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Photo by Ross Mulhausen.

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Senior class speaker Kara Christianson, a theatre major, remembered that this Commencement Day was also Mother's Day and offered: "Thank you, Mom. I may be the one holding the diploma, but you walked the whole way with me." For more on Commencement speeches, see page 9.
Photo by Ross Mulhausen.
"We are a community embarking upon a new beginning, just as our graduates are. We, too, set out expectantly into a challenging future."

Commencement

I have always been a sucker for commencements. I have marched, sat, or stood through maybe 50 of them—at universities and colleges where I attended, at institutions where I worked or from which friends graduated, and even at a few that awarded me a sheepskin. I was at that Princeton Commencement in 1970 when Bob Dylan was awarded an honorary degree and an apocalyptic carpet of locusts covered the ground, inspiring his song "Day of the Locusts." Mikhail Baryshnikov and Steven Spielberg received honorary degrees when I got my Ph.D. at Brandeis in '83.

No matter where it was, no matter how memorable (or forgettable) the speeches, no matter how many funny hats and tassels and schmaltzy alma maters, I invariably find myself moved on these occasions. I suppose it's because commencements are such resonant rituals of expectation, of beginning, of marching out into an undefined future. Then again, maybe I'm just sentimental.

It strikes me at this time of year that there is poetry in the fact that this university is located on the part of Puget Sound called "Commencement Bay." When the first American sailors who ventured into the great inland sea from which we take our name (almost a half-century before the founding of this or any college here), they named our particularly deep and appealing harbor after an annual academic rite of passage. It was even the right time of year: May 17, 1841.

Of course, the word "commencement" can also mean "beginning." And that naval expedition was the beginning of American military influence in the region, the start of the eventual strategic incorporation of the territory into the "manifest destiny" of an emerging, powerful nation.

Every commencement is special; but for me there was something particularly meaningful about this year. As I shook the hand and looked into the expectant eyes of each graduate who was launching the beginning of a new life (including our record six Fulbright scholars, two Watsons, and the NSCAA's best woman soccer player in the nation, to name a few), I realized that this year marked a kind of commencement for all of us.

We are a community embarking upon a new beginning, just as our graduates are. We, too, set out expectantly into a challenging future. This year the trustees approved a strategic plan for Puget Sound to guide that venture, and we have begun visiting alumni and parent groups around the country to introduce it. We call our plan "Defining Moments" because we believe this is a time of great challenge and opportunity.

Our university has commenced from such important points on several occasions over more than a century. This time our defining moment offers us the chance to emphasize how our particular history and values—our intangible human and cultural assets—make Puget Sound a place like no other: an excellent liberal arts college with the opportunities of a great university, an innovative and inspiring community of people who are civically engaged, environmentally responsible, and globally concerned.

You will be hearing more about Defining Moments in the months ahead—in the pages of Arches and at alumni gatherings across the nation. It is time to take off our robes and mortar boards, salute our amazing Class of 2006, prepare for the journey ahead, and set our sails on Commencement Bay.

Ronald R. Thomas
Standing up for right

In the spring 2006 article “Thoughts on war, and innocents bearing blame,” the ninth paragraph states “…only the mayor of Tacoma said no publicly.” That mayor was Harry P. Cain, who later became a U.S. Senator from Washington. He was the only elected public official who spoke out on behalf of Japanese-American citizens. There is a scholarship in Harry P. Cain’s name at UPS. The Japanese-American community held a dinner at the Cliff House restaurant for Harry P. Cain 25 years after World War II to thank him for his support. It was a moving event for everyone there. Harry P. Cain died in 1979 after a lifetime of community service.

Candy Tingstad ’79
Lakewood, Washington

More on ’25 things’

The photos of Tacoma are wonderful. Only one thing: We’d rather see a nice dusk photo, neon gleaming, of Frisko Freeze. Not that we didn’t enjoy the picture of Bill Baarsma, having been his favorite labor relations student and having worked on his campaign to become mayor.

Dave Hill ’94
Tacoma

Dave adds in a P.S.: “I should have been Class of ’79. Went on the 19-year program—two years full-time and the rest plugged away at—well worth the time put into education!” Dave and the Nik Tesla Band are still rocking and rolling; catch them at Boston Harbor in Olympia on July 4.

I really enjoyed the last issue, featuring “25 things we love about Tacoma.” A couple of expansions:

Item 14, the Museum of Glass Hotshop. When I was a lad almost all of the houses and all of the public buildings were heated by wood. Only slash—dirty, mostly odd-shaped pieces unsuitable for stacking in the yard to dry—was burned at the mill in tee-pee incinerators. Sawdust was sold as a fuel.

Regrettably lost: The Proctor 10-Cent Store started out as Sherfy’s Ben Franklin Store in about 1936. Don Sherfy and I attended Washington Grade School. Later his dad dropped the Ben Franklin name, and it was a real five and dime. Most of the North End mothers bought thread, buttons, and other necessities there. It saved taking the street car downtown to Penny’s.

Bob Winskill ’47
Sausalito, California

My husband and I lingered over the article “25 things we love about Tacoma”—especially poignant since we’ve relocated from Washington state to Virginia for one to two years while Bob works at the National Science Foundation. For the sidebar “Regrettably lost,” we’d like to add the popcorn wagon that did business on a highway, possibly in south Tacoma in late the 1940s and maybe into the ’50s, serving hot popcorn long after twilight. Does anyone remember this and know anything about the popcorn vendor?

Bob ’63 and Meta Gibbs
Arlington, Virginia

It usually takes me a while to get through the magazine, but I read this issue cover to cover last night. Great job, as always. I especially enjoyed the “25 things we love about Tacoma,” although how could you not include the Java Jive in that list?! And the Cameron Dolcourt piece was really inspiring; thank you for including that. It’s nice to know that, two decades later, the Sigma Chis are still leading the way in diversity on campus.

Blair Masenheimer ’87
Puyallup, Washington

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A SPOONFUL OF SUGAR  Kaitlin Lubetkin '07 and Jason Heino '07 sprinkle table sugar on gridded areas in the 445-acre Mima Mounds Natural Area, just south of Olympia, Wash. Sugar helps to mitigate excess nitrogen in the soil that was left by Scotch broom. Once the soil returns to its natural state, native prairie flora have a better chance of competing with nonnative plants.
**summer research**

### How sweet it is

**Using sugar to help restore vanishing Puget prairies**

Think about prairies, and the vast grasslands of Kansas or the Dakotas come to mind. But Washington is a prairie state, too, if a minor one. The prairies of Western Washington are home to a wide variety of native wildflower species, which thrive in the dry, nutrient-poor soils left by the retreating glacier that carved Puget Sound.

Much of the historic area of prairie, open and perfect for strip malls and housing developments, has disappeared. What survives—only 2–3 percent of the original range—subsequently was overrun by Scotch broom.

That rampaging scourge of the Northwest, deceivingly pretty with yellow flowers in June, has been successfully controlled in many remaining prairie areas. Even after it’s gone, though, Scotch broom causes trouble. The broom roots associate with nitrogen-fixing bacteria, which leave the soil more fertile. Higher nitrogen levels allow nonnative species, particularly invasive grasses, to crowd out native plants—a big problem for people working to restore the prairies. So how can excess nitrogen be extracted from the soil, giving native flora a chance?

Puget Sound Associate Professor of Biology Betsy Kirkpatrick had two ideas. One was biomass removal. Plants absorb nitrogen when they grow, so it follows that removing a plant also removes nitrogen, as long as the plant is taken from the site. Otherwise it would eventually decompose and return the nitrogen to the soil.

The second involved what might be called a sweet relationship. Soil bacteria (and all living things) need carbon, but the bacteria are usually limited by the amount of carbon in the ground. Adding a carbon source, such as sugar, increases soil bacterial populations, causing them to use more nitrogen and make less available to plants.

In a greenhouse, Kirkpatrick tested the two methods. Both reduced soil nitrogen by about 50 percent, but sugar had an additional benefit: The native prairie grass she tested was much more successful competing with invasive grasses when sugar was added to the soil.

“I think this is because a soluble carbon source like sugar induces osmotic stress [a kind of physiological drought], and native prairie plants are much more drought tolerant than the invasive grasses,” she says.

Using sugar as an anti-fertilizer sounds expensive, but Kirkpatrick says sugar makes sense: “Herbicides are costly, too, both in dollars and environmental effects, and they only treat the symptom, not the cause.”

Whether sugar can both reduce nitrogen and give the native species an additional advantage in the field is what she and students working under UPS summer research stipends are testing this summer. You can read more about the experiments and see if the researchers celebrate the sweet taste of success at www.ups.edu/biology/fieldguide.html#betsy.

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**http://projects.ups.edu/jkelliott/NWACC/index.html**

**The view from here**

Government agencies and community groups are concerned about the environmental health of public spaces, and they need scientific information to make decisions about restoration and development. A good indicator of environmental health is the native biodiversity at a site, but most public spaces have not been surveyed. Enter the UPS Digital Asset Management Program. Associate Professor of Biology Joel Elliott, other faculty, and students have been collaborating with government agencies and environmental groups to produce biodiversity maps of nearby terrestrial and aquatic habitats. The group documented patterns with digital still cameras or video cameras and fixed the geographic location of each image with a GPS unit. The results are posted on the Web site.

Among our favorite features of the site: A tree tour of the UPS campus, complete with comments on notable trees from university groundskeepers; maps and corresponding images of the geology of the Point Defiance shoreline; and maps and images of the Ruston Way intertidal area, showing progress on the university’s Civic Scholarship Initiative to restore eelgrass beds there.

The Web site was funded in part by a grant from the NorthWest Academic Computing Consortium and was the winner of that group’s 2006 Outstanding Project Award.
sports shorts

All right! in All-Sports

A first for overall Logger athletics

After a year of three Northwest Conference championships for Puget Sound, the Loggers are celebrating one more time: The university is the winner of the 2005-06 McIlroy-Lewis Northwest Conference All-Sports trophy, which commends overall athletic achievement.

Puget Sound started the year strong, with its fourth consecutive NWC title in women's soccer, while also collecting second-place finishes in men's cross country and volleyball, and a third in men's soccer. The Loggers ranked fourth in football standings after a big conference win over Pacific Lutheran.

The winter season was easily one of the most successful in Logger history. UPS sent athletes from all four winter teams to NCAA Championships. Men's basketball advanced to the "Elite Eight" of the NCAA Division III Tournament and made it three-straight when they captured both the NWC regular season and conference tournament titles. The women's basketball team earned a trip to the NCAA tournament after finishing second in the NWC.

In the pool, men's swimming splashed into the year with a young team, but freshman Paul Hughes, who went on to earn Honorable Mention All-America honors, led the Loggers to a second-place finish at the NWC Championships. Women's swimming made it a decade of dominance by winning its 10th consecutive conference title.

In spring, second-place finishes by men's track and field and women's golf, and third-place finishes in baseball and women's tennis helped claim the trophy.

This is the first time the Loggers have won the McIlroy-Lewis trophy. The prize honors former Linfield College coach and athletic director Jane McIlroy and former Willamette coach and athletic director John Lewis.

So long to Coach Bridgeland

Head men's basketball coach Eric Bridgeland has accepted a position as assistant men's basketball coach at Pepperdine University in Malibu, Calif.


Assistant Coach Justin Lunt was appointed interim head coach. Lunt joined the staff in 2004 and worked closely with Bridgeland recruiting players and developing the championship men's basketball program. — Chris Thompson

Logger sports news, rosters, scores, and schedules can be found at www.ups.edu/athletics.xml.
Hidden agenda
A rare opportunity to go where few have gone before

Call it a journey to parts unknown. On April 20, curious students got the chance to take a Facilities Services- and Campus Security-led tour of 20 places on campus that most people never see. The event was suggested by graduating ASUPS President Alex Israel, partly because it’s kooky fun and partly to help students get to know Facilities and Security personnel they might not otherwise meet. Two tours were offered—one during the day and, for nocturnal wanderers, one after dark. Among spots seen: The so-called wind tunnel in the subbasement of the library, where a 20 m.p.h. breeze blows continually because ventilation air passes through there, and the university steam plant, which is much cooler to look at than it sounds. These reminded us of our own favorite five rarely visited but neato nooks and crannies on campus:

1 THE TOP OF THE THOMPSON HALL TOWER
It is not, as widely reported, the highest point in Tacoma. That distinction goes to Indian Hill, at 482 feet above sea level. But the view is amazing: you’re right up there among the breezy tops of the campus firs. Just ask Professors David Scott and Martin Jackson of the math and computer science department, whose offices are in the tower, one floor down from the observatory.

2 MCINTYRE HALL’S TOP-FLOOR THEATER STORAGE
Better than Grandma’s attic. Items observed there on a recent visit: a gilded fireplace mantel, a very orange couch, and a costume collection that would weaken the knees of any dedicated vintage-clothing shopper, all of it neatly organized by type and era. Cards above the racks read: “short dresses 1940–1950,” “long and formal dresses, contemporary to 1920,” “blouses, present,” “military uniforms,” and one label that left us wondering whether it was a physical description or an attitudinal commentary—“distressed clothing.”

3 THE UNIVERSITY ARCHIVES IN COLLINS MEMORIAL LIBRARY
Examples from the trove:
• A copy of the first yearbook, Klahowya, the dedication of which reads, “To Our Loyal Alumni, whose deeds must be the chief glory of their Alma Mater, and whose noble achievement must be the inspiration of those who follow them, this volume is lovingly dedicated by the class of 1913.” The yearbook was not published under the name Tamanawas until 1920.
• A copy of the first issue of the student newspaper, The Maroon, October 1903. The publication became The Trail in 1911.
• One of the few existing copies of A Practical Mystic, the memoir of Edward H. Todd, UPS president from 1913 to 1942.
• Adelphian scrapbooks from 1952 to the present.

4 THE WARNER GYM ATTIC
This surprisingly large space was the headquarters of the Air Force Reserve Officers Training Corps until the program closed in 1989. Scratched and penned among the ancient rafters can be found the signatures of students and a solitary, hand-painted poster.

5 THE KILWORTH CHAPEL BELFRY
Which does indeed house a bell, and a long and appropriately creaky rope to ring it with. The bell has an interesting history. It was cast in 1718 in Sheffield, England, for use on the steamship Frontier. It hung in the Taylor Street Methodist Church in Portland, Ore., between 1850 and 1868, and then served churches in Walla Walla and Waitsburg, Wash.
Notable

Best in the U.S. at debate
Puget Sound’s dynamic duo of discourse, Josh Anderson ’06 and Rachel Safran ’06, are the top parliamentary debate team in the United States. On March 19 the pair bested 42 teams at the National Parliamentary Tournament of Excellence, hosted by the University of Oregon, then a week later defeated a team from the University of California, Berkeley, in the finals of the four-day National Parliamentary Debate Association Championship. Winning both tournaments made Anderson and Safran, who racked up a record of 105-8 this season, undisputed national champions.

Watsons for two seniors
In the winter issue of Arches we told you about four Puget Sound seniors who were anxiously waiting to hear if their proposals for Thomas J. Watson postgraduate fellowships would be funded. Greg Groggel ’06 and Linh Vuong ’06 received good news in March. Each will receive $25,000 for a year of independent travel and exploration. They were selected from a pool of 176 candidates nominated by 50 liberal arts colleges nationwide.

Groggel, an international political economy major, will visit Mexico City, Munich, Moscow, Seoul, Sydney, and Beijing to explore the lasting legacy of hosting the summer Olympics.

Vuong, a biology major, will travel to Vietnam, Malaysia, India, and New Zealand to explore the evolving art of kite making and natural design.

Western U.S. has that sinking feeling
“The vast region of the interior Western United States called the Basin and Range has been sinking for 20 million years, and that deepening depression has affected regional climate,” said Discovery.com when reporting on the work of UPS geo-chemist Travis Horton and Page Chamberlain of Stanford University in late March. The geologists figured out a way to use oxygen isotopes in ancient rocks to show how much and how fast the interior West is collapsing.

“One important result of the continuing drop of the Basin and Range is that a lot more rain coming up from the Gulf of California penetrates into the Basin and Range than it used to when it was all highland,” said Horton in the article.

The Da Vinci Code as inspiration for learning
Puget Sound religion professors Doug Edwards and Greta Austin, writing in a Seattle Post-Intelligencer op-ed, applauded renewed interest in biblical scholarship:

“The popularity of The Da Vinci Code attests to American ignorance about the history of Christianity—and a profound desire to learn about it,” they wrote.

“So, what is true in The Da Vinci Code? Did Jesus actually have a sexual relationship with Mary Magdalene? If Mary was the first to see Jesus resurrected in the New Testament, why is she not considered an apostle?

“We’ll see you in class.”

community service

SPURS hangs it up

But a new honor society will carry on the tradition

At the SPURS national convention last October, delegates voted to dissolve the honor society as of May 31, 2006. SPURS (Service, Patriotism, Understanding, Responsibility, and Sacrifice) was founded in 1922 at Montana State University as an honor society and service club for sophomore women. Puget Sound became the fifth university admitted to the society when its chapter was formed in 1925. In the late 1970s SPURS began admitting men, and in recent years requirements changed to allow students of all years to belong.

Faculty advisor Alison Paradise ’82 said there were several reasons SPURS decided to disband. “First,” she said, “the organization was down to 11 active chapters, and only half of those were strong. (UPS has always had a relatively strong chapter.) Plus, communication within the organization was poor, and there was very little interest in members holding a national office.” Without leadership at the national level, SPURS was unable to sustain itself.

But the spirit of SPURS will live on at Puget Sound. A new organization, the Phi Eta Sigma National Honor Society, will take its place. Phi Eta Sigma was founded in 1923 at the University of Illinois by members of Phi Beta Kappa. It is a freshman honor society that promotes academic excellence. Students are selected based on their freshman grade-point average (they must have at least a 3.5) and are members for life.

“I envision that Phi Eta Sigma will operate like SPURS,” said Professor Paradise. “The group is very interested in carrying on the service aspects of SPURS, both on campus and in the community, and it will continue with the cake-baking fundraisers!”

Puget Sound’s SPURS records and memorabilia will go to the UPS archives. National-related records will go to the archives at Montana State in Bozeman.

SIGNING ON FOR SERVICE In April, 131 students were inducted into the Phi Eta Sigma honor society, which replaces SPURS on campus.
WORDS TO LIVE BY  "Tap your toe to a jazz riff and oil a baseball glove," advised William H. Neukom in his Commencement address.

oration

At Commencement, heart-to-heart talk

Commencement is a time of celebration, but it's also a time for reflection and advice. Graduates heard the parting thoughts and favorite quoted passages of four speakers during the weekend of May 14. Two were students, one was a faculty member, and one was the parent of a UPS alum.

That parent, William H. Neukom P'94, chair of the Preston Gates and Ellis law firm and a UPS trustee, advised: "Relentlessly broaden your perspective. Take seriously what you do, but do not take yourself too seriously. As our own Hans Ostrom [see page 12] has written in his poem 'Judeo-Christian Codici': 'Thou shalt not use any of the Ten Commandments to rationalize what you intended at the outset to do anyway. Thou shalt not kid a kidder.'"

At Academic Convocation, chemistry professor John Hanson, in a talk about how understanding the truth is a process of gathering, sorting, and analyzing information, said:

"Notice that I have equated 'the truth' with greater complexity. Some of you may wish to take issue with me on that. You might want to argue that, in fact, there are simple principles that can explain seemingly complex phenomena. This is certainly true. But when you talk about the big picture, 'life, the universe, and everything,' as Douglas Adams would say, the answer isn't 42! Sure you may be able to use Newton's laws of motion to understand how objects move. But what happens when they get close to the speed of light? Then you need to consider relativity. And what if the objects are very small, then you need to use quantum mechanics. And no one ever accused quantum mechanics of being simple. Sure, we use simplifying principles all the time, but the devil is in the details, and those details tend to be wickedly complex."

For the complete text of Convocation and Commencement speeches, information on honorary degree recipients, and additional photos, see www.ups.edu/x11860.xml.

Spring cleaning in New Orleans

Twenty UPS students were in Louisiana in March, working alongside homeowners and other volunteers to clear debris and perform mold abatement in houses and schools. Calling themselves Bridges over Troubled Water, the students were hosted by the New Orleans-based grass-roots organization Common Ground Collective.

Trip co-leaders Peter Daniels '06 and Brooke Corneli '06 first learned about Common Ground through Steve Larson '05. They felt inspired by the people-to-people emphasis of Common Ground and wanted to help.

A student-initiated project, the group held several fund-raisers to offset costs associated with the trip, such as purchasing safety equipment. They paid travel expenses themselves.

It was the most recent effort by the members of the campus community to reach out to victims of Hurricanes Katrina and Rita. Immediately following the hurricanes, several New Orleans-area college students spent a semester at the university, and Puget Sound students raised money in the days and weeks following the hurricanes to help with relief efforts.

GOOD WORKS  Starting over in the Ninth Ward: Tyler Thirloway '05 lends a hand.
Postcards from the rim

Living vicariously through correspondence from PacRim/Asia Study travelers

On August 29, students in the university’s 2005–06 Pacific Rim/Asia Study-Travel program set out for a nine-month adventure that is the antithesis of the if-it’s-Tuesday-this-must-be-Belgium style of touring. Their mission: find out as much as they could about the political and cultural history of the Kansai region in Japan, architecture in Malaysia and India, biological diversity in Mongolia, and culture in Cambodia and China. Soon after the group left, faculty and staff on campus began receiving postcards. A few scribbles from Malacca. A note tossed off from Kyoto. Often the recipients at the college had never met their correspondent. “Part of the students’ work was to research a topic and present their findings to the others in the group. We wanted people at home to share in our discoveries, too,” said Pac-Rim Director Elisabeth Benard. Here are a few of them. More pictures and information can be viewed at www.ups.edu/x7121.xml.

9-18-05
We just completed an 11 day road trip from Ulan Bataar to the Lake Khovsgol region. The lake has 2 percent of the world’s fresh water. Two nights we stayed in a ger (yurt) camp by the lake. One day we drove our caravan of six vans through the valley pictured on the postcard. Of the 11 days, only one was on asphalt, the rest on dirt roads. We crossed more than 30 streams and one river in the valley.

10-24-05
This is perhaps the most famous Japanese rock garden in the world, at Ryoanji, the temple of the peaceful dragon in Kyoto. There are 15 rocks, but they are arranged in such a way that one can never see more than 14 at once, no matter the angle. It is said that only when you attain spiritual enlightenment can you see the invisible stone. The gravel formation is raked daily by a monk who has a large wooden rake. The space is small but it does transport you and shift your consciousness.
12-29-05
In Malaysia now for a holiday reunion with parents, and Ron and Mary Thomas brought presents! Today we ventured into the heart of Kuala Lumpur for our visit to the Petronas Towers, currently the second tallest buildings in the world. We take a super-speed elevator to the 48th floor in about 48 seconds. After our ears stopped popping, we walked out to the observation bridge and could see the entire city spread out before us. It was truly an amazing day.

1-31-06
We are in the great Hindu empire of Vijayanagara (City of Victory). Our sixth month on the road. Everyone seems to be fine. Crunch time for the required independent research project is beginning—some realizing that they haven’t done as much research as they should have. This photo is of the royal elephant barn in Hampi, an example of Indo-Islamic style of architecture. The building consists of 11 large rooms with high ceilings. A parade ground is in front.

4-19-06
Greetings from Beijing!
PeiRin has reached our final country! Last week we saw Tiananmen Square and the Forbidden City, which was incredible. Next Saturday we’ll visit the Great Wall. This is a picture of the Ming tombs. The food here is wonderful. See you soon!
Why poetry is nothing to be afraid of

April was National Poetry Month, and Professor of English Hans Ostrom marked the celebration with this reminder: There’s a poem for everyone and every interest, expressing things we care about in words, sometimes the best words.

Poetry is good for you. Honest.

Convincing people of this proposition is a daunting task. Even some English professors I know are uncomfortable with poetry. They would rather read novels, short stories, memoirs, or newspapers any day. They avoid teaching poetry in their classes, like anxious tennis players who run around their backhand.

If my bookish cohorts get nervous around poetry, I can easily imagine how resistant the mythical person on the street is to the prospect of reading a poem voluntarily.

There’s no question that poetry has a lot going against it. At some point, poetry became difficult. Whether this happened in the 17th century or the 20th really doesn’t matter. People think poetry is hard, if not impossible, to understand. They have a point. The most recent book by one of America’s best-known poets, Billy Collins, is called The Trouble With Poetry. This is not a good sign.

Even when poetry isn’t difficult, it’s considered weird. It’s seen as something beatniks and hippies used to write. It’s something people scribble in notebooks as they lurk in cafes, or something you had to write a paper about in high school.

It’s something people shout on a MTV show. It occupies one shelf somewhere in the obscure center of bookstores, where the cats sleep or the body-pierced person lounges.

And who besides a few students and professors doesn’t have something better to do with their time than read a poem? I happen to love poetry, but most nights I love “Law and Order” reruns even more.

So, yes, I know I’m going against a strong headwind when I insist that poems can be good for you. Nonetheless, here’s my case for poetry:

Regardless of what you are interested in, preoccupied by, or worried about, there’s a poem out there that shares your point of view and probably adds a satisfying twist.

Does it seem like you just go to work, come home, go to sleep, get up and go to work again your whole life? William Wordsworth has just the poem for you: “The World Is Too Much With Us,” in which he observes, “Getting and spending, we lay waste our powers.” The English poet published this work in 1807, long before people spent half their lives on freeways and before advertisers perfected the art of tricking us into buying stuff we don’t need with money we don’t have. This poem is good for the overworked soul.

If you suspect our leaders are just a little too quick to send other people’s brothers, sisters, daughters, and sons into combat, consider W.H. Auden’s two-line poem, “Epitaph For The Unknown Soldier”:

To save your world, you asked this man to die:
Would this man, could he see you now, ask Why?

Sick of gasbag politicians and talking heads from the left and the right? Try Tom Clark’s “Apocalyptic Talk Show,” from his book, Easter Sunday. Or read e.e. cummings’ sendup of political flautulence, “next to of course god america."

Those familiar with the hardships of the farming life, by the way, will love cummings’ poem “nobody loses all the time.”

Looking forward to fishing season? Try Elizabeth Bishop’s “The Fish” or Amy Lowell’s “The Pike.”

Have you, in spite of your best efforts and past results, fallen in love? Then you must read Twenty Love Poems and a Song of Despair by Pablo Neruda, whose poetry shares your emotional intoxication. You can even buy the soundtrack to the movie Il Postino and hear actors such as Andy Garcia reading Neruda’s poems to you and your beloved.

Maybe you’re a parent feeling underappreciated by your children. If so, look at Langston Hughes’ poem “Mother to Son,” in which a mother tells her son, “And life for me ain’t been no crystal stair.” If you think of yourself as a survivor, read Hughes’ poem “Still Here,” or if what you’re trying to survive is a hangover, try Hughes’ “Morning After.”

Sports? Well, for baseball fans, there is, of course, the venerable “Casey at the Bat” by Ernest Lawrence Thayer. (This and other old popular American poems can be found in Best Loved Poems of American People, edited by Hazel Felleman and sold inexpensively by Dover Books. These are the poems our parents and grandparents read and occasionally quoted to us.)

But there’s also Tom Clark’s book of baseball poems, Blue. Clark is an Oakland Athletics fan, but his real love is the game itself. May

And there is, believe it or not, a terrific book of poems by a former NBA player, Tom Meschery: Nothing We Lose Can Be Replaced. Meschery played for the Golden State (San Francisco) Warriors and the Seattle SuperSonics.

Cat lovers, obviously, need look no further than T.S. Eliot’s Old Possum’s Book of Practical Cats (there’s an illustrated edition, not to mention a Broadway musical). If you’re a dog person, take a sniff of Doggerel: Poems About Dogs (2003), edited by Carmela Ciuraru.

In other words, poems about things you’re already interested in are good for you, especially because they express your interest in other words, sometimes the best words.

If you find yourself—by accident, of course—in the poetry section of a bookstore, my advice is this. First, don’t try to pet the store cat. Second, if you don’t see a book by a poet you already know, select a book at random. Open it. Start to read a poem. If it makes absolutely no sense to you, close the book and put it back. Try another book until you find a poem that invites you into its world.

Poems, like golf courses, chess partners, fishing holes, and recipes, should be just difficult enough to challenge you and to enjoy. They shouldn’t be too easy, but they shouldn’t leave you bewildered, either.

Final sales pitch: The vast majority of poems have this going for them: They’re very short. You can finish reading several as you commute on the bus or the train. You can read one after you’ve baited the hook but before the fish has taken the bait.

You can even read one during the commercials as you’re watching “Law and Order”—or “Def Poetry Jam.”

Sea change

The evolution of Tacoma’s Salmon Beach community from eclectic fishing camp to upscale enclave

Tucked on a steep hillside along the Tacoma Narrows, just south of Point Defiance Park, the tiny community of Salmon Beach has evolved from a hodgepodge of summer shacks and fishing tents in the 1920s to an exclusive enclave of unique, palatial, multi-story homes. Over the years, its hearty residents (including a number of Puget Sound students, grads, and professors) have weathered earthquakes, landslides, crashing waves, and eviction notices—not to mention an occasional exploding moonshine still.

This marvelous photo history, punctuated by colorful captions, features photographs collected from current and former residents, professional photographer Virna Haffer, and Edwards’ own private collection. Highlights include a picture of three men feeding whiskey to a freshly caught salmon (“instant marinade”), a shot of the Salmon Beach Slugs tug-of-war team, and a photo of a massive mudslide in progress. (“When rain exceeds three inches in 36 hours, old-timers say to grab your socks and leave.”) Another picture shows the abandoned general store, which by 1968 was occupied by hippies—although, Edwards says, “the public perception of the hippies taking over the community was exaggerated.” The author chairs the Salmon Beach Historical Society and has lived there since 1962. Some of the book’s photos, and excerpts from Edwards’ captions follow.

In 1918, Fred Bartlett and Charlie Tobin square off for some boxing practice as their friends watch. Every kid envied Marty Foley and Freddy Steele, boxing heroes from Ruston.

An attractive secretary at CPS, Olive Brown visited the Sprengers near the Doohan’s cabin in 1921. Her married name, LeSourd, is significant because one of the founders of CPS was Dr. David LeSourd, a minister of the Methodist Episcopal Church in Tacoma’s North End. In later years, UPS professors John Magee, C. Brewster Coulter, Anne Wood, Al Eggers, Stuart Smithers, and Tom Rowland all owned cabins.
A new boat shed and workshop was built in 1922, squarely in front of A.J. Cournau’s Camp Melrose and north of the original Foss Boathouse.

Walter, Bill, and Rollie Crooks try feeding some moonshine to a freshly caught salmon—instant marinade.

The high point of community spirit was the entry of the Salmon Beach Slugs in the Seattle Seafair Tug-of-War competition in 1977. The team practiced at Bill Frickelton’s “dojo” at the Tacoma Japanese School on Tacoma Avenue.

Other recent releases

Renaissance Cop
Neil Moloney '73
280 pages, PublishAmerica, www.publishamerica.com
Reminiscent of The Untouchables, this fast-paced, post-Prohibition-era police novel traces the career of Scott Jackson, a young cop assigned to Seattle’s China Town district. There, he encounters a world of prostitution, gambling, bribery, and bootlegging, and sees a police department and local government rife with crime and corruption. “It’s a crazy system, Scott,” the mayor tells him, pocketing wads of illicit campaign cash. “Nevertheless, it’s ours. . . . It’s as American as apple pie and motherhood.” Recruited to help clean up city hall, Jackson uncovers evidence implicating the mayor, the chief of police, and the district attorney in a whole host of illegal activities. In turn, he finds himself a target for execution. Peppered with salty prose, Moloney’s book—based in part on his own experiences—vividly details the ins and outs of police detective work and dirty politics. The author, like his protagonist, served as chief of detectives in the Seattle Police Department and was a World War II marine in the South Pacific.

Children and Chess: A Guide for Educators
Alexey Rudolph Root ’83
For teachers craving creative lesson plans, Root offers a novel educational tool: chess. Based on the online “Chess in the Classroom” courses she taught at the University of Texas, her book shows how teachers can use chess to enhance students’ math, reading, and problem-solving skills—all while meeting today’s stringent state and federal education standards. One chapter even touts the “living chess” scene in Harry Potter and the Sorcerer’s Stone as a way to teach about sacrifice and morality. Root is uniquely suited for the topic: She not only has a doctorate in education but is a former U.S. Women’s Chess champion. Included are detailed lesson plans and a glossary of terms for newbies.
When we began the "Senior Moments" department in *Arches* last year, we hoped to give readers a sense of what Puget Sound students are like these days. Commencement for the Class of 2006 came up fast, though, and we realized that we had a lot more stories than time. So think of what follows as 10 minutes of "Senior Moments."

The graduates here are not meant to be a representative sample of their class. They’re just some of the many, many people that professors and administrators and other students told us were busy doing interesting things. But they are a true reflection of where a liberal arts education can lead. Their ambitions and fears show us what we’ve probably known all along: that the UPS graduate is—regardless of background, major, future employment status, or student-loan balance—driven, motivated, overwhelmed, scared, capable, excited, tired, and worried, but most of all, ready for anything.
Jim Adams

Jim Adams is a lucky guy—and not just because he's going to Europe this summer and has a great job lined up with Hitachi Consulting in Seattle. Adams is likely the only student in UPS history to have lived on a boat for most of his undergraduate experience. Scuttling standard dorm-life after his freshman year, Adams, who grew up in tiny Angels Camp, Calif., bought a 28-foot Carver Mariner fixer-upper so he could "do some hands-on work in addition to all of the academic work at school." Despite the calluses, it's been a blast: He's loved bobbing in the bay, studying near the Tacoma Museum of Glass, having friends over to watch the fireworks on the 4th of July, and eating the occasional freshly caught octopus. Adams managed to balance the seafaring life with a double major in Econ/BLP and a three-year internship working for campus facilities, during which he helped restructure the utilities accounting system, worked on year-end accruals, and made budget projections. Speaking of budget, Adams wants to know if any Arches readers have room in theirs for a nice 1982 cruiser with repaired water pumps, hoses, filters, and bilge pumps. "Yep, I'm selling the boat. All good things must end, I guess."

Nicole Allen

Nicole Allen may be the youngest among these graduates—she just turned 21 in April—but she had a supremely wise approach to her UPS academic journey. The Wilton, Conn., native purposely chose a philosophy major and a math minor because "the two fields are more connected than most people think," she says. "I like philosophy because it has no boundaries and looks at the subjects of every other major and evaluates the meaning. A physicist can tell me how the Earth revolves around the sun, but only a philosopher can (try to) tell me why." Allen's longtime passion for education led her to work as a coordinator for the Washington State Public Interest Research Group on its higher-education campaign, focusing on—an issue dear to all of our alumni hearts—the inadequacy of student aid for college students. Set to work for WashPIRG after graduation, Allen also plans to attend law school and maybe pursue politics someday, but in the meantime, is taking some time to grieve the death of her father, Eric Curt Allen, who lost a courageous battle with leukemia just two months before her graduation.
Josh Anderson

Few college students have approached an "extracurricular activity" with as much zeal and commitment as Josh Anderson did with the UPS debate team. And it paid off—big time. The man from Bellingham, Wash., and his teammate Rachel Safran ’06 put UPS forensics on the map last March when they won the National Parliamentary Debate Association Championship (NPDA) at Oregon State University, creaming the competition on such light-hearted topics as “Safeguarding Private Pensions” and the "U.S.'s Possible Ties with Hammas." Yikes. (For more on Anderson and Safran, see page 8.) Lest we think he knows it all, Anderson says he’s barely scratched the surface. “I’m actually more aware than ever of what I don’t know,” he says, “but, thankfully, I’m just as curious as I was freshman year.” This will serve him well as a Ph.D. candidate in government at Georgetown, which he’ll tackle after helping research a textbook for professors David Balaam and Mike Veseth ’72, instructing at UCLA’s debate camp this summer, and then (he hopes) teaching English at Xi’an University in China for a year. By the way, why is formal argumentation called “forensics” anyway? “Hmmm,” he says, “I have no idea. See? I told you I didn’t know everything.”

Chase Curtiss

Don’t get him wrong: Playing basketball has been the highlight of Chase Curtiss’ time at UPS. But this two-time “Ben Cheney Male Athlete of the Year” isn’t going the way of other superstar athletes by clinging to his glory days. Life goes on. “It’s really nice to be done and focus on other things in my life,” says the California native. “Sports will always be part of my life; I hope to work with athletes in my career. But I learned, after one of my best friends died a few years ago, that family and living life to the fullest are the most important things.” Curtiss says he is “totally honored” to be playing guard on a U.S. National Team in Australia this summer. In July he’ll present his exercise science senior thesis about the science of basketball shoes to the International Society for Biomechanics in Sports in Austria. “I’d never be able to do any of this stuff if I’d gone to a different school,” he says. “The classes I’ve taken outside my major have been my favorites. I have absolutely no regrets about anything I did or didn’t do here. That’s a good feeling.”
David Evans

You have to give props to anyone who can work "The Daily Show" into an honors thesis, especially when the honors thesis is about an obscure political theorist from Italy. "The show calls into question the methods used to gain the public's willing consent around major international issues," says Evans, an international political economy major. "I think it worked. But, yeah, I was definitely stretching a bit." Hey, you can't blame Evans for wanting to lighten up his senior year (which he says he has), considering he not only survived but enjoyed such vigorous honors courses as "Non-Euclidean Geometry." The Eugene, Ore., native says he's made some progress on not being the "huge worry wart" he was as a freshman and hopes he can, somehow, return to academia after having a few making-ends-meet jobs in Seattle, where he plans to live after graduation. "I really love school," says Evans. "I can't imagine just going off and living my life without pursuing intellectual work. I know I should expand my horizons first, but the academic world is appealing because I'd love to be paid to do what I already enjoy, which is think."

T'wina Franklin

It is rare indeed for a Logger's fondest memory of college to take place during the overwhelming final weeks before graduation. T'wina Franklin says it happened to her. "I couldn't go to class because my 22-month-old son was with me," says the politics major and mother of two. "But I really needed to get notes for my final, so the people I work with in Admission watched him for me. I didn't have to miss class and that really meant a lot." Few UPS students have balanced child care, marriage, work study, full-time course load, and tireless involvement in campus clubs—namely the Black Student Union—during their time as an undergrad. Alabama native Franklin says the struggle was worth it: As she looks forward to a third child with husband Rashawd, due this summer, and a career in elementary education, Franklin says her time at UPS has been, literally, life-changing for her family. "I am the first person in my family to go to college, so I am breaking the cycle," says Franklin. "It is important, as a mother of African-American children, to make education a priority. I have grown from being a lost 'Alabamatonian' into an intelligent, enviro-friendly, compassionate, driven, critically thinking woman who is ready to take on the world. Who knew?"
Cortney Kjar

Kids who were merely "average" in sports during high school very rarely become collegiate athletes. Enter Cortney Kjar, a self-described "just OK" soccer player who happens to be leaving UPS as the most decorated female athlete in school history, racking up such distinctions as two-time Northwest Conference Offensive Player of the Year; two-time First-Team All-American; National Soccer Coaches Association of America Division III Female Player of the Year; and, most recently, a nominee for national collegiate Female Athlete of the Year. (She finds out in June if she won.) "Soccer at UPS has been amazing, and not just because I've been recognized a lot," says Kjar, a Utah native and Pi Phi sorority member. "In high school, I never really felt needed on the team and actually considered not playing in college. But the coaches and teammates I had at UPS showed me what real leadership is. With that, you can really excel," Kjar plans to use her chemistry degree as a pharmacist.

Ryan McAninch

If there was an award for Most Charming UPS Family Connections, McAninch would be a strong contender. His maternal grandmother, Eileen Spoons Solie B.A.'65, M.S.'67, was a UPS biology instructor in the 1970s. Professor Solie introduced her daughter, future UPS trustee Janeen Solie, to her lab TA, future doctor Malcolm McAninch. The two married a year after their 1977 graduation. "I guess you could say I'm a 'triple legacy,'" says McAninch, and that's not even counting two uncles and an aunt who are also alumni. "So I've tried to be on my best behavior." Well, any lapses in judgment (of which McAninch's Beta Theta Pi brothers would likely be most knowledgeable) were overshadowed by his stint as ASUPS vice president, adventurous academic wanderings—"courses in the humanities and an atomic bomb class were my favorites," he says—and an up-for-anything post-UPS plan that may include law school, an MBA, accounting, commercial real estate, or a combination of the four. "A lot of people knew what they wanted to do freshman year," says McAninch. "I actually just started thinking about it a few days ago, so the possibilities are endless." And if he ever needs an interview icebreaker, there's always that cute story about how his mom (that's her with Ryan in the picture) and his dad met.
Linh Vuong

Linh Vuong takes the old phrase “go fly a kite” to a whole new level. The Houston, Texas, native will spend her first post-UPS year as a Watson Fellow traveling to Vietnam, Malaysia, India, and New Zealand to research her project, “Into the Wind: Exploring the Evolving Art of Kite-Making and Natural Design.” During her global adventure, Vuong (a biology major) says she hopes to understand “the larger significance of kite-making as it relates to the preservation of cultural and environmental identities” and “contribute to the renaissance of kite culture and contribute new knowledge to the field.” OK, so she had to say those things to get her fellowship, but she had a choice. Of fellowships, that is. Vuong is UPS’s first recipient of a Fulbright research fellowship (although she has since been joined by a second) and is the one and only UPS student to be selected for both a Fulbright and a Watson. But is there any room in her ambitious plan for some downtime? “I do look forward to spending increasingly less time on the computer,” she says. “But generally, boredom is not sustainable for me.” Speaking of sustainability, Vuong hopes to make it her life mission to further explore her passion for natural design through “sustainable architecture,” which she indulged in as a design studies student in Adelaide, Australia, during her senior year. OK, that’s impressive too, but there’s a more pertinent issue at hand: How do you say “go fly a kite” in Malaysian?

Esther Morgan-Ellis

Esther Morgan-Ellis has loved her time at UPS, and at first she was heartbroken at the thought of graduating. “But lately,” she says sheepishly, “I have to say I’ve grown very receptive to the idea.” If Morgan-Ellis had a bit of senioritis, she’s definitely earned it. A cello performance major, trombone player, and two-year member of the Adelphian Concert Choir, the Port Angeles, Wash., native also squeezed in a pretty ambitious honors thesis. Combining a lifelong music education with a natural proclivity for the high-tech, Morgan-Ellis—stay with me here—wrote an algorithmic software music program in the LISP computer language that composes short pieces of organ music in the style of early Philip Glass. Despite such prowess as a computer geek, Morgan-Ellis is going to stick with music—though in the field of musicology instead of performance—and begins a Ph.D. program at Yale this fall. “I always thought I’d be a professional performer,” she says. “But UPS really widened my view of the possibilities. You really need to keep an open mind because you never know what you’ll end up doing.” This summer she looks forward to one last stint as a counselor at Burton Music Camp on Vashon Island and then the ultimate post-graduate adventure: driving across the country to Connecticut.

Stacey Wilson ’96 started writing for Arches in 2001, while she was still working on her master’s at the Columbia University Graduate School of Journalism. She’s been People magazine’s Northwest correspondent since 2004 and is a frequent contributor to Variety,Portland Monthly, and other magazines.

Ross Mulhausen has been the university photographer since 1987. It was quite a chore setting up these pictures as seniors ran around frantically at semester’s end, but Ross says photographing them was a joy and a privilege.
ACCIDENTAL VINTNER

THE EXPERTS SAID WINE GRAPES WON'T GROW IN THE WENATCHEE VALLEY. WARREN MOYLES WAS JUST STUBBORN ENOUGH TO TRY PROVING THEM WRONG. WHEN HE DID, BELEAGUERED APPLE FARMERS GOT AN ALTERNATIVE CROP.

by Andy Dappen

AMONG THE SUN-DRENCHED HILLS OF the Wenatchee River Valley east of the Cascade Mountains, in that region of Washington state that local PR firms dub “The Apple Capital of the World,” old-time orchardists are discovering the hard way what globalization means. With the bottom falling out of apple prices, some are pulling their old trees and planting new varieties, some are selling their orchards to land developers, and some have seen their farms go into receivership.

Thomas Friedman, in his book The World is Flat, would say the pinch on these orchardists is a byproduct of the phone cables and fiber optic wires connecting far and near corners of the world in real time. Just as the preparation of tax returns, reading of medical data, and operation of customer service centers can now be shuffled to cheaper labor centers, the orchardists of North Central Washington are witnessing how instant communication, immediate access to world prices, and next-day air deliveries from distant apple centers in China and New Zealand have flattened the profits they once enjoyed.

From his one-acre vineyard and his garage-shed winery surrounded by these same Washington apple orchards, Warren Moyles B.A.'54, M.A.'63 seems oddly disconnected from the flattening influences of international business. Maybe it’s because, officially, he’s retired and therefore should be unconcerned. But here in a place where apples have evolved from a one-time specialty crop into a fiercely competitive commodity, Moyles’ independent-minded efforts were a catalyst that spawned a regional viticultural niche market.

Moyles, it seems, has quite a flair for navigating life along avenues that are not quite parallel to the movements of most. His first career was devoted to education—he taught in Western Washington for 15 years before spending 20 years working as a principal at Defense Department schools in Germany, Italy, and Korea. His own children were born, went to school, and graduated abroad, and when they came to the United States for their college years, he and his wife, Julie, also returned. For three years, Moyles took a principal’s position in Okanogan, Wash. Then, in 1992, he retired to his sliver of land between the orcharding towns of Cashmere and Leavenworth. And this is where his second career has flourished.

It’s a career that launched without the benefit of premeditation. Looking for a hobby to occupy his retirement, Moyles began dabbling in an interest that dated back to the mid-1970s, when he had lived and worked in Tuscany. To complement that interest—and to stimulate his background in biology—he researched whether he could actually grow the grapes he needed for his homemade wines.

“At the time, no one was growing wine grapes in North Central Washington,” says
THE GODFATHER OF NORTH CENTRAL WASHINGTON GRAPES

"Before him there was nothing. Now there are 34 or 35 wineries in the region," says Ed Rutledge of Eagle Creek Winery.
Why the Washington wine business is popping its cork

Winemaking in Washington state dates back to 1825, when wine grapes were planted at Fort Vancouver by the Hudson’s Bay Company, but Prohibition decimated much of the state’s old-world wine culture. The modern era of Washington wines began 40 years ago with the efforts of companies like Chateau Ste. Michelle and Columbia Winery. Over the past 15 years, growth in the Washington wine industry has shifted. Now it’s less about large corporate wineries and more about family-owned, niche operations.

When Tom Hedges ’73, one of the owners of Hedges Family Estates, produced his first wine in 1987, there were 20 to 25 Washington wineries. Today they number about 400. Hedges Family Estates, which produces about 60,000 cases of wine per year, is the eighth largest winemaker in the state. “For many years we’ve been Washington’s largest family-owned operation,” he says.

Hedges initially produced wine totally from purchased grapes, but in 1989 his company bought land on Red Mountain (near the Tri-Cities) and now makes 30 percent of its wine from estate grapes. Hedges is confident the Washington wine industry will keep growing—its geography and its land prices both work to its advantage. “Grape lands in the Napa Valley can run $300,000 per acre. The land we bought on Red Mountain cost $1,200 per acre in 1989 and is now valued at $30,000 per acre.”

Dick Boushey ’73 of Boushey Farms has grown wine grapes in the Yakima Valley for 28 years. “Apples used to subsidize my grapes. Now it’s the other way around,” he says.

Washington is producing some of the world’s best wines, and Boushey attributes this to the quality of its grapes: “It’s impossible to make great wine without great fruit.” Boushey believes Eastern Washington possesses a nearly perfect climate for wine grapes. It has the volcanic and sandy soils grapes prefer, lots of summer sun and heat, and cool falls that retain fruit flavor. Additionally, water can be exactly controlled through irrigation. “The Napa Valley, to their detriment, gets a lot more rain.” Finally, the diversity of elevations, exposures, and distances from the Cascades create many microclimates. “We can grow everything from cabernets to rieslings, and we can do them at many different price points.”

Chuck Reininger ’82 and wife Tracy Tucker ’81 started home winemaking in 1993 and in 1997 opened a winery in Walla Walla near Tracy’s family wheat farm. At the time, Reininger Winery was the 10th winery in the Walla Walla Valley; now there are more than 90. Under the Helix label, the company produces 5,500 cases of wine from Columbia Valley fruit. And under the Reininger label it produces another 3,500 cases of wine featuring fruits grown around the Walla Walla Valley. Says Reininger, “We’re not trying to emulate someone else’s wine but to create a wine showing off the Walla Walla Valley and the elegance of our fruit.”

With nine official American Viticultural Areas (AVAs) in Washington and new AVAs proposed for North Central Washington, Reininger says the state has a steep learning curve ahead, as each region learns what works. But he doesn’t view the explosion of regional wineries as competition. Nor does he worry about new operations saturating the market. Instead, his hope is that every winery makes superb wine because every high-quality entrant gives critical mass and legitimacy to Washington wines. “We have so much diversity in this state that we can create many niches. I want to see Washington state put on the map as one of the world’s great winemaking regions. We’ve known this to be true since the 1970s and ‘80s, but the state is just coming into the recognition it deserves.” — AD
Moyles. "I contacted the Washington State Extension Services to find out what kind of grapes grew here and was told the region was too far north, had late spring freezes and early fall freezes, and really wasn't any good for grapes. They told me those who had tried had lost their vines to frost."

Friends claim Moyles has a streak of stubbornness and, true to form, he didn't accept this answer. "There was plenty of sunshine for growing grapes; I just figured strategies were needed for dealing with the freezes." He bought vines from Inland Desert Nurseries, and, with the help of a backhoe, planted the stalks 36 inches deep to make sure they would be well insulated from frost—in a bad year he might lose a crop but he wouldn't lose the plant itself. Then, over subsequent years, he developed a technique of pruning his plants into a fan-shaped arrangement with five stalks. In the event of a spring frost, he could prune back stalks that had been damaged and salvage the stalks that were not severely frozen. He also covered his stalks in late fall with dirt or snow to insulate them from the colder winters. In summer the grapes absorbed lots of sun, and, when they needed water, he flooded the surrounding soil for eight hours without wetting the plants themselves. "This gave the roots a deep watering without the risk of mildew affecting the plant."

Rather than being too far north, Moyles discovered everything grew when the right techniques were employed. On his acre of ground he grew grapes for the making of cabernet sauvignon, cabernet franc, merlot, pinot noir, lemberger, white riesling, sauvignon blanc, semillon, and gewürztraminer. With these grapes and others purchased from the Columbia Basin, Moyles started making many different Italian-style wines during the latter part of the 1990s.

"After six years of this, friends were telling me they liked what I made better than what they were buying. Why didn't I sell it?"

The notion of sharing the fruits of his labor intrigued him, and he endured the cumbersome process of getting licenses. Borrowing from the name of the bed and breakfast he and his wife had built on their property, La Toscana Winery became the first commercial winery in North Central Washington in October of 2000. The locals were watching Moyles' efforts with keen interest.

Peshastin orchardist Charlie McKee, for example, had been making wine for decades, and when he heard Moyles was successfully growing wine grapes, he paid a visit. "In 1998 or 1999 Warren got me interested in growing grapes. I planted three acres of riesling and lemberger. He got me going on this, he started the trend, and six months after he became the first commercial winemaker in the area, I opened Wedge Mountain Winery and became the second."
First Washington, now the world

Amy Griffin Mumma ’89 invented the viticulture program at Central Washington University. Now she’s bested nominees from 20 countries to win the first international Wine Women Award.

We hear countless stories of travel having an impact on someone’s life: a trip into the unfamiliar, a new adventure with mind-expanding influences. Travel during the college years—already a dynamic time in our lives—has the potential to be doubly significant. Such was the case for 1989 graduate Amy Griffin Mumma, who majored in French literature and minored in biology. Her study-abroad term planted seeds that launched a career in wine education and, last summer, brought distinction as “Professional Wine Woman 2005” at the first annual International Wine Women Awards in Paris, France.

“It all really started in Dijon,” Mumma explains. She was part of the 1988 UPS study-abroad program at the Université de Dijon, a program launched in 1985. “There, I was introduced not just to wine, but to the wine industry.”

The Dijon program places each student with a family; hers, the Berlin family. Monsieur Berlin worked in the wine trade, and from him she learned a lot about wine, winemaking, and the business of wine. It clearly got under her skin.

In the course of exploring wine education opportunities once she returned home, Mumma identified a lack of formal training for wine professionals. This led her to develop and launch the World Wine Program at Central Washington University in Ellensburg in 2003. The program covers viticulture, winemaking, wine regions, marketing, importing, wine tourism—really the whole gamut of the contemporary world of wine.

She learned about the Wine Women awards inadvertently, while researching on the Web. She was chosen one of five professional finalists out of 167 entrants and was flown to Paris for the final challenge. The tests included a written exam on technical aspects of wine, a blind tasting that required identifying the grape(s), region and vintage of the wine, and a 45-minute oral presentation made to a panel of judges. “It was grueling,” Mumma says.

Winning the top prize, Mumma was treated to exclusive wine tours in Beaune, Cognac, and Bordeaux. In Bordeaux, one of the most celebrated wine regions of the world, she stayed at Château Meyney in St-Éstèphe, which is owned by Cordier Wines. She also spent time at VinExpo, one of the world’s largest wine exhibitions, held bi-annually in Bordeaux. The final award trip comes this fall, when she returns to France to participate in the harvest with the esteemed Joseph Drouhin winery in Burgundy.

What could be next on her agenda, having already won this prestigious international award? Without a moment’s hesitation, she says, “The Master of Wine.” The London-based Institute of Masters of Wine administers one of the most rigorous professional qualifications in the business. There are slightly more than 250 Masters of Wine in the world, and only 22 in the United States (of which just two are women ... so far). To join those ranks, Mumma will need to pass an intensive four-day exam for which she’s already put in countless hours of study. Surely her Wine Women Award experience last summer will prove an ideal stepping stone toward this new goal. And no doubt we’ll be hearing more about Amy Mumma’s contributions to the world of wine in years to come. — Cynthia Nims ’86

Ed Rutledge of Eagle Creek Winery was another local who entered the game because of Moyles. “When I planted my grapes, Warren was there with his shovel to help. We’re discovering this is an exceptional place to grow grapes—our cool nights, warm, dry days, and our ability to control water through irrigation lets us produce exceptional fruit.” Rutledge watched with intense interest as Moyles got licensed and sold out his inventory of wine. “I figured if he can sell his, I can sell mine.”

Rutledge says Moyles is the grandfather of North Central Washington’s wine industry. “Before him there was nothing, now there are 34 or 35 wineries in the region, and every year another five or six new ones crop up.” Rutledge also credits Moyles with promoting the concept of an association of local winemakers. “He was one of the first to emphasize that by marketing North Central Washington as a wine region and by marketing together, we would do better than each going our own way.”

The Columbia Cascade Wine Association was the offshoot of these sentiments, and this marketing body has been very successful in branding North Central Washington as a wine destination. “Warren ‘got it’ early on,” says Rutledge. “The more wineries we have, the more of a wine destination this becomes. ... We all do better by working with each other.”

George Valison, the mayor of Cashmere and executive director of the Columbia Cascade Winery Association, sees the industry Moyles catalyzed as one of the economic salvations of the region. The local apple industry may be in decline, but the explosive growth and interest in regional wines is giving many a glimpse of future possibilities. “Visitors love coming because there is so much to do in the region, because we’re now producing good wines, and because we’re a collection of boutique wineries. The people pouring the wine for visitors are often the owners or winemakers of the operation.”

And the dollars visitors are infusing into North Central Washington are making a big difference in the local economy. Says Valison, “For every dollar these visitors spend on wine, they spend another seven on food, hotels, and other services. This has become a very important economic boon to the region.”

The numbers affiliated with the industry are rough, but the Port of Chelan County’s eco-
While the expenditures and profits affiliated with the industry have exploded, Moyles’ slice of it has always been small. “Most of us have gotten caught up in the snowball—we’ve gotten bigger, busier, and invested more,” says Ed Rutledge. “But Warren opens his tasting room by appointment only and hasn’t worried about increasing his production. He’s stayed true to the original goals that got him into this … to enjoy himself, rather than to worry about the money.”

Moyles doesn’t entirely agree with that assessment. His original goals were to produce wines bearing his personal touch at every step of the process, savor all parts of the journey in producing his handmade wines, engage his network of senior friends in the fellowship of winemaking, and enjoy the selling of his wines with those doing the purchasing. However, last year the snowball of success had him producing estate wines with the grapes he had grown, non-estate wines with purchased grapes, and blended wines totaling some 400 cases. The 73-year old retiree, who is slowing down a little and doesn’t want to be overtaken by his own avalanche, says, “300 cases would have been better.”

Moyles doesn’t publicize how much money he’s making at the game but, for a retiree, he admits he’s doing surprisingly well. The rough economics of making a merlot, for example, pencil out as follows: 1,000 pounds of grapes, with transport costs, runs roughly $1,000. This produces a barrel of wine, which in turn will produce 25 cases of merlot that will retail for $160 to $200 per case. The cost of bottles, labels, and corks runs about $1 per bottle. Most wineries would need to factor in labor, but Moyles says his senior-friend network may be even cheaper than the off-shore labor pools we hear so much about. “I pay them with a little wine, but we all do this because we’re having fun.”

All of which strikes at the heart of new paradigms about the flattening world. In the age of globalization, specialization, stringent cost-saving measures, technological solutions, and utilization of cheap work forces, almost everything about Moyles’ operation and the wine industry he spawned in North Central Washington cuts across the grain. It’s not particularly specialized. Moyles, for example, is a generalist who executes every task connected to his wines—he grows or purchases the grapes, designs the artwork for his labels, hand glues those labels onto the bottles, runs the small bottling machine that fills six bottles of wine at a time. Neither is his operation high-tech—for many years he processed his grapes by crushing them with his feet, and he hand dug the 12-foot by 12-foot wine cellar where he keeps his barrels of wine at a stable temperature. And then there are the geriatric pals he recruits when he needs manpower—it is, to say the least, an atypical labor pool.

But it appears that, within the context of the sterile environment where most businesses operate, niches like this can flourish because they offer what commodities cannot—a connection to people, a connection to the producer of a product, a touch of humanity. And, well, this particular niche also offers the feel-good buzz of alcohol.

People throughout Washington’s wine industry, whether they operate in the Columbia Basin, in the Walla Walla River Valley, or now in North Central Washington, indicate the human touch is, indeed, critical. Chuck Reininger ’82 of Reiniger Winery in Walla Walla, says, “In this high-tech world of ours, we still need human connection. Little family wineries have personality … you can interact with vineyard owners and winemakers sharing a love for wine … it’s a way for people to form a connection.”

While Walla Walla and the Columbia Basin are arguably Washington’s best-known wine regions, North Central Washington is now on the map and coming of age. With 1.5 million tourists already visiting Leavenworth annually for its outdoor activities and Bavarian-like theme town, the wine industry adds fuel to the reasons to pay a visit.

Louie Wagoner was a struggling Peshastin pear orchardist who picked Moyles’ brain and converted 10 acres of pear orchards to vineyards. His Icicle Creek Winery became one of the early players in the region’s viticulture game. “He’s my mentor and the grandfather of this whole thing,” Wagoner gets choked up talking about it. “He’s the reason I’m here … maybe this whole regional industry would be missing without him. That’s pretty darn good for an old geezer.”

Wenatchee-based writer Andy Dappen has written for Sports Illustrated, Outside, Men’s Health, and other magazines. His latest distraction is editing WenatcheeOutdoors.org.
First of all, this isn’t a story about politics. It is not about who supports the war in Iraq and who doesn’t, or whether an invasion was a bad idea. It is not meant to contribute another high-volume voice to the incessant name-calling and demonizing that has become our national dialogue, although we certainly have our opinions about that. It is just a story about a young woman we care about and someone she loves. And it is a reminder of how, when a country goes to war—no matter the cause—the war touches everyone, even the gentlest of people who are oceans and continents away, living and studying and dreaming about the future on the perfect picture of a college campus.

Jonee is a work-study intern here in the communications office; we see her nearly every day. She’s 21, a brown-haired pixie who looks a little like Audrey Hepburn in Sabrina. Her job is to help convert thousands of pages on the university’s old Web site to a new style that was introduced last year. It is not terribly exciting work. In fact it’s downright boring work that nevertheless requires alert attention to detail. But Jonee is at her computer 10 hours or more a week, reliably ticking off the pages for the Slater Museum and the chemistry department and international programs. Work-study students don’t usually get to choose their jobs, and Jonee says she was surprised and pleased with her assignment because the Web interests her.

The communications office is in a little Craftsman-style house on the edge of campus. Working here feels kind of like working from home every day. The upstairs floorboards creak. A couple of the windows are painted shut. Sometimes you have to jiggle the handle on the toilet to stop it from running. Patti’s office is in the former dining room, where a wooden plate shelf still lines the walls. Barb, Jonee’s supervisor, walks around the carpeted floors in her stocking feet. Cathy hangs her lunchtime workout clothes on a hatrack by her desk.

In such an informal atmosphere, the staff gets to know the interns well. We learned, for example, that Jonee is a transfer student, a member of the Class of 2007, majoring in politics and government. She chose P&G, she says, because after she voted for the first time in the 2004 presidential election, she thought, “It’s not enough.” She wanted to feel like she was participating more in decisions that affect people’s lives.

Jonee grew up in Cloverdale, Indiana—population 2,273. It is a town still mostly devoid of subdivisions, halfway between Indianapolis and Terre Haute.

Before coming to Puget Sound, Jonee was enrolled at Ohio State, where her mom is a sociology professor. And before that she spent two years at the Indiana Academy for Science, Mathematics, and Humanities, an elite, resi-
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dential public high school for gifted and talented students, housed at Ball State University. She applied there because she wanted to get out of her small, farm town.

“I was feeling a little rebellious,” she says. The pixie has pluck.

Jonee lives in an apartment in University Place with her boyfriend, Wayne, and their chattering yellow parakeet, Petey. Wayne is a sergeant in the U.S. Army.

How Jonee and Wayne met could have been scripted by Thornton Wilder. In high school, Wayne had an after-school job in Cloverdale’s tiny drug store, but he had to quit as wrestling season approached. He was the team captain. This was in 1999, when Jonee was a freshman at Cloverdale High. She was hired as his replacement. Being a responsible young man, Wayne stopped in often to help Jonee learn the ropes. When he kept coming by long after Jonee had mastered the clunky cash register and figured out how to restock the Coke machine outside, she realized he might be interested in more than just a smooth job transition. That spring they went to Wayne’s senior prom.

Jonee says Wayne isn’t particularly patriotic, but as high school graduation approached he decided to join the Army. In a town that seemed devoid of opportunity, where the ninth-grade class had more than 100 kids in it but by 12th grade was down to only a few dozen, a trip to the recruiting office seemed like a good plan when you didn’t know what else to do. That, and Wayne’s two best friends also enlisted—one in the Air Force, the other in the Marines. He signed up for a six-year hitch and left for basic training in June. By December of 2000 he was in Korea. He returned a year later—after September 11 but before the U.S. invasion of Iraq. Desert training followed, in June 2003, so it was pretty clear what the Army had in mind for him. Wayne’s unit was deployed to Iraq that November.

Since this was their second extended separation, Jonee knew that loneliness and dread would again become familiar emotions.

“Leading up to the departure, you know you have a whole year of not much to look forward to,” she says. “Life is on hold. Little distractions only work for so long, but that doesn’t really matter. Honestly, you don’t want to feel any better. It doesn’t seem right to feel any better. And Iraq is not Korea; it’s harder when you know the place is more dangerous.”

Wayne doesn’t talk much about his job in the Army and Jonee doesn’t press him. He is a forward observer. He doesn’t patrol the streets every day, but he does travel, and going from place to place in Iraq is very dangerous. That’s what worries Jonee.

After nearly a year in Iraq, Wayne returned safely to the United States and was posted at Fort Lewis. Unable to bear the separation any longer, Jonee transferred from Ohio State to UPS. Another year passed, and with the end of Wayne’s enlistment in sight—June of 2006—the couple began making plans for life after the Army. They’ve grown fond of the Northwest, want to settle down here, and Wayne was accepted to the chemical engineering program at the University of Washington.

But one day in early spring, Jonee came to work at the communications house, sat down, and began to cry. She told us about a Defense Department policy called stop-loss, which compels members of the country’s volunteer armed forces to remain in service beyond their contracted term. It is a tool meant to keep experienced units together and to halt depletion of the ranks as enlistments decline during wartime. Stop-loss orders to a unit can be reissued over and over again. Wayne’s departure date from the Army and the couple’s plans had just become indefinite.

Over the next several days we learned a lot more about Jonee and her determination and heart, as she tried to find a way to keep Wayne home:

1. Fight the stop-loss order in court: Stop-loss has plenty of opponents, including those who say the practice is tantamount to a draft. (Congress abolished military conscription in 1973.) Others point out that enlistees sign a contract for their term of service, and it seems unfair that the individual is not allowed to break the contract but the government is. But stop-loss does have a precedent. During World War II, for example, GIs were ordered to serve until the fighting was over, plus an additional six months. The difference this time is that the Iraq occupation is not a declared war. Several challenges to stop-loss are working their way through the courts, but, with appeals, the process could take years.

2. Do something desperate: Run away to Canada. Unlike the Vietnam era, these days this simply isn’t possible. Canada isn’t exactly welcoming AWOL soldiers with open arms. Plus, Jonee points out, Wayne is not the kind of guy who would consider quitting.

3. Petition for conscientious objector status or do something to get dishonorably discharged: Also not an option. Jonee says that Wayne has his doubts about the reasons for the U.S. presence in Iraq, but he’s not about to invent a personal political viewpoint or do something illegal to get out of the Army. He will follow through on what he started, and that’s that.

4. Do what generations of young lovers have done as one of them heads into combat: Acknowledge the incomprehensible reality of war, do your job as faithfully as you can, pray with all your might for peace, and confront uncertainty with an unrestrained expression of hope.

Jonee and Wayne were married in Kilworth Chapel at 2 p.m. on Wednesday, May 17. Wayne shipped out at the end of June.

Remembering that Wayne left Cloverdale for basic training in June and it was June when he departed for desert training, Jonee said, “It hasn’t been an especially good month for us.”

Chuck Luce is the editor of this magazine.
FIRE AND GEMSTONES
If media buzz is any measure, Damien Brown '00 is sizzling this summer. His San Damión line of jewelry is popping up everywhere, most recently in the July issue of Seattle magazine, which declares his work "hot and in." For more on Damien, turn the page.

Doris Day Sapp writes: "After 50 years in San Diego, we are moving into a home on five acres next door to our son [Allan Sapp '78] in Gardnerville, Nev."

Charlie Wright and wife Ruth celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary by hosting the Chamber of Commerce After Hours at the Elks Lodge in Canton, Ill. The couple was married on Dec. 25, 1945, by then-university president R. Franklin Thompson. Charlie was affiliated with the Sigma Zeta Epsilon fraternity while at CPS. He was owner of WHYS Radio until his retirement in 1999, although he continues as a columnist for the Daily Ledger in Canton. The couple has one daughter, two grandchildren, and four great-grandchildren.
Damien Brown '00

Baubles by design

Watch closely: His jewelry keeps showing up around the necks of TV stars

San Damián, the patron saint of apothecaries and barbers, isn’t the namesake for Damien Brown’s line of jewelry, the San Damián Collection. “It’s actually kind of an inside joke with myself,” he said. “I’m no saint—that’s for sure—but I marvel at my luck.”

Luck, perhaps, but Damien also works hard at making sure his designs get noticed and therefore sell—from buying stones all over the world and following up on every sales lead, to maintaining the relationships that help him get his jewelry around the necks of some pretty influential people.

“Street credibility is so important when you’re starting out,” he said. His jewelry has been worn by “Lost” co-star Evangeline Lilly, and has shown up on actors on CBS’s “CSI Las Vegas,” “Living with Fran” on WB, and on the new NBC series, “Heist.”

Damien majored in foreign languages/international affairs, but it isn’t as odd as it sounds that he wound up making jewelry. He says he tries for an international, culturally chic look in his designs. A creative bent runs in the family. His brother, Caleb Brown ’03, has been selling his paintings through galleries since he was 16, and the brothers have been collaborating on projects since middle school—starting with a line of greeting cards. “He’s the real artist,” said Damien about Caleb, who is now enrolled in Boston University’s M.F.A. program.

Damien’s career can be traced back to his self-designed study-abroad program in Merida, Yucatan. “I have strong ties to southern Mexico where my godparents live, and I’ve always wanted to have my own import/export business,” he said. “The key for me is capturing a Latin flavor in my design work.”

For the past four years he’s been creating designs for his line, developing relationships with brokers, solidifying partnerships with artisans in Mexico, and positioning his business in the highly competitive Los Angeles market.

“I didn’t want my collection to be an ‘in today, out tomorrow’ trend,” he explained. “I wanted to create one-of-a-kind pieces that offer versatility.”

The San Damián Collection has two lines—Couture and Street. The “Couture” line showcases exotic semiprecious stones from Africa, Brazil, India, Indonesia, Peru, and Siberia, while the “Street” line combines distinctive glass-fusion pieces created by a process that took 20 months to develop. By inserting dichroic metal while the glass is molten, the light refracting qualities are dramatically increased. Each piece is then spun and flattened. The effect is a kaleidoscope of color or encased in nearly unbreakable glass—perfect for everyday wear. As a final touch, Damien sets each stone or glass piece in a classic heavy-gauge sterling design.

To see more of Damien’s work, click on www.sandamianline.com. “If I can make a living at this,” he grinned, “I’ll be the happiest guy ever.”

— Cathy Tollefson ’83
Donald Rogers and wife Georgia cruised the Chilean Fiords and Cape Horn earlier this year on the M/S Clipper Adventurer. They write: "We lucked out on weather and had a blue-sky day when we visited Torres del Paine National Park. We even went ashore at Cape Horn—calm seas down there are rare."

Russell Kitto and his wife, Carole, toured many historical and sporting event sites in Denmark, Sweden, and Norway in June 2005.

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Terry McGowan Kinman and Richard Kinman write: "We continue to be snowbirds in Sun City, Ariz., each winter. We also still enjoy monthly luncheons with our Sigma Alpha Epsilon and Alpha Phi college friends."

Joan Trovani Schrenk reports: "Marlene Peterson Bailey '56 and I played in a golf partnership match at our club recently. The UPS team won! Marlene's husband, Ron Bailey '56, is president of the board here at the Club on Sonterra in San Antonio, Texas."

Lowell McKone sends this update: "My wife retired in February. We sold

properties in eastern Washington and bought a country home in our hometown of Castle Rock, Wash. After living east since 1963, we're trying to adapt to rain!"

Joann Mendel Peterson and husband Arthur Peterson '61 enjoy retired life on Whidbey Island, Wash.

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Adelle Paul Smith writes: "I taught junior high in the University Place school district for 26 years. Grant Smith '59 worked in the U.S. Postal Service for 36 years as a supervisor. We're now retired and enjoy our six grandchildren and one great-grandchild, tent camping, and traveling. We are still involved with the Daffodil Festival, and Grant is still working with Explorer Search and Rescue, the group he helped start more than 40 years ago. Their granddaughter, Kristina Smith '09, is in the M.Ed. program in counseling at UPS.

Daniel King was chosen to participate in the Hurricane Katrina Community Advisory Group as a scientific collaborator. The group, a 2,000-member representative sample of survivors of Hurricane Katrina, will provide information to help estimate the pace of recovery of families whose lives were impacted by the hurricane. Daniel is a quantitative psychologist and works as a professor of psychology and psychiatry at Boston University. His work deals with the causes of traumatic stress reactions. He was co-recipient of the 2002 Lauffer Award for Outstanding Scientific Achievement in Research on Posttraumatic Stress Disorder given by the International Society for Traumatic Stress.

Jeanette Russell Taudin Chabot B.A. '70, M.A. '72 and David Taudin Chabot B.A. '71, M.A. '72 send this update: "Our son, Sean [Taudin Chabot '92], and his wife, Robyn [Ross Taudin Chabot '92], had twins in March 2005 (their second and third children). Double the trouble—twice the joy."

35th Reunion
Sept. 29-30, 2006

Mike Hays writes: "As a UC Riverside basketball supporter, I was very surprised when the Loggers came to town on Dec. 21, 2005, and beat the Division I UCR team 115 to 111. I supported the Loggers, of course, and spoke to several of the players' parents and siblings after the game. The team really played hard and is a lot of fun to watch."

Steven Hillyard retired as vice president, corporate controller, and chief accounting officer from the Weyerhaeuser Company earlier this year.

Thomas Barcelona left in February for a six-month stay in Uganda as a Peace Corps crisis volunteer. He has been asked to design a financial control system for Reach Out, an organization that provides free medical care and counseling to clients with HIV/AIDS. Thomas and his wife, Grace, previously served as Peace Corps volunteers in the Solomon Islands from 1997 to 1999 and in Lesotho from 2001 to 2003. He also is co-director of the Maritime Museum in Westport, Wash.

Deborah White Fitzgerald sends this update: "I met a wonderful man three years ago and we were married on New Year's Eve 2005 in a beautiful ceremony at the Carolina Hotel in Pinehurst N.C. Pinehurst is very special to us, and we bought a home there last fall. Although it's now being used for vacation and future retirement, we are working at moving our jobs in order to make it our permanent address. The purchase of our home includes membership to the Pinehurst Country Club. If any old friends who are golfers would like to come play, let me know!"

Karl Leaverton was named division president of RBC Dain Rauscher's west division, which includes 63 branch offices in 14 states. He joined RBC, a subsidiary of Royal Bank of Canada, in 1993 as regional director of the firm's private client offices in Oregon, Nevada, and Utah. Karl advanced to head the Midwest region and was promoted to senior vice president and regional director of the western region in 1999. He earned his master's degree at Stanford University and lives in Seattle.

Ross Bogue '79 was named overall manager of The Boeing Company's Everett, Wash., plant, including its 747, 777, and 767 jetliner programs. He earned his master's in management as a Sloan Fellow at Stanford University in 1995. He also is a graduate of the executive education program at the Joseph B. Katz Graduate School of Business at the University of Pittsburgh. Ross, a 25-year Boeing veteran, had been vice president and general manager of Boeing Fabrication since December 2004.

Wayne Hoff M.B.A. '79 retired from The Boeing Company in October 2005 after 31 years of service. He plans to do some traveling in retirement.

Scott Jackson was appointed vice president for external relations for PATH, an international health orga-

Ross Bogue '79 was named overall manager of The Boeing Company's Everett plant.
Within four months of joining Barclay's in London as chief operating officer, Deanna Watson Oppenheimer was promoted to chief executive for UK banking.

Beverley Patterson was named vice president of finance and administration for Impart Media Group, Inc., as of March 16.

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Tim Taylor is head coach for the boy's basketball team at Brewster High School. The team repeated as Washington Class 1A state champions this year and stretched its unbeaten record to 51 games. The Bears have not lost since the 2004 semifinals.

Brenda Carver M.F.A. '83 served as an Army arts and crafts director in Europe for 10 years. She was one of last year's judges in the 2005 Army Arts and Crafts Contest, which featured 306 entries from military installations around the world.

David Elliott was sworn in earlier this year as a member of the board of directors for the Griffin School District, located outside of Olympia, Wash. He also completed a two-year term as an appointee to the board. David will be serving as commodore of the South Sound Sailing Society for the 2006-07 term. He writes: "I have spent the last two years as a stay at home dad and strongly recommend it. Getting to know the kids and their daily life has been very rewarding.

David is married to Claire Ackerman Elliott '83.

Rachel Coloff '87 was in the opening night performance of Lestat at the Palace Theatre on Broadway.

John Dickson was elected president and CEO of Frontier Financial Corporation effective Jan. 1. He has worked with Frontier for 21 years and had served as CEO of Frontier Bank since May 2003.

Scott Griffin M.B.A. '82 was interviewed for CIO Today's Jan. 19 online version. As vice president and CIO for The Boeing Company, he is responsible for Boeing's IT strategy, systems, and people. Scott began his career with Boeing in 1979 and held various assignments until his promotion to CIO in 1999. He also chairs the company's Information Technology Process Council and is a member of the Boeing Engineering Council.

Duane Karns is director of Choral Activities and assistant professor of music at the University of Nevada, Reno. He took one of the university choirs on a 10-day tour to Germany in January. Duane is scheduled to conduct a performance of Mozart's "Regina Coeli" by the University of Nevada, Reno choirs at Carnegie Hall in February 2007. The UPS Adelphian Concert Choir, along with conductor Jerry Yonkman, is scheduled to join them.

Alexey Rudolph Root authored Children and Chess: A Guide for Educators (see review in the bibliography section, page 15). She holds social studies and English teaching credentials and has a Ph.D. in education from UCLA. Alexey has worked as a senior lecturer in general studies for the University of Texas at Dallas since 1999. She and husband Doug, an associate professor of biology at the University of North Texas, along with their children Clarissa, 13, and William, 9, live in Denton, Texas. Her book, based on her online college credit courses, is available via the UT TeleCampus at www.telecampus.utsystem.edu.

After a 15-year search, we finally caught up with Shelley Winship in northern New Mexico. Although her response was more than we can include here, the highlights are as follows: After several years as an advertising copywriter for Nordstrom in Seattle, Shelley gave up her steady gig for love and followed her future husband, Doug Clark, to Eugene, Ore. Until recently, she had been working at the director of development at the University of Oregon School of Architecture and Allied Arts, while also doing graduate work in nonprofit management and festival and events management. Changes within the past year—Doug selling his 20-year-old natural cereal business and her stepson, Will, off to study jazz drumming at Manhattan School of Music in New York—prompted them to think about a new adventure. Forces seemed to lead them in the direction of New Mexico where they settled about a year ago. They've just completed construction of a passive solar, adobe home on seven acres in the small village of Chimayo (population 3,000) just north of Santa Fe. When not working to secure state and federal support to dredge their local reservoir or playing the accordion, Shelley is employed with The Santa Fe Opera as a development officer.

Jeffrey Ball writes: "After 20-plus years in commercial and investment banking, I am the founder of a new bank in my hometown of Whitfill, Calif. I hope local alumni will stop by and visit Friendly Hills Bank." Jeffrey earned his M.B.A. from Whittier College in 1989.

Susan McFadden Crawford sends this update from Oregon, Wis.: "I have always wanted to be an animal doctor more than an airline pilot, so I left United Airlines and started school last fall at the University of Wisconsin-Madison School of Veterinary Medicine. My husband, Clarke, continues to fly for American Airlines. We are both enjoying the slower pace of life on our farm here in Wisconsin."

Terry Lara O'Reilly joined Unigen Pharmaceuticals, Inc., as the company's first director of clinical research. The company focuses on identifying and studying the properties of medicinal botanicals. Terry will head up all of Unigen's human clinical trials. She earned her M.D. from the Medical College of Wisconsin in Milwaukee and has worked for more than 10 years, most recently as assistant vice president, external affairs, at the Western Institutional Review Board in Olympia, Wash.

David Poston was appointed vice president, finance; chief financial officer; and treasurer of Targeted Genetics Corporation in January. He joined the company in 1999 as finance director and had been acting CFO since 2005. David began his career in public accounting and has worked in the financial field for more than 20 years, primarily in the area of financial disclosure.

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Rachel Coloff was in the opening night performance of Lestat at the Palace Theatre on Broadway. Other credits since moving to New York include performances in Fiddler on the Roof from February 2004 to January 2006 and Soupy Sue in the musical Urinetown from September 2001 to January 2004. Other credits include her Broadway debut in Candid in 1997.

Elizabeth Cousens is vice president of the International Peace Academy (IPA), an independent, international institution dedicated to promoting the prevention and settlement of armed conflicts through policy research and development. Elizabeth previously served as director of research with IPA from 1997 to 2000. Her research, focusing on comparative peace processes and international implementation of peace agreements in civil wars, resulted in several publications. Elizabeth also was a visiting fellow at the Center for International
Call them The Boys of Autumn. They’re Logger alumni Jerry Thacker and Bob Young, who are still beating out base hits as members of First American Title 65s, a 65–69 age-group softball team that won two national championships in 2005. The twin titles put the capstone on a long-standing relationship between the two men. They estimate that they’ve played together for 45 years and in more than 3,000 games.

Their exploits on the diamond have been amply noted. Both men were inducted into the Tacoma-Pierce County Old-Timers Baseball-Softball Association Hall of Fame in 1996. On June 4 they attended the association’s annual banquet to participate in ceremonies honoring the team for its accomplishments. It was a busy week for Jerry. Two days earlier, he was inducted into the Tacoma-Pierce County Sports Hall of Fame.

Jerry, 69, came to UPS in 1956 on a football scholarship. An AP Little All-American Honorable Mention at quarterback, he established 10 school records by the time he graduated. One, a 96-yard touchdown pass to Ed Tingstad ’62 (“It actually covered about 20 yards,” Jerry chuckles) still stands.

He left UPS with 10 letters: four each in football and baseball, and a pair in basketball. After graduation (he also earned his M.Ed. in ’70), Jerry worked as a teacher, and a football and baseball coach. He was named the Pierce County Coach of the Year in 1978 while at Orting High School. Then he managed a card room for 10 years before retiring.

Bob’s route to a Puget Sound degree was considerably less traditional. After graduating from Lincoln High School in 1957 and not having money for college, he went into the Navy, where he played some hoops and hardball. Two years at Olympic College, where he played baseball, was next. By then he and Jerry had joined forces, playing on a powerhouse Heidelberg slow-pitch softball team that won seven straight Northwest championships. At the same time, “the GI Bill kicked in,” Bob notes. “I took night classes because I had a decent job as a Teamsters Union official and was raising two kids.” He received his business degree from UPS in 1976. “It was a useful degree,” Bob said. “It helped a lot of times during negotiations.” He retired as president of his local in 1996.

National championships aren’t Bob’s only athletic highlight. He officiated high school basketball and football games for 16 years. He also ran a mile carrying the 1996 Olympic torch during its circuitous path to Atlanta and was selected to represent all 27 Pierce County torchbearers (among them, seven former Olympians) in ceremonies in Tacoma. He joined dignitaries in speaking about what being a torchbearer meant to him.

Both men relish the social aspect of slow-pitch. Thacker emphasizes the camaraderie, while Bob focuses on chemistry. “The team always picks you up,” he says.

Bob isn’t shy about expressing his love of the game. “Senior Softball ... Is Life” reads the license plate frame on his car. And he often sports a T-shirt that proclaims “Life is a piece of cake ... senior softball is serious.” — Jim Whiting
Amped up

Shocking news about former Logger football players

When you log on to the South Sound Shockers Web site (www.shockersfootball.org), the booming sounds of kettledrums greet you, pounding out "Valhalla" and evoking epic battle scenes. The Pacific Northwest Football Conference is not for the faint of heart.

Now in its second season, the Shockers play full-contact football. Players range in age from 18 to 43—most are in their 20s. They’re not paid; participants are mostly former high school and college jocks who aren’t quite ready to put away their shoulder pads.

In the team’s inaugural season, Eric Goodman ’02 (that’s him, above) scored the first Shockers touchdown after a pass interception. He was the catalyst for other Logger alumni to join the roster in 2006. They are: Nate Enciso ’04 (also enrolled in graduate studies at UPS), Ryan Kalalau ’03, Anthony Puz ’00, and Micah Tanaka B.S. ’02, M.A.T. ’03.

As Arches went to press the Shockers were 10-0 and due to play for the league championship against the Seattle Stallions.

Security and Cooperation at Stanford University in 1990-94. She received her master’s and doctoral degrees from the University of Oxford, which she attended as a Rhodes Scholar.

Jonathan Dong joined Pettee Inc., a comprehensive engineering and planning firm based in Everett, Wash., as a transportation planner. He previously worked as community relations manager for four of the Seattle Monorail Project stations and as a senior transportation planner for the City of Bellevue, where he earned national recognition for his work on automobile reduction initiatives.

Derek Mose writes: "I just transferred to San Ramon, Calif., to begin a new role with Chevron in the Business Strategy and Pricing Department." He was recently appointed North American pricing specialist-jobber with Chevron.

Andrea Bernadelli Harrison and husband Nathan Harrison ’90 write from Bellevue, Wash.: "We are happy to announce the birth of our second child, Finnegan Bryce Harrison, who arrived on Dec. 21, 2005. He was 7 pounds 2 ounces and joins sister Abigail Rose, 4." Andrea celebrated her 15th year at Microsoft and Nathan started his 16th year teaching junior and senior high school orchestra in the Kent school district. Outside of work and spending time with their kids, the family has enjoyed trips to Europe and spending time outdoors.

John Becker was promoted to principal in the civil and structural engineering firm AHBL Inc., based in Tacoma. He has worked as a professional land surveyor for 17 years. John’s current projects include an aerial survey for American Lake Gardens in Lakewood, Wash., and the Old Hillside Neighborhood revitalization at Fort Lewis.

Warren Clemans was promoted to partner in the law firm Preston Gates and Ellis in Seattle. He practices corporate law, focusing on mergers and acquisitions. A recent significant transaction was the sale of Microsoft assets related to Slate magazine to The Washington Post Company. Warren earned his J.D. from Seattle University School of Law.

Andrew Miller continues to teach music while pursuing a PBS taping in Dublin, Ireland, of his Christmas cantata titled "The Birth of Christ." His musical, "The Prodigal," sold out in Seattle in 2003 and is scheduled to open off Broadway this fall. Last year Andrew was endorsed as a Steinway artist and was given a Steinway grand piano to accompany the distinction.

Susan Sipes M.P.T. ’91 joined Westgate Orthopaedic Physical Therapy and Exercise as a staff physical therapist in January. She has 14 years of experience, including aquatic therapy.

Michelle Hollins Crowley writes from Watertown, Mass.: "I have two kids now, Maeve, 3, and Finbar, 1. I love being a mom, but juggle working full time as a landscape architect. I’m designing a public park in Beacon, N.Y., on the Hudson adjacent to the Dia:Beacon modern art museum. Look for it in a couple of years!"

Chris Perkins sends this update: "I married Mary DeMichele on Oct. 23, 2005, in Bigfork, Mont. My wife is from New Jersey and graduated from Rutgers in 1991. I am the director of the Swan Valley Youth Academy in Swan Lake, Mont." Contact Chris at cgperkins@yahoo.com.

Michael Moyer is an instructor of wine science at Walla Walla Community College and teaches enology and general chemistry classes. He and wife Erica had their first child, Aidan George, on Oct. 4, 2005, and are enjoying life in small town eastern Washington.

Josh Udesen is teaching at the Tashkent International School in Tashkent, Uzbekistan. He writes: "After teaching for seven years in Redmond, Ore., I decided to follow a long time goal and take my teaching overseas. I am at a small but wonderful school with students from all over the world—in my 7th through 12th grade classes I have students from 20 countries. On top of a great teaching experience, I am enjoying traveling, mountain biking, exploring, trekking.
and climbing in some of the most rugged and untamed mountain wilderness in the world. Although the lift skiing is not like home, they just introduced heliskiing and it's cheaper than skiing at Sun Valley! I am lucky to be doing all of this with my new wife, Amy Ambrose, who consults for UNICEF and volunteers as a para medic in Tajikistan. It seems as though the world has forgotten about this little corner of the world, and we are having a great time discovering it.

Vera Divenyi sends this update: "I cannot believe that I moved back to San Francisco almost two years ago from Geneva. I have enjoyed being back in the U.S. and the challenges of working for PricewaterhouseCoopers. I was promoted to manager in 2005 and have been devoting all my time to work and racing bikes for a local team. In my first year, I ended up winning races, which I really enjoyed! Don't expect to see me in the pro peloton anytime soon, though."

impressions of the retail venue where their business, George, an art gallery and gift shop, is located. The entire article is available at http://seattlepil.nwsource.com/business/255697, retail 4.html.

David Kupferman writes from Mar juro, Marshall Islands: "I'm the dean of academic affairs at the College of the Marshall Islands in the central Pacific Ocean. I also have a great tan."

Barbara Nulsmier M.O.T. '96 is a lieutenant colonel with the Army National Guard. She is a member of the 115th Area Support Group based in Roseville, Calif., and has been deployed to Kuwait in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom. Barbara works as a plans and operations director of security.

On March 1 Alicia Crane joined the university staff as the new director of donor relations in the Office of University Relations. She previously served as the director of development for CRISTA Camps School of Law and is employed as a legal investigator for the California Appellate Project in San Francisco.

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Bryan Fanning sent this update in February: "I've been working for Raytheon Polar Services at McMurdo Station, Antarctica, as a dishwasher since August and leave in a week for New Zealand to do some traveling. I've been living in Fort Collins, Colo., since moving from Seattle in July of 2004. When I get back to the states in April, I'll head up the highway to Anchorage, Alaska, my hometown for at least the summer."

Lisa Reimer won the 2006 William C. Reeves New Investigator Award to study mosquitoes. The award, sponsored by the Mosquito and Vector Control Association of California, is coordinated by the Mosquito Research Program at the University of California, Davis.

Bree Starr Russell writes: "I got married in December 2004, then moved to Chicago this past June for my husband's new job. I am now teaching second grade and absolutely love it!" Bree earned her M.A.T. from Concordia University in 2003.

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Kristen Blount M.P.T. '01 married Ben Bell on Aug. 27, 2005, in her hometown of Anchorage, Alaska. She is a physical therapist at Providence Alaska Medical Center, and her husband is an occupational therapist at Providence. The newlyweds honeymooned in Hawaii.

Elizabeth Catlin is attending Vermont Law School and won two academic excellence awards for the highest grade in her civil procedure and constitutional law courses. She also is a member of Phi Beta Kappa honor society.

Jake Good joined Sterling Savings Bank as a business banker in their Fircrest, Wash., office. He previously was branch manager of KeyBank's Fife location.

Rebecca Kogan sends this update: "I've been living in Beijing for a year, working at Ogilvy Public Relations. China is an absolutely amazing place, although it's worlds different from anywhere else I've been. I have had the chance to travel to Southeast Asia and to many parts of China. It's an unforgettable experience. If there are ever any UPS alumni or students traveling through, don't hesitate to get in touch." You can contact Rebecca at rebecca.kogan@ogilvy.com.

Heating out an incumbent, Ryan Mello won the Position 4 seat on Metro Parks board of commissioners in November. He also serves as co-chair on the Equal Rights Washington board of directors.

Rotary International selected Erin Vranas as their Ambassadorial Scholar to Chile in 2005.

Brooke Johnson B.A. '02, M.A.T. '05 writes: "I moved to Walla Walla, where I substitute teach in the local elementary schools."

Melissa Krick is a doctoral student at the University of California, San Diego in their biology program.

Andrea Touhey sends this update: "After teaching along the Rio Grande, I spent some time training teachers in Namibia. I have settled in Boston for the time being. I am continuing to work with inner city youth, while dabbling in math at Boston College."

Robert Welngeist is attending Pacific College of Oriental Medicine in Chicago. He writes: "Once I'm done with school in 2008, I plan to start a health center offering the best in acupuncture, herbalism, massage, hypnosis, and martial arts."

Glenna Anderson was one of a 15-member delegation sponsored by the Christian Peacemaker Teams that went to Jerusalem for 12 days in January. The group worked with Israeli and Palestinian peace and human rights organizations there. She also stayed in a refugee camp in Bethlehem.

Carly Blanchard finished the second semester of studies for a master's degree in teaching English as a second language at the Monterey Institute of International Studies. She writes: "I am the resource center coordinator for the MIIS Intensive English Program and an adjunct faculty member for the English for Academic Purposes Program. When not living and studying in Monterey, I live and teach in Tirana, Albania."

Tracy Moncure was hired through AmeriCorps as the first coordinator of Brunswick, Maine's, new teen center. Along with coordinating daily operations for the center, she will help secure future funding for the organization through grants and fundraising events over the next several months.

Heidi Tauschek has been on the move since graduation, spending time in Alaska, Australia, Japan, and Indonesia. She sends this update: "I'm currently an ESL teacher in South Korea for elementary and middle school students. Life is so different here, but I love it." She has been in Korea for more than nine months. Although her contract expires in October 2006, she has the opportunity for an extension. Heidi also writes a monthly column for the Gwangju News, an international magazine for the English-speaking population there. While in Korea, she plans to continue to fill her passport with trips to China, Cambodia, Vietnam, and Thailand.

Debbie Akhbari is the program assistant/coordinator for the Policy Consensus Center at the University of Washington. The center is a joint venture between the University of Washington and Washington State University, with a mission of drawing together representatives from a wide network to find long-term solutions to policy conflicts in Washington state.

Heather Francis sends this update: "I am currently a student at Willamette University's Atkinson Graduate School of Management—expected graduation in the spring of 2007. Last summer Matt Bisturis and I traveled to the Canadian Rockies and spent two weeks exploring Banff and Jasper National Parks."

Wynne Scherf B.A. '04, M.O.T. '06 completed the final internship for her master's in March.

Anna Hansen is an account manager for Hadley Green Creates, a full-service marketing agency in Seattle.

Chris Harland is pursuing a Ph.D. in physics at the University of Oregon, where he also works as a teaching assistant with undergraduates.

Faculty and staff

In our minds, it’s quite possible that Houston Dougharty '83 coined the famed campus adage, "Once a Logger, always a Logger." To many he epitomizes the best of Puget Sound, fostering relationships with students, staff, and fellow alumni wherever he goes. Houston departed UPS in June to become dean of students at Lewis and Clark College.

Like a lucky penny, the New Mexico native kept turning up on the Puget Sound campus, most recently as associate dean of Student Services, a job he conducted with unwavering good humor since 1999. He also filled in as interim dean of students during the 2004-05 academic year.

Prior to joining the Puget Sound staff (this time), Houston was associate dean of students at Iowa State University in Ames, where he provided leadership in several areas of student advocacy. He also held positions at the University of California, Santa Barbara and at Western Washington University, along with stints as an associate director of admission for both Puget Sound and at the University of Hartford. Houston earned a master's degree in education in student personnel from Western Washington University and holds a master's in educational leadership from UC, Santa Barbara.

Houston's seeming omnipresence on campus and infectious enthusiasm for his alma mater—his collection of UPS memorabilia rivals the university archives—leaves a void that won't soon be filled. We wish nothing but the best for him in his new position, but hope he'll turn up again real soon—maybe at Homecoming?

Professor of Mathematics and Computer Science John Riegeacker retired in May after 26 years on the Puget Sound faculty.

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He earned his bachelor’s in mathematics at Goshen College in Indiana, completed his master’s at Northern Illinois University, and went on to earn his Ph.D. from the University of Illinois at Chicago Circle in 1976. John served as director of the Computer Center for Academic Computing at Central College in Pella, Iowa, for four years prior to coming to Puget Sound. He quickly moved up the academic ladder and has served as a full professor in his department since 1988. He also was department chair from 1993 to 1996. During the 1990s, John was involved with the Peter Puget Mathematics Seminar. The group, including Professors Rob Beezer and Bryan Smith, has published several papers and technical reports on graph theory—a project he hopes to renew after retirement. Immediate plans include learning to weld so that he can create garden art. He said, “My wife and lare avid gardeners. Every year I start about 75 tomato plants in my greenhouse, mostly heirloom varieties. I keep about 20 plants and give the rest to friends.” An amateur astronomer, John hopes to take his 14.5 inch Starmaster telescope to some “dark sky sites,” and perhaps learn astrophotography. Also on his agenda are more hiking and travel, perhaps including to his ancestral home of Ruegseg, Switzerland, along with attending more agility events with his wife, Deborah, who trains with dog Rocky, one of six Papillons that share their home. John also is looking forward to reading more for pleasure. He added, “Serendipity has always played a large part in my life, so I expect that I’ll find other things I enjoy doing.”

In memoriam

Scott Weldin, longtime UPS theater set designer and teacher, died at home April 20 at the age of 60. He had been diagnosed with aggressive brain cancer last fall. After earning his bachelor’s and master’s degrees at Michigan State University, Scott taught theater at Wichita State University. Later he and wife Jan and their son, Josh ’96, moved to Seattle, where Scott earned his M.F.A. at the University of Washington. Scott taught at Seattle University, at the UW, and from 1990 to 2001 he was director of theater at UPS, where he and Josh arranged their schedules in order to eat lunch together a few days a week. Nationally admired, Scott created more than 200 sets for theater productions staged throughout the country. Locally he earned several Seattle Times Footlight awards for theatrical excellence. His wife and son survive Scott.

Fritz Berntsen ’31 passed away Feb. 24 at age 98. He was born and raised in the Gig Harbor, Wash., area and graduated from Tacoma’s Lincoln High School in 1926. Fritz attended CPS and the University of Washington, studying math and music. He was married to Elizabeth Hardison for 48 years, until her death in 1987. Fritz worked for the Pacific Northwest Bell Telephone Company for 43 years as a right-of-way engineer. He was instrumental in the formation of the Washington Utility Coordinating Council in 1972 and in 1974 received the council’s first Fritz Berntsen award presented annually to the person who contributes to cooperation among the state’s utility companies and public agencies on right-of-way issues. Fritz used his musical abilities to form and lead several area community and church choirs. He also was an avid gardener and a member of the Washington State Dahlia Society. Survivors include his son; one daughter; and two grandchildren.

Charles Zittel ’36 died peacefully on Jan. 7. He was 92. Chuck grew up on a small farm in Fife, Wash. While at CPS he was student body president and also met his future wife Ann Strobel ’37 while on a debate trip. To commemorate their 50th wedding anniversary, the couple established a debate scholarship at UPS in their names. Chuck joined the Tacoma Police Department in 1937, although World War II interrupted his police service. He served as an Army police and public safety officer and earned a Purple Heart for injuries sustained from a land mine at Anzio beachhead. Chuck also was decorated by the British government for helping restore civil order in cities throughout Italy and had an audience at the Vatican with Pope Pius XII. He continued in the Reserve after the war and retired in 1968 at the rank of colonel. Chuck also rose through the ranks in the police department and was Tacoma’s chief from 1962 to 1970. After retirement he was appointed associate director of the Washington Police Training Commission. Chuck was an active member of Mason United Methodist Church and the UPS Alumni Association, for which he served as president and board of trustees representative. He also was an avid outdoorsman and gardener. Ann preceded Chuck in death in 2001. He leaves his four children, including Catherine Zittel Marrone ’66, Margaret Zittel ’69, Nancy Zittel Miller ’71, and Charles; and four grandchildren, including Andrew Marrone ‘02.

Marvin Carter ’37 passed away on Jan. 29 at age 97. He came to CPS from Newberg, Ore., and was a tenor soloist with the Adelphians. Marvin went on to earn his master’s from the University of Louisville. He served in the Army during World War II, fighting in the D-Day invasion and the Battle of the Bulge. Marvin taught junior high-level social studies and music classes, retiring after 27 years of service. He was a member of the 4th Avenue United Methodist Church, where for many years he was a tenor soloist. Marvin also enjoyed fishing, golfing, gardening, and travel. His wife of 59 years, Mary Kathryn; his daughter; two granddaughters; and brother John Carter ’42 survive him.

Lela Sargent Maxwell ’38 passed away Jan. 20 at age 89. She graduated from Lincoln High School in 1934, earned her bachelor’s at CPS, and went on to earn her teaching degree from Oregon State College, where she met and married Vic Owens. Lela was widowed in 1956 and took a job as a social worker. She later married Bob Maxwell. They were together for 31 years before his death in 1988. Lela enjoyed painting and sang with the Memory Singers and performed with Seniors on Stage. Survivors are her four children; six grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.

Kenneth MacDicken ’39 passed away Jan. 10 at the Washington Soldier’s Home in Orting, Wash. He was 88. Kenneth was retired from the U.S. Postal Service and the U.S. Army Reserve. He enjoyed working as a grandstand usher at the Puylup Fair for 45 years. Kenneth participated in the annual Sound to Narrows run from the race’s inception and enjoyed golf as a member of the men’s club at the University Golf Course on PLU’s campus. He and his wife of 65 years, Hilda, were longtime members of the Summit United Methodist Church. Hilda passed away just 10 days after Kenneth. Survivors are their three sons; seven grandchildren; and 11 great-grandchildren.

Charles Shireman ’39 died of pneumonia at home in Portland, Ore., on Feb. 24. He was 90. Charles took a social services job with the U.S. government in 1948, stationed in Germany. While there he helped establish the country’s first juvenile probation system. Charles went on to earn his master’s in social work from UCLA in 1954 and after that became director of the Hyde Park Youth Project in Chicago. He later taught at the University of Chicago and served on a variety of boards dealing with juvenile justice issues. In 1966 he earned his Ph.D. at Chicago and was considered a leading scholar in the field of juvenile delinquency. Charles retired from the university in 1985 after 27 years on the faculty. He is survived by his wife, loan; their daughter; two sons; and six grandchildren.

Helen Miller Scott ’46 passed peacefully on March 6 at age 81. She was the third of four children of longtime CPS registrar and professor Christian Miller. Their family came to Tacoma in 1931, and Helen graduated from Stadium High School in 1942. She met her husband, William Scott, while teaching art at Centralia Junior College in 1950. Helen went on to teach Spanish, art, and German at Franklin Pierce High School. She also was involved in local growth issues and served as president of the Frederickson Clover Creek Community Council for six years. Helen was involved with genealogic research and published a book for distribution to her family. She also was an active member of the Tacoma Downtown Ladies. Her husband preceded Helen in death. Survivors include two daughters, including Marianne Scott Lincoln ’79; one son; and five grandchildren.

Richard Cole ’47 died on Feb. 21 at age 80. He graduated from Lincoln High School in Tacoma and attended CPS before enlisting in the Army and serving in the South Pacific during World War II. Dick received several field promotions and was selected for appointment to West Point. He later returned to the Pacific Northwest and completed undergraduate studies at the University of Washington, where he met and married his wife, Virginia, in 1949. Dick went on to medical school at Northwestern University in Chicago, returning once again to the Northwest to complete internships and his residency. He worked at Valley General Hospital and was elected chief of staff, retiring after 35 years. In retirement he enjoyed spending time on the Hood Canal. His wife; three children; and four grandchildren survive him.

Marian Brewsbaugh Murphy ’47 was 81 when she died on Feb. 10. She attended area schools, including Jason Lee Junior High and Stadium High School. While at CPS Marian was affiliated with Kappa Sigma Theta sorority. She met and married Roy Murphy ’44 in 1946. Marian and Roy lived in Fircrest, Wash., and spent summers and vacations at their home in Victor, Wash. She was employed...
with the Tacoma public schools and received a Golden Acorn Award for her contributions. After retirement she and Roy traveled extensively. Marian was preceded in death by her husband of 59 years. Survivors include her three children, including Diane Murphy Forsberg '73; six grandchildren; and three great-granddaughters.

Rachel Johnson Pitts '47 passed away peacefully at home on Dec. 2, 2005. She was 80. Raised in Dupont, Wash., Rae attended Clover Park High School. She was married to Eugene Pitts B.A.'52, M.B.A.'71 until his death in 1986. Rae enjoyed all types of sports, crossword puzzles, and working in her yard. She was a 65-year resident of Stellacoam, Wash. Five children, six grandchildren; siblings; and other family members survive Rae.

Merle Legg '48 died March 3 at his home in Jaffrey, N.H., at age 80. Merle was born in San Francisco, grew up in Washington state, and later served two years in the Naval Reserve as a pharmacist mate while attending the College of Puget Sound. In 1952 he earned his medical degree from McGill University in Montreal. Merle was a world-renowned pathologist who studied stomach cancer his entire career. Ironically he was diagnosed with stomach cancer 19 years ago and beat the odds after aggressive treatment. He studied and worked for 30 years at what is now Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center in Boston. He also taught at Harvard Medical School for many years and served as chair at New England Baptist Hospital. Merle's first wife preceded him in death in 1974. He married Yanga lung, who survives him, along with their son and daughter. He also leaves two sons and a daughter from his first marriage; his brother, James Legg B.S.'47, M.S.'48; his sister, Alicia Legg Walser '54; and six grandchildren.

Robert Brown B.A. '49, M.Ed. '60 passed away Feb. 25. He was 83. Bob grew up in Indiana and Kentucky, later moving to Seattle with his parents and eventually relocating to Tacoma, where he attended Stadium High School. He was active in track and participated in the state tournament his senior year. Bob attended the University of Washington before enlisting in the Army during World War II. He completed his education at CPS after the war. Bob taught school and following receipt of his master's degree became vice principal and then principal of several Tacoma public schools. He remained an avid Husky fan and held season tickets for nearly 40 years. He was preceded in death by his wife of 35 years, Randi; and leaves four children; two step-daughters; and seven step-grandchildren.

Jeanne Miles Field '49 was born Dec. 14, 1927, in Raymond, Wash., and passed away Feb. 4. She grew up in Tacoma and graduated from Stadium High School. Jeanne was active in The International Order of the Rainbow for Girls and served as worthy advisor. While attending CPS, Jeanne was affiliated with the Washington Gamma Chapter of Pi Beta Phi sorority. She was active in several community groups, including the Orthopedic Guild, the Tottle Ranch Lake Guild, the Order of the Eastern Star, and the Longview Country Club. Jeanne also was an avid bridge player. Survivors include her husband of 40 years, Jack Field '48; four children, including Christine Race Weinlein '72; eight grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

William Sullivan B.A. '49, M.Ed. '59 died on Jan. 5 at age 78, surrounded by his family. He grew up in Iowa and Illinois before joining the Civilian Conservation Corps in 1934. Bill later joined the Army and was attached to the 509th parachute infantry regiment. He served in North Africa and Italy, earning a Purple Heart, a Silver Heart, and a battlefield commission. After the war, Bill relocated to Tacoma, where he met and married Esther Reda in 1947. She preceded him in death in 1995. Bill taught school for 30 years, primarily at Lincoln High School, retiring in 1981. He also served as an adjunct faculty member at UPS. He leaves his three daughters; and four grandchildren.

Edward Lane '50 passed away on Feb. 15. He was 77. Ed graduated from Stadium High School in 1946 and, after earning his undergraduate degree from Puget Sound, went on to attend Stanford Law School for one year before completing his J.D. at the University of Washington in 1954. He was an attorney in Tacoma for more than 52 years and a partner in the law firm Smith Alling Lane, P.S. Ed held memberships in several associations, including the Washington State Trial Lawyers and Trial Lawyers of America. He also served as president of Tacoma Rotary and the Tacoma Club and was a member of the Elks, Eagles, Masonic Lodge, and the Oakbrook Golf and Country Club. He was an avid golfer and Husky football fan. Survivors include his wife, Linda; eight children; two step-daughters; 19 grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

E. Wayne Mann '50 died Dec. 14, 2005, after a heart attack. He was 80. Wayne grew up in Tacoma's Proctor District and graduated from Stadium High School. After receiving his undergraduate degree at CPS he went on to earn his M.Ed. from the University of Oregon. Wayne was principal at Mark Morris High School in Longview, Wash., for many years, retiring in 1981 after a 30-year career in education. He and his wife Donna returned to Tacoma, where Wayne became involved in retired teachers' issues. He was a member of the legislative committee for the Washington State School Retirees Association, and as co-chair lead a successful campaign to increase pension benefits in 1998. His wife of 49 years preceded him in death in 2003. He is survived by his children.

W. Russell Read '51 died Nov. 16, 2005, of cancer at age 78. While at CPS he was affiliated with the Delta Kappa Phi fraternity and was a member of the ski team. He served in the Navy during World War II. Russ was chief financial officer for Unocal Corporation's international operations, retiring in 1986. He also was a member and elder of the First Presbyterian Church and was executive director and an emeritus member of the board of directors for the Mt. Bachelor Sports Education Foundation. Russ enjoyed skiing, including the promotion of youth competition within the sport, sailing, and mountain and road biking, among other interests. Survivors are his wife of 54 years, JoAnn; two daughters; and three grandchildren.

Earl Smith '51 passed away peacefully on Jan. 11. He was 76. Earl moved from Nebraska to Tacoma and graduated from Stadium High School. He was in the Kappa Sigma fraternity while at CPS and went on to serve two years in the Army during the Korean War. In 1950 he married his high school sweetheart, Sally Waller. She preceded him in death in 2004. Earl was an electrical contractor for Totem Electric in Tacoma for 25 years, retiring in 1989. Earl served as president of the southwest Washington chapter of the National Association of Electrical Contractors. He was involved in several community service organizations, including the Tacoma-Pierce County YMCA. Earl also volunteered as a football and baseball coach and was a longtime area umpire. He leaves four children; and nine grandchildren.

Jon "Jack" Hupp '52 passed away on Jan. 1 of liver cancer. He was 77. After moving from Louisiana in 1942, Jack attended Tacoma public schools, graduating from Lincoln High School in 1946. He met his wife, Gerrie Stattin, in high school. They were married for 54 years, until Gerrie's death last year. While at CPS Jack was affiliated with the Sigma Nu fraternity. After earning his bachelor's degree, Jack served in the Marine Corps during the Korean War. He remained in the reserve after the war, retiring in 1969 as a captain. While raising his family, Jack worked for The Boeing Company at
Marion Bigelow Higgins, the university’s oldest alumna, 1893-2006

Marion Bigelow Higgins '17 was born in the same year Thomas Edison applied for a patent on his new invention, the incandescent light bulb. When she died of congestive heart failure on March 2, Marion was 112, the oldest person in California, the sixth-oldest person in the United States, and the 11th oldest in the world. She loved singing, sewing, and shooting off firecrackers.

Born in Williamsville, N.Y., on June 26, 1893, Marion moved west with her family when they homesteaded property near Nampa, Idaho.

She attended the College of Puget Sound to be near one of her sisters, who had taken a teaching post in Olympia. After receiving her degree and a teaching certificate, she returned to Idaho and found her own teaching job in the town of Cascade. There she met and married John Higgins. John worked for the Boise-Payette Lumber Company, and the couple lived in a portable house that the company moved "where the work took them" for nearly 10 years.

The family eventually settled in Pomona, Calif., in 1927. In 1941 Marion worked at the B.F. Goodrich Rubber Company making tail de-icers for B-17s during World War II. She later worked as a deputy assessor in Los Angeles County for 15 years, retiring in 1963.

In 1995 she took a writing class, many of the assignments for which were collected into a memoir, Ripples on a Quiet Stream: the Story of the Life and Times of Marion Bigelow Higgins. In the introduction she advises, "I have and do strongly urge everyone to write down some of their life experiences so that the continuity of their family history is maintained. But, please, do me one better: don’t wait until you are 102 years old to begin."

An excerpt:

**Bring him to me**

The house was quiet. The doctor had gone. The next door neighbor had returned to her home. The newborn baby was in a crib beside my bed. I was tucked in for the night.

My husband came into the room. “I have to talk to you,” he said.

“U-m-m,” I replied.

“There’s something wrong with the little fellow. The doctor said he might not live through the night. He said not to tell you, but I thought I should.”

I knew there was something wrong. He had to be patted before he cried, and then it was not a vigorous squall.

“I’m glad you did,” I replied, “I’d rather know it.”

The doctor was shook up. “There’s something wrong with the baby’s right leg. It’s useless. That’s why it took so long. It’s the first handicapped baby I ever delivered,” he said.

“He felt worse than I did.” My husband paused.

“What time is it,” I asked.

“Not yet 11 o’clock,” he replied.

Then he was born on April 20th, 1925. That’s a month early. "Bring him to me and put him on my arm," I said.

John took him out of his crib and placed him beside me. I pushed away his blanket and put his body next to my own near my chest. If he must pass away he needn’t be lonely. He could hear my heart and the other rumblings he had always heard.

John seemed to be happier. He kissed me and went back to his camp cot in the living room.

Born April 20. Perhaps died April 21. In the morning we might have a statistic. How handicapped was he? Was he all right mentally? How much of a burden would he be to himself? I was not able to answer.

Going to the Presence must be easier if you are faced with a grave situation. I achieved laying this problem down in a short time. I touched the bottom level, as some say I prayed through, as others say. I was at peace. I went to sleep.

I awoke at daylight. I looked down at my baby by my side. He was breathing. God had done His will. I was satisfied.

John was happy. "We’ll take care of him," he said. We named him Robert.

Everything was right.

Marion and John Higgins’ third son, Robert, never gained use of his leg. He took up the trumpet as a boy and went on to become a longtime member of Les Brown’s Band of Renown.

John preceded Marion in death in 1949; she never remarried. The couple’s first son, John, died in May 2005. Survivors include her sons Horace and Robert; nine grandchildren; 12 great-grandchildren; and 15 great-great-grandchildren.
their Renton, Wash., plant. Jack enjoyed travel and attending his grandchildren’s activities. Survivors are his three children; six grandchildren; and one great-granddaughter.

Charles Bott ’56 died Jan. 22 at age 73. He had experienced heart trouble for more than half of his life. Charles served in the Marine Corps during the Korean War. In 1959 he became city auditor and assistant director of finance in Stockton, Calif. Charles held that position until 1966. A year later he was elected city councilman and served the city for 10 years, two as mayor. Charles also served a year as chair of the San Joaquin County grand jury in 1981. He enjoyed golf and was a member of Brookside Country Club. His wife, Marilyn; four sons; two daughters; nine grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren survive Charles.

Ray Tabor ’56 passed away on Feb. 28. He was 72. Ray was born in Olympia, Wash., and graduated from high school there in 1952. Ray became an Eagle Scout during that time and while in college he was a member of the Air Force ROTC program and the Sigma Chi fraternity. Ray served two years overseas during the Korean War. He was employed in the insurance field for most of his working life. Ray leaves his wife of 44 years, Beverly; two sons; and two grandsons.

James Campbell ’57 died on Jan. 2 after a family New Year’s celebration. He was 73. James was a sergeant in the Army, stationed in Alaska, for two years before graduating from Puget Sound. He then managed a retail yard for the Boise Cascade Corporation until 1959, when he returned to Alaska to manage Spenard Builders Supply, then a small retail store with four employees. When he retired as president and CEO of SBS in 1985, the company had grown to 12 stores statewide and 600 employees. James was the first chair of the Alaska Railroad Corp., from 1984 to 1988. Under his guidance the railroad turned a profit for the first time in its 43-year history. James also served as chair of the North Pacific Fisheries Management Council for nearly a decade. Due to his commitment to wildlife and financial involvement in the management of Alaska’s fish and wildlife, his family established a scholarship in his name to encourage young Alaskans to pursue careers in the field.

Yvonne Crouse Johnson ’57 died peacefully at home on Dec. 23, 2005, after an 18-month battle with thymus cancer. She was 70. Yvonne graduated from North Kitsap High School in 1953. After receiving her bachelor’s degree, she taught at an elementary school in Bremerton, Wash., and at a U.S. Army dependents’ school in France, among others. Yvonne married Richard Johnson in 1964 and relocated to Edmonds, Wash., to raise her family. She later went back to teaching and served as a special-education assistant in the Edmonds school district for 15 years. Yvonne had many interests, including reading, quilting, traveling, and the Mariners. She was a member of Poulsbo Lodge #44 and Sons of Norway. Her husband, two children; and seven grandchildren survive Yvonne.

George Orfano ’57 died on March 27, 17 days past his 78th birthday. He was a lifelong Tacoma resident, graduating from Lincoln High School. George worked for I.B.M. until retirement. He was a member of St. Nicholas Greek Orthodox Church. His sister, Mary Mantoh; his brother, Steve; and several nieces and nephews survive him.

Norma Ackermann Glenn ’58 died peacefully on Feb. 22, surrounded by family and friends. She was 94. Norma began her teaching career in a one-room school in 1931. She moved to Milton, Wash., to marry Rev. Don Glenn M.Ed.’51, and the couple had one daughter, Alice Ann Glenn ’68. Norma and her husband also provided foster care for many teenage boys. Norma learned to play the piano as a teenager and continued to play throughout her life, notably at the churches where her husband ministered. In 1954 Norma was initiated into Delta Kappa Gamma, an honorary teacher’s service organization. She retired after 20 years of teaching in the state of Washington, although she continued to teach ESL and GED courses in retirement. Her husband preceded her in death in 1972. Her daughter; and other family members survive Norma.

Barbara Haines Bushnell ’61 passed away on Jan. 6 at age 66 as the result of cancer. She grew up in Tacoma and attended area schools, graduating from Stadium High School. Barbara married Richard Bushnell in 1961. The couple moved to Torrance, Calif., where they raised their daughter, Carolyn. They returned to Vancouver, Wash., in 1988. Barbara is survived by her husband; daughter; and granddaughter Alyssa.

Ila Mickelson Gonter ’62 passed away peacefully on Dec. 24, 2005, after battling cancer for four years. She was 65. Ila grew up in the Green Lake area of Seattle and graduated from Roosevelt High School. She was affiliated with the Chi Omega sorority while at Puget Sound, where she also met her husband, Gary Gonter ’60. Ila worked as a teacher for a short period before helping start their family businesses, Bandstand Music and Gonter’s Music City. She later returned to teaching at Charles Wright Academy. Ila enjoyed snow skiing, boating, and spending time with her grandchildren and family. Survivors are his husband of 43 years; three children; and five grandchildren.

Weldon “Bud” Smith ’62 passed away on Feb. 19 at age 85. Bud grew up in Tacoma and attended area schools. He met his future wife, Adeline Gordon, at Gray Junior High School and graduated from Lincoln High School in 1939. Bud joined the Army, working in counterintelligence for most of his 21-year military career. After retiring as a captain, he completed his bachelor’s and master’s degrees and was a history teacher in the Tacoma school district until 1980. Bud enjoyed hunting and fishing, which he pursued in retirement. His wife preceded him in death in 2002. He leaves three sons; and their families.

Richard Barnard ’63 died Jan. 9 at age 66. He graduated from a Puyallup-area high school in 1957 and married Janice Magill in 1961. They moved to Nebraska, where Dick worked for Mutual of Omaha for 33 years, retiring in 1996 as vice president of computer data services. During retirement he devoted his attention to his registered Texas Longhorn business, to his church, and to his family. Dick was past president of the Nebraska Texas Longhorn Association, regional director of the National Texas Longhorn Association of American, and raised several grand champions. He was a life member of the Omaha Jaycees and was active in the Order of the Eastern Star. His wife of 44 years; their children; and four grandsons survive Dick.

Susan Sutley ’69 died on Feb. 1. She was 58. Susan attended junior and senior high schools in Seattle, attended UPS, and later graduated from the University of Washington. She was hired directly out of school by the Seattle school district and taught elementary school for 30 years. Susan spent a year as an exchange teacher in Edinburgh, Scotland. She pursued several interests, including travel, photography, and theater. Many family and friends survive Susan.

Shannon Evans Mondloch B.A.’73, M.Ed.’89 passed away peacefully at home on Dec. 28, 2005. She was 55. Shannon worked as a counselor to generations of children. She enjoyed the outdoors and participated in sailing, skiing, and hiking. Shannon leaves her husband, Mark; and daughter Nicole.

Bob Bernstein ’76 died on Nov. 11, 2005, of cancer. He was 51. Bob lived in Denver for nearly 10 years and worked in the food and restaurant industry. He moved home to Long Beach, Calif., before he died. Survivors include his parents, Irene and Norris Bernstein; and his sister, Perri Brackett, and her husband, Tom.

Margaret Kadov Coppess ’80 passed away on Feb. 20, after a 15-year battle with breast cancer, at age 51. Margaret graduated from Clover Park High School in Lakewood, Wash. She was married to Alan Coppess for 27 years and raised two daughters, Marie and Karen. Margaret served as director of children’s ministry at South Tacoma Baptist Church and Eastside Baptist Church in Kent, Wash., for nearly 30 years. Her husband and daughters survive Margaret.

Michael Wilhelm ’81 passed away on Feb. 12 at age 55. He served in the Army National Guard for six years and worked as a tanker driver for many years. Prior to that he owned and operated Carl’s Drive-In Restaurant. His children, Michelle and Sean, survive him.

Michael Stone ’82 died unexpectedly of bacterial meningitis on Dec. 20, 2005. He was 47. Mike had worked for The Boeing Company in procurement for several years before deciding to become a teacher. He taught middle and elementary school, and was employed as a sixth-grade teacher at Karshner Elementary School in Puyallup, Wash., at the time of his death. Mike enjoyed bicycling, rock climbing, and swimming and had ascended Mt. Rainier, among other accomplishments. Many family members and friends survive him.
Earl Schalin '52 and wife Beverly are still playing great tennis in USTA National Senior Tennis tournaments and Senior Olympics in the 70 and over divisions. In early March they completed a very successful Arizona Senior Olympics. Beverly earned a gold medal in the 70 Women's Doubles category. Earl and Beverly teamed up to win a gold in the Mixed Doubles category. And Earl and his partner won a gold in the 75 Men's Doubles. Their wins qualify them to represent Arizona in the National Senior Olympics in Louisville, Ky., in 2007. Earl adds: "How about that Coach Gee?" (He refers to former tennis Coach Willard Gee B.A. '42, M.B.A. '48.) Earl admits he plays better tennis today than he did at CPS. "Ask my doubles partner, Ross Tolles '52," he said. "I could not have come close to beating our number one player, Bill Medin '55, back then. However, I recently beat a senior player that was number one at UCLA when he was in college."

Above, right, from Tamanawas, the 1952 tennis team: Back row, from left, Earl, Bill Medin '55, Peter Weiskopf '56, and Coach Gee. At the net, Morris Brandegee '55, Bob Allen '55, Ross Tolles '52, and Roger Anderson '53.

Russell "Rusty" Barber '57 retired after 17 years as on-air religion and ethics editor at NBC television in New York City. He has since joined the communications faculty of Nova Southeastern University in Fort Lauderdale, Fl., teaching courses in public communications. Rusty also consults for The Peace Meditation at the United Nations. In 2005 he temporarily interrupted his teaching to travel in Europe and Southeast Asia to work on a proposed world peace prize. His recommendations were presented this spring. Rusty is pictured here in Antarctica on his own personal "March of the Penguins" in January after a European cruise from Monte Carlo to Fort Lauderdale from Nov. 4–21 and a trip to Indo China from Nov. 28–Dec. 18, 2005. He spends summers reading and writing at his Gig Harbor, Wash., home.

Greg Rosenblatt '95 and Jennifer Garreau were married at the Columbia Gorge Hotel in Hood River, Ore., on Sept. 4, 2005. Loggers pictured at a barbecue the day before the wedding are, back from left: Andrea Marking Stone '97, Stephen Stone '95, Seth Donsker '95 with son Owen, Jon Wolfer '95, Lisa Wilson Donsker '95, Piper Roelen '95, and Andrea Egans Roelen '96. Front row: the happy couple.

Alpha Phi sisters met for a holiday lunch in December 2005 at the home of Elaine Johnson Michel '60 in Kirkland, Wash. Back row, from left: Karon Fountain Davis '59, Jo Ann Sartz Porter '60, Helen Lahti Edmonds '59, Carol Williamson Sherrell '59, Janice Thompson Dietrich '60, Elaine, and Barbara Faylor Swenson '60. Front, from left: Barbara Keevil Parker '60, LaVonne Eggert Johnson '57, Lorna Royall Hink '61, and Terry McGowan Kinnaman '61.
The UPS network was alive and well on a volunteer dental mission to Nicaragua last December. The trip, organized through Northwest Medical Teams, included, standing from left: Lindsay Etheredge ’09, Stacy Etheredge ’84, and Nicholas Etheredge. Seated from left: Russ Parker, Tom Mitchell ’80, and Phil Etheredge ’81. Not pictured but also on the trip was Tom’s daughter, Katie, who is a high school junior. Phil is a dentist in Kirkland, Wash., and has been making these trips for 11 years. Tom is a dentist in Gig Harbor, Wash., and has accompanied Phil on three previous missions. Phil is married to Julie Parker Etheredge ’82, mom to Lindsay and Nicholas, who also has been on previous missions. She writes, “Probably one of the most interesting trips was in 1998, to Kiribati in Micronesia. We traveled by boat from one tiny island to another. It was quite an adventure!” Julie also went with NWMT to Mississippi and New Orleans last year.

Kristen Frost Ness ’95, husband Rob, and their son, Kellen, visited Deborah Dodge Winton ’94 and husband Jay on their move from Spokane, Wash., to Oklahoma. The group is pictured in front of the Palace of the Governors in Santa Fe, N.M., in January.

Laurina Hawthorn B.A. ’97, M.A.T.’02 and Ryan Barker were married on Aug. 7, 2005, in Kilworth Memorial Chapel. Laurina teaches first grade and Ryan is the production manager of a company in Lakewood, Wash., that produces military and law enforcement equipment. The couple reside in Puyallup, Wash.

Debbie Stein Munson ’72 and daughter Jeniffer Ross ’06 celebrated last November when the Pierce County Arts Commission honored Debbie with the Margaret K. Williams Arts Educator Award. She has been teaching art in the Puyallup school district for 33 years and is currently a member of the faculty at Rogers High School. Debbie writes: “I was delighted to have many of my former students, family, and friends—even my UPS roommate, Cathy Jamieson Switzer B.A.’72, M.A.T.’76, was in attendance. The tapestry of my life was evident as one of the other recipients was the Puget Sound Sumi Society of which Bill Colby [retired university professor of art] is a member. I teach art alongside Cindy Fabulich Tate ’77, daughter of the ever-popular Jack Fabulich ’51. I also had the pleasure of having former Rogers’ art student Morgan Christian M.A.T.’06 do her student-teaching experience with me!” Debbie’s UPS connections also include her mother, Evelyn Swanson Stein ’39 (deceased), and her husband, Ron Munson, who taught low brass in the School of Music.

Dora Baldwin ’96 married Kevin Murphy on Aug. 13, 2005, in the Presidio in San Francisco. Andria Clevenger Martin ’95 served as matron of honor, and her husband, John Martin ’92, was also in attendance. Dora is approaching her 10-year anniversary working for United States Customs and Border Protection and was recently promoted to assistant port director, Trade, for the agency in San Francisco. She writes: “The transitions the agency have gone through since Sept. 11 have made the job challenging, but I love every minute of it.” When not working, Dora has enjoyed traveling to countries such as Botswana, Zimbabwe, Namibia, Vietnam, and Nepal. She and her husband live in San Francisco and can be contacted at dorarosebaldwin@aol.com.

Mandy Singer Jensen B.A.’99, M.O.T.’02 and Brandon Jensen ’99 with their son, Samuel Dean Jensen, pictured here at 3 months. He was born in September 2005. The family lives in Mount Vernon, Wash., where Mandy works as an occupational therapist while Brandon is completing his master’s in environmental science, emphasis in marine science, at Western Washington University in Bellingham, Wash.
Suzanne Bacon '97 and Andrew Grassell were married on Sept. 17, 2005, in Spokane, Wash., at the Cathedral of Our Lady of Lourdes. A reception followed at the historic Davenport Hotel. Wedding attendants included Elizabeth Gonzalez Luckow '97 and brother of the bride J. Steven Bacon '98. Both the bride and groom work for Chelan County Public Utility District in Wenatchee, Wash., where Suzanne is a legislative/regulatory policy analyst and Andrew is a fisheries biologist and project manager. The couple honeymooned on the island of Moorea in French Polynesia.

Sally Neace '98 married John Drescher on June 25, 2005, in Seattle. Several Puget Sound alumni were in attendance. Back from left: Katie Cresswell Trujillo '98, Diana Kawulok Franklin '99, Wayland Cossey '99, Michael Hemenway '97, West Mathison '00, Elliot Stockstad B.A.'98, M.Ed.'04, Katie Corliss Pitt '98, David Pitt '99, Joel Scott '70, Roger Hampton '69, and Molly Sue Freck Hampton '70. Middle row, from left: Heather Neace Rosfeld '02, Marcia Lovegren '99, Courtney Hill '01, Alison Clode '98, the bride and groom, Lisa Russell Galicia '98, Hal Neace '68, and Brian Galicia '96. Front, from left: Erin Hart Sikes B.A. '96, M.A.T. '97, Jenny Gallitz '98, Christy Curtis Peterson '98, Stephanie Bocks Griffith '98, and Molly Erb Hemenway '98. The couple live in Seattle, where John enjoys working in the technology field and Sally is a social worker.

Kevin Barhydt '98 and Laralyn Hong were married on Sept. 4, 2005, in Lanikai on the windward side of Oahu. The wedding party included many Loggers, including, back from left: Bruce MacLean '96, Tyler Jones '98, Leena Hong '98, Jon Fitzhugh '98, and Brad Hiranaga '98. Front, from left: Greg Severinghaus '98, Matt Burton '98, Christian Lindmark '98, Mark Shapiro '98, and Chris Elms '98. Also in attendance were Rachel Long '98 and Nicole McKenney '98. The couple live in Seattle, where Laralyn works for Tommy Bahama and Kevin works for McKinsey and Company.

Annie Robinson '98 and Darren Anhalt were married on July 9, 2005, in Seattle. The wedding party included, from left: Eric Olson, Maria Wynne, best man Brian Stratton, maid of honor Monique Ramirez, the bride and groom, matron of honor Roslyn McKee Meinert '00, Eric Watt, Amanda Kammen, and Charlie Robinson. Other Logger alumni in attendance were Bret Thurman '93, Kathryn Koch Thurman '91, Ted Thrillault '98, Alaina Cleveland Thrillault B.A.'00, M.A.T.'02, Anne McLaughlin Rosselli '97, Bryan Rosselli '97, and Ruben Moreno B.A.'00, M.A.T.'04. After a little time off, Annie earned her M.Ed. in special education at Gonzaga University. She has since been working as an elementary resource room teacher in Federal Way, Wash. The couple live in Seattle, where they enjoy sailboat racing when they’re not busy at work.

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Submitting photos for the Scrapbook
If it’s an important event in your life, it’s important to your UPS friends—send a picture to Arches! High-resolution digital photos or prints preferred. Kindly include a note identifying alumni in the snapshot. Also, please, for baby pictures include alumni parents in the photo. Send to Arches, attn: Cathy Tollefson, University of Puget Sound, Office of Communications, 1500 N. Warner St., Tacoma WA 98416-1041 or e-mail to arches@ups.edu.

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Kris Lueathy McRea ’90 and husband of five years, Andy, proudly welcome their son, Dylan McRea, born July 1, 2005. Kris writes: “Our daughter, Kaylie, 3, is in love with her little brother. I am teaching infant massage classes to parents of special needs and drug-exposed children. It’s been really heart-warming and rewarding to give these parents more tools to help in their children’s development.” The family moved to south Whidbey Island two years ago and love living on the water.

Azla Ghiassy ’00 and Adam Harrington were married the evening of Dec. 31 in their hometown of Portland, Ore. The couple met five years ago through mutual friend David Rhoades ’00. Puget Sound alumni attending the wedding were: Graham Dent ’00, Rich Moehl ’01, Adam Richins ’00, Geoff Mallow ’00, Ben Elliott ’00, Brianne Shally ’01, Erica Hall ’01, Lisa Bloedel Farrow ’98, April Thornton Schutjer ’00, Kate Gruen Moehl ’00, Katie Loughran ’00, groomsmen David Rhoades ’00, Galena Kline B.A. ’00, M.S. ’02, Ryan Bloedel ’00, Lindsay Page Mallow ’00, bridesmaid Sara Hall Richins ’00, Natalie Tanner Dent ’97, bridesmaid Sarah Henry ’01, bridesmaid Sarah Graham ’99, bridesmaids Maria Schmidt Weer ’00, bridesmaid Kristin Shinn Kellener ’00, and John Keller ’00. The bride and groom moved to San Francisco after spending the past two years in North Carolina, where Adam received his M.B.A. Azla keeps busy as a manager for Pottery Barn, and Adam is an investment banker for Banc of America Securities. The couple live with their golden retriever, Bernard.

In December 2005 six alumnae from the Class of 2004 got together for a mini reunion in Washington, D.C. Back, from left: Emily Storr, Jennifer Hunting, and Katie Ahrens. Front, from left: Halley Noble, Rachel Tallby, and Anna Price Meader. The friends are spread across the country and figured a get-together was due. Emily recently moved to Portland, Ore., and is a substitute teacher; Jennifer is working for National Geographic in D.C.; Katie is teaching high school in Charlotte, N.C., in her second year of the Teach for America Program; Halley had been working as the assistant sports information director for West Virginia Wesleyan College and took over as director in May, while also pursuing her M.B.A.; Rachel is the recreation assistant for the Youth Services Team for the city of Gaithersburg, Md.; and Anna is a backpacking leader for SUWS of the Carolinas, a program for at-risk teens, near her home in Asheville, N.C.

Todd Smith ’02, left, and wife Coronda Taliaferro Smith ’01 celebrated their three-year wedding anniversary on St. Maarten in the Caribbean. Also pictured, center, is Ricardo Liburd ’01 who lives on the island and acted as their tour guide. Ricardo is married with one son and has worked for Sol Group, an affiliate of Shell, as a regional sales account manager for five years. He also builds houses and plans to start his own construction company before moving back to the States. Todd (a.k.a. ‘luv’) works full time in ministry as a Christian rapper, comic, and motivational speaker. See his Web site at www.madeupmind.com. He also is a youth minister and Sunday school teacher at his church. Coronda is an underwriter for State Farm Insurance and also is developing as a real estate agent and investor. The couple now own three houses.

Tim Isaacson ’01 and Abby Ormsbee ’00 were married on May 21, 2005, at the Annie Wright School in Tacoma. Puget Sound alumni in the wedding party were: Abbie Stevens B.S. ’03, M.A.T. ’05, Stephanie Hansen Hellekson B.M. ’03, M.A.T. ’04, Matt Broweleit ’99, and Noah Chang ’03. Tim is a manager at Starbucks and Abby is a program director for a nongovernmental organization working with HIV/AIDS children and their families. The couple reside in Tacoma.
Gregg Lois '01 and Emilla Kelsey '01 were married on July 21, 2005, at the Skamania Lodge in Stevenson, Wash. The couple then honeymooned for a week in Zihuatenejo, Mexico. They have been living in Santa Barbara, Calif. Emilla writes: "I'm working as a counselor at a therapeutic garden for individuals with both drug additions and mental illness while Gregg completes his Ph.D. in physics at UCSB. He has accepted a position working as a postdoctoral associate at Yale University beginning this fall, so we'll be moving to New Haven, Conn., soon." You can reach Emilla and Gregg at emilialois@gmail.com. Logger alumni were in the wedding party, which included, from left: Adam Kelsey, Heather Danskin '01, Jenna Asherman, maid of honor Sarah Hashemi '01, the bride and groom, Tanner Butler, best man Kosta Lois, Ryan Kelsey, Lawrence Lin, and Julian Venegas '01.

Laura Grinstead '01 and Andrew Petersen '00 were married on July 23, 2005, at Whitefish Lake in Whitefish, Mont. The couple delayed their honeymoon and spent most of January in Australia. Many UPS alumni were there to help celebrate their nuptials and several were in the wedding party. Pictured, from left: Anna Gruen '01, Kim Petersen, Janna Schumacher Redman '01, Erin Dahlgren '01, Michelle Moore B.S.'01, M.A.T.'02, maid of honor Vivian Liao '01, the bride and groom, best man Erik Kriens '00, John Petersen, Tim Petersen, Brandon Redman '01, Erik Miller, and Matt Baach. Other Puget Sound alumni in attendance were Nick McFarland '00, Nick Momyer '00, John Brodie '00, Carrie Hrnicek Schroeder '98, Tim Randak '00, Jeremy Freise '01, Julie Geantil Freise '01, Jeff Grinstead '97, and Amy Mickelson Grinstead M.A.T.'98. The Petersens live in San Francisco, where Andrew works as an assistant vice president for Collins Associates, and Laura is an occupational therapist at a neurological rehabilitation unit in Berkeley. Laura continues to play competitive soccer and Andrew keeps in shape playing tennis and running.

Mandy Michael '01 and Andy Peterson '01 were married Aug. 27, 2005, at the Academy Chapel in Vancouver, Wash. Family and friends were there to help celebrate including, back row, from left: father of the bride Matthew Michael '68, uncle Edward Adams '67, groomsman Jamie Fay '01, groomsman Paul McClaskey '01, Mark Smith '99, Pat Denard '01, Sven Melville '01, Ryan Johnson '00, and Brad Forbes '00. Front, from left: mother of the bride Suzanne Buell Michael '68, aunt Georgia Buell Adams '69, Scott Flichtbeil '02, the groom and bride, Marion Peters Denard '01, Sam Benton '01, bridesmaid Ali Smith '01, Brooke Bowen '01, Carrie Whisler '01, Helen Hoppock '01, Elrin Krane '02, and Kristen Jorek '02. Kneeling: Carolyn Van Sant '01, Jamie Hopkins Forbes '00 with new baby Aiden, bridesmaid Marin Anderson '01, bridesmaid Erika Holt Tucci '01, Jenny Woodlee '01, Kari Gula '01, and matron of honor Holly Michael Hulscher B.A.'99, M.Ed.'02. The couple honeymooned for a week on the island of Maui and make their home in Tacoma. Mandy is employed by the Port of Tacoma and Andy is a television news reporter.

On Oct. 15, 2005, Emily Bumguardner '04 and Josh Myers were married in Centennial, Colo. Many Tacoma and UPS friends traveled to Colorado to help celebrate. From left: Laura Gronewald, the groom and bride, Shelley Gordon '03, Brianna Hultgren '03, Kelly Tran B.A.'04, M.A.T.'05, Maya Mendoza '03, and Alek White '05. Within days after the wedding, the newlyweds moved to Rock Springs, Wyo., where Josh works as a chemical engineer and Emily is finishing her master's thesis in art education.
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SEPTEMBER

Alumni and others
National Conference on Race and Pedagogy
Thurs.-Sat., Sept. 14–16
Campus
A discussion on the impact of race and ethnicity in higher education. Cornel West, professor of religion and the director of the Afro-American Studies program at Princeton and this fall’s Susan Resneck Pierce Lecturer, will kick off the weekend. Among speakers to address the conference: Lucius Turner Outlaw, professor of philosophy and African American and diaspora studies at Vanderbilt University; Beverly Daniel Tatum, president of Spelman College; Robert P. Moses, civil rights organizer. Conference details and registration information at www.ups.edu/x7258.xml.

National Alumni Board
Autumn Meeting
Thurs., Sept. 28
Campus
All alumni and others
Hamed Hall Dedication
Fri., Sept. 29
Campus

OCTOBER

All alumni
Homecoming 2006
Fri.-Sat., Sept. 29–30, 2006
To register for alumni events, go to www.ups.edu/alumni and click on the “Alumni Events” tab, or call the alumni office at 253-879-3451.

NEW!
www.upsgreeks.com is a Web site by Puget Sound Greeks for UPS Greeks of all ages, but especially for Greeks of the 1950s and 1960s. Visitors to the site, which was built by Larry Townsend ’69, can participate in a discussion forum and view photos, both historic and new. To contribute Greek-related content, e-mail webmaster@upsgreeks.com.

Fore!

The annual University of Puget Sound golf tournament will take place on August 3 at the Gold Mountain Golf Complex in Bremerton, Wash. Registration instructions are on the Logger athletics Web site, www.ups.edu/x2980.xml.
Andrew Yeh '08 gets into character for the spring lu'au, faithfully presented and performed by members of Hui O Hawai'i for 36 years now. The group says it is the oldest university-sponsored lu'au in the continental U.S.
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