year when both our men’s and women’s basketball teams went to post-season play, and we hosted two thrilling games in the national tournament. Cheered on by deafening, enthusiastic crowds, our teams advanced, respectively, to the quarterfinal and semifinal games, until each was finally eliminated by the team that went on to win the national championship.

We emphasize participation over spectating, we are competitive, and we play to win—in the classroom, on the playing field, and (most important) in life after graduation.

It wasn’t March, exactly, but the last two Novembers have been pretty exciting as our women’s soccer teams in 2003 and 2004 hosted quarter- and semifinal national championships, winning this year, proceeding on to win the sectional finals, and then going to Greensboro, N.C., to win again and earn a spot in the final game for the national championship—the first time in Puget Sound history. (See page 8.) And then, last June, our women’s crew rowed in the finals of the national championship in Sacramento and came within a stroke of winning it. More recently we enjoyed (once again) the madness of college football as the Logger football program found its game and recorded only its second winning season in 18 years with a stunning 48-6 final-game victory over Lewis and Clark. At Homecoming this year a number of us lost our voices (and broke our hearts) in the packed grandstands of Baker Stadium during one of the greatest college football games I have ever seen, when the Loggers were narrowly beaten in double-overtime by PLU. We were, quite literally, within one step of overcoming a 16-year jinx against our historic cross-town rival.

I’ve always been a big college sports fan—admiring the level of competition and excitement, and the sense of team spirit. At Puget Sound we play in NCAA Division III, which lays out principles of emphasis that inspired one of my fellow college presidents to call it “the sweatiest of the liberal arts.” I like that characterization for several reasons:

First, we focus on the scholar athlete—and scholar comes first. While it’s true that we produce champion athletes at Puget Sound—eight of 22 Puget Sound intercollegiate teams went on to post-season play last year—many of those athletes carry GPAs that exceed the university average, and they graduate at a higher rate than the rest of our talented student body.

Second, almost 90 percent of our students receive scholarship aid, including our student athletes. We don’t give athletic scholarships, but we do award scholarships to academically qualified students who want to play college athletics.

Third, we emphasize participation over spectating, we are competitive, and we play to win—in the classroom, on the playing field, and (most important) in life after graduation. We see the field of play as another place where education happens, where leadership is taught, and where character is built.

I am proud of these principles because they encourage well-rounded, aware, committed student-athletes such as Hailey Noble ’04 and John Hines ’05. Hailey, a captain of the rowing team, is the 2004 NCAA Woman of the Year for the state of Washington. The distinction honors excellence in academics, athletics, and community leadership. And John, a lineman on the football team, was named to the American Football Coaches Association (AFCA) Good Works Team for his positive contributions to the community and his commitment to service.

Nigel Spivey’s new book The Ancient Olympics reminds us that Plato’s school was set up next to a gymnasium called “The Academy,” and Aristotle’s school was established next to another called “The Lyceum.” These great patriarchs of modern philosophy, the promoters of the good life, the examined life, the rational life, Plato the idealist (on the one hand) and Aristotle the empiricist (on the other) were also never very far from the life of the athlete. The dialogues these philosophers conducted with their students often took place, in fact, as they walked around the gymnasium. The scholar, the athlete, and the dutiful citizen have a common origin for us in ancient Greece. They are in some ways the same thing.

I believe NCAA Division III sports is a smart choice for student athletes. Except for the month of March, there is no madness in it. Well, maybe in December and June. And October was pretty exciting this year. In any case, for me, the best way to spend every month and every day of college is at a great D-III college like Puget Sound, with a strong academic commitment and a competitive athletic program. Go Loggers!

Ronald R. Thomas
The depth of a family's forgiveness

I have just read and reread (about three times) in your autumn issue the story of the missionaries killed in Ecuador in January of 1956.

I met Jim Elliot and those with him as they toured sometime prior to going to Ecuador. Jim preached at a church in Billings, Mont., and I was never so impressed as I was with him. His future brother-in-law was a member of that group, but it was Elliot who preached. He was impressive. Then to read in the papers for days that he and four others were killed was a very sad time for me.

I was interested in the part of the article you subtitled "Coming Full Circle," and saddened to read that Mrs. Elliot was too ill to travel to Mrs. McCully's funeral.

I want to thank you for that article, even though it made me cry again. Maybe part of my feelings for those missionaries and their wives is that I sit here so comfortable and safe, and others who I knew died on the banks of a river in Ecuador spreading the gospel.

Fred S. Collins
Great Falls, Montana

Homonyms, misplaced

About Marion Peters Denard's poem "I Walk By" [autumn 2004]: when I got to the part "... when I still rode a bike ...." I had to wonder if this was an editing oversight or intentional when I "red" it.

Gary Schinnell,
B.A. '76, M.B.A. '77
Orem, Utah

Alas, it was a typographic error.
— Ed.

Same-sex marriage

The article about Matt McCully '78 was truly incredible. Thank you for your in-depth reporting of his visit to Ecuador. Matt's vivid faith and forgiveness were so evident. As we finished reading the issue both my husband and I were saddened by two of the photos in your Scrapbook section. The "marriage" announcements of [two same-sex couples] were disturbing. As happy as they appear, this kind of relationship is not what it seems. It is morally wrong and not legal in this state. It is a step toward the destruction of the traditional family, which you so well showed in the other photos of the Scrapbook section.

Terri Selden
Hurdlow '72
Dail Hurdlow '73
Sequim, Washington

Letters

I just wanted to say how happy it made me that you put same-sex wedding pictures in the back of Arches, along with the heterosexual couples and baby announcements. Thanks for being fair to everyone, and for giving us all a moment in the spotlight.

Siri Engstrom '97
Champaign, Illinois

Arches' Class Notes policy states: "The Class Notes section publishes news and accomplishments of Puget Sound's 30,000 alumni. In reporting these important events, Arches does not judge news based on an individual's religion, gender, race, ethnicity, or sexual orientation." — Ed.

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Getting off on the right foot

About 5,500 people a year are introduced to the university on a walking tour

It’s been said that every journey begins with a single step, and about 65 percent of Puget Sound students started their four-year adventure at Puget Sound with a walking tour of campus.

Jodi Erickson ’05, one of 80 Puget Sound tour guides, takes a group of five around campus on a sunny July day. She introduces herself as a senior psych major from Oregon and makes a joke about the weather being better here. She’s also a resident advisor, or RA, so she’s a perfect student example.

She goes through most of the buildings, including the library, the servery in Wheelock Student Center (where she explains buying meals on a point system with student ID cards), and several classrooms. She walks backwards between buildings to face the group. She points out the theme houses, the home of the Outdoor Education program, the pool, the renovated theater, computer labs, and areas where wireless Internet is available.

In a typical residence hall room she says you can bring just about anything in to decorate, notes that DVD players and laundry facilities are readily available, and that each person gets an Internet connection and a phone line. She explains that some residence halls are co-ed by door, some by floor, and that there’s one hall that’s all women. You can have the same campus mailbox for the entire time you’re here, even if you switch residences.

A visitor asks about bringing a car. She says you can, but bikes are popular, and public transportation is easy and cheap. “You can take the bus to Seattle for $5,” she points out.

At the fieldhouse, she mentions last spring’s basketball playoffs, and some of the musical groups who appeared there, including Maroon 5 and Ani DiFranco. Passing through Sutton Quad, she tells about the Log Jam event held in the fall, and strolling by the arboretum she men-
ions the annual capture the flag games held there.

Erickson says she always tries to portray the school in a positive light, but is honest when people ask about sensitive subjects, such as drug and alcohol use. “You don’t ever lie about anything,” she says. “And if you don’t know the answer, just say so.”

Parents ask about safety, class sizes, and access to faculty. She tells them she feels safe on campus, but anyone can request a security officer to escort them at night; the average class size is 19; and faculty members have regular office hours, know students by name, and often hang around at student events. Classes are taught by professors, never by teaching assistants, she adds.

Prospective students are more concerned with the social aspects of campus life, Erickson says. “Where do I eat? Who will I live with? What can I do?”

At John Hall, at the end of the hour-long tour, someone asks about the bronze plaques embedded in the sidewalk. “Those are class years. They go way back,” she says, then thanks everyone in the group by name and escorts them back to the Admission Office.

Britten Snider ‘00, the admission counselor in charge of campus tours, says about 5,500 people come to the campus each year. Most are high school seniors and juniors, usually accompanied by a parent or two, sometimes a sibling, and once in a while the family dog. More than 300 transfer students visit annually, and even about 40 eager-beaver sophomores stop by.

While they’re on campus, students can meet with counselors, attend classes, spend the night with a student (when terms are in session), visit a professor, have a few meals, audition for university music programs, and get 10 percent off on a Loggers shirt at the bookstore.

A growing number of middle schoolers, Snider estimates 1,500 this year, come for campus tours through a state program that tries to nudge kids toward higher education. “We’re more accommodating than some other colleges, so they like coming here,” Snider said. She added that 7th and 8th graders are more interested in how late students are allowed to stay up than the student-faculty ratio, so a special tour was invented for them.

The favorite month for campus tours is April, with October a close second, but the Office of Admission offers campus tours all year round. During summer, tours start every hour from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., and during the academic year, Saturday morning tours are also offered. That’s unusual, Snider says: “Most schools only offer two tours a day, one in the morning and one in the afternoon.”

Having so many tours keeps the size of the groups small—rarely more than 10 at a time, compared to some schools where 50 people may be bunched together. At Puget Sound, everybody can hear the guide, has plenty of opportunity to ask questions, and is made to feel personally welcome. “It mirrors our small campus and small classes. We come across as organized and friendly,” Snider says. “People get the sense that this is a place that cares.”

—Ivey Slowoski

Senior moments  by Stacey Wilson ’96

EYES OPEN TO INJUSTICE  Like most college seniors, Robert Crandall ’05 has a post-graduation plan that seems to change weekly. But he’s sure of one thing: He will never be stuck in Dilbert Land. “I just know I can’t be a paper pusher,” says Crandall, who, after a rigorous six-month interview process, is a candidate to become a rookie cop with the Tacoma Police Department. “I want to be out in the world and figure out how people think. And then outsmart them.”

Crandall’s leanings toward law enforcement began as a high school student in Springfield, Ore., when he phoned up the FBI after reading they were seeking interns in their junior or senior years. Unfortunately for Crandall, they wanted college juniors and seniors. “My heart was broken! I really thought I could get in with the FBI as a high schooler. I guess I was a little overeager.” Crandall channeled this enthusiasm into his college search and, instead of jumping into pre-law at a large university, opted for the broad scope of a liberal arts curriculum. He declared a major in mass communication and has enjoyed a, shall we say, diverse batch of electives. “Some people take ceramics for fun,” he says. “But I prefer ‘Irish Identity’ and ‘History of Non-Violent Revolutions.’ What can I say? I love the weird classes.”

As a senior, he finally got an internship—at the Coalition for the Homeless, not the FBI. Crandall says that spending 15 hours a week helping local folks find housing has strengthened his interest in public service. “This internship really opened my eyes to injustice. I don’t like it when people are exploited, whether through being overcharged for rent, identity theft, or someone stealing a bike from a backyard. Now I just need to decide if I want to help people one-on-one or in a group. Either way, law enforcement is a good place to start.”

While he waits to hear from the police academy, Crandall is debating law school and enjoying his status as a husband-to-be. He is engaged to Liana Harding ’03, whom he met as a sophomore when the two were RA’s in Harrington dorm. Though he’s already wearing a ring, Crandall says he and Harding have more immediate concerns before they can think about planning the big day. “We both have to find jobs first!”
The Jacobsen Recital Series brightens the dull winter with a concert featuring Puget Sound music coach and accompanist Robert Jorgensen, pianist, and Pacific Lutheran University senior lecturer Janeane Houston, soprano vocalist. The two performed together on a five-CD collection of contemporary songs, So Much Beauty, released in 2004. The Seattle Times described Houston as “radiant-voiced.” The recording includes a song that Jorgensen composed, “You Are.” Feb. 4, 7:30 p.m., Schneebeck Concert Hall.

Every year the music faculty chooses 15 to 20 students to receive scholarships. In their second annual School of Music Endowed Awards Concert, these talented students will perform a variety of solo and chamber music. Feb. 5, 7:30 p.m., Schneebeck Concert Hall, free.

Artist Phil Roach presents an exhibit that plays with your sense of reality. Among several pieces is an installation called “Time and Place” that invites visitors to look through peepholes at a miniature living room in a series of three black boxes. Each box shows the same scene at a different time of day. Inside the Lilliputian rooms a TV displays live images (from a camera placed inside the gallery) of people looking at the exhibit. Feb. 14–March 11, Kittredge Gallery

The Infinite Monkeys Festival, named after the famous concept that an infinite number of monkeys given typewriters would eventually produce Hamlet, returns. The two plays presented are completely written, directed, acted, teched, and produced by students. This year’s chosen plays are New Beginnings by Katie Warren ’05 and The Incident at Ebony Inn by Mary Smiley ’07. Feb. 16–19, times to be announced, Rausch Auditorium.

Concert pianist and music scholar Charles Rosen, the university’s Chism Artist-Scholar in Music, will present a lecture and piano recital. Rosen’s book, The Classical Style: Haydn, Mozart and Beethoven, has been described as a brilliant masterpiece and won the National Book Award. A companion book, The Romantic Generation, about Mendelssohn, Schumann, Chopin, Liszt, Bellini, and Schubert, won the Kinkeldy Prize, musicology’s most prestigious award. Lecture, Feb. 18, 4 p.m., Kilworth Chapel, free. Recital, Feb. 19, 7:30 p.m., Schneebeck Concert Hall.

“No living playwright is more gifted in the use of the English language than Tom Stoppard,” says John Rindo, associate professor of theatre arts. Rindo will direct Stoppard’s romantic comedy Rough Crossing. Stoppard, best known as the author of Rosencrantz and Guildenstern Are Dead, based Rough Crossing on a classic farce by Ferenc Molnar. It takes place onboard a ship sailing from England to New York, as two playwrights, two actors, and a composer struggle to finish a musical comedy and rehearse it before reaching Broadway. “The plot is hilarious, the characters are unique, and the language sparkles,” Rindo says. André Previn wrote the music for the play-within-a-play. Feb. 25, 7:30 p.m., Norton Clapp Theatre.

Former BBC reporter Yvonne Ridley was captured by the Taliban in Afghanistan in the fall of 2001 and held for interrogation for 10 days. Later, she started to read the Quran to understand her experience and was moved to convert to Islam and become a peace activist. Paki-

stani-born Rifat Hassan, professor of humanities and chair of the religious studies program at the University of Louisville, is an activist for liberal Islam and a pioneer of Islamic feminist theology. Both women will speak on women and Islam in this year’s Swope Lecture. March 3, 7:30 p.m., Schneebeck Concert Hall, free.

For ticket info, call Wheelock Student Center 253-879-3419. To find out about additional campus events, send e-mail to events@ups.edu or visit www.ups.edu/content/calendars.htm

An alumni challenge

Kresge and Murdock Foundations award $1.55 million in grants for new science center

The Kresge Foundation announced in September a $750,000 challenge grant for the university’s planned science building. The new building is the first phase of a $50 million expansion and renovation of Thompson Hall (see Arches, autumn 2004).

The “challenge” aspect of the Kresge gift (which became the foundation’s standard mode of giving in the early 1960s) means that the grant is contingent on the university raising from individuals the remaining $2.3 million needed to fund the first phase of the project. The university has already raised $15.3 million for Phase 1.

“We need gifts of all sizes,” says Director of Corporations and Foundations Liz Collins ’81. Student, alumni, and faculty gifts will count toward the Kresge challenge until Jan. 1, 2006.

Created in 1924 by philanthropic businessman Sebastian S. Kresge, the Kresge Foundation offers grants to colleges for new-construction projects or renovation of existing facilities. Since its establishment, the foundation has awarded 8,222 grants totaling $1.92 billion.

In a separate gift, the M.J. Murdock Charitable Trust provided $800,000 for the new science building. The Murdock Trust was instituted by the will of the late Melvin

Puget Sound’s new science building will bridge the existing north and south wings of Thompson Hall, creating a central courtyard and enhancing connections among the departments housed there. Construction starts in January 2005, with occupancy planned for fall 2006.

The remaining two phases of the science center will involve renovation of the existing north, east, and south wings of Thompson, creating a fully integrated 172,000 sq.-ft. complex.

More information about the science center project is available at www.ups.edu/science center.

milestones

OT turns 60

The field of occupational therapy definitely has changed over the years: In the ’40s the program helped people affected by a tuberculosis outbreak. Today the focus is on helping people with acute injuries, chronic illnesses, or medical conditions to overcome accompanying disabilities.

On October 8, during Homecoming, alumni from classes as early 1947 celebrated 60 years of OT education at Puget Sound. Among events were a panel of speakers that included an alum from each decade, and a display of photos of the school over the years, as well as old newsletters, bulletins, textbooks, and yearbooks. Mary Bess Johnson, daughter of Marjorie Jenkins Mann (a school founder), assembled booklets giving an early history of the school. In them were photos of occupational therapy clubs at the college, personal narratives, and lists of faculty for each year.

Alumni felt the reception helped them gain a new appreciation for the program, both in what it had done for them and what it has evolved into.

Most OT alumni continue to work in hospitals, schools, clinics, or private practice. Many have become professors of occupational therapy throughout the U.S.

— Lilah Gliksohn ’08

hangouts

Saved for pot-sterity

Bob’s Java jive on South Tacoma Way looks more like an oversized set piece from Alice in Wonderland than a legendary watering hole. At 25 feet high and 30 feet wide, the giant, white concrete teapot with red trim opened in 1927 as the Coffee Pot Restaurant. When Bob Radonich bought it in 1954, his wife Lylabell renamed the joint for lyrics in an Ink Spots’ song: “I love coffee, I love tea, I love java jive, and it loves me.”

Bob died in 2002, but his daughter, Dannette Staatz, carries on.

Over the last 75 years Java jive has survived a fire, demolition threats, and recessions—not to mention invasions by legions of Loggers.

“I always know when the UPS students come in because their ID’s are from all over the place,” says bartender Joe Thomas. “College kids love us. We’re all about making it interesting here. It’s a kooky place.”

Uh, that’s putting it mildly. With a décor that can only be described as “jungle room meets garage sale,” Java jive has cornered the market on the bizarre. The worn green carpet makes you feel like you’re back in your great grandma’s basement, while fake palm trees and monkey murals provide the perfect backdrop for weeknight karaoke revelers and noisy bands on the weekends.

If that’s not enough to lure you in, there’s plenty of urban lore to satisfy hungry historians. It was home base for one of the original ’60s surf combos, The Ventures. And rumor has it that Bob himself once tossed a young rocker named Kurt Cobain and his band out into the street because they stunk. Then there was the time when Keanu Reeves wanted to buy the building and ship it—yes, the whole teapot—to Hawaii.

Java jive also has become a fixture in locally shot films (I Love You to Death, Say Anything, Ten Things I Hate About You) and a frequent documentary subject among the architecture and food sets. As of Sept. 30, 2003, it was officially added to Tacoma’s Registry of Historic Places, so Loggers young and old can rest easy; Bob’s World Famous Java jive isn't going anywhere. (Sorry Keanu.) — Stacey Wilson ’96
It's Greek to me

Kappa Kappa Gamma sorority moved out of Smith Hall this fall and into three houses on N. Washington Street. Emily Breitenstein Cockrell '69, president of the Kappa's house board, said the members wanted to be closer to the other Greek houses and have a home of their own. She said university facilities personnel helped them get the houses ready with fresh paint and some furnishings. "A crew of alumnae advisors tackled the exterior, planting flowers and bulbs, and spreading bark," she said. "The final result is three charming new residences, each with its own character." She adds that the Kappas are enjoying the warmth and closeness of their new quarters and look forward to recruiting in January.

The Greek Leadership Summit in November brought guest speaker David Stollman to campus. Stollman is known as an expert in fraternity and sorority recruitment. His presentation, "Buy In or Get Out," encouraged participants to embrace the core values of Greek life: friendship, service, leadership, and scholarship. Moe Stephens, assistant director of student life, reports that the Puget Sound Greek houses are gearing up for a goal of increasing their ranks by 50 percent this year.

The Sigma Chis raised more than $6,000 during Derby Days in October. The money, earned through a date auction, coin drive, alumni pledges, and other activities, goes to the Make-a-Wish Foundation.

Slimed for a good cause: Proceeds from Alpha Phi's Mud Olympics this fall benefited the American Heart Association. The sloppy annual event raised $700.

An award for inspirational teachers

Physics Professor Andy Rex says one of the things he enjoys most about his job is that he's not teaching the same thing all the time. "It's fun to teach advanced physics classes, introductory classes, and labs. Teaching different kinds of material to different audiences forces me to keep up with new ideas, so the classes stay fresh," he says.

Rex has devoted 23 years to science instruction. (And 15 years as scorekeeper for UPS basketball games.) He is the 2004 recipient of the President's Excellence in Teaching Award, endowed in 1998 by alumni and friends of the university and given each year to a faculty member who demonstrates a passion for teaching and an enduring intellectual curiosity.

Previous faculty to be so honored include Sue Owen, Nancy Bristow, Sunil Kukreja, Leon Grunberg, Ken Rous-slang, and Paul Loeb.

Professor Rex was awarded a cash gift of $2,500.

Aliumni may make contributions of any amount to the President's Excellence in Teaching Award endowment. Donors who give $1,000 or more may name a past teacher at any institution for special recognition. That person will receive a letter from university President Ron Thomas acknowledging the donor's gift in appreciation of his or her past efforts.

— Stacey Wilson '96

Fall wrap-up

Women's soccer to play for NCAA championship

Women's Soccer

Three. That's three, as in the number of consecutive Northwest Conference titles the women's soccer program has earned, this year's version secured in early November.

The team won a program record 22 games in advancing to the NCAA Division III national championship, which at press time was scheduled to be played in Greensboro, N.C. The women were ranked in the national top seven all season.

At this writing, Junior Courtney Kjar has set new Puget Sound records for goals in a single season (22) and total points in a season (56), breaking the mark of Shelly Simmons Allen '90, set in 1986.

Men's Soccer

Accustomed to winning NWC games, the men's soccer team finished second in the conference, with a 13-3-3 record for the second straight season. Seven players made All-Conference teams for their efforts.

Football

Sophomore running back Rory Lee won the NWC rushing title, as the Loggers posted their second winning season in 18 years, going 5-4 overall. For their efforts, 10 Logger players were recognized with...
All-Conference awards, led by First-Team selections Lee and senior linebacker Joe Boice. Coach Phil Willenbrock led his team to a perfect 4-0 non-conference record, and collected his first NWC win, a 49-6 victory over Lewis and Clark College in the season’s final game.

Cross Country
Also enjoying national success this fall were two cross country runners. Juniors Frank Prince and Sarah Orzell competed at the Cross Country National Championships in Eau Claire, Wisc., November 20. Prince won an individual West Region Championship this season, becoming the first male to do so since Dave Davis ’00 in 1999, while Orzell overcame injury to take ninth at the regionals and qualified for nationals as an individual. Prince earned All-America honors at nationals, finishing 34th overall.

Volleyball
The volleyball program rallied late in the season, finishing fifth in the conference behind the play of All-NWC selections Stephanie Ferris ’05 and Tera Anderson ’06.

— Brian Sponsler ’97

NET ZERO As they head to the NCAA finals, UPS defenders have shut out opponents in 20 games. Above: goalie Erin Williams ’06.

How they did it in the days before photocopy machines
Mira Marchesini Feaster ’45 sent Arches this hand-typed program from the College of Puget Sound 1944 War Bond Queen Coronation. Mira says she found it recently when going through a memory box.
Almost live

New CD-ROM hits
Music School high notes

Today's high school seniors were barely in third grade when the Internet was born. To these young people, a world without DSL, instant messages, and downloadable movie trailers is unfathomable. That's why the UPS School of Music unveiled a new, Web-integrated recruitment CD-ROM in October.

The 22-minute virtual tour of the department features performance snippets, testimonials from students, and faculty introductions. All links and topics on the CD-ROM connect directly to the music department's home page, enabling prospective students to explore department Web information—even apply online—while they enjoy a personal audiovisual introduction to the music community.

Music School Director Keith Ward conceived the idea for the CD-ROM a year ago, after realizing that a previously-released CD of university recordings had become out of date in format and content. High school musicians, Ward says, need to both hear and see to make a fully informed decision. “I wanted something that recognized that the computer is now the all-inclusive entertainment center,” says Ward. “I also wanted to reinforce how unique we are. We are the only liberal arts university in the Northwest with such a comprehensive music program. It only made sense that our promotional materials be just as impressive.”

The CD-ROM is friendly with any computer that can play CDs. (Good speakers are a bonus.) During the ‘Welcome’ portion of the program, users hear and see the Adelphians singing “Agnus Dei” by Samuel Barber. Ward himself then appears and offers an introduction to the CD's content.

The CD-ROM can be paused at any time, but even better, users can click live links and go directly to the department Web site—while the CD audio continues—and explore more than 100 pages of information about the application process, auditions, financial aid, and faculty credentials. There are also streaming audio links to live recordings of all the performances sampled on the CD-ROM.

Ward credits both Feinstein+Feinstein Productions of Seattle and Tacoma's Pacific Studios for creating the design and seamless interface between the CD and the Web site. This synergy, he says, was key to appealing to the CD's audience of prospective students, studio instructors, and high school officials.

— Stacey Wilson

CD-ROM

Mac OS X / Windows XP
Recommended

The University of Puget Sound
School of Music

An Introduction
Faculty, student, and alumni news, and recent scholarly work, research, and art work, in ...

... business

Professor John Dickson retires from the university in December. He joined the business school faculty in 1980 and over the years has served as Jewett Professor, Rogers Professor, Dean of the Business School, and director of the Business Leadership Program.

Two faculty members joined the department: Assistant Professor Nila Wiese teaches management and marketing classes. Assistant Professor Lisa Johnson, who formerly worked as a bankruptcy attorney, teaches courses in business law and ethics and environmental studies.

In May, Associate Professor Jeffrey Matthews will become the director of the Business Leadership Program. He will replace Thomas Schiller, who has been associated with Puget Sound for the past 26 years.

Scholar in Residence Charles Courtney will be leaving at the end of the academic year.

Andy Ma '96 of Microsoft was honored as Business Leadership Program Mentor of the Year in October.

... psychology

Assistant Professor Kevin David joined the Puget Sound faculty in the fall. He has been studying children's and adolescents' reactions to peer and interparental conflict.

Professor Cathy Hale, along with Adjunct Professor Laura D. Baker, several undergraduates, and a recent Puget Sound graduate, have been examining cognitive changes associated with normal aging, mild cognitive impairment (MCI), and Alzheimer’s disease (AD). In July, Hale and Baker presented a poster comparing language differences associated with normal aging, MCI, and AD at the Alzheimer's Disease and Related Disorders conference in Philadelphia. In October they presented a poster describing language changes that occur as individuals progress from normal aging to MCI to AD at the neuroscience conference in San Diego.

Research continues on neurolinguistic studies of the development between brain organization and social behavior in bees. Amelia Sattler '05 received a summer research award and University Enrichment Committee support to study differences in odor learning among bees based on their specialized behavioral role in the colony. She will present the results of her work in a talk at a national conference in January.

Associate Professor Sarah Moore is conducting ongoing NSF-funded research at Boeing on the effects of work change (downsizing) on a number of health and behavioral outcomes.

Associate Professors Mark Reinitz and Carolyn Weiss are continuing research on the accuracy of visual memory.

Professor Barry Anton has been asked to serve on an advisory panel for the "Dr. Phil" show. He made an appearance on a November episode of the nationally syndicated TV show.

... art

Recent retirements from the department include Professors Betty Ragan and Ron Fields. Melissa Weinman Jagosh left the university to pursue a full-time career as a studio artist. Assistant Professor Linda Williams, whose area of expertise is the Italian Renaissance, has joined the faculty. She has organized a panel for the Renaissance Society of America that will take place in April.

Assistant Professor Janet Marcavage replaces Betty Ragan in the studio areas of printmaking and photography. Janet had work accepted recently by two juried exhibitions: Papel Hecho a Mano, The Friends of Dard Hunter Juried Exhibition, San Antonio, Texas; Relevance/Resonance, Mid-America Print Council Juried Exhibition, University of Nebraska-Lincoln.

Professor John McCuistion exhibited his work in a number of group shows, receiving awards at: Visions in Clay, Reynolds Gallery, University of the Pacific, Stockton, Calif.; and Gigantic Kirkland Art Center, Kirkland, Wash. His ceramics were also featured in an individual exhibition at Puget Sound's Kittredge Gallery in September. A photo of McCuistion's work is being published in Robin Hopper's new book, Making Marks.

Il Nagy, professor of art history, gave several lectures about Etruscan art in this fall for the lecture program of the Archaeological Institute of America.

Michael Johnson and Zaixin Hong were promoted to the rank of associate professor. Johnson was named program director of the 2005 International Sculpture Center Conference in Cincinnati. Hong published Image Companion to a History of Chinese Traditional Painting.

... biology

Dennis Paulson, director of the Slater Museum of Natural History, retired this past summer. Beverly Pierson will retire in May 2005. Assistant Professor Stacey Weiss joined the staff this fall.

Associate Professor Peter Wimberger is interim director of the Slater Museum, while Paulson works as a part-time consultant in the museum. Princeton University Press will publish Paulson's Shorebirds of North America: The Photographic Guide in February. Paulson and Greg O'Neill '98 have published their West African dragonfly diversity work.

Associate Professor Sue Hannaforad was awarded tenure last spring. She continues to collaborate with Associate Professor Robin Foster (psychology) on the effects of age and experience on bumblebee brain development, recently presenting their work with co-authors Amelia Sattler '05 and Joy Gibson '05. Hannaford is expecting her second child in December.

Two biology faculty members recently received Murdock research grants: Visiting Assistant Professor Leslie Saucedo for research on cell signaling, and Assistant Professor Andreas Madlung for research on transposon activity in plants, on which he and Trevor Kagochi '05 recently co-authored a paper.

Associate Professor Alyce DeMarais co-authored presentations and a publication on maternal nutrient transfer to fish embryos with Danylle Oldis '04, Erin Berry-Bibee '04, and Emily Lau '07.

Professor Bev Pierson continues publishing NASA-funded work on bacteria in extreme environments with Sara Boomer '89, Ruthann Austinhurst '91, Joel Klappenbach '95, Ben Griffin '96, and Niki Parenteau '96.

Associate Professor Alexa Tullis was the recipient of a UPS Thomas A. Davis Teaching Award for exceptional teaching in 2003.

Carol Curtin, department secretary, was named UPS Staff Member of the Year in 2004.

in the departments
Doug with wife Pam, son Cameron, and dog Buttercup, his reasons for living. When this photo was taken one year ago, Doug weighed 386 pounds.

Doug in November 2004, nine months after his surgery. At 325 pounds, he is about a third of the way to his goal.

[Not] living large

Doug Johnson '92 tells why he chose risky 'lap band' surgery to help him lose weight and extend his life.
8 p.m., Monday, February 2
It's the evening before my surgery and I am at my brother's home, where my son will be staying for a couple of days. I find myself going to less populated parts of the house as the tears well up and my throat chokes. In just a few minutes I will say good night to my son, knowing that it could be goodbye. Nothing can prepare you for that moment. Not all the confidence in the world that you are doing the right thing. Not all the justification that it will make you a better parent. Not all the physical preparations. Not all the statistics that say the odds are in a young man's favor. The cold, hard truth is that anything can happen, and you are risking your life and your family's well-being so you can live healthier and be on this planet longer for them. I still don't know how I got through that. I know I have never loved my wife more than on the day she gave birth to our son, and on that night as we drove home from my brother's house.

A few hours earlier, while still at home, I felt compelled to write letters to all of my loved ones, telling them the things that need to be said at such a time. These were my "just in case" letters that I gave to my brother to distribute to everyone in the event of my death. The toughest had to be my son's letter. How do you explain to a 4-year-old why Daddy left, especially when he chose to have surgery? How do you articulate in a short letter all the things you want your son to know to grow to be a good person? I found myself feeling such guilt that it was difficult to go on. Thank God he has a great mom, because that is the only way I would have made this decision.

6 a.m., Tuesday, February 3
I actually feel pretty good. I am having a form of weight loss surgery called the lap band. Essentially, a plastic band is placed around my upper stomach, creating a smaller opening to the lower stomach. It can later be adjusted without surgery and even removed if necessary. This band restricts the amount of food I can eat at one time and more quickly creates a sense of fullness. This is different than the popular gastric bypass procedure, as it does not permanently change your digestive system.

I still am confident I am doing the right thing. I have never had anesthesia before, so that kind of freaks me out. But my family reassures me that everything will be OK.

I go through all the normal preparations before surgery, and then it's time. I walk to just outside the operating room and say goodbye to my wife. I struggle to be strong for her, but we know each other too well. We hug and kiss and reassure each other, and I leave her for the OR.

The nurse leads me to a waiting gantry just outside the OR doors. As I hop up onto the gantry I think wow, this is it ... and boy is it cold under this gown! I lay there thinking about all the things I love about my wife, my son, my dog, and, yes, even good food. I questioned my faith. I even get a bit angry at having to make such a decision. Why was I dealt this weight problem and forced to risk my life to survive for my family? I want this to be over soon so I can get back to some sort of normalcy. Most of all, I want to be at peace. Then the drugs kick in and presto! Peace.

7:30 a.m., I am in surgery. 7:31 a.m., and the operation is over. Or so it seemed. Everything went fine. I don't remember dreaming, but I do recall telling people I was going to dream of happy things like chocolate bunnies. I was so grateful to be alive and so anxious to be up and around. I was walking right away. Typically, lap band patients spend one night in the hospital or two at the most. But I was home watching "American Idol" the same night.

I think that I physically and mentally prepared myself as much as I could. Although I suffered through the inevitable emotional swings, I was always very confident in my decision, and I had the support of the ones I love.

Two weeks later, I was back at work and getting around just fine. I have powdered vitamins that I mix with water every day, and I have protein shakes twice a day. Outside of that, I can eat most anything I want, only much less. I was advised to keep away from too much sugar whenever possible, as that can sabotage the surgery. While I have always enjoyed veggies and seafood, after the operation my sense of taste was heightened, and now I love them both a lot. My sense of smell is stronger, too.

Many people out there feel this type of surgery is an easy fix, but it just is not. It requires a lifelong commitment to an eating regimen and physical activity to achieve optimum health. Some folks require an extra boost to get their physical and mental life in order so that they can empower themselves as I did.

Many obese people can barely walk, let alone get to the gym. I was not one of them, but my weight did affect my ambition due to physical constraints. I recall a quote from Colin Powell when he was referencing his party's view on helping the poor; he said, "There are those in my party who feel that people can simply pick themselves up by their bootstraps. Problem is, some people don't have boots." For many people suffering from obesity, weight-loss surgery is their boots.

September 20, 2004
I have gone from 386 pounds to 326 pounds so far. Unlike gastric bypass surgery, lap banders take longer to get the weight off because they are not permanently changing their digestive system. So if I can lose 100 pounds in a year I will be very excited. My goal is to lose a backstreet boy (150 pounds). I have experienced a level of energy that I haven't had since early college. I no longer have Type 2 diabetes, and my blood pressure is good. I take seven fewer pills a day now. I have much more ambition to go walking, hiking, and play football and baseball with my son. I have a regular YMCA cardio and weight training program. I value life even more than before.

Most of all, I'm happy and healthy, even though I still have a long way to go. I don't regret a thing, and I hope more obese people look into all the options that are out there. I hope that those who are quick to judge stop for a second and think about how nature can sometimes roll the dice not in one's favor. I hope we all cherish the ones we love for as long as we possibly can. It hasn't been easy, but my future is much brighter and much lighter.

Doug Johnson '92 is one of nine members of his family to have attended Puget Sound.
Paul Baugher grew up within sight of Mt. Rainier, but it wasn't until he moved from eastern Washington to Tacoma to attend college that the mountain took hold of him. "It was the daily impact of seeing Rainier so close that made the biggest impression on me," says Baugher, who graduated with a degree in economics. "Rainier is so dramatic from Tacoma. You don't even notice the foothills. You see the most imposing and steepest parts. How could you not be influenced by it?"

Baugher isn't alone. Even for lifelong residents, Rainier never fails to inspire a little rush of wonder when it emerges from the mists. From the Puget Sound campus, the mountain dominates the eastern horizon, and its presence extends to university icons like the logo and official seal. When graduating seniors sing the alma mater at Commencement, they voice the line "Her guardian is the mountain, beside the silver sea." And many remain under the mountain's influence: More than 11,000 UPS graduates live within 50 miles of the summit cone.

For Baugher, the spell of Rainier led to a way of life. He has climbed it 99 times. He was a climbing ranger for the National Park Service for many years and spent eight summers living on the mountain at 9,500 feet at Camp Schurman. Today he is director of ski patrol and risk management at Crystal Mountain Resort, director of the Northwest Avalanche Institute, and co-founder of Mt. Rainier Alpine Guides.

Leading people onto Rainier has given Baugher a better understanding of how others view the landscape he knows so well. "When I take people up on Rainier, two things stand out. First, the climb is a lot harder than they expected it to be. Second, no matter how crummy the weather is, they enjoy the up-close beauty," he says.

But looks can be deceiving. In the words of Stephen Harris '59, a former professor at California State University, Sacramento, and author of Fire Mountains of the West: the Cascade and Mono Lake Volcanoes, "Rainier is a lethal beauty. It is both magnetically attracting and also a potential threat to life and property for 150,000 people."

The possibility for danger, combined with the need for more geologic knowledge, led the United Nations to name Mt. Rainier one of 16 worldwide Decade Volcanoes, as part the International Decade for Natural Disaster Reduction. The goal of the program, organized between 1990 and 2000, was to focus attention and science on volcanoes that had the potential to inflict large-scale damage to life and property. Rainier is the only Decade Volcano in the United States, outside of Mauna Loa in Hawaii.

The hazards on Rainier are not limited to the classic dangers of a volcano: tephra explosions (particles of any size ejected from a volcano), lava flows, and pyroclastic flows. Because of the mountain's glaciers and their potential for volcanic-induced melting, another, larger threat looms.

"My main concern is a lahar coming off the mountain and covering the valleys, where towns such as Orting and Sumner have been built," says Professor Emeritus of Geology Al Eggers. "Thousands of people could die." Lahars (an Indonesian word) are mudflows with the consistency of wet cement that can speed down a mountain at up to 60 mph. A 2001 analysis of Mt. Rainier's hazards found that at least 150,000 people live in areas once inundated by lahars, some of which are up to 120 feet thick.

Nor are lahars the only glacier-related potential hazard. In a phenomenon not completely understood, glaciers can release torrents of water stored in or under the ice. Known as jökulhlaups (an Icelandic term), they occur on a smaller scale, generally within Mt. Rainier National Park. At least 40 of these outburst floods have ripped through the park in the last century, destroying bridges and roads, and damaging buildings and vehicles.

Thick glaciers sitting on an active volcano exemplify both the attraction and dangers of Rainier. "I call this juxtaposition fire and ice, which was the original title for my book," says Harris. "This contrast is what makes the mountain so interesting for me. Rainier is the king of the range."

Understanding the potential dangers of Rainier require an understanding of the mountain's geologic history. Similar to the other volcanoes in Washington state—Baker, St. Helens, Adams, and Glacier—Rainier is the product of interaction between the North America and the Juan de Fuca tectonic plates. Beginning between 4 and 7 million years ago, Juan de Fuca, an iron- and manganese-rich plate that sits just off the west coast of Washington, began to dive under the relatively light, silica- and aluminum-rich North America plate. As the heavier plate slowly dove, or subducted, pressure and temperature rose and turned solid rock into liquid, or magma, which began to move toward the surface. Small amounts of magma surfaced
WHEN RAINIER BLOWS, WHAT WILL HAPPEN TO THE CAMPUS?

One of the great sights from the Puget Sound campus is Mt. Rainier on a clear day. Known simply as “The Mountain,” it is an awe inspiring spectacle. At 14,411 feet, Rainier is by far the highest point in the state, and its 26 major glaciers contain more ice and water than all other Cascade volcanoes combined. But it is a lethal beauty, with the potential to kill thousands of people. Should UPS students, teachers, and staff be concerned about where they work?

“There is relatively little potential for damage on campus from an eruption,” says Associate Professor of Geology Mike Valentine. The school’s distance from the volcano should give people warning of imminent hazard, and no pyroclastic flow or jokulhlaup would reach this far off the slopes. Prevailing winds generally blow off Puget Sound to the east, so any ash ejected into the atmosphere likely will be pushed away from the school. More important, Puget Sound is on high enough ground that any lahars that run down the Puyallup Valley would not affect the campus. Historically, the closest a lahar has come is Commencement Bay.

The UPS community shouldn’t get too complacent though. As Valentine observes, “The Earth is always surprising us!” — DW

between one and two million years ago, but the major mountain building at Rainier began only about 500,000 years ago.

Geologists call Rainier a composite, or stratovolcano, meaning that it has been formed by both lava and tephra, which gives mountains such as Rainier or St. Helens or Fuji their characteristic cone shape. “The lavas that come out of Rainier are more viscous and cooler than what erupts say in a shield volcano such as Mauna Loa in Hawaii. Because they are thicker and not as hot, the lava does not flow as far and it cools quicker. The mountain grows upward instead of outward,” says Professor Mike Valentine, chair of the UPS Department of Geology. And it is also what makes Mt. Rainier more dangerous.

All lavas contain gases, mostly water and carbon dioxide, but lava from a stratovolcano erupts more violently than in a shield volcano. Valentine uses the analogy of a boiling pot of water versus a cooking pot of spaghetti sauce. In the water example, which he compares to Hawaii, gas can move through the water easily and does not explode violently at the surface. With spaghetti sauce the liquid is thicker, making it harder for gas bubbles to escape. When they do reach the surface they pop, and you get spaghetti sauce all over your wall. In the case of Rainier, when the gas hits the surface it generated violent tephra eruptions, followed by roaring of degassed lava.

Hundreds of these types of eruptions have occurred in Rainier’s 500,000-year history, particularly in two periods, from 500,000 to 420,000 and 280,000 to 180,000 years ago. The majority of the cool, viscous lava flows were under 50 feet thick, flowed less than 6 miles, and had volumes under .1 cubic mile. A few were large, traveling up to 14 miles from the summit with volumes of up to 2 cubic miles, and enough eruptions occurred to generate 65 cubic miles of lava, roughly enough to cover all of Washington state to a depth of five feet.

The tephra layers were not nearly as voluminous or as common and generally are not as visible as the lava. One 60-foot-thick pumice layer, however, dominates Sunset Amphitheater, on the upper west flank of the mountain. Geologists have found evidence on Rainier for 11 pumice-rich tephra eruptions in the past 10,000 years. The most recent occurred between 1820 and 1854 and the last violent period was about 2,200 years ago.

Because tephra eruptions occur so rarely on Rainier, geologists worry less about them than other hazards. Nevertheless, as Valentine’s analogy implies, tephra eruptions can be violent. Depending upon which side of Rainier lavas and prevailing winds, a tephra cloud could easily cover Tacoma, leading to widespread problems, such as what happened in eastern Washington after Mt. St. Helens blew its top on May 18, 1980. Ash stranded thousands of cars, closed almost all of the highways, made towns as black as night at noon, caused respiratory problems, ignited forest fires, and shut down airports.

The eruption of gasses at Rainier has also generated some of the most dangerous volcanic hazards, pyroclastic flows. A turbulent, unsorted mixture of ashes, ash, and rock particles, these superheated (up to 1,470 degrees Fahrenheit) flows can race down a mountain at speeds of more than 100 miles per hour. In 1902 a pyroclastic flow sweeping off of Mount Pelee devastated the Caribbean island of Martinique, killing 29,000 people. Geologists have found evidence for at least 17 pyroclastic flows from the ‘80 St. Helens eruption. Temperatures at St. Helens hit at least 800 degrees Fahrenheit. When the pyroclastic flows hit water, they literally blew up, sending steam and ash over a mile high.

Although geologists know that Rainier has produced many pyroclastic flows, they find little evidence for them, a conundrum traceable to Stephen Harris’ contrasting parts, fire and ice. When pyroclastic flows encounter a glacier, two results can occur: the hardened deposits that form may be less resistant to erosion and thus not preserved in the geologic record, or more likely, the hot, particle-rich cloud may metamorphoze into a cascading slurry of mud, ice, and rock, a lahar, the phenomenon that concerns Al Eggers.

Eggers has good reason to worry; a 1998 report from the USGS called lahars on Rainier “the greatest volcano hazard in the Cascade Range.” At least 60 have occurred on the mountain in the last 10,000 years, and lahars at other volcanoes have had disastrous effects. A relatively small eruption at Nevada del Riu in Colombia on November 13, 1985, melted part of the volcano’s ice cap, creating a mudflow that killed 23,000 people in the village of Armero, 31 miles away. On Mt. St. Helens, a lahar that started on the upper east side hit speeds of more than 65 mph and traveled over 18 miles in less than 30 minutes.
St. Helens lahars damaged 27 bridges and nearly 200 homes, and disrupted boat traffic in the Columbia River.

Geologic work in the 1960s, which was refined in the 1990s, showed that Mt. Rainier's largest lahar occurred 5,600 years ago, when the volcano's summit and northeast slope collapsed during an eruption. The landslide decapitated the mountain, reducing the height of the summit by 2,000 feet. Known as the Osceola Mudflow, it contained nearly a cubic mile of mud and debris and spread out over 212 square miles across the Puget Sound lowland. It reached Tacoma at Commencement Bay and nearly up to Seattle, dying out at Kent. One USGS study concluded that sediment deposition during and following the Osceola advanced the shoreline of Puget Sound between 17 and 31 miles seaward and added 177 square miles of new land. Closer to the mountain, the Osceola buried or partially buried what would become the towns of Auburn, Buckley, Enumclaw, Orting, Puyallup, and Sumner, in some areas up to 120 feet deep.

Other major lahars occurred 2,600, 2,200, 1,200, and 600 years ago. Of these, the 600-year-old Electron is the most intriguing. Geologists can find no evidence of an eruption triggering this lahar, which was more than 30 feet deep at the town of Electron, 22 miles west of Rainier, along the Puyallup River. The Electron also covered Orting, including burying a forest of massive western red cedars.

"Lahars are such a huge problem because Rainier is basically a pile of rotten rocks," says Valentine. In a composite volcano, the tephra layers allow water to flow through them relatively easily, which turns the ash into clay and makes the layers unstable and more likely to collapse. These hydrothermally altered layers occur mostly on the upper west side of Rainier, around Sunset Amphitheater. Geologists estimate that about .4 cubic miles of weakened rock, more material than any lahar except Osceola, are structurally unstable and could be dislodged by shaking associated with even a small eruption.

Earthquakes can also trigger collapse, as can heavy rains. Too much water can simply percolate into the altered rock and provide the pressure for disintegration. "With lahars you might have no warning at all. The mountain falls away one day. Down it comes," Valentine summarizes.

Because lahars from Rainier can strike towns such as Orting in under an hour, the

Puyallup River valley residents have been testing the system for several years. In 2002 all but two sirens activated. Most school students got to high ground within 40 minutes, although an accident on the main highway north of town stymied attempts to use that route. One year later all 14 sirens went off, but not until eight minutes after the initial emergency signal, and in 2004 only one siren failed, plus students improved their evacuation times. Despite the fact that many residents in buildings could not hear the sirens, which are designed to be heard outside, community leaders expressed confidence in the systems.


And what about the future, he asks? At the present rate of expansion, hundreds of thousands of people will some day live on lands built by previous lahars. "How many will die during the inevitable eruption of 2150?" says Eggers. "Great catastrophes are certain in our future if development and land use continues as at present. And who will be responsible? Those serving on municipal commissions who encourage growth in areas where people are certain to die during mudflows."

Eggers concludes, "Our only hope is a

"Can you imagine evacuating the Puyallup Valley in 30 to 60 minutes? FEMA projects a 1-plus percent evacuation success. Count the dead. I surely don't want to," Al Eggers says.

USGS Volcano Hazards Program and the Pierce County Department of Emergency Management have set up an early warning system to alert people about an imminent lahar. The system consists of five acoustic flow monitor (AFM) stations, or geophones, located in or near the flood plains of the upper reaches of the Puyallup and Carbon River Valleys. Both AFM networks are buried about 15 miles upstream from Orting.

When a lahar hits, the geophones will detect its seismic vibrations and transmit the information to officials, who will alert residents. The hope is that an early warning will provide up to 30 minutes for evacuation. hard lesson from the volcano. We need a mid-sized lahar—about the size of the Arméro 1986 Colombian event—which kills a few hundred people in Pierce County. The loss of a few hundred lives now will save tens of thousands in the future."

A harsh necessity? Perhaps. It is clear that Mt. Rainier is an icon. The question for the future is whether it will be known as an icon of beauty or an icon of death.

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The incredible, unforgettable

‘Hawkeye’

From 1967 to 1992, Marian Frank met students twice daily as they entered the university dining commons. That she could remember the faces, names, and four-digit IDs of hundreds of students within weeks of first making eye contact made her a UPS legend.

by Sandra Sarr

Before there were barcodes, there was Marian Frank. Her trim 5'8" frame perched on a seat next to a podium, “Hawkeye's” main job was to check off names on lists of meal ticket holders entering the dining hall.

“Students had to get by me,” she says. “Meal cards were non-transferable, so I had to keep track of the students until much later when we computerized,” says Frank, who accepts with good nature the nickname, Hawkeye.

“Sure, she knew we called her Hawkeye, but we did it with affection and took the time to learn her real name: Marian,” says Robbie Schwyzer ’73, a veterinarian in Santa Fe, N.M.

Hawkeye, Wonder Woman, Smart Lady, and Miraculous Marian are other names students ascribed to Frank.

“She was a walking computer,” says Ross Pomerenk ’73, a retired elementary school teacher from Gig Harbor, Wash.

Interim Dean of Students Houston Dougherty ’83 recalls when, as a freshman, he forgot his ID card. “I sheepishly approached her perch at the entrance to the Great Hall. Before I could get my sorry story out or give her my name, Hawkeye said: ‘No problem, Houston. Just don’t forget it tomorrow.’ She quickly scribbled my lengthy name and ID number, with no prompting from me. At that moment, I began to be in awe of this warm and remarkable woman. Two months ago [25 years later!] I ran into her at Home Depot, and before I could greet her, she said, ‘Hi, Houston.’ Amazing!”

How does she do it?
As a child, Frank excelled at math and English grammar. After raising a family, she came to work at Puget Sound at age 37, her first work outside of home, not counting a part-time cashiering job just after high school.

Hawkeye remains humble, shrugging off praise for her uncommon gifts. Or maybe she's just not telling. “What I did was nothing special. It was just repetition. Anyone could do it.”

Not really, say former students and UPS Associate Professor of Psychology Mark Reinitz, who has written extensively on memory and cognition.

The most likely explanation, says Reinitz, is that Hawkeye is an eidetic imager, the closest approximation to what has been called a photographic memory.

“Eidetic imagers remember things, including numbers, as visuals. It’s as if they see them on a page,” Reinitz says. “Hawkeye seems to have an unusually vivid visual memory.”

Found in less than 1 percent of the world’s adult population, eidetic imagers, with their ability to recall images, sounds, or objects in memory with great accuracy and in seemingly unlimited volume, are extremely rare.

Attention is at the heart of memory, according to Alan Searleman, professor of psychology at St. Lawrence University and author of Memory from a Broader Perspective.

“Since eidetic imagers are extremely rare, it’s my best guess that Hawkeye has a highly developed visual association mechanism,” says Searleman. “There's no question she's an extraordinary person.”

Students didn’t need memory experts to tell them that Hawkeye was special. “When we were children, it seemed some adults could perform magic tricks,” says Phyllis Lane ’71, dean of student and academic support services at Ever-
green State College in Olympia, Wash. “That was Hawkeye to us. She could remember everybody’s name within the first two days of a semester.”

Memorable moments
Frank says she found her ideal job at Puget Sound. She especially enjoyed the students. “They were fun,” says Frank. “Every Sunday morning I’d bring out a new menu for the week. In those days, we didn’t offer choices—whatever was on the menu was what you got to eat. Some clever kid once printed a menu featuring things like grilled snake eyes and other unappetizing things. He took my stack of menus, printed others to look real, and replaced mine with his. When I noticed, I said, ‘Oh my God!’ and threw them in the trash. A couple of boys got a good laugh seeing my reaction.

“One boy, number 1206, pulled up his shirt to show me he had 1206 printed in big letters on his T-shirt,” Frank says, amused by his effort but not in need of his help.

Threaded throughout her exchanges Hawkeye managed to both enforce university rules and befriend students.

Says Lane, “I can still see her, hair, slacks, and glasses, sitting at her podium as people came in for lunch and dinner. Her conversation with everybody going through was just enough to make you feel O.K., regardless of what happened that day—if today wasn’t good, she’d make you realize you’ve got tomorrow. She took her work beyond just a job.

“As for the rare student who might try to get smart with her, she had a way of letting them know they stepped out of bounds. She knew how to maintain dignity and was always unflappable and cool. She seemed to say, ‘I treat you the way I want to be treated.’ She’d look over her glasses and could just lift her eyebrows a certain way.”

No free lunch
Schwyzer remembers nights eating in the SUL, “even though I had no meal ticket. Neither did my friend, Ross. We’d wait for an exodus of students and crawl on our hands and knees, Army style, in through the exit door, around tables, to the far side of the milk machine. We’d hide behind the salad bar, peering across the lettuce until we could see Hawkeye was distracted. Then we’d go get our burgers. It seemed as if she gave us time to eat before she bustled us. She’d tap us on the shoulder and say, ‘Boys, you know you don’t have a meal ticket.’ She wanted us to know that we hadn’t pulled the wool over her hawk eyes. We thought we were unique and clever, but probably we weren’t. When I think back to my time at UPS, I remember us for our immaturity and Hawkeye for her benevolence.”

Affection for Hawkeye is evident in the invitations she receives from alumni to attend their gatherings, long after they’ve graduated.

When Hawkeye accepted an invitation to take tickets at the mid-’70s reunion on Tanglewood Island in 1986, “people couldn’t believe it,” says Bob Patterson ’74, who is a training manager based in Gig Harbor, Wash., with the Discovery Channel. “They said, ‘How did you get Hawkeye to come?’

Sitting with her at a table set up for her to take tickets, Patterson pointed to a man and asked if she remembered his ID number. “She pulled it out! It’s a little scary.”

Is she surprised at her enduring popularity? “I guess they just want to see me,” she says. “They all used to see a lot of me.”

As a student, Patterson worked in the university’s food services department and says Hawkeye was the PR ambassador for the rest of the notoriously humorless staff. “She had warmth, intelligence, and held herself with class. Students didn’t really want to scam food or cheat her because she was so cool.”

“I had a blast with the students,” says Frank. “They were the age of my own kids, and many of them came a long way from home for the first time. Everything was new for them—new people, a new place to live, different food. They had so much to learn. One girl told me, ‘I was so scared when I came as a freshman, and you smiled at me and I felt better’,” Frank says.

Lane says that, as a student affairs professional working with new students, being able to convey in a short time that you care is very important to them. Research shows that when students feel they belong, they stay in college.

“It’s one of the most important factors in retaining students. Someone like Hawkeye is so important to a college’s retention rates. They are practitioners. When I was associate dean of student affairs at Puget Sound, food service workers would tell us when they were concerned about a student. They noticed, serving as another heart that cared about what happened with students. When somebody calls your name, they recognize you at that very basic level,” Lane says.

It’s the little things that matter
Asked in a 1983 interview if she had any advice for students, she said, “Try to enjoy each day as it comes. It’s never as bad as it seems, and if you learn to have a sense of humor, that will help you get through a lot of bad situations.”

Now she tells her grandkids they don’t have to set the world on fire, they just need to be decent people.

“I am blessed. Both my daughters, married, live right here with their children. It’s the little things that matter.”

Still slim and quick, with a radiant smile not expected of someone called Hawkeye, Frank, now 74 and retired for 11 years, traded tracking students for reading, visiting with friends and family, and volunteering with the Humane Society.

Her life may have slowed down but her memory hasn’t, compared to most septuagenarians. She takes kittens and rabbits with her to visit nursing home patients, helping to light up a different generation.

She stays connected to Puget Sound and loyal to her former co-workers. “Those women worked so hard to keep the students fed. We meet for lunch once a month, but there are only 20 of us now, all in our 70s and 80s,” Frank says.

Family photos line the walls of Frank’s yellow bungalow, less than a mile from campus. Though her husband of 54 years, John, passed away two years ago, the rest of her family lives nearby and she sees them often.

“Are you lucky?” she says today. If alumni regard for Hawkeye is any measure, Puget Sound is pretty lucky, too.

Thanks for the memories, Hawkeye.

Alumni can write Hawkeye at 3908 N. 10th St., Tacoma WA 98406.

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In the deepest, darkest heart of winter, when the sky resembles bad banana baby food for months on end, and the witch measles that meteorologists call “drizzle” are a chronic gray rash on the skin of the land, folks all around me sink into a dismal funk. ... But I grow happier with each fresh storm, each thickening of the crinkly stratocumulus. “What’s so hot about the sun?” I ask. Sunbeams are a lot like tourists: intruding where they don’t belong, promoting noise and forced activity, faking a shallow cheerfulness, dumb little cameras slung around their necks. Raindrops, on the other hand—introverted, feral, buddhistically cool—behave as if they live here—which, of course, they do. — Tom Robbins

A splashy celebration of winter on campus

Photos by Ross Mulhausen
Winter on the Campus

But what’s to see in stormy weather,
When grey showers gather and gusts are cool?
Why, raindrop-roundels looped together
— Gerard Manley Hopkins

When Paul Bunyan’s loggers roofed an Oregon bunkhouse with shakes, fog was so thick that they shingled 40 feet into space before discovering they had passed the last rafter.
— Oregon: End of the Trail
(The WPA Guide to Oregon)
The rain to the wind said, 
"You push and I'll pelt."

— Robert Frost
It appeared to have no companion in the universe—sporting there alone—and to need none but the morning and the ether with which it played. It was not lonely, but made all the earth lonely beneath it. Where was the parent which hatched it, its kindred, and its father in the heavens?

— Henry David Thoreau

Rain will dramatize the countryside, sewing pearls into every web, winding silk around every stump, re-drawing the horizon line with a badly frayed brush dipped in tea. — Tom Robbins
Winter on the Campus

Into each life some rain must fall.
— Henry Wadsworth Longfellow
A tale of 2

She is comfortable letting long stretches of silence settle into conversations.

Her practice plans go out the window if players get too tired.

She's spent her entire collegiate coaching career at UPS.

She likes the role of underdog.

At first glance, it seems Puget Sound basketball coaches Eric Bridgeland and Suzy Barcomb couldn't be more different. Even the playing styles that propelled both their teams to last year's NCAA Division III National Tournament and Top 15 pre-season rankings this year are a study in contrast. Bridgeland's men's team plays a frenetic, all-out, run-and-gun game in which players are substituted every one to three minutes. Barcomb's women's team plays a more traditional game and has a reputation for smart ball handling and a strong zone defense.

Still, those who work with, play for, and compete against the two coaches say Bridgeland and Barcomb may be more alike than they are different.

Bridgeland: The constant in his life was basketball

Bridgeland's youth was far from idyllic. His parents divorced when he was young and, as a result, he moved 13 times between kindergarten and 12th grade and played basketball at four different high schools.

"I was a hockey player until 8th grade, when we came to the States; nobody played hockey here," recalls Bridgeland. "But, it was just about the time the Chicago Bulls were becoming huge, so I decided to give that a try. I went to a small Lutheran school in Rockford, Illinois. I was tall and the competition was horrible, so by default I was good. People started to know me as 'the kid who plays basketball.' I needed that because up to that point I was pretty quiet."

His prowess on the court helped Bridgeland develop the confidence to cope with his often-changing surroundings.

"I'm living proof of what athletics can do for kids," he says. "It gave me confidence, helped me learn to set goals, taught me the value of teamwork, and helped me adapt to adversity."

Bridgeland played college ball at the University of Manitoba, where he set an all-time scoring record. He was named to four all-conference teams, three
He literally runs down the halls of the fieldhouse to pick up photocopies and faxes.

He hands out minute-by-minute agendas for practices.

He's lived in six states and coached at seven schools in the past 10 years.

He and his team visualize a national championship.

all-Canadian teams, and was selected Canadian Rookie of the Year as a freshman. He played three years with the Canadian national team and had a brief career with the pro team in Winnipeg.

Bridgeland’s first coaching job was as a volunteer assistant for the University of West Florida. “I lived in a mildew-infested dorm room that they gave me,” he says. “It was pretty awful, but I was a coach and that was all that mattered.”

After a year in Pensacola, he took a paying job as an assistant at Stephen F. Austin State University in Nacogdoches, Texas. From there, Bridgeland went to the Colorado School of Mines, Lewis and Clark College in Oregon, and California State University-Bakersfield. In 1998, he landed his first head coaching job at the University of California-Santa Cruz.

“I moved for six straight years, but I had a goal in mind. And when you have a goal, you do what it takes to achieve it,” he says.

Bridgeland was hired as Puget Sound’s head men’s coach in 2000.

“I’d been an assistant at Lewis and Clark, so I was familiar with the conference, and I fell in love with the campus when I saw it,” he says. “I kept thinking it would be a piece of cake to recruit at a school like this.”

During his first three years at the helm of the Loggers program, Bridgeland has compiled a 47-30 record. His 2003-04 team set multiple school records: number of three-pointers in a game (18) and a season (329), and overall winning percentage (.888). The team, which won 15 of 16 conference games, was the third-highest scoring team in the nation with an average 103.3 points per game. Bridgeland was named Northwest Conference Coach of the Year for the 2003-04 season, and three of his players were all-conference selections.

Preseason polls ranked the 2004-05 Loggers No. 6 nationally. Bridgeland, who insists that his players read Jim Collins’ Good to Great and whose upbeat style includes daily affirmations, is pleased with the ranking but, frankly, he and his
team practice visualization exercises in which they win it all. “No ifs, ands, or buts,” he says. “We are trying to win a national championship.”

Bridgeland’s success has come thanks in part to the unorthodox game his team plays. Realizing he can’t compete with bigger programs for bigger players, he recruits guards who he turns into utility players or, as he calls them, “tweeners.” His players run and play as hard as they can for a minute or two before they’re pulled for a quick rest. The style of play relies on a deep bench and requires about an hour and a half of coaching staff time just to plan the substitutions for the first 12 minutes of a game.

“It’s definitely organized chaos,” says Bridgeland.

University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point head coach Jack Bennett and his team defeated the Loggers in last year’s national tournament. Bennett’s memory of the Loggers’ playing style is still fresh: “Eric has an excellent team. He presses, he runs, and if you’re not prepared to play them you could look pretty silly. They just want to go, go, go. We see a little of that type of ball throughout the season, but Eric really takes it to the extreme. If you don’t take care of the ball, I could see where they could just turn a team inside out. It’s exciting to watch, and from all I’ve heard and observed, Eric has done a terrific job of reigniting interest in basketball there.”

Barcomb: From hitting a ball over the net to putting one through it
The youngest of four children, Barcomb used to tag along with her brother Douglas when he went to a nearby church parking lot to play basketball.

“I was in about fifth or sixth grade, and I’m sure he thought I was a pain,” she says with a soft drawl. “Of course, he has since taken full credit for any successes I’ve had in the sport.”

A native of Springfield, Miss., Barcomb quickly advanced from parking lot pick-up games to competitive school teams, becoming a Jr. Olympic athlete in volleyball, an all-state athlete in basketball, and a state medalist in track.

She attended Central Missouri State University on a volleyball scholarship for two years and won First Team All-District honors as a middle hitter. Barcomb also played a year for the Missouri State basketball team as a small forward before transferring to the University of Washington.

“I transferred in hopes of playing Division I volleyball, but when I saw that wasn’t going to happen I walked onto the basketball team. I have people say to me, ‘Oh, you played for the University of Washington?’ and I laugh and tell them, ‘No, I sat on the bench for the University of Washington.’ I had been used to being the star, so UW was an eye-opening experience that helped shape who I am today,” she says. “I tell people I had so much time on the bench that I had plenty of time to study, really study, the coaches, and for the first time in my life I thought about the game from a coach’s perspective.”

Barcomb graduated from UW with a degree in kinesiology and a teaching certification. After college, she coached high school and club-level ball before eventually trading in the hard court for the business sector. For several years, she co-owned and operated an independent mailbox center.

Then, in 1995, a friend told Barcomb about an assistant coach opening at Puget Sound. She applied for and got the job. For the next two years, she commuted from Seattle, balancing her business and basketball interests. In 1997 she sold her business and moved to Tacoma, and a year later she was hired as Puget Sound’s head women’s basketball coach.

“As an athlete, I loved playing volleyball,” says Barcomb. “But I never wanted to coach anything but basketball. I think basketball is a sport in which the coach can truly have an impact on the outcome of the game. There are strategies in volleyball too, but there’s no way I’d trade basketball for it.”

Barcomb’s coaching style relies on quiet, calm talk and a large dose of humor.
Although she loves basketball, freelance writer Mary Boone admits her game is not what is could be: She grew up playing Iowa girls’ basketball, in which only forwards could shoot and dribbling more than twice was not allowed.
Selfless stars

At the Homecoming gala, the university paid tribute to four alumni for their outstanding contributions to the university and community.

Rick McLaughlin '79 received the Service to Community Award, which is given to leaders who improve the quality of life through human services, the arts, recreation, education or other pursuits. Long a force for positive change in Tacoma, McLaughlin has helped a number of community organizations achieve their goals. Three of his favorites are the Tacoma Urban League, First Place for Children, and the Tacoma Actors Guild.

Ida J. Ballasiotes '71 received the Professional Achievement Award, which is given to alumni who exemplify fulfillment of the university's educational mission and who have gained national or international recognition. Ballasiotes was one of the first women to work in state government. During 10 years as a Washington state legislator, Ballasiotes championed public safety and victims' rights. The legislation she is proudest of allows emergency medical technicians to carry and administer epinephrine to those having allergic reactions.

The Service to the University of Puget Sound Award recognizes alumni who have made long-standing volunteer contributions to the university. Following a teaching career in Tacoma Public Schools, Geraldine L. Martin 2012 '59 joined the university's Women's League and eventually led the group as its president. Her focus is the student scholarships provided by the Women's League, and she has worked tirelessly to make them available for deserving students.

The Young Alumni Award recognizes graduates who have made a significant contribution to the university through their work in alumni programs, student recruitment, or career advising. Karly Therriault '00 is the inaugural recipient of this award. Since her graduation, Therriault has been a frequent guest lecturer in UPS marketing classes. She has also advised seniors in the school's Business Leadership Program about résumé preparation and networking, and regularly returns to campus to share her experience.

Alumni can nominate a deserving alumnus/a for next year's awards at www.ups.edu/alumni/awardform

ALUMNI AWARD WINNERS, 2004 Clockwise from top: McLaughlin, Ballasiotes, Therriault; Martindale (who was unable to be at the ceremony); and members of the UPS Women's League, who accepted Gerry Martindale's award in her absence.
3,500 frenzied Logger fans at the football game • students plead for the return of The Hatchet (but, alas, their call goes unanswered) • special reunions for geology, history, OT/PT, Hawaii and Winter Survival Winterims • a Songfest revival!!

50th Reunion: Class of 1954

Marching on

Band Reunion to mark Professor Musser's retirement

Search the Web for "band geek" and you get upwards of 600,000 hits, including offers for "Band Geek" bumper stickers, and sites that finish the sentence "You know you're a band geek if ....".

If there's a connecting theme, it's this: "Band geeks of the world, unite!"

Puget Sound grads from 1933 to the present can heed that rallying cry at the all-years university Band Reunion, April 1–2. The reunion will also be a farewell to Professor Robert Musser, who has conducted the university band and wind ensemble for 34 years. Musser, who also founded the Tacoma Concert Band, is regarded for his high standard of performance. In October he announced his retirement at the end of this academic year.

Delwen Jones '33, of Tacoma, says he'd "highly recommend" the reunion to all former band members, whether they, like him, went on to careers in music or to other professions. At 93, Jones still plays twice weekly with the Elks Club Stage Band and the Shrine Brass Band.

Musser notes this will be only the second "big" band reunion—the first was in 1996. About 58 band alumni attended the two-day event in 1996, with more expected this year.

"Some of them won't play," Musser says. "Others will play. Some are rusty. Some are still practicing. It doesn't matter, they'll have a good time renewing old acquaintances."

Musser will conduct reunion rehearsals Friday and Saturday and a joint performance of the Puget Sound Wind Ensemble and the alumni band Saturday evening in Schneebeck Concert Hall.

A lunch and dinner dance are also planned. A registration form will be mailed in January to all former band members on the mailing list. Anyone who does not receive the invitation or who needs more information can contact the Office of Public Events at 253-879-3555.
class notes

for winter, with classmate profiles on:
Robert Anderson '81, mountaineer and ad exec, and
Seema Sueko Ahmed Hirsch '94, actress and playwright
In the company of light

Unlike some college students, Shaun Wright '95 didn’t meet resistance from his parents when he declared his major in art. The son of a potter, Shaun was raised knowing what the life of an artist is like. Now he’s living it. “The economic struggles can be hard, but the rewards are there and so worth it,” he said as he spoke to UPS students on campus in October.

Fresh out of school, Shaun worked as an assistant to a fashion photographer doing catalog work. “It was really awful,” he recalls. Feeling the need to find his own avenue of expression, Shaun transformed his dusty basement into his first darkroom. While working as a chef and doing odd jobs, he devoted three days a week to his photography, and his style began to emerge.

Shaun’s personal journey then took him to New York City for two years, where he worked as a finish carpenter and furniture builder.

This hiatus from photography turned out to be instrumental to his work. Shaun now makes all of his own frames—from milling the raw maple planks, to joining the corners and finishing each frame with three coats of lacquer.

“The process takes me out of the darkroom and my head,” he says. “Even though it takes a lot of time to make my own frames, I think the wood really adds to the depth of the photographs.”

After returning to Seattle, Shaun dedicated himself to photography full time.

Shaun finds his inspiration in nature and describes his work as “discovery.” His compositions are not set up, but rather found. Shaun looks first for the quality of light in a shot, and then the compositional aspects. “Crescent City #5” (previous page) is one of the pieces in his series “State of Jefferson,” referring to the mountain border region of California and Oregon. The concept of an individual state formed by joining these areas has existed since the 1850s. It was the second body of work Shaun showed publicly. “Gold Beach #3” (this page) is another in the series and exemplifies the natural compositions and light he looks for in his photographs.

All of Shaun’s prints are fiber-based, silver gelatin, toned with selenium for archival purposes, and printed full frame. Within the last six months, Shaun has changed formats to 4x5-inch sheet film and is just now enjoying the results of the technique.

His last bit of advice to budding artists: “Maintain integrity in your work. Stop thinking about what others want—just do what you do.”

For more information on Shaun and his photography, see www.shaunwrightphotography.com. — Cathy Tollefson ‘83
“On July 11, 2004, I received the D-Day medal for being on the beach during World War II.” — Charles Howard ’50

W. Dale Nelson’s latest book, Interpreters with Lewis and Clark, was awarded the biography prize in publishing from the Wyoming Historical Society. The book, published by North Texas University Press, tells the story of Sacagawea, her husband, Toussaint Charbonneau, and their son, Jean Baptiste.

Charles Howard writes: “After retirement from my candy businesses, my wife and I purchased a log cabin in Montana. Our children, Linda and Nelson, have enjoyed their summers there. On June 16, 2001, our children and their families hosted a 50th wedding anniversary for us at the ER Rogers restaurant [in Steilacoom, Wash.]. Many former classmate families, and neighbors were there. On July 11, 2004, I received the D-Day medal for being on the beach during World War II.”

Dick Hohnbaum writes: “My wife, Cathy, and I moved into our townhouse in Keizer, Ore., nine years ago. Cathy continues to work part time as a phlebotomist and lab assistant for the Salem Pediatric Clinic, and I’m retired after teaching elementary school for 33 years.” After retirement, Dick worked as the office manager for the Salem Chamber Orchestra at Willamette University for six years, and at Keizer Clear Lake United Methodist Church. Between Dick and his wife, they have nine children, 15 grandchildren, and one great-grandson. These days he volunteers delivering Meals on Wheels and serves on the board of the United Methodist Retirement Center. Dick is also a member of a senior chorus that toured Germany, Austria, and the Czech Republic in 2003.

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Scott Strote began his 31st year as the director of theater at Manchester College in North Manchester, Ind., and his 18th year as the chair of the Department of Communication Studies there. Scott writes: “I performed as a professional actor in summer stock this year as Victor Velasco in ‘Barefoot in the Park’ at the Wagon Wheel Theatre in Warsaw, Ind. As of this writing, retirement is still a few years off.”

C. Mark Smith has been elected a fellow member of the International Economic Development Council. Approximately 95 fellow member designations are held by IEDC members going back to the early 1920s. Mark was first elected to IEDC’s board in 1982 and has served on the board since. He is the senior economic development advisor to the City of Richland, Wash.

David Lukens is the senior delegate to the American Osteopathic Association and received a 32-year service award at this year’s annual house of delegates meeting held in Chicago in July. He also is president of the Washington Osteopathic Foundation and serves as clinical professor of family practice at the Western States College of Osteopathic Medicine in Pomona, Calif. David has twice served as president of the Washington State Osteopathic Medical Society and was elected Washington State Physician of the year in 1994.

Al Gibbs retired after 43 years as a reporter with The News Tribune in Tacoma. He began as a part-time sports section copy boy in 1961, becoming a reporter in 1963. In a Tribune article announcing his retirement, it was estimated that Al wrote 6,000 articles for the newspaper over the course of his career there.

Michael Mayes is the owner of The Marketing Connection. As a marketing consultant, he helps clients set goals and develop strategic plans to accomplish their objectives. His company has been helping regional, national, and international clients since 1986.

Walt Emery is a self-employed financial consultant and Certified Senior Advisor (CSA). He works with small and medium-sized businesses and individuals in Oregon, southwest Washington, and Arizona.

James Monroe finished his second term as a district superintendent for the United Methodist Church in July, and was appointed to Woodburn UMC as part of a congregational redevelopment effort. He writes: “My wife, Sue Owen, is the pastor of Salem First United Methodist Church. We have three daughters and one son-in-law. All four are in school, three at Portland State University, and one in seminary at the Iliff School of Theology in Denver. We enjoy watching UPS play Willamette University, and in our spare time we enjoy chasing after our two dogs, hiking, and watching birds.”

Thomas Felmagne was featured in a Tacoma New Tribune article in August chronicling his career and eventual appointment to the Pierce County Superior Court bench in 1992. Beginning as a general practitioner for a law firm in Lakewood, Wash., he later joined the Pierce County prosecutor’s office as head of the drug unit and then served as assistant chief and chief criminal deputy prosecutor. Prior to his current appointment, Thomas was counsel to Governor Booth Gardner from 1990-92.

Phil Brown returned home to Olympia, Wash., after accepting the position of controller at the city’s daily newspaper, The Olympian. He first worked as the paper’s assistant controller from 1988-98, leaving to accept the controller job at The Bellingham Herald.
Kathie Quick Park M.P.A. retired in August after more than 20 years teaching in the Moreno Valley Unified School District. She began a pet therapy program two years ago at Loma Linda University Medical Center and area senior centers. Kathie visits patients with one of her three Great Pyrenees dogs, Treasure. Now that she's retired, she hopes to expand her program to involve students from her former school.

Lea Kim Armstrong M.B.A. was named one of the Business Examiner's 2004 Women of Influence. She is president and owner of Armstrong In-Home Care Services. Lea's service to the community has earned her several awards, including the Medal of Honor for her work with newly immigrated people in Pierce and King counties. She was awarded the Washington State Governor's Award for Outstanding Volunteer Service in 1990, the Korean American Woman of the Year Award in 1991, and in 2003, the Tacoma City Council honored her as one of Tacoma's Hometown Heroes. Lea's business also received the Tacoma-Pierce County Chamber Outstanding Business of the Year award in 2000.

Randy Allment B.A. '77, J.D. '80 was named a Super Lawyer for 2004 by Washington Law and Politics magazine. The designation represents 4 percent of attorneys in the state, as chosen by their peers.

Ann Maloney Conway was named president of the Albuquerque Bar Association this summer. The organization has nearly 1,000 members and claims to be the largest voluntary bar association in New Mexico. Ann is a partner in the law firm of Huffaker and Conway PC, and primarily practices commercial disputes and insurance law.

Erik de Boer writes from the Netherlands: "After a career in food (Numico and Bestfoods) and packaging (Kappa Packaging), I am now president and co-owner of a Dutch advertising agency called Interlokaal. The company is a mid-sized agency that handles communication management for commercial and government organizations, located near Amsterdam. (At last I am making profit from my advertising class at UPS!) I still have a warm feeling for UPS, where I had a good year as an exchange student from Nijenrode University in Breukelen, The Netherlands."

Karen Fields M.B.A. was retained as the incumbent county assessor in Walla Walla County, Wash.

Nancy Arend assumed the role of vice president, Appearance Wood, for Weyerhaeuser's Wood Products business effective Oct. 4. She began her career with the company in 1980 in their Marketing and Economic Research Group. Nancy then joined the Containerboard Packaging business in 1986. She held the position of vice president, Pacific Northwest Region for Containerboard since 2002.

Ceramicist Sue Hungerford M.F.A. was one of three featured artists at the Arts of Snohomish Gallery in August.

Mike Piha is president of the board of directors for the Palo Alto Knights, a division I Pop Warner youth football program that was founded in 1929. It is the only youth football, cheerleading, and dance organization that requires its participants to maintain academic standards in order to participate. Mike coached for the Knights for six years before becoming president and has taken two teams to nationals. In 1998, he moved to the San Jose Peninsula, where he owns a furniture store.

Howard Green writes: "Anne Adams '85, and I have been together for nearly 24 years and have managed (surprisingly) to raise a fairly well balanced family of three. Kiefer, age 8, Addie, 16, and Emma, 18, are all healthy and taking on the world in their own particular way. That is code for they are dictating every move we make. I am particularly proud to announce that Emma joined the UPS Class of 2008 this fall and has already set her sights on participating in several athletic and community activities. After living in Denver for 15 years, our family moved to Kansas City, Mo., six years ago as part of a job transfer within the Department of Veterans Affairs. I am currently the chief information officer for the VA Heartland Network and have recently been designated as the deputy director/program manager for the department's national HealtheVet initiative."

Lori Kelly Dunley ran the Hawkes Bay (New Zealand) Marathon in 3:32:10, finishing second among the women runners.

Robert Mads Anderson '81

'To the heights'

The day after he climbed the platform steps to collect his Puget Sound diploma at commencement in 1981, Robert Mads Anderson flew south to the Peruvian Andes, where he made a different kind of ascent, this one solo, up a 22,200-foot peak called Huascaran. He'd already conquered some of North America's toughest climbs: the Diamond, El Capitan, and Half Dome. Today, at age 46, the advertising executive, husband, and father of two has no plans to stop.

"I will climb as long as I'm alive, though probably not Everest when I'm 80," says Anderson, who set out in 1991 to conquer the
so-called Seven Summits, the tallest peak on each continent, an adventure he chronicled in two books, Summits and To Everest Via Antarctica.

These days, you’ll find Anderson in New York City, where he is senior vice president/group creative director at the international advertising agency Foote, Cone & Belding and his clients include Hewlett-Packard and the IRS. But sitting in his office one block from Madison Square Garden, Anderson dreams of Antarctica. Asia too. In coming years, he’ll return to Mount Everest, as group expedition leader with Jagged Globe, a mountaineering company based in the U.K.

Balancing a business career with the mountains’ call poses an ongoing challenge, but he’s been fortunate to work with companies—including Ogilvy & Mather in New Zealand and Australia—who value his skills and support his outdoor adventures.

“It is never easy. When an opportunity presents itself, I’ll think, ‘it’s the opportunity of a lifetime.’ So I have to go, and I work the rest out.”

He’s noticed that “the opportunity of a lifetime” seems to come along about every year or two. But that has its advantages: An ongoing curiosity and a lot of self-confidence are what he takes off the mountain and back to his office. He says living through tough situations puts things in perspective.

“When I go into the mountains, I am part of those mountains. When I work in New York City, I am a part of that world, too,” says Anderson, who has made his home at one time or another on four continents.

After 30 years of climbing, with more in store, Anderson continues to challenge himself.

“Human beings need challenges, and in America, we lack them. We’re not exactly being chased by saber-toothed tigers these days. Most of the stress and strain in this country and other Western countries is manufactured. Climbing challenges me, particularly when the physical, the mental, and the spiritual all come together. Climbing leads me to the point that’s as close to the essence of my being as I can possibly get. You’re never more alive than when you’re facing death,” says Anderson, who has encountered climbers who remain frozen forever on a mountain.

Climbers talk about pushing past fear, but Anderson isn’t afraid to acknowledge fear as a familiar friend in the mountains. He says it’s important to understand what’s creating the fear, because there is a reason for it.

“It’s telling you something is not right. You learn to trust your instincts. You get used to listening and figuring out what’s at the root of the fear and then managing that, which sometimes means turning around.”

Like the time on Everest in ’88 when Anderson, blinded by snow and wind, was a mere one hour and 300 vertical feet from the top. He considered pushing on, but knew he’d die trying to get down. So he retreated. In 2003, Anderson reached the top of the world.

The level of danger he accepts now is far less than when he was younger, his style evolving from one of speed and risk to a more measured, interactive experience. Soloing suited him when he was younger. He still goes off and climbs mountains alone, but now he mostly takes groups and says experience counts for more than physical fitness.

“I probably wouldn’t have been a very good guide when I was younger. I was very impatient and driven to get up some of the mountains I did. The danger level I’d accept then is far greater than I’d ever accept now. As I get older, much of the joy comes from transferring my knowledge to others and seeing them succeed.”

With the Seven Summits and about 100 first-ascents achieved, including the 1988 Everest Kangshung face expedition, Antarctica called to him strongly. In 2003 he returned there, to forge a new route up Vinson Massif at midnight, on the eve of a new year. On the continent of ice, all distractions disappeared, and a quiet peace settled into Anderson’s soul.

“It’s as far removed as you can possibly get from everything on Earth and still be here. It’s not a continent where one can live for long periods without support. To go into that environment and to climb in it, you realize a lot about yourself, whether you want to or not,” he says.

Anderson believes that “everything you learn is important. No matter how obscure or varied a subject, particularly at a place like Puget Sound.” Follow your intuition and your dreams instead of listening to what you think should be done or what someone else thinks you should do, he’d advise young people.

“I tried everything from scriptwriting to pottery to marketing—my education provided such a good background so that I could do anything—it was exactly what I needed. The varied classes I took helped because advertisers write about so many different things. A liberal arts degree serves you well.

“Quite a few of us who ended up at Puget Sound could have gone to Ivy League colleges back east or to Stanford. I wanted to go somewhere that offered a great education that wasn’t considered ‘the scene’ or have a reputation like that. If you’re a climber, you’re more counterculture. If I’d been in college 10 years earlier I probably would’ve been a hippie, but I was a bit late for that.”

He fell in love with the Northwest while visiting his sister, Karla Schaefer, who went to PLU. “My father, Mads Anderson, a banker, was very supportive. He said, ‘You can go wherever you want,’ and he had the means to help me do that,” says Anderson, who has lived the motto on the UPS seal: “To the Heights.” — Sandra Sarr
class notes

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and in the top 25 overall. She was the only American runner at the marathon held on Aug. 27. Lori lives in Wenatchee, Wash., and was quoted in The Wenatchee World: "It's probably the most difficult marathon I've run. Most marathons throw in a few sets of hills, but the New Zealanders kind of pride themselves on their hill running. They wanted to know how it compared to marathons in the U.S., and I said, 'You win.'"

Rick Tilt M.B.A. took over as executive director of Puget Sound Naval Shipyard in Bremerton, Wash., on Sept. 1. He was the senior manager at the shipyard prior to this position.

Bob Wise was appointed vice president, professional services, by ScanSoft, Inc., a supplier of speech and imaging software used to automate manual processes. Previously, Bob was the CEO of ThinkFree, a Calif.-based application and Web services software company. He will be based out of ScanSoft's Boston office.

Bradley Bennett is the community services supervisor for the City of Bellevue, Wash. He is in charge of the Parks Scheduling Office, Adult Programs, and Crossroads Golf Course.

Paul Zulak is an occupational therapist and consultant for Activities Unlimited in Portland, Ore. He consults on injury prevention, occupational therapy services, and general wellness.

Gigi Blunt Burke is the first woman president of the Washington Beer and Wine Wholesalers Association since the association's inception in 1945. She writes: "Life is great! I'd love to hear from my friends from UPS! My e-mail address is ggburke@crowdistdistributing.com."

Sue Dunn was promoted to vice president of Quadrant Homes, based in Bellevue, Wash.

Lee Eggbroten married Kristie Frankland on July 19 in San Feliu, Spain. Kristie is an architect director for Avenue-e Razorfish in Seattle, and Lee is an engineer with Intellegent Results in Bellevue, Wash. The couple will make their home in the Queen Anne area of Seattle.

Todd Finley and Randi Fecht Finley '85 write: "We celebrated our 18th wedding anniversary this summer, proving that Phips and Anderson-Lang dwellers can and probably should date. We live in Greenville, N.C., with our 10-year-old daughter and 145 lb. Newfoundland." Randi works with autistic kids, shoes horses, and rescues animals. Todd works with English teachers and develops neurodevelopmental assessment and strategy software. Last spring, East Carolina University "foolishly granted him tenure." Reportedly, everyone, even the Newfie, is more happy than buttered toast!

Jim Roth joined the Lakewood, Wash., branch of Columbia Bank as vice president and commercial loan officer. He has more than 16 years of banking experience, beginning his career at Puget Sound Bank in 1988. Jim was the vice president and business banker at Sterling Savings Bank prior to this position.


Michael McDonald writes: "After 13 years as an English teacher I'm out of the classroom and into the vice principal's office. I have three daughters and another (over) due at this writing. We live in Bend, Ore., on small acreage with horses, chickens, and goats. It's chaos, but we're having a great time."

Teresa Myoraku Trail and Galen Trall '88 write: "We traded the cornfields of Iowa for the humidity and bugs of Florida. Galen accepted a sports management position at the University of Florida. We're still trying to get acclimated, but assume more friends and family will be interested in visiting us here than when we were in Ames. In case things weren't stressful enough with our move, we adopted a lab puppy and are experiencing all the joys of mining the intelligence we know must be lurking somewhere between her ears."

Terri Farmer was named secretary to the board of trustees for Faith Homes in Tacoma. She is an attorney in private practice in Dupont, Wash.

Nathan Galbreath writes: "I finished a five-year doctoral program in clinical psychology in May. As a reward for my hard work, the U.S. Air Force decided to send me to Minot, N.D. I'll miss my friends and neighborhood in the Washington, D.C., area greatly, but I sure won't miss the traffic. I'm dropping from a three hour commute to 20 minutes, tops! I might actually get a life with all the extra time. If you're ever near Minot, make sure to call and say hello. I guess I should say, just call to say "hi" since no one is ever near Minot!" You can reach Nathan at 701-723-5875 or at galbren@earthlink.net.

Scott Eagan is a literary agent representing romance writers in the U.S. and abroad. For more information on his agency see www.greyhausagency.com. He continues to instruct English at Pierce College in Tacoma, and has worked for more than 15 years in K-12 and university-level education. Scott also serves on Puget Sound's National Alumni Board.

Heidi Holzhauer writes: "After six years in San Francisco, I have just moved back to St. Helena, Calif., in the Napa Valley. I keep in touch with many alumni who always read the Class Notes but never submit any news. They include: Andrea Peterson Terwillegar '89, Erin Sabo Claus '89, Beco Allen Larson '89, Barb Schramm Leedle '89, Jill Boltmann '86, Anne Marie Meredith '88, Maribeth Evezich '87, Dite Cochran '87, Mark Casey '87, Kristin Nelson '91, Chris Calverley '90, Peder Magee '88, and Britta Bowman Mohn '89. They are all doing well and appear to be happy and healthy. Heck, I'd even say that most of them are still funny and entertaining to be around after all of these years. If you want some wine country advice, get in touch at heidiholzhauer@yahoo.com."

Tom Koontz has been on the faculty of the School of Natural Resources at Ohio State University since 1998, and in July 2004 received promotion to associate professor, with tenure. Tom writes: "I teach and research in environmental policy. This summer my second book was published by Resources for the Future Press. The book, Collaborative Environmental Management: What Roles for Government? is written with five additional authors. I am in Columbus with my wife, Kristin Lund '91, and our daughters Amelia, age 7, and Rosemary, 4. We like it here, but miss our many friends and family in the Northwest."

J.P. Michael was named senior vice president and regional managing director of Comerica Bank's Technology and Life Sciences Division, Northwest. He will manage and direct the activities of a group of lenders and support staff for the Northwest and western Canada. J.P. has been with Comerica since 1998 and specializes in debt and equity financing.

Hannah Blackburn B.A. '90, M.A.T. '04 will lead the choir at Cougar Mountain
Nathan Galbreath writes: “I finished a five-year doctoral program in clinical psychology in May. As a reward for my hard work, the U.S. Air Force decided to send me to Minot, N.D.”

Jr. High in Graham, Wash. She began her new position this fall.

Mark Fenstermann is a corporate finance specialist for Deutsche Telekom AG in Bonn, Germany. His work involves the evaluation of mergers and acquisitions projects, including valuations, business plans, accounting aspects, and contact negotiation.

William Millard writes: “This has been a busy year for the Millard family. I just graduated with high honors from Johns Hopkins University in Baltimore with an M.S. and M.B.A. My wife, Pamela, is attending the law school at Georgetown University. Our daughter, Lily, is already walking (try running) at 10 months! I had the opportunity to row with some former Olympians earlier this year at the famous ‘Boathouse Row’ in Philadelphia. Finally, I started a wine bar in Baltimore that is already creating a buzz (no pun intended) and turning a healthy profit!”

Tracy Holtz Richardson is a second grade teacher for the Mercer Island School District, completing her ninth year of teaching. She writes: “I received my master's degree in education, curriculum, and instruction, specializing in arts integration, from Lesley University in August 2003. My husband and I have two sons, ages 8 and 5. We live on Mercer Island.”

Carol Surbeck is the Ocosta School District’s new occupational therapist. Her services are also contracted to South Bend and McCleary, Wash., schools three days a week. Carol lives in Hoquiam, Wash., with her husband of 31 years. They have two grown children.

91 Tom Economou was promoted to divisional vice president of sales for Bensussen Deutsch and Associates, Inc. He will be responsible for overseeing and managing several of the company’s corporate sales partner account teams, including Bank of America, FedEx, Dell, The Boeing Company, and Microsoft. Tom has been in sales and brand marketing for more than 12 years and started his career with BD and A in 1996.

Susi Mueller VanBeuge B.A.’91, M.A.T.’04 completed the M.A.T. program at UPS this summer and began teaching English and German at Wilson High School in Tacoma this fall. She writes: “I married the love of my life Aug. 31, 2001, quit my job as a territory sales manager, packed my bags, and on Sept. 9, 2001, moved with my husband to Iceland for a 22-month tour of duty. We’ve been back in the Northwest since last summer. Thanks to the awesome M.A.T. program at UPS and the job opportunity at Wilson HS, I’m on my way to my second career!”

92 Elizabeth Cowan Brown and James Brown ’95 write: “Our son, Connor, was born in March 2003, and we’re expecting our second child in early 2005. We just completed a major move from Boston to Memphis, Tenn. Wow, what a lifestyle change! That was the whole point, though, and being closer to family.” James is the controller for a company in Memphis, and Beth is now a full-time mom and loving every minute of it. You can contact the Browns at jbecbrown@hotmail.com.

Elaine Deschamps was married to Andrew Fish on Oct. 2, 2004, at the Olympia Country and Golf Club in Olympia, Wash. Earlier this year she received her Ph.D. in political science from Indiana University. Lainie continues to work as a senior caseload forecaster for the state of Washington’s Caseload Forecast Council, which predicts entitlement caseloads (such as public education and public assistance) for the state budget. She has found a niche for herself giving conference presentations and workshops on the politics of forecasting. Lainie also has been asked to serve on the board of editors for a new practitioner’s journal in forecasting.

93 Lisa Sternoff Feldman is program coordinator for the University of Washington School of Law. She passed the patent bar exam this summer and is now a registered patent attorney.

Nancy Jennens Nieraeth B.A.’93, M. Ed. ’00 is the training specialist for Puget Sound’s Human Resources Department. She designs support training programs for staff and faculty on campus.

Jennifer MacDonald Whitman and Nathaniel Whitman ’94 write: “We are both teaching primary grades at Hong Kong International School. We’ve been living in Hong Kong for three years now and have been enjoying the opportunity to explore Asia. In our spare time we’ve been telling stories to family audiences in libraries and schools.”

94 Jennifer Ihle Koop is a research technician at Fred Hutchinson Cancer Research Center in Seattle. Her lab studies the human papilloma virus and its relationship to cervical cancer. Jennifer says: “As a technician I started out doing basic lab prep work and have worked up to doing my own research. The ability to work closely with my professors at UPS, especially through the senior thesis class was instrumental in opening the door to work here at Fred Hutchinson.”

Robert Marston is operations manager for As a Puget Sound alum, how do I …

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Plumb Signs. He and wife Kara purchased half the business in 1999. Robert was quoted in a Business Examiner article this summer saying: "Since becoming partners, we have doubled our revenues."

Rene Reder bested 16 other applicants to join the viola section of the Virginia Symphony in Norfolk. She previously has played with the New World Symphony and Florida Philharmonic in the Miami area.

Xaviara Harlow Augenblick is a self-employed human resources consultant, currently serving as Web master and newsletter editor for the Columbia Basin Society for Human Resource Management (SHRM). She received her M.B.A. from City University in 1999.

Deanna Wagner Dukes received her M.B.A. in 2000 from The Johnson School of Management at Cornell University. She works for Hewlett Packard as a portfolio manager from her home-based office in Seattle. Deanna has two children, ages 1 1/2 and 3.


Kate Prael is director of admission at Whitman College in Walla Walla, Wash. She received her master’s in higher education from Harvard University in 2003.

Jonathan Wolfer writes: "This summer I was appointed assistant principal at Sheridan Middle School, just south of Denver. My wife and I also welcomed our second son, Josh, into the world in February."

Pam Wood Woodard and Tory Woodard moved this summer to Luke Air Force Base near Phoenix. Tory finished his family practice residency and is working in the clinic on base. Pam writes: "I have enjoyed being a stay-at-home mom with our first child, Andrew, who was born Oct. 2, 2003. I am not sure yet when I will return to the social work field. It has been so great spending every day with Andrew. We would love to hear from other alumni near Phoenix!" You can reach the Woodards at pjwoodard@yahoo.com.

Seema Sueko Ahmed Hirsch ’94

Young, gifted, and Muslim

Seema Sueko remembers the moment she turned on her computer and began writing her second play, Remains.

"On May 9, 2003, I sat down to begin," says the petite powerhouse who made a striking debut this summer in the lead role of the Old Globe’s [in San Diego] The Intelligent Design of Jenny Chow. Sueko was moved to write by the death three months earlier of Rachel Corrie, the peace activist from Olympia, Wash., who was run over by a bulldozer in the southern Gaza Strip town of Rafah.

Corrie was trying to stop the demolition of a house.

Remains was also inspired by Sueko’s travels in Israel and the occupied territories throughout 1993. An American Muslim, Sueko grew up in Hawaii and comes from an ethnically diverse background: Her mother is Japanese and her father Pakistani.

"So much of the news coverage of the Rachel Corrie incident got shuffled under our invasion of Iraq around the same time," she recalls as she describes her struggles with her own identity. "When I heard about her death, I was reminded that I had put a lot of my passion into those Middle Eastern politics, but had shoved it away. And I was a little bit mad at myself for that; my story had been living in me for quite a time, and I wanted to get it out."

The opening of Remains marked the birth of both the play and Mo’olelo Performing Arts, a theater company whose name means story or legend in Hawaiian. "Our mission is to tell good stories that are as diverse as Hawaii itself," says Sueko, who first incorporated the group with her longtime friend and the show’s lighting designer, Kim Palma.

Sueko moved to San Diego 18 months ago when her husband, Troy Hirsch ’94, landed a job as a sportscaster at KSWB Channel 5. Auditioning for small theaters, she often heard the tired refrain from directors, "I’d hire you if you weren’t Equity."

In other words, they liked her talent and would cast her if she didn’t have to be paid the wages negotiated by Equity, the actors union.

And so, Mo’olelo has not only an unusual name and social mission for a startup company, but Sueko is determined to make it an Equity theater.

"For me, it’s a labor issue," she says. "It isn’t that Equity actors are always necessarily better, it’s that we ... just want actors to get paid," adding that the stage manager, a friend from her five years in Chicago, is an Equity member, too.

During her student days at the University of Puget Sound, Sueko decided to see for herself the Middle East she had been reading about. She signed onto an overseas program at Tel Aviv University.

"We had classes four days a week, and then three days to travel," she recalls. "I would get on a bus with my friends and go to Jerusalem and take a taxi out of town. Clinton was in office then. He was attempting to find peace. Right after I got back, the Oslo accords were signed."

Suicide bombings had not yet become a weapon of choice among Palestinian extremists, and though Sueko herself found that for many women in that volatile region the Palestinian-Israeli cultural divide was impassable, there was still some hope for a peaceful political settlement.

"But the longer it goes on, the more depressing it becomes. The events and the people change on the ground. New issues pop up, though sometimes it’s just a reinvention of the same old issues—that’s part of the problem, why it’s not resolved."

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Remains doesn’t pretend to have answers, either. Each [Mo’olelo] performance was followed by a discussion centering on questions the play raises. It tells the story of a girl’s journey. Laila is an American Muslim who spends four months in Israel, and is found dead in Tel Aviv. Her mother, Carol Ahmed, receives her journal and other remains through which she pieces together—as the audience watches—the last four months of Laila’s life. Also on hand is a congressional assistant, Maggie Monson, who investigates the circumstances of the daughter’s death.

Through the journal, wrote Sueko in a program note, “We meet good, bad, beautiful, ugly and funny people on all sides of the Israeli-Palestinian conflict.”

But, Sueko hastens to add, “We never find out how she died. She becomes the catalyst for others, for the various different truths put forward. This is a play about truths and perspectives, about whose truth is true.”

JUMP START In November, Sueko briefly left the San Diego theater company she helped found to play the lead role in The Intelligent Design of Jenny Chow at the Yale Repertory Theatre.

The notion that truth can be multifaceted, even contradictory, first came to Sueko in graduate school when, she says, “I had to read this international relations theory book all about social science and the epistemology of studying it: Whose truth is true?”

After taking her undergraduate degree at UPS, Sueko moved on to the University of Chicago for her master’s. The program in international relations there was very theory-oriented, she says. “In grad school, I started to realize how much theater meant to me, because I had to let go of all that. I was operating on this high theory level and I just wanted to deal with people again. I felt there was more opportunity to effect change through theater than I could in academia.”

So, she took a class on acting Chekhov, and learned the nuts and bolts of “the practical side” of auditioning. She also dropped her surname of Ahmed, because “Seema honors my father’s side, Sueko honors my mother’s, and I don’t ever want to not get cast in a play and think it’s because I’m Muslim.”

Sueko lived in Chicago, which she considers the country’s top theater city, for five years. “In a way, I don’t think I knew what theater was until I got there, although there are some similar issues—people complain about the Goodman (a top-tier regional theater) hiring from out of town just as they complain about that here.”

Chicago does boast a “middle tier full of opportunity and all these small nonunion houses. I had an opportunity to work with some of the best directors you’ll never know,” she said.

Since landing [in San Diego], however, Sueko’s success at the Globe as the obsessive young computer geek, Jennifer Marcus, [in The Intelligent Design of Jenny Chow] opened the door to the Yale Repertory Theatre, where she reprised the role.

And she’s found a great deal of support, both inside and outside the theater community. The company will stage readings of three more plays, including a new work about nuclear testing in the Four Corners area of the Southwest. Another longtime Chicago actor, Steve Pickering (who played Sueko’s character’s father in “Jenny Chow”), will direct that reading.

Sueko’s first play, Stretched, also had an American Muslim heroine—“a part of my identity that I hid for a long, long time,” Sueko acknowledges. “It’s not a real popular thing to be.”

Both her plays reveal, she feels, “great diversity within the Muslim community that usually doesn’t get reflected within the media. Sometimes we’ll try to kind of hush up the more secular and the more liberal voices. It’s become important for me to show that we’re not monolithic.”

Sueko radiates youthful energy even as she admits that not many Muslim voices are part of the cultural conversation. She’s eager to know more about a new collective of playwrights called Nidras, female writers of Middle Eastern and South Asian descent. They include Betty Shamieh, a Palestinian-American Christian whose play, Roar, was a hit off-Broadway earlier this year. “I’m very excited about the energy bubbling up around that group.”

The actor considers herself secular. “We inhabit the identity in different ways. . . That is so important if we’re to understand what underlies hate crimes and the Patriot Act. It’s easy for people to label one thing Islam or Muslim and demonize it. I prefer the saying that comes from one of our prayers: ‘To you, your religion; to me, mine.’”

— Anne Marie Welsh

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around the world. In 2003, the company provided more than $1.6 million in grants to 436 groups in 70 countries.

Lauren Davis earned his Ph.D. from Purdue University in August. His degree is in American studies, with a concentration in African American studies. Lauren is currently a postdoctoral fellow at the University of Michigan, and a faculty member in the English department, the Center for Afro-American and American studies, and the American Culture Program.

Gregory Gulley is the creative coordinator for Groot's Garage, Inc. His primary responsibilities are coordination of the creative elements for production and marketing. Gregory sets up and directs photo shoots, does prepress layout, and writes copy.

Andrew James is a senior consultant for Hitachi Consulting, a worldwide business and IT consulting firm. He lives in Seattle.

Rick Messmer is general manager of three core Creek Flyfisherman shops; two located in Avon, Colo., and one in Vail.

Carmen Palmer is the communications director for Seattle Center Foundation, which supports Seattle Center's vision to be the nation's best gathering place. Her work varies from writing and designing the annual report, brochures, and Web site, to increasing foundation visibility and fund-raising.

Stephanie Sammons was hired as a production artist at WhiteRunkle advertising in Spokane, Wash. She was previously an assistant designer at the Local Planet Weekly.

Jerry Banner and Renée Conklin were married on June 19, 2004, in the historic church of Pieve di Sant' Appiano near Florence, Italy. For more information on the Banner family, see their Web site at www.thebannerfamily.com. The family makes their home in Kellar, Texas.

Michael Farmer is an officer and helicopter pilot in the U.S. Navy. As a junior officer he is responsible for operational planning, training junior pilots, aircraft command, and tactical knowledge. Michael is assigned to Naval Postgraduate School in Monterey, Calif., and is working on a master's degree in national security with regional specialization in the Middle East.

Molly Beckwith King works for Columbia Resource Group (CRG—Total Event Solutions) as vice president of registration services.

Heidi Winkenwerder is a writer for internal communications with State Farm Insurance in Dupont, Wash. She helps design communication strategies for departments, initiatives, and programs. Heidi also writes for the company's internal online and print publications.

Ahman Dirks placed 10th in the 5,000-meter run at the World Junior Championships held in Grosseto, Italy, on July 16, 2004. He trained for the trials with Alberto Salazar's Nike Oregon Project.

Kathryn Tolfree Farmer is executive assistant to the associate provost of academic affairs for the Naval Postgraduate School in Monterey, Calif. She works directly with one of five associate provosts on campus, focusing on institutional advancement and alumni relations. Kathryn also is involved in academic programming, student life, and academic financial planning. She notes: "I am constantly amazed by the number of UPS alums I meet without even trying. There were three alums in the master's programs at my last university position. We really are almost everywhere these days!"

Tracey Kramer is a statistician for Travis Tucker, a firm that works for HMO companies. She builds models to predict the probability of a person being a high spender in health care for a particular disease. Tracey received her master's in quantitative psychology from Middle Tennessee State University in 2002.

Joe Everett B.A. '99, M.A.T. '00 writes: "I completed the M.A.T. program at UPS in the summer of 2000, presenting my thesis on foreign language and literacy that August. I am now in my fifth year at Gig Harbor [Wash.] High School teaching second-year Spanish, a third-year program in which students receive five college credits through the University of Washington, and advanced placement (AP) psychology. I also taught Spanish part-time at Tacoma Community College for four years. I still live in Tacoma, but plan to move to the other side of the Narrows before the new bridge is complete. Other plans for the next five years include earning a second master's in Spanish language and literature through the University of Northern Iowa. I attended my 10-year high school reunion last summer and connected with a lot of former classmates and hope to do the same with former UPS classmates at a future reunion!"

Meighan Jackson married Jaime Ditzenhofer on June 28, 2003, at Bethania Lutheran Church in Solvang, Calif. She went on from Puget Sound to earn her master's in water resource management form the University of California, Santa Barbara.

Nicholas Kirsch is the development lead for Isilon Systems, Inc., a provider of digital storage systems. He is also enrolled in the master's program in computer science at the University of Washington.

Judson Morse works as the assistant service manager for Blythe Plumbing and Heating, a 100-year-old mechanical contracting company located in Bellingham, Wash.

Erick Nelson B.A. '99, M.A.T. '04 completed the M.A.T. program at UPS this summer and is teaching at Stadium High School in Tacoma. Apple computer showcased his e-portfolio in their education section. To view it, see www.apple.com/education/ hed/learning/creating.html.

Emily Schell is director of Changing Our World, an organization that assists nonprofits in all stages of fund-raising efforts. For more information see www.changingourworld.com.

Nick Abdelnour was promoted to director of forward planning for Ryland Homes in San Diego. He joined the company in 2001 as an assistant planner.

Christine Chansley is a financial planning analyst for The Boeing Company. She earned her master's of science in finance from Seattle University in 2003.

Nimat Muhammad Davis is an administrative assistant for the foundation department of Children's Hospital Central California. She is in charge of editing newsletters, accounting, data entry, and all special events related to the hospital's fund-raising department.

Kristin Funk is enrolled in the master's in social work program at Washington University's George Warren Brown School of Social Work in St. Louis. She works with youth, homeless communities, immigrants, and survivors of violence. Kristin also is involved in policy analysis.

Cecilia Olivares writes: "After two years of working as a multicultural counselor at Grinnell College, I began a new position in July as a residence hall coordinator with University Housing Services at Illinois State University. I am living and working in one of the largest residence hall complexes in the nation—28 floors and 2,100 students. My 2-year-old daughter, Memphis, loves living in the 'high tower.' My husband, Rohrk, is the head strength and conditioning coach on campus." Cecilia earned her M.Ed. in higher education administration with a student affairs emphasis in 2002 from Iowa State University in Ames.

Following graduation, Courtney Hill spent two years as a small business development volunteer in the Peace Corps. She now works as a project coordinator for World Vision, a Christian relief and development organization dedicated to helping children and their communities worldwide. Courtney is the coordinator for the workplace giving campaign and matching gifts program.

Timothy Kimsey is on a leave of absence from his job as a business analyst for The
Boeing Company to pursue his M.B.A. at the University of California, Berkeley. He began the program this fall.

Vivian Liao writes from New York City: "I am the associate producer for "Inside City Hall," a one-hour live political show that airs on NY1, the city's 24-hour cable news channel. My duties include booking guests, developing segment ideas, writing, and directing for the show."

Bethany Slaughter and José Romero were married May 29, 2004, in St. Paul, Minn. She is an engineering technician at Braun Intertec.

Greg Harada earned his doctor of physical therapy degree from Puget Sound and joined the staff at Market Centre Physical Therapy in Olympia, Wash., this summer.

Bobby Jones earned a bachelor's of science in engineering from Columbia University in 2003. He is an associate engineer for MWH Global based in Colorado Springs, Colo.

Tim McCaffrey completed his master's degree in classics with distinction at Columbia University in New York City. He was awarded a Fulbright Fellowship and is pursuing studies in Taiwan during his award year.

Kari Lambert Pemberton and Elliot Pemberton write: "We opened a Las Vegas office of our family business, Sea Breeze Coffee and Tea. We are the premier importer and wholesaler of the finest teas, cappuccino, and espresso, and sell only to fine dining restaurants in our area." For more information on their business, see www.seabreezecoffeeandea.com.

Nicola Shawgrod updates us: "After a dramatic two weeks attempting to go to graduate school in Illinois, I moved back to Seattle. I started the Bella String Trio (www.thelbellatino.com) with fellow alumna Erica Brewer, and have been playing violin with the Lake Union Civic Orchestra and Orchestra Seattle. This spring I was hired at the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation, working on the Global Health Operations team."

Michael Smith writes: "After volunteering full time as a minister for troubled youth in New Orleans for two years, I'm moving on up to Marquette University in Milwaukee, Wi. I'll be working in university ministry for one year as a graduate intern while taking theology and philosophy courses."

Angela Staehle is a marketing specialist for Ames International, Inc., in charge of marketing and product development for Teasophy, the company's new tea brand.

Check out the new line at www.teasophy.com.

Robb Stangland is a Peace Corps volunteer in Pampa Grande, Potosi, Bolivia. His project is building a library for the village of 500 people. You can contact Robb at rjstangland@yahoo.com.

Helen Williams is a legislative correspondent in Washington, D.C. She writes: "As the mail manager for Congressman Mike Thompson, I oversee constituent responses and general constituent relations. I also brief the congressman on the issues of immigration, arts and the humanities, and animals. I write letters on legislative topics, research current bills pending in Congress, and track the goings on of the House floor."

Nicole Bavo and Kyle Meidell were married on Aug. 7, 2004, at Loma Rica Ranch in Grass Valley, Calif. Puget Sound alumni who were attendants in the wedding are bridesmaid Jenny Nichols; groomsman, Aaron Ilka and Joe Fuerte; and usher Nathan Greene. Nicole is enrolled in a certificate program at the University of Washington in nonprofit management, and Kyle is enrolled in the M.A.T. program at UPS.

Ryan Busk is a first-year student at the University of Pittsburgh School of Dental Medicine.

Kaitlin Edstrom is an account coordinator for OutCast Communications, which specializes in strategic communications and public relations for high-tech companies.

Emily Elsaky served as a Cispus AmeriCorps volunteer last year, working with high-risk, low-income students in grades K-12. She will return for another term of service working with junior- and senior-high aged students.

Ian Foster is a full-time second and third grade team teacher for St. Paul's Episcopal School in Oakland, Calif. He is a math and science lead.

Reagan Grabner and Lindsey Atwood '04 were married on May 30, 2004, in Kilworth Memorial Chapel on the Puget Sound campus. Lindsey is enrolled in a nurse practitioner program at the University of Washington, and Reagan is a market analyst for Goldman-Sachs in Seattle. The couple honeymooned in the Virgin Islands.

Matthew Haynes is a territory manager for Southern Wine and Spirits. He writes: "I manage a territory consisting of 25 stores in the Bay Area. I'm responsible for introducing new products, promoting improved distribution, and executing specific promotion strategies to maximize sales."

Alexander Plain moved from Tacoma to Tulsa, Okla., this summer. He writes: "I'm currently looking for a job just like every other marketable college grad."

Joseph Sherwood updates us: "After graduation I worked as a loan officer for National City Mortgage in Tacoma. Presently, I am attending Gonzaga University School of Law."

Melissa Stinson works for NW Natural Gas Company in Portland, Ore.

Casey Unverzagt is a second-year doctoral student in orthopedic physical therapy at Slippery Rock University of Pennsylvania.

Andrew Willis is the coordinator of donor relations for Habitat for Humanity in San Salvador, El Salvador.

Debra Akhbari is a congressional intern for Congressman Earl Blumenauer of Oregon, based in Washington, D.C.

Sara Berman is an Implementation and Budget Steering Committee fellow for the Chesapeake Research Consortium. She works at the EPA's Chesapeake Bay Program Office in Annapolis, Md.

Alice Cook is enrolled in the M.A.T. program at UPS and works as the human resources manager of The Cellar on campus.

Darrell Frost moved to New York City to accept the position of development and communications coordinator for the Kaufman Center. He works on grant writing, press releases, marketing, donor research and relations, event production, and is in charge of the center's Web site. The center also operates a performing arts venue and a NYC public school for musically gifted children. For more information see www.kaufman-center.org.

Anthony Gilbert is a mortgage loan consultant for Washington Mutual in Lynnwood, Wash.

Jill Greitzer writes: "I am a special education algebra teacher at Locke High School, located in a low-income community of Los Angeles. I ended up here through the Teach for America program. I am also enrolled in a master's program at Loyola Marymount University."

Kat Griffin is a business analyst for Hundred.com, an online center for $100,000-plus job search and recruiting. She writes: "I'm a Jill of all trades, wearing many hats including customer support, research, overseeing interns, content development, and coordinating marketing efforts."

Hailey Noble was named 2004 NCAA Woman of the Year for the state of Washington. The award honors outstanding female student-athletes who have excelled in academics, athletics, and community leadership, and have completed their college athletics eligibility. Hailey, a first team All-America selection last year, helped lead the Loggers to three consecutive conference championships.

Brigetta Schmuck was hired at her high school alma mater, Saint Francis High School, as a religion teacher. She adds: "If you ever come through the Bay Area, let me know. I'd love to see you!" You can reach Brigetta at brigetta_schmuck@hotmail.com.

faculty and staff

George Guilmet, professor emeritus of comparative sociology, was chosen to receive the first biennial Lourdes Arizpe Award in Anthropology and the Environment from the Anthropology and Environment Section of the American Anthropological Association. He will receive the award at the association's annual meeting in Washington, D.C., next year. Professor Guilmet continues work as a consultant for cultural resources management, investigating a range of topics, including cultural and education evaluation and planning, environment and culture assessment, and oral interviewing and documentation. His research over the past 30 years examines areas within American Indian and Alaska Native cultures, with a long history working with the Puyallup Tribe, the Puyallup Tribal Health Authority, and Chief Leschi Schools in Washington. Since 1986, he has been a research associate with the National Center for American Indian and Alaska Native Mental Health Research at the University of Colorado Health Sciences Center in Denver. George has served as an advisor, researcher, and consultant to several institutions, including the National Science Foundation, National Institute of Health, National Institute of Mental Health, Department of Education, the Corporation for Public Service, the National Parks Service, and the Indian Health Service. His Web site is http://home.earthlink.net/~georgeguilmet/.
William Sherman '36 and Jessamine Pugh Sherman '37 (above, left) celebrated their 66th wedding anniversary with family members in Olympia, Wash., this summer. Their children, Beverly, Bill, and Bruce, along with their families, including six grandchildren, and four great-grandchildren, were there to congratulate them. William retired from the Olympia School District as principal at Jefferson Junior High in 1975, and Jessamine retired in 1974 as coordinator of volunteers with the Department of Social and Health Services. The couple has traveled extensively throughout the United States, spending many winters in Arizona. The Shermans celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary with a Caribbean cruise, which culminated with passage through the Panama Canal.

The Shermans were married on June 19, 1938, in a double wedding ceremony along with Jessamine's sister, Elizabeth Pugh '30, and Arthur Crippen '36 (above, right). The ceremony took place in the Little Chapel, located in Jones Hall at the time. The only non-CPS-affiliated member of the wedding party was the father of the brides, Clyde Pugh, who gave Elizabeth and Jessamine in marriage. Front row from left: Elizabeth's maid of honor, Grace Van Vechten '32 (deceased); Elizabeth, who resides at Narrows Glen in Tacoma; Jessamine, who lives in Lacey, Wash., and Anita Sherman '42, Jessamine's maid of honor, who resides with her husband, Philip Raymond '42, in Lacey. Back row from left: Sam Pugh '28, the brides' brother, who is a minister living in Indiana (see photo above, right); Paul Pugh '36, brother (deceased); Edward Burrough '36, best man to Arthur (deceased); Arthur (deceased); William, Charles Zittel '35, William's best man, who resides at Frank Tobey Jones home in Tacoma; and the brides' father.

More Pugh family news! Samuel Pugh '28 celebrated his 100th birthday at Robin Run in Indianapolis, Ind., on June 4, 2004, with 400 friends and family members. Those in attendance were extremely impressed with his thank you speech, which, it is claimed, was "as sharp and witty as if he were 50 years old!"

Randall Fowler '78 climbed Mount Rainier with his daughter Corinne Fowler '08, as a high school graduation present. Corinne joined this year's freshman class at UPS. It had been 30 years since Randall had reached the summit of Rainier after his own high school graduation. Randall reports that Corinne thinks a Caribbean cruise sounds good as a college graduation present.

The ladies from Delta Delta Delta took a moment to strike a pose during a gathering in Zillah, Wash., last summer. Standing from left are Ann Strathairn '73, Kathryn Schmidt Rawn '72, Cindy Nelson Peterson '73, Janet Jobe '73, Sally Crandall Macy '72, Janet Palmer Urias '73, and Marcia Sigler Miller '73. Kneeling from left are Dale Oliver '73, DS '74, Cheryl McIntosh '74, and Marilyn Rehfled Tomlin '74.
Diane Adams Larson M.Ed. ’87 was honored on her 60th birthday on Sept. 1, 2004, with a memory quilt designed by her brother, Eric Wallace, and his partner, Linda Sutherland. The UPS logo is featured in one of the 17 panels reflecting the most significant places, people, and events in Diane’s life. The design, embroidery, and quilting took nearly four months to complete. (Photo by Dwight Larson.)

Lieutenant Marc DiConti ’79 (on right) writes from Iraq: “I am still a Navy chaplain and currently deployed in my second tour of Operation Iraqi Freedom, this time on land with a Marine battalion of 1,100 men. While in the city of Ar Ramadi, Iraq, about 70 miles west of Baghdad, we averaged one man killed and 10 wounded per week. My ministry, which includes visiting three encampments per week, gives me opportunities to spiritually encourage and strengthen men for the job they are doing. Pray for peace and to allow me to safely return to my wife of 23 years and to our five children.”

Erin McVickers Anderson ’96 and husband Keith announce the birth of their daughter, Abbey Katherine Anderson, born Aug. 1, 2003. She writes: “All three of us are enjoying the sunshine here in Nevada.” The family resides in Sparks.

Rob Lilleness ’89 and Christy Jones were married on Sept 18, 2004, in Santa Barbara, Calif. The couple met while attending graduate school at Harvard’s Business School. Puget Sound alumni in attendance are, from left: Ben Pape ’89, Krista Huglund Pape ’89, Clint Tate ’89, the bride and groom, Chris Wittress ’88, who also attended Harvard Business School with Rob and Christy, Brad Struss ’91, Lynanne Bergmann Struss ’90, and Darren Fym ’92.
Jim Wilson '85 left Microsoft in May after more than 15 years. He took a break to climb Mt. Denali in Alaska and to enjoy more time with his wife and kids before joining the staff of ONE Northwest, a non-profit organization that helps create connections and encourage collaborations in environmental protection efforts. Jim is the director of development for the company. He is pictured here at Denali's base camp before flying off the mountain. Jim says of his new position, "I can't remember when I've had so much fun in a job!"

Patrick Poyner '91 and Kathy Bright Poyner '91 were married in 2000. Their first child, Markus, was born on June 5, 2004. In July the family visited campus when Markus was only seven weeks old. They live in Vancouver, B.C.

Seen here with "The Boss," Bruce Springsteen, are members of The Boss Martians: The Band, with members Evan Foster '93 (behind the shades) and Nick Contento '94 (sporting blonde locks), played at the Little Steven International Underground Garage Festival in New York City on Aug. 14, 2004. The concert celebrated artists that are heard on Little Steven's (AKA, Steven Van Zandt, guitar player for Springsteen's E Street Band) radio program. Springsteen himself introduced the band to the festival crowd of more than 6,000! The Boss Martians was started by Evan in 1991, and Nick joined the group in 1993 while he was still a student at UPS. They were both members of the Kappa Sigma fraternity. More about their band can be found at www.bossmartians.com.
People with Puget Sound connections share a good time in Tokyo, Japan. Pictured standing, at left are: Eric Grouse '98, Asako Sakota '01, and Takayuki Ono '02, and standing at back, right are: Mitsutoshi Akinaga '96, Marc Ikegami '93, and Shuhei Tajima '95. Sitting around the table are, from left, Mitsuko Corliss, Derek Koltermann '94, Ken Goda, William Polensky '02, Tomoko Matsuda '95, Michiyo Kanai '98, Michael Corliss '95, Yuko Onaka, and Kiseko Takahashi in the foreground.

Chad Samsell '99 and Melissa Lile '01 were married at the Snoqualmie Ridge Golf Club in Snoqualmie, Wash, on October 25, 2003. Sixteen Puget Sound alumni were in attendance along with Puget Sound Business Leadership Program Director Tom Schlar, pictured center with Chad and Melissa. Chad works as a sales manager for Gordon Trucking, and Melissa is a relocation consultant and real estate specialist for Northwest Suites and Housing Services. The couple makes their home in Snoqualmie.

Mike Miller '99 and Kami Fulleton Miller '98 proudly announce the birth of their first daughter, Gabriella Paige, born July 28, 2004, weighing in at 9 pounds 3 ounces and at a length of 22 5 inches! Gabi is one month old in this picture. The family resides in Dupont, Wash.

Andrea Minister Stielaff '97 married Nathan Stielaff on Nov 30, 2003, in Flagstaff, Ariz. Sue Mills '91 gave the meditation, and Matt and Shelly Ryan Kelzenberg '96 led worship for the wedding service. Joy Mills, daughter of Sue and Mike, and Dora Kelzenberg, daughter of Matt and Shelley, were flower girls. Andrea is a campus pastor for InterVarsity Christian Fellowship at Northern Arizona University, and Nate is a computer systems administrator for NAU's College of Business.
Carrie Ching ’99 and Eric Yuan were married on Aug. 7, 2004, at the Kubota Gardens in Seattle. After honeymooning for two weeks in Italy, the couple moved into their new home in the Ballard area of Seattle. UPS alumni at their celebration are, from left: Alex Pecoraro ’99, Kellie Char Pecoraro ’99, Sara Alice Ward ’00, Ryanne Brown ’00, maid of honor Maile Ching ’98, the bride and groom, bridesmaid Reyna Yamamoto ’99, Wendy Beardsley ’00, Carrie Wighton B.S.’97, M.A.T.’01, Kristin Hinderlie Sackmann ’99, Sako Tajima ’98, and Jenni Jamieson ’00.

Erin Smith ’01 and Chris Shatara ’00 were married on June 26, 2004, at the La Hacienda Inn in Los Gatos, Calif. Several Loggers were in attendance and are pictured from left: Ryan McGlone ’01, Matt Feldmar ’02, Nick Uchida ’00, Judy Wong ’01, Matt Pearson ’00, Britta Winterourd ’01, Ty Nelson ’00, the groom and bride, Laura Heywood ’01, and Cynthia Moore ’00. The couple is living in the Bay Area where Chris is the director of operations for Capapult Direct Marketing, and Erin is a training and event coordinator at the Stanford Linear Accelerator Center.

Becky Hayes ’00 and Nathan Guy ’00 were married on July 31, 2004, at The Dove House in Lafayette, Colo. Emily Cohen ’00, Meredith Grimm ’00, and Elle Wasser ’01 participated in the wedding. The couple honeymooned in Black Rock City, Nev., and returned home to Eugene, Ore., where they moved after traveling around the country in the summer of 2003. Becky began a master’s program in arts management at the University of Oregon this fall, and Nathan, just “loves his new wife and riding his bikes!”

Erin McGillivray ’02

sent in two photo for

the scrapbook from

Wundanyi, Kenya, where

she has been working as

a health education resource

volunteer in the Peace Corps for

nearly two years. Unbeknownst to any

of them, three other UPS alumnae

joined Peace Corps Kenya. Above,

picted from left are: Pi Phi sorority sisters

Stephanie Kanan ’03 and Erin at the Peace Corps Training Center

in Naivasha, Kenya. Steph also works as a health education

resource volunteer in the schools there.

At a July 4 celebration, hosted by the American Embassy

in Nairobi, below, are Anna Zimmerman ’02, Erin

McGillivray ’02, and Christine Reehl ’02, another Pi Phi

sorority sister. Christine and Anna are both public health

volunteers in Kenya. Erin writes: “We all live in different

regions of the country, so we haven’t had a chance to meet up

all in the same place yet. Hope all is well in Tacoma!”

Anthony Coleman ’03 and
Tiffany Lutnick ’03 were
married at Tiffany’s mom’s
house in Cadiz, Ky., on Oct
9, 2004. UPS alum at the
wedding included Jeremy
Port ’03, T’ Carl Kwoh
’02, Andrea Scardina ’02,
and Christina Jacobson
’03. The couple relocated
to Memphis, Tenn., this
summer when their employer,
Sabertooth Games, moved
its base of operations from
Seattle. Anthony works in
Web site development and
Tiffany is head of the Asian
business division.

Future alum corner Greg Groggel ’06 submitted this photo of himself surrounded by
members of the women’s 2004 Olympic soccer gold medal team. He worked for ESPN last
summer as a production assistant at the Olympic Games in Athens. He writes: “Basically, I was
a jack of all trades, I picked up the athletes at the Olympic Village in a manual transmission
ca that I learned to drive on the first day of my job, prepared them for their interviews, ran
erands around Athens, and did anything else they needed.” Greg is studying abroad this
semester in Granada, Spain, and will be back on campus in the spring. He is an international
political economy major and hopes to work those ESPN connections in the future!
Doris Wilson '29 passed away on Feb. 29, 2004, at the age of 106. She was a graduate of Lincoln High School in Tacoma, and went on from Puget Sound to earn her bachelor's in library science from the University of Washington. Doris' career began at Montana State College as an assistant professor in the library in 1930. She worked her way up to reference assistant, later she was promoted to reference librarian, and in 1962 became an associate professor. Doris retired from Montana State College in 1966. She continued working part time in the archives after retirement, and served as president of the Montana Library Association twice. Doris was a lifetime member of the Museum of the Rockies and was a member of the Montana Institute of the Arts. She is survived by numerous nieces and nephews.

Marcus Anderson '31 died on Sept. 1, 2004. He was 98. Marcus graduated from Stadium High School in Tacoma, and was married to Alice Anderson from 1931 until her death in 1969. He served as the deputy mayor and first acting city manager of Tacoma. Marc was the CEO of acquisition and development of industrial land for the Port of Tacoma, where Marc Street is named in his honor. He served in World War II, earning citations and a command of the U.S. Naval Reserve. Marc was a past member of the Tacoma Chamber of Commerce, president of the Puget Sound Industrial Development Council, and active in the Tacoma Yacht Club. He married Dottie Geyer in 1971, and they enjoyed boating and travel until her death in 1996. Marc is survived by several members of the Geyer family.

Margaret Allem Kenrick '31 was born Dec. 13, 1908, and died at age 95. She was a Lincoln High School graduate and met and married Edwin Kenrick '39 in 1936. Margaret was a tennis standout at CPS, and she and Ed went on to win the Tacoma Mixed Doubles' Tennis Championship. With few opportunities for female P.E. teachers at the time, she joined the Pierce County schools staff as secretary to the superintendent. After serving in various capacities for the school district, Margaret retired in 1972 as deputy superintendent of the then newly formed Intermediate School District No. 111. She was active in Rainbow Girls, receiving the highest award for outstanding service, the Grand Cross of Color, and was also an active member of the Order of the Eastern Star. Margaret was an active member of many civic organizations throughout the years. In 1985 she was named "Woman of the Year" by the Puget Sound Council of Business and Professional Women. In 1994, she was one of four winners of the "Ever Active Awards" for outstanding service to the community.

Ruth Moline Culbert '34 died on May 22, 2004, at age 93. A graduate of Stadium High School, she earned her teaching certificate from CPS and was a teacher for 40 years. Ruth retired from the Tacoma school district in 1976 after teaching English, drama, and business subjects at Lincoln, Stadium, and Foss high schools. She shared the love of ballroom dancing, world travel, and speaking and teaching Esperanto, an international language, with husband Sidney Culbert '42, who preceded her in death in 2003. They were active in the American Civil Liberties Union and other international organizations that promoted peace. Ruth was also a playwright and was involved with the Tacoma Little Theater for years. She is survived by several nieces and one nephew.

Robert Paine '35 passed away peacefully on Aug. 22, 2004, at age 92. He was an accountant for Tacoma City Light for more than 35 years. Bob had a passion for singing and was a member of the Orpheus Club and also sang with his church choir. He was a lifelong member of First Methodist Church. Bob's wife, Winifred; and son John preceded him in death. Survivors include his daughter, Lola; son, Richard; eight grandchildren; and 13 great-grandchildren.

Trueman Bishop '36 passed away on Aug. 20, 2004. He was born in Tacoma on Aug. 26, 1914. Trueman graduated from Stadium High School and entered the Merchant Marines after attending CPS. He then returned to Tacoma to marry his college sweetheart Ina Mae Lee '36. They raised four children in Tacoma and spent summers camping around Washington and Oregon. After retirement as a sheet metal worker, Trueman and Ina Mae enjoyed square dancing and traveling. They later settled in Hoodsport, Wash., where they lived for 19 years. Trueman became an avid golfer and played nearly every day. He is survived by daughters Trulee Reed '63 and Betty Shoop; son Robert Bishop; eight grandchildren; and 11 great-grandchildren.

Mary Simmons Campbell '39 died Aug. 10, 2004, on her 89th birthday. Her family moved from Neosho, Mo., to Forest Grove, Ore., where she graduated from high school. Mary attended Pacific Lutheran University, UPS, and later received her bachelor's from the University of Kentucky. She worked at The Boeing Company during World War II, where she met Duncan Campbell. They were married from 1942 until his death in 1984. Mary was a member of the Mercer Island Presbyterian Church, the Kappa Kappa Gamma sorority, and the University of Washington Arboretum Association. She is survived by her children, Ellen and Allen; two grandchildren; and a brother.

Gerald Kent '42 died on July 25, 2004, at age 84. He was a lifelong Tacoma resident and graduated from Lincoln High School. Jerry was a sports enthusiast and a standout in wrestling, tennis, and basketball. He was a World War II Navy veteran, serving from 1943-45. Jerry was the owner of Harry's Place, a McKinley Hill tavern and family business for 70 years. He enjoyed hunting, fishing, and golf. Survivors are his wife of 62 years, Dorothy; their children, Barbara and James; and four grandchildren.

Rolland Lutz Jr. '43 died Aug. 23, 2004, at 83. He was a U.S. Navy veteran and a Fulbright Scholar. Rolland received his Ph.D. from Cornell University, and was a professor of European history at Kean University in New Jersey. He is survived by his wife of 56 years, Jessie; a brother; and two sisters.

Asa Maylott '43 died June 12, 2004, from complications related to Lou Gehrig's Disease. He worked for Dow Chemical in Pittsburgh and later at the C and H Sugar refinery in Crockett, Calif. Asa was an active member in the Concord United Methodist Church, and served as president of the Bay Area chapter of the Instrument Society of America. He was also a member of the Richmond Yacht Club. Asa was married to his wife, Dorothy Howard Maylott '42, for 60 years. Survivors include two daughters; a son; three granddaughters; and a sister.

Charles Newschwander '43 passed away July 24, 2004, one week before his 84th birthday. He lived in the Tacoma area most of his life, graduating from Stadium High School, Puget Sound, and later the University of Oregon dental school. There he met and married his wife of 60 years, Emma Rose, who preceded him in death by only four months. Charles became active in politics and in 1960 was elected to the House of Representatives, later to the Washington State Senate, and was then appointed to the state Tax Appeals Board. He is survived by three daughters; a son; nine grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; and two sisters.

Jean Baker Bennett '44 passed away at her Puyallup home on July 6, 2004. She was 82. Jean attended Tacoma-area schools, graduating from Stadium High School. She met Edward Bennett while he was serving in the U.S. Navy, and they were married Sept. 26, 1943. Ed preceded her in death in 1995. Survivors are her daughter, Susan; son Tracy; two grandsons; and her feline friend, Tommy.

Janet Armstrong Harvey '44 died Sept. 30, 2004, one day before her 82nd birthday. She was a Northwest native and graduated from Stadium High School. Janet taught English at both Lincoln and Stadium high schools for a total of 25 years. She was a member of the American Association of University Women, the Central Union Church in Honolulu, and hosted several book and music groups. Janet loved traveling with her husband of 53 years, Warren Harvey '43, and spending the winters in Honolulu. Warren preceded her in death. Survivors include her children, Mary Ellen and Warren Jr.; five grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; and many nieces and nephews.

Roy Murphy '44 passed away on Aug. 10, 2004, at home in Fircrest, Wash. He was 82. Roy grew up in Ruston and attended North End schools. He was a football standout at Stadium High School, earning a scholarship to attend CPS. Roy was a member of Sigma Zeta Epsilon fraternity, where he made many lifelong friends. He enlisted in the U.S. Navy in 1942, furthering his education at both Oklahoma A and M and Massachusetts Institute of Technology before seeing active duty in the South Pacific. He was discharged from the Navy on Christmas Day 1945, and wed Manan Bressaugh '47 in January 1946. They were married for nearly 60 years and had three children; Dan, Doug, and Diane. Murphy Forsberg '73. Roy was the first superintendent of parks and recreation for the Town of Fircrest, overseeing the building of the recreation center and swimming pool complex. He held the position of Fircrest town administrator from 1970 until his retirement. Roy is survived by his wife; children, six grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

Norene Invene Glover '45 passed away Sept. 25, 2004. She was 80. After graduating from Stadium High School and CPS, she worked briefly as a stewardess for United Airlines and for Tacoma Little Theater. Norene met her husband, Bill Glover '48, at CPS and they were married in 1947. They raised their three children in California, where Norene taught third grade. Retiring in 1980, the couple moved back to family property in the Gig Harbor area. Norene was a member of the American Association of University Women and a 50-year student of Christian Science. She loved the outdoors, hiking, gardening, swimming in the bay, riding her horses, and was known for her fine hand stitching and quilting. Norene is
survived by her husband; sons Bill Jr. and Peter; her daughter, Jane; six grandchildren; and one great-grandchild.

E. Albert Morrison '45 passed away after a long illness on June 25, 2004. He graduated from Lincoln High School in 1939, acquired his journeyman machinist card and worked in the Tacoma shipyards. Later he earned a scholarship to Whitman College in 1941, where he attended for just one semester. He married Virginia Washburn '42 in 1943, five days before leaving for basic training in the U.S. Army Air Corps. Albert earned his wings in 1944, and served as a pilot instructor for 14 months before being assigned to the B-29 Stripped Eagle Squadron in Tacoma. He retired as a pilot. When the war ended he continued his education at the University of Washington, receiving his J.D. from the UW Law School in 1949. He was later called up for active duty in the Korean War, serving as an assistant to the judge advocate general at McChord Air Force Base, and also as a JAG pilot. After discharge, Albert served as an assistant attorney general for the state of Washington, and then returned to private practice until his election to the Pierce County Superior Court. He served as a judge until his retirement in 1992. He was active in community organizations and helped establish the Tacoma Youth Symphony. Albert is survived by his wife; their four children; eight grandchildren; and a great-grandchild.

John Beer '46 died on Sept. 3, 2004, just three days after his 82nd birthday. He played football and was a member of the Kappa Sigma fraternity while at CPS. Jack also played the violin, and was a political science major. He served in World War II as a second lieutenant in the Marine Corps, and was awarded a Silver Star and Purple Heart after the battle of Iwo Jima. Called back to duty during the Korean conflict, he attained the rank of captain. Jack returned to his teaching position at Stadium High School and, in 1957, became a founding staff member and athletic director for the newly constructed Woodrow Wilson High School in Tacoma. He retired from Wilson in 1982 after serving in several capacities, finally as principal. Jack's wife of 53 years, Dorothy Ann, preceded him in death. Survivors include his son, Thomas; daughter Susan; and two granddaughters.

George Heath '48 passed away July 8, 2004. He was 85. George was a lifelong Tacoma resident and 1937 Lincoln High School graduate. He attended the University of Washington where he was a member of the Delta Chi fraternity. George served in the U.S. Army Air Corps during World War II, attaining the rank of first lieutenant. He was a flight instructor and piloted B-25 and C-45 aircraft. George married Lois Ayres on April 27, 1946, and they had three children. After earning his degree at CPS, his career path led to a supervisory position at Atlas Foundry. George enjoyed hunting, fishing, and boating, and was a member of the Elk Lodge 174. George is survived by his wife of 58 years; his daughters, Patty and Sue; six grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren. His son, John, preceded him in death.

Donald Adams '50 was born April 16, 1927, and died Aug. 8, 2004. He was 77. Donald was a captain in the U.S. Navy Reserve and served in both World War II and the Korean War. He is survived by his wife, Barbara Kohl Adams '53, and two daughters.

Bernita Falk Bacchus Coulter '50 moved with her family from Minnesota to Tacoma where she graduated from Stadium High School. She met and married Sidney Bacchus of Vashon Island, Wash., and moved there with him where he was co-owner of a family lumber business. Bernita worked for the Vashon Island School District, enjoyed gardening and travel, and was an avid Mariners baseball fan. She was a breast cancer survivor and was selected by Seattle's Swedish Hospital as "Woman of the Year" for her support of cancer research. Bernita continued to run Bacchus Lumber Company after Sid's early death. She later married longtime friend Lee Coulter. After retirement the couple moved to Gig Harbor, Wash., where Bernita died at age 77. She is survived by her three sons, Ladd, Randy, and Brett; and five grandchildren.

Jeanne Creso Kendall '50 died at age 77. She grew up in Prosser and Grandview, Wash. Jeanne played violin as a child and also while at CPS with the symphony orchestra. She later enjoyed singing with the Sweet Adelines, painting, and composing music. Jeanne was active in the field of real estate education in Tacoma and wrote several textbooks and taught for many years. She is survived by her daughters, Ruby Harr and Connie Dempsey; her sons, Charles and Bob Creso; and several grandchildren.

Elizabeth Bradham Bremner '53 was born in Helena, Mont., on June 29, 1931, and passed away on Sept. 30, 2004. After struggling with pancreatic cancer. She was 73. Elizabeth was a longtime member of Holy Cross Catholic Church. She was preceded in death by her husband, Alexander (Sandy) Bremner '50. Survivors are her children, Alexander, Brian, Diane, Susan, Clete, and Charles; 23 grandchildren; and two great-grandsons.

Jack Bolton '59 was born in Auburn, Wash., on Sept. 30, 1937, and was a lifelong resident of Pierce County. He was 66. Jack graduated from Stadium High School, was a football standout at Puget Sound, and was later drafted by the San Francisco 49ers. He was a land surveyor and owned his own business. Jack belonged to many civic clubs and organizations. Survivors include his brothers, Ted and Mark; five nieces and nephews; and one great-niece.

Sally Walter Smith '53 passed away March 22, 2004, at age 74. She was born in Tacoma and was a lifelong resident. Sally attended Stadium High School before attending UPS. She married her high school sweetheart, Earl Smith, on Sept. 12, 1950, celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary with family and friends at The Inn at Semiahmoo in Blaine, Wash., in 2000. Sally served as the director of Children's Education at Mason United Methodist Church, and later as a paraprofessional at Jefferson, Sherman, and Fern Hill elementary schools. Sally was a 25-year member of the Fircrest Golf Club, and an active member of the Steelcreek chapter of the Daughters of the Pioneers. She is survived by her husband of 54 years; her children, Susan, Andrew, Mac, and Brian; seven grandchildren; and two step-grandchildren.

Dorothy Shinnick Adams '55 died May 19, 2004, in Vancouver, Wash. She was 91. Dorothy earned her master's from the University of Portland and retired from teaching in 1972. She was a 41-year resident of Clark County. Her sister, Marcella Cate; and her brother, John Shinnick, survive her.

Helen Talcott Wicks '57 passed away peacefully on July 23, 2004, at 81. She was raised in Iowa, and joined the Navy in 1942. Helen met her husband, Lindley Wicks, while enlisted. She taught in University Place schools for 22 years. Helen was a published author, and a life member of the Professional Photographers of Washington. She is survived by her husband of 60 years; her children, Pam, Lindley Jr., Barry, and Susan; nine grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

James Holsworth '59 died suddenly on June 7, 2004. He was 67 years old, and had been newly diagnosed with cancer. Jim attended Auburn High School and served in the U.S. Marine Corps. His early working career included jobs as a cab driver, record store owner, and camera salesman. Jim retired after 17 years of service to the City of Tacoma Municipal Court as a warrant officer. He was an avid railroad fan and was involved with the Milwaukee Railroad Club and Friends of the South Cle Elum [Wash.] Depot. Jim enjoyed woodworking, amateur photography, and volunteered
in memoriam

at the Washington State History Museum. He is survived by his wife of 43 years, Annette Burk Holsworth ’58; sons Dana and Todd; daughters Kendra and Lynne; and six grandchildren.

Jeanne Ball Sterewalt ’60 was born on Sept. 27, 1938, in New Castle, Pa., and died on Sept. 14, 2004, after a two-year battle with melanoma. She is survived by her husband, Rev. Rollin Sterewalt ’59, her son, Ken; daughters Kristen and Keri; six grandchildren; her sister, Martha Rhoning; and four nieces and nephews.

James Williams ’61 died on Sept. 20, 2004, at age 67. He was a 1955 Sumner High School graduate, and worked as an industrial engineer for The Boeing Company. Jim served the North Puget Sound fire department for 28 years, and was also a reserve deputy with the Pierce County Sheriff’s Department. He was a member of the Tacoma Elks 174, the Sumner Chapter of the Order of Demolay, and the National Rifle Association. Survivors include three cousins; and many friends.

Leo Morin ’65 died on Aug. 11, 2004, at age 75. He was born in Cle Elum, Wash., later moving to Yakima, and attended high school at Marquette. Leo completed his bachelor’s and earned his master’s from Seattle University. He taught at Toppenish High School for several years, and later moved to Tacoma and taught at McCraver and Stewart junior high schools. Leo is survived by his daughters, Michele, Maria, Mary, and Melinda; four grandchildren; along with many cousins and friends.

Stewart Shannon ’67 died on Sept. 21, 2004, in Portland, Ore., after being diagnosed with multiple myeloma in 1999. His father was a minister, and the family moved several times when he was younger. Stewart attended high school in Dallas, Texas. During the Vietnam War, he joined the U.S. Air Force and became a Titan II missile crew commander in an underground silo. While stationed in Little Rock, Ark., he met his wife, Ann. They married in 1970 and relocated to Portland and raised two daughters. Stewart battled dyslexia all his life, overcoming it to help others as a licensed clinical social worker. He mainly treated Vietnam veterans, and worked at the Vet Center in Portland for 15 years. Survivors include his wife; daughters Julie and Lisa; stepdaughter Paula; his brothers, David; and a granddaughter.

Marie Hornes Koroso M.Ed. ’69 passed away on Aug. 7, 2004, at age 80. She was born on Oct. 31, 1923, in Mankato, Minn., and attended high school there. In 1944, she graduated from Mankato Teacher’s College. Marie met Clifford Koroso M.Ed.’69, on her uncle’s farm, and they were married on Aug. 4, 1944. He was stationed at Whidbey Island Naval Air Station, and after World War II they settled in Parkland, where Marie continued her education, earning her bachelor’s degree from Pacific Lutheran University. She served in several capacities in the Franklin Park School District—as educator, counselor, and finally as principal. Marie wrote a grant that funded the Head Start Program at Parkland School. She received the Award for Professional Excellence from Western Washington University in 1987. Marie retired in 1989. She was an active member of Trinity Lutheran Church, St. Mark’s Lutheran Church, the Washington Education Association, the National Association of Elementary Principals, and the Association of Washington Principals. Marie is survived by her husband; her children, Karen, Mark, Wayne, Dale, and Elise; and seven grandchildren.

Edward Lake ’73 died April 30, 2004. He was 62. Born in Sioux City, Iowa, Edward served in the Army before attending Puget Sound. He relocated to Portland, Ore., after graduation and worked as a mechanical engineer for Precision Castparts. Survivors are his two sisters, Laune and Linda.

Harry Stone ’73 passed away Aug. 15, 2004, just 10 days before his 74th birthday. He was a Lincoln High School graduate, Class of 1948. Harry attended Central Washington University for two years prior to enlisting in the U.S. Army in 1953. While attached to the U.S. Embassy in London, he met his wife, Grace, and they were married in 1956. Harry served in Korea in 1960 and later in Vietnam from 1968-71. He attended Puget Sound after military retirement and began a second career as an Internal Revenue Service agent, retiring again in 1989. Harry loved sports and was an avid golfer. He was a member of the Fraternal Order of Eagles 2933, the Disabled American Veterans, and a lifetime member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars.

Harry is survived by his wife; his daughter, Diane; son Dennis; granddaughter Janna; a brother; and a sister.

Allen Tuller ’74 passed away on June 25, 2004, at age 54. He was a graduate of Bethel High School, continued on to Tacoma Community College, earned his bachelor’s from Puget Sound, and his master’s from Pacific Lutheran University in 1978. During this time, he served six years in the U.S. Navy Reserve. Allen saw active duty aboard the USS Tripod off the coast of Vietnam between 1970-72. For the past 17 years, he was a member of the International Longshore and Warehouse Union Local 23 of Tacoma. Allen enjoyed fishing, traveling, and sports. He is survived by his wife of 32 years, Magdalena; his sons, Carl and Dylan; his granddaughter, Alyssa; his mother; and two brothers.

W. Dennis Coffey ’79 died on Sept. 8, 2004, at age 53. He graduated from Mt. Tahoma High School in 1969, and served in Vietnam in the U.S. Air Force. Dennis received a lung transplant in 1995 and second lung in 1997. He diligently trained and completed his dream of hiking the entire 2,000 miles of the Pacific Crest Trail that runs from Canada to Mexico. Another feat achieved after his transplants was ascending Mt. Whitney in California, an elevation of 14,500 ft. He is survived by his son, Jonathan; three sisters; one brother; and many friends.

Hollis (Eddie) Jeffries ’79 was born July 3, 1935, in Russellville, Ala., and passed away June 15, 2004, from complications associated with Parkinson’s disease. After graduating from high school, he enlisted in the U.S. Air Force and served 22 years overseas in Japan, Vietnam, and Korea. While in Japan, he met his wife, Suzanne. They were married for more than 38 years. He earned acclaim as a top honor graduate in his class, and received several outstanding service awards throughout his career. Eddie retired in 1977, attaining the rank of chief master sergeant. He had been working toward his bachelor’s throughout his service career and completed his degree at Puget Sound. Eddie had a second career as a project manager for JA Jones Construction Company, working on the Hood Canal pontoon project. His hobbies included movies, reading, coin collecting, and sports. Eddie was preceded in death by his wife. His only daughter, Linda; and his granddaughter, Chelsea, survive him.

Carolyn Noffsinger M.B.A.’80 died suddenly on Aug. 4, 2004, from a pulmonary embolism. She was 49. Carolyn had been home recovering from a broken leg. She was a Mercer Island High School graduate, and received her bachelor’s from the University of Washington’s School of Business. Carolyn was the managing director of Colliers International’s North American operations. She had held the position for five years, and was a key member of the company’s commercial real estate brokerage.

Carolyn was an avid sports fan, enjoyed travel, and reading. She is survived by her parents; a sister; two brothers; and other extended family.

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Grace Johnson Berry was born Aug. 31, 1906, and died Sept. 1, 2004. She graduated from Stadium High School in 1925. Grace managed the university’s bookstore from 1949-69. She was an active member of the First Baptist Church of Tacoma until her death. Grace enjoyed playing bridge, dancing, and traveling throughout the world. She belonged to the Tacoma Art Society and Tacoma Hospital Guild. Grace is survived by her children, Carl Jr., Stephen, and Jeannie; eight grandchildren; 12 great-grandchildren; and three great-great-grandchildren.

Helen Mueller passed away peacefully on Sept. 21, 2004. She was 89. Helen was born in Moosejaw, Canada, and retired from the university’s food service department. She is survived by her husband, Anthony Mueller; daughter Louanne; one sister; five grandchildren; and nine great-grandchildren.
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