### Graduates hear call to public service

**By Bob Aaron**

Seven hundred and nine undergraduate and graduate students—32 more than last year—received Puget Sound diplomas, May 18, at the University’s 110th commencement ceremony. Leaders in government, scholarship and banking also received honorary degrees for professional achievement at the event, attended by an estimated 4,600 people.

“You've done it,” Puget Sound President Susan Resneck Pierce told the graduates, applauding their intellectual independence and curiosity, adding: “You are honored for what you have learned and achieved.”

The Registrar's Office reported. The participation rate of bachelor’s graduates was 93.7 percent, a modern day record, up from last year’s 91.4 percent. Master’s graduates also set a participation record, 89.2 percent, up from last year’s record rate of 76.6 percent. Altogether, 91.5 percent of eligible graduates processed, a record high rate, up from 69.1 percent in 1984, 79.0 percent in 1990, and 89.2 percent last year.”

Sensie class speaker Jennifer L. DeLary, a political science and government major from Roseville, Calif., reflected on her four years at Puget Sound, noting that “finding passion was central to my experience.” She defined passion as an “intense desire to act, a verb to do something.”

“Our classes,” DeLary said, “changed the way we think and we learned how to live in communities. We learned to be independent.”

DeLary also observed that Puget Sound students discovered passion through injustice. “I hope,” she said, “that our grandchildren won’t suffer injustices—racial, homophobia and discrimination.”

Keynote speaker Franklin D. Raines—then-director of the U.S. Office of Management and Budget (OMB), a former Puget Sound trustee (1978 to 1993) and a Puget Sound honorary trustee—urged the class of ’98 to choose government service as part of their careers.

“We must tap into that innate desire to serve in your generation,” Raines told the graduates. “The same way John F. Kennedy tapped into my generation.”

Raines received an honorary doctor of laws degree at the graduation ceremony.

### Golden anniversary marked by first national sorority at Puget Sound

**By Bob Aaron**

The first national social sorority at the University of Puget Sound celebrated its golden anniversary on April 25.

The 50th anniversary of the establishment of the Washington Gamma chapter of Pi Beta Phi was attended by more than 160 alumni and active members from the Puget Sound student body. About 29 Golden Arrows—members initiated 50 years ago—attended the celebration. Some sorority members from other campuses also attended the event.

Pi Beta Phi, founded in 1867 in Monmouth, Mo., was the first national women’s fraternity modeled after their male counterparts. It is based on the ideals of scholarship, friendship, happiness and humanity and promotes moral, mental and social advancement.

Prior to 1948, four local sororities were active at Puget Sound.

Sally Hanson Flaherry ’64 of Gig Harbor, Wash., a retired social worker and event organizer, said the anniversary "communicated a deep sense of tradition" and showed "a strong sense of friendship and links to Puget Sound." She characterized members of the Washington Gamma chapter as "women of talent and spirit."

The significance of Pi Beta Phi membership, according to Bonnie McCabe ’62, ’64, associate dean for sciences at Tacoma Community College and host of the golden anniversary celebration, is "the lasting friendships you develop and the ties you have with other Pi Phis across the country and the world." McCabe also is a Pi Beta Phi national officer, serving as director of community service and alumni advancement.

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Construction projects highlight summer

By Bill Priehoff

Construction
Construction on several capital projects is taking place on campus over the 14 weeks between May and August as part of a five-year, $45 million program. In addition to the capital projects, there is a list of more than 40 maintenance and renovation projects that also are on the University's summer "to-do" list, ranging from replacing water lines, renovating three classrooms in Jones Hall and upgrading a multimedia computer laboratory, to reconfiguring campus parking, painting and patching roofs.

The single most visible project was demolition of the A-frames and chalices, which were "temporary" structures dating to the 1970s. "They were not designed to last this long," said Michael Rothman, vice president for finance and administration, "and they have outlived their useful life. These structures don’t fit our long-term plans for campus development, especially in terms of their architectural style, which is different from our fine Tudor-Gothic substantial brick structures."

The A-frames and chalices housed the Security Office, the Student Diversity Center and Office of Residential Programs. The Security Office has been relocated on 15th Street, adjacent to the Print Shop, the Student Diversity Center is relocated next to the Community Involvement and Action Center and the Campus Ministry Center building on 13th Street. Residential Programs moved in December to a 15th Street location next to the Student Employment office.

Plans call for the baseball diamond to be relocated south and west of the Fieldhouse, a site currently used for overflow parking. Groundbreaking for the new academic building is slated for next winter, with occupancy scheduled for the summer of 2000. Additionally, the Serveny in the Wheelock Student Center is being modernized, adding about 40 percent more space.

"We’re going to a fresh service model," Rothman said, "where more food will be prepared fresh at the time of service. Up to seven food stations will offer various theme foods.”

A-plus rating
Standard and Poor’s has assigned its A-plus rating to the Washington Education Facilities Authority’s revenue refunding bond series 1998, issued for the University of Puget Sound.

The rating reflects a long history of solid operating results, an endowment of nearly $150 million, a good balance sheet, steady enrollment levels and manageable debt.

Chaplain of the Year
Puget Sound Chaplain K. James Davis was named Chaplain of the Year for 1998 by the United Methodist Foundation for Christian Higher Education (UMFCE).

Davis is the second recipient of the award, which was first given in 1997 and sponsored by the Nashville, Tenn.-based foundation. Award nominees are United Methodist Church chaplains worldwide.

"This is clearly an honor," Davis said, "especially since it recognizes the kind of commitments I hold deeply for the ministry in higher education."

Davis, who has been a campus minister for 30 years and Puget Sound chaplain for 21 years, received an inscribed sculpture and a $5,000 cash award earmarked for further development of programs sponsored by his office.

According to UMFCE, a chaplain is selected "whose ministry is acknowledged as extraordinary." Nominees should demonstrate excellence in programming in at least three of seven areas, including: spiritual growth of students, strengthening students’ global awareness; building community on campus; providing opportunities for student leadership development; addressing the role of values in higher education and development of voluntary community service programs.

Davis began his campus ministry career at the University of Minnesota-Duluth, where he served from 1968 to 1977. He was co-pastor of the university United Methodist Church and director of the Wesley Foundation for a year, and served with the Campus United Ministry for eight years. He became Puget Sound chaplain in 1977.

Diversions Café
There were more than 400 entries, but that didn’t divert Megan Maddox ’00 from placing the winning entry in the espresso café naming contest. She chose Diversions, and so did the judges.

Maddox says that the name was a joint brainstorm with her friend, Louise Lytle. It came from the fact they considered the café a great place to go for a break from study, and to get away from the busy dorms to study.

"It ends up being a kind of diversion for a number of things," the junior says. "I spend a great deal of time in the coffee shop—in fact it’s where a great deal of my meal points are going."

Alcohol Vote
The Washington Delta chapter of Phi Delta Theta at the University of Puget Sound, prohibited alcohol on the fraternity premises in a March 30 chapter vote.

Forty-four of the chapter’s 62 active members at Puget Sound attended the meeting. Thirty-four of the active members live in the house at 1509 North Washington St.

The Phi Delta Theta International Fraternity’s sound last spring on how all U.S. colleges and universities would prohibit alcohol on chapter property by the academic year 2000. It has encouraged local chapters to ban alcohol before the year 2000 deadline. To date, 68 of 175 chapters have voted to go alcohol free.

Ryan Lucia, president of the Washington Delta chapter, said: "We’ve discussed this issue many times since the fall of this year. We finally came to the collective understanding that many of the negative instances involving national fraternities were alcohol related."

Lucia, a junior majoring in politics and government from Danville, Calif., added: "It is our firm belief that by refocusing on our founding principles of sound learning, friendship and strong moral convictions, we will ensure our future success."

University of Puget Sound President Susan Renneck Pierce said: "I am pleased that the Puget Sound Phi Delta have taken a leadership role in demonstrating that fraternity life is not dependent on alcohol. I am confident that the chapter will thrive because it embodies the values of friendship, scholarship and service."
Seven Puget Sound faculty members retire

Even faculty with about 198 years of teaching experience at the University of Puget Sound retired at the end of the 1997–98 academic year. The retirees are Shelby J. Clayson, professor, physical therapy; H. James Clifford, professor, English; Francis L. Cousins, professor, English; Tim Hansen, professor, English; Gary Peterson, professor, communications and theatre arts; James Sorensen, professor and dean, School of Music; Desmond Taylor, former, Collins Library.

Clayson joined the Puget Sound faculty in 1973 and played a leading role in developing the University's physical therapy program. She directed the physical therapy program from 1976 to 1980 and was acting director from 1984 to 1986. She received the Puget Sound Associated Students Outstanding Teacher Award in 1987. Clayson is the author and co-author of numerous publications, presentations and manuscript reviews. She is writing a book, Functional Approach to the Nervous System.

Clayson earned a bachelor of science degree in physical therapy from the University of Minnesota and a master of science degree in physical therapy from the University of Colorado.

Clifford served at the Robert G. Albertson Distinguished Professor of Physics at Puget Sound from 1992 to 1997. He joined the faculty in 1970 as a member of the Department of Chemistry after completing his doctoral degree in chemical physics. His University service includes a half-dozen years as a faculty member in the Chemistry Department (1970–76), a period as administrative vice president (1976–80) and 17 years as professor of physics (1981–98). He was a Visiting Scholar in the Physics Department at the University of California-Berkeley, in 1980 to 1981. Clifford received a bachelor's degree in biology and a Ph.D. in chemistry from the University of California in 1963 and a doctorate in 1971 from the University of New Mexico.

Clifford retired from the Puget Sound faculty in 1970, teaching comparative literature, English literature and philosophy. His teaching efforts also included establishing residential learning programs, initiating the language houses, organizing group tutorials for various scholarships and creating opportunities for individual foreign language study. His research centers on English literature and thought of the 18th and 19th centuries. He received a bachelor's arts degree from California State University-Los Angeles, a master's degree from California State University-Northridge and a doctorate from the University of Southern California.

Hansen taught American literature, Vietnamese literature, American studies and American minority groups during his three decades at Puget Sound. Before joining the Puget Sound faculty, he taught at the University of Washington, University of Oregon and Marykato State University. Hansen has received two Fulbright Senior Lectureships, under a program supported by Congress to foster the international exchange of information and ideas. He lectured at various Iranian universities in 1976. He gave 50 lectures over four months at 20 Indian universities in 1991. Hansen also was a foreign expert in the People's Republic of China in 1993. He co-authored, Parallel: The Soldier's Knowledge and the Oral History of Contemporary War, with the late Michael P. Madden, adjunct professor, and Susan A. Owens, professor, both faculty members in Puget Sound's Department of Communication and Theatre Arts. The book chronicled the Vietnam and Afghan wars from the soldiers' perspective. Hansen received a bachelor of arts degree from Whitman College, a master of science degree from the University of Washington and a doctoral degree from the University of Oregon.

Maroon and white colors approved

University reaffirms traditional school colors

By Bob Aaron

The University of Puget Sound has reaffirmed its traditional school colors of maroon and white, a campus symbol since 1897. The reaffirmation came in a unanimous Board of Trustees vote May 15.

The student's largest institution will fall in the Athletic Department, which will select new uniforms and coordinate the colors of athletic equipment. The Memorial Fieldhouse floor also will be repainted in the historic maroon and white colors.

These actions will occur in fall 1999 when the University will become a full-fledged member of NCAA Division III.

The Athletic Department is studying costs and creating an inventory of needed changes. President Susan Rennie Pierce has said the University will underwrite the cost of new athletic uniforms. Uniforms and other changes, she said, will not be financed out of the Athletic Department's budget, noting other funds will be earmarked for the renovation.

Some costs, such as repainting Baker Stadium, will be incurred as part of planned maintenance and replacement cycles, reducing the incremental cost of the colors decision.

Maroon and white were approved by the Board of Trustees as Puget Sound's official colors on June 23, 1897, when it also approved the institution's seal.

In the summer of 1967, students voted by mail ballot to adopt forest green and Puget Sound blue as the University's colors with gold as part of the package. The change was initiated by the Athletic Department but carried out by the student government. Eventually, green and gold came into use as the University's athletic colors, while maroon and white remained Puget Sound's official school colors.

The decision to reaffirm maroon and white as Puget Sound's trademark colors was spurred by the concern of several constituencies about the University's multiple color schemes—maroon and white, green and gold and blue and white, corporate colors adopted in the mid-1980s. In the last year or two, students have expressed concern about the University's several sets of colors, saying they detracted from school spirit and Puget Sound's sense of identity.

President Pierce said: "In 1997, when students and others began urging us to have one set of colors, we made an administrative decision that we really didn't need three sets of colors and eliminated the so-called 'corporate colors' of blue and white."

At a fall 1997 Student Senate meeting, student government officers and students involved in campus media urged a return to a single set of colors. The National Alumni Board Concurred and in fall 1997 it recommended that Puget Sound reaffirm its traditional maroon and white colors.

"The myriad of colors on campus," the Board's resolution said, "causes confusion for current students trying to build school spirit, present challenges among alumni trying to establish a common identity... and creates numerous communications and marketing challenges."

In January of this year, the Student Senate passed a resolution pointing out that "one set of school colors would help unify the student body and increase student spirit."

"Therefore, the resolution concluded, "the Board of Trustees, with the majority recommendation of the Student Senate, reaffirms the University's traditional colors of maroon and white."

School colors were discussed at meetings of the National Alumni Board, Student Senate, Athletic Council and the Executive Committee of the Logger Club, a group of Puget Sound athletics boosters including alumni.

The Winter/Spring edition of Arches, the University's quarterly alumni publication with a circulation of more than 32,000, ran an in-depth package on school colors: a background on the history, issues and decision making process; a copy of the National Alumni Board and Associated Students of the University of Puget Sound (ASUPS) resolution; and a column by National Alumni Board President Susan Bladh-Bloom '87, who as a student was a member of the tennis team and managed the Fieldhouse and football team. The Arches article invited alumni comments via email, telephone and correspondence.

A front-page story in the April 2, 1997, the University's weekly student newspaper, outlined colors-related issues.

The University received 46 communications about colors during the consultation process. Two-thirds of these communications expressed an opinion favoring a single set of colors, one-third expressed a preference for green and gold, two-thirds expressed a preference for maroon and white and a few expressed sentiments for other school colors.
The University of Puget Sound will invest $8.9 million to upgrade housing on campus. This will be accomplished by creating 100 percent occupancy of all existing residence halls and new housing facilities. The University will renovate the Union Avenue housing facility, create 100 percent occupancy of the current hall, and build a new facility for the upcoming year. The plan is to ensure that the academic year is not disrupted by one-empty bed (whether due to approved or unapproved contract cancellations) and that the campus facilities are not stressed by maintaining a facility for the upcoming year.

The subcommittee's recommendation to renovate Union Avenue housing was conditioned on the development of standards and expectations governing the exclusive use of campus facilities, including occupancy requirements. The subcommittee authorized the University to respond to changing housing needs over time. It also recommended that the University have the authority to renovate student campus residence. The subcommittee recommended the Board to Trustees that the Union Avenue houses be renovated so as to allow the University to respond to changing housing needs over time. It also recommended that the University have the authority to renovate student campus residence by upper-class students.

"When trustees, administrators, and students left the conference table there was a strong feeling that a very positive and lasting agreement had been crafted."
Goldstein: a practitioner of geo-archaeology

By Bill Pritchard

Geology Professor Barry Goldstein’s interest in geo-archaeology has led him to research at the Puget Sound-led dig at Cana of Galilee in Israel and mentored him the University of Puget Sound’s 5th annual Dirk Andrew Phipps Memorial Award.

Goldstein will be in Cana, July 15-Aug. 20. The Philip will provide support for faculty research and travel. It was established by former Puget Sound President Philip Phipps and his wife, Gwen, as a memorial to their late son, Dirk, a mining and petroleum geologist professor and veteran archaeologist Douglas Edwards in a major archaeological excavation at Cana which Edwards will lead. The project is scheduled over the three summers and is supported financially by the University.

The geologist will look for evidence of modifications in climate and landscape over the centuries, which says he will help “flush out the whole picture” of human and environmental change at the location. “If you want a tile to what I do, it’s called geo-archaeology,” he says. Goldstein, who joined the Puget Sound faculty in 1984, is an expert in landscape and climatic change in glaciated and arid regions.

Among other accomplishments, he was a visiting scientist at the Hall Museum of Paleontology in Ghost Ranch, N.M., during 1991-92, and was a field party leader in the Ontario Geological Survey in 1980.

He earned a BA in biology from Queens College in 1975, an MSC and PhD from the University of Minnesota. He has presented numerous talks at national and international meetings on glacial processes and landscape evolution.

He is a member of the International Glaciological Society, the Northwest Geology Society, the National Association of Geology Teachers and the American Quaternary Association.

Goldstein says that it has become increasingly common in the past 20 years to include specialists in geology, botany, zoology and other scientific disciplines on archaeological teams. Traditional archaeology has focused on evidence of political and social influences to interpret what has brought changes at a site over the centuries.

“In some cases, the change may be environmental,” Goldstein says. By including other specialists on a dig, “sometimes the interpretation is very different from what it has been” using archaeological evidence in the traditional manner.

The Cana team will also include a zoologist and a paleobotanist among its assortment of experts.

Faculty gain recognition for scholarly activities

By Bill Pritchard

Suzanne Barnett, professor of history, presented her paper, The Construction of an American Identity in Chinese in the Nineteenth Century, at the American Historical Association’s annual meeting in January. In February, she made two presentations at the Colorado College, a public colloquium about her work-in-progress on changing Chinese conceptualizations of the wider world in the 1840s and a seminar with history faculty about Chinese geographical texts before the Opium War. In March, she was a keynote speaker at the Washington State Social Studies annual retreat. In late April, she became chair of the board of ASIANetwork, a consortium of more than 125 liberal arts colleges and smaller private universities with programs in Asian area studies.

Joseph Deter, assistant professor of Spanish, recently presented his paper, Cultural Interests in the Poetry of Angel Gonzalez, as part of a panel on modern Spanish poetry at the 51st Annual Kentucky Foreign Language Conference. Jim Evans, professor of physics, has been named an associate editor of the American Journal of Physics.

Mark Pieger, assistant professor of business and public administration, advised a team of Business students in the recent Bobby De Marco ’98, Shelly Richardson ’98, Samuel Colson ’99 and Jeffrey Heier ’98—who participated in the first annual Western Region Undergraduate International Business Case Competition in Seattle, April 15-16.

Kent Hooper, associate professor of German, will deliver a paper in September in Haifa, Israel, at the Fourth International Congress and Exhibition of the International Society for the Interdisciplinary Study of Symmetry. His paper will focus on isomentry and diagrammatic relations in intertext course.

Ilana Nagy, professor of art, was appointed professor-in-charge of the Intercollegiate Center for Classical Studies in Rome for 1998-99. For next year, she will be a visiting professor at Duke University in the Department of Classical Studies. In Rome she will teach a course in the topography and monuments of Rome and coordinate a staff which will teach the ancient language. She also has an article published in Syntaxis, Studies in Honor of Bradfield Samonda Ridgway (University Museum Monographs). Her article is titled Divinity, Excitation and Idolization: The Organization of Thought on the Sacred Image in Early Archaic Greek Sculpture.

Valerie Navarro, instructor of foreign languages and literature, recently presented a paper, The Cathedrals of Piskov, at the 51st Annual Kentucky Foreign Language Conference in Lexington. The paper was based on research accomplished through a Fulbright-Hays curriculum grant awarded for study last summer in Piskov, Russia. She also presented a related talk, Voices of Russia, for students of Tacoma Public Schools, Tacoma Community College and the University of Washington, on the campus of Tacoma Community College.

Les Price, part-time instructor in the School of Business and Public Administration, received the 1998 Outstanding Accounting Educator Award from the Washington Society of Certified Public Accountants.

Sarah Sloan, associate professor of English and director of Women Studies, has had three essays accepted for publication: The Haunting Story of J: Geneology as a Critical Category in Understanding How a Writer Composes will be published in Critical Reflections on Literary and Technology; Confronting the Issues: Postmodernist Looks at the Body Electric: Email, Feminism and Hypertext will be published in Feminist Cyberspace: Essays on Gender in Electronic Spaces, and Reading Sideways, Backwards and Across the Ocean: Scottish and American Literary Practices and Weaving the World Wide Web will be published in Global Literary Practices and the WWW. Cultural Perspectives on Information Distribution, Interpretation and Use.

Mike Valentine, professor of geology, presented a poster, Basalt of Outlet Falls: A Record of the Matuyama-Brunhes Reversal, at the American Geophysical Union Annual Spring Meeting in Boston, May 26. He co-authored posters, titanium magnetitography of the Crescent Basalt: Olympic Mountains, Washington, with Emile Nyberg ’98 and Amanda Normand ’98 who presented them on April 24 at the Cordilleran Section meeting of the Geological Society of America in Long Beach, Calif.

Melissa Weisman, associate professor of art, has had her work shown in the annual Collector’s Drawing Exhibition at the Arkansas Art Center in Little Rock, and several drawings will be in the center’s 1998 Drawing Invitation, opening in May. Five of her paintings are in Interior Pauses: Northwest Realist Painting, at the Maryhill Museum near Goldendale, Wash., which runs until November 1998. She was also commissioned to paint the late Dorothy Stimson Bullitt, founder of KING Broadcasting, to commemorate the 50th Anniversary of KING. The unveiling was Monday, April 27.

Tom Wells, assistant professor of physical education, was selected as one of the six Washington State Coalition for the Promotion of Physical Activity leadership team to participate in the recent AAM-30 session held in Spokane. The Centers for Disease Control convened the seven-state meeting to help the Western states with their efforts in promoting their “America in Motion for 30 minutes” campaign.
Tacoma foundations build legacies at Puget Sound

By Bill Pritchard

Tacoma foundations have donated more than $2 million to the University of Puget Sound in recent years—primarily for scholarships, but also for building projects, research and other programs. Jeffrey Johnson, the University's director of corporate and foundation relations, says the gifts "directly give back to the community, which created the wealth that funded the foundations." Many family members still live in the region and are involved in foundations' giving decisions.

Many foundations give annually. Johnson says that this consistency is very important to institutions. "Even though Tacoma is not known as a great center of philanthropy, over the past 20 years, this handful of foundations has contributed a remarkable $2 million to $2.5 million to Puget Sound."

Here is a list of local foundations that have made gifts during the Campaign for Puget Sound: Charting the Future:

• Allenmore Medical Foundation provides an annual scholarship of $6,000 for students heading to medical school. The foundation has provided this scholarship for 20 years to the University of Puget Sound, Pacific Lutheran University and others.

Recipients say that the scholarship helps with expenses incurred in applying to medical schools.

• The Ben B. Cheney Foundation gives $20,000 every two years, which Puget Sound uses to incentivize fundraising.

Since 1976, the foundation has provided more than $600,000 for this purpose. The foundation also has contributed $100,000 to the renovation of the Collins Memorial Library.

The Cheney Foundation contributes to 13 private colleges in Oregon and Washington, including the University of Puget Sound Foundation executive director, William O. Rieke, says "the foundation thinks well of Puget Sound, we're happy we can help in this way."

• The Gottfried and Mary Fuchs Foundation provides $20,000 annually for scholarships, also used to recruit local students.

However, The Link is much more than a fund-raising operation. Callers frequently engage in conversations with alumni, who share stories about what campus was like when they were students. Alumni also have offered callers advice on how to look for a job," Craig says, "and sometimes give callers job leads and internship offers."

Callers go through extensive training, learning about the University's history, curriculum and programs in order to field questions that come up in conversations. Training is ongoing, according to Craig, who points out that callers are briefed nightly about campus accomplishments and issues. The Link is largely student-run by seven coordinators, managers who help select callers and supervise the program under Craig's leadership. Coordinators undergo 30 hours of intense training, including a retreat at the start of the school year, and are veteran callers with at least two semesters' experience.

"Coordinators play many roles," Craig says. "They answer questions about the University and they motivate and encourage callers."

"One student," Craig adds, "helps me to respond to alumni requests for information like ‘Is professor so-and-so still on campus?’ We also bring alumni together in situations where someone we call wants to get in contact with a former roommate or sorority sister."

Rounding out The Link's staff are 40 student callers, card tasters and statisticians, who add up nightly totals. International students from countries like Australia, Japan and Russia have worked for The Link.

Last spring, The Link had a 95 percent student worker retention rate and a large majority of student staff will return next year. "Morale is at its peak," Craig says. "Our retention rate is the highest it's ever been. The Link is seen as a positive place to work."

In fact, callers are divided into competitive teams with mascots and headed by a coordinator. Among team names are The Piggies, Sneetches, The Mules, The Links, The Phonies and The Nymphs. An example of The Link's camaraderie and spirit is the trademark jump and toe touch executed by one student worker every time a pledge is made.

Recently, The Link began development of an Internet Website, Craig says, "to show students that there are ‘real’ people behind the phone calls." The Website soon can be reached at <www.ups.edu/our/afund/afund.htm>.

The Link's name is an outgrowth of a brainstorming session aimed at giving a sharper identity to Puget Sound's phonathon program. "The Link," Craig says, "has two meanings. First, a link is one of the rings forming a chain connecting today's students with alumni. Second, we think of it as a torch, lighting one's way. For us, The Link is a way for our student workers to learn, grow and become better communicators. For some students, The Link is their first job and it's helping to groom them for their careers."
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William W. Philip, a Tacoma-area banker and community leader, received an honorary doctor of public service degree, and Terry Castle ’75, the Walter A. Haas Professor in the Humanities and chair of the Department of English at Stanford University, received an honorary doctor of humane letters degree.

Philip had served as president, chief executive officer and board chairman of Puget Sound National Bank. He is president and chief executive officer of Columbia Bank, a Tacoma-area financial institution. Philip played key roles in the revitalization of downtown Tacoma and in the area’s economic and cultural development. His contributions to higher education include service as a Puget Sound trustee, director of the University of Washington Foundation and chair of the University of Washington’s Tacoma Advisory Committee. He also has served as chair of the Tacoma-Pierce County Economic Development Board, chair of the Executive Council for a Greater Tacoma, director and chief fund-raising volunteer for the Washington State Historical Society and a trustee of the Tacoma Art Museum.

Castle, who specializes in 18th-century English literature, joined the Stanford faculty in 1983 after a three-year residency at Harvard University. She has published nine critically acclaimed scholarly books and dozens of articles and essays. A New York Times book reviewer said “she could be the first great postmodern critic of high Augustan literature.” Castle has won numerous academic awards and fellowships, including the prestigious William Riley Parker Prize from the Modern Language Association and the James L. Clifford Prize awarded by the American Society for Eighteenth-Century Studies. Castle quipped that when President Clinton offered him the top job at OMB, where he was responsible for crafting the federal government’s $1.7 billion annual budget, the chief executive told Raines he could stay on the job until he balanced the U.S. ledger.

“He fulfilling my end of the bargain,” Raines deadpanned, “I look forward to my new assignment,” referring to his new job as chief executive of Fannie Mae.

Raines also cited Puget Sound’s performance, saying: “Over the last quarter of a century (Puget Sound) has reinvigorated itself into a liberal arts college of national reputation, dedicated first and foremost to the education of its students.”

“At a time when even our great research universities are beginning to resemble corporate conglomerates,” Raines added, “it is important that parents, alums and friends continue to support the liberal arts college with its focus on educating and not merely credentializing students.”

Raines: “answer the call to serve your nation during your career”

“You are quite fortunate to be graduates of a university with a clear focus on its mission of training students for a lifetime of learning. (Puget Sound) understands that the appropriate metaphor for education is not filling up a vessel, but rather igniting a fire.”

1. For one, believe that the level of trust the American people have in their government is closely related to the perception they have about the performance of government. Polls show that 35 years ago and today the American people have high expectations for federal government performance in areas such as managing the economy, conserving natural resources, providing for the elderly, ensuring the safety of food and medicine, and access to health care. They believe that the government can perform even though they are disappointed in its performance.

2. But much of the problem is that government performance leaves much to be desired. The public rightly criticizes the cost of government, the lack of customer service, the errors and waste, and the often distorted priorities.

3. There is an enormous opportunity to improve government performance if we focus on it with the same laser-beam-like intensity the President focused on economic policy.

4. I call upon the members of this graduating class to also answer the call to serve your nation during your career.

5. As you enter into the fellowship of educated young men and women, remember the opportunity that lie before you. Take stock of all that can be made better in this land. Preserve hope for the best here and now. And build trust in your government, your community and yourselves.

Commencement keynote speaker Franklin D. Raines addressed a standing-room only audience in Baker Stadium.

Puget Sound President Susan Rennock Pierce (second from left) with honorary degree recipients (from left): William W. Philip, a longtime Tacoma-area banker and civic leader, received an honorary Doctor of Public Service degree; Franklin D. Raines, then director of the White House Office of Management and Budget, received an honorary Doctor of Laws degree; and Terry Castle ’75, chair of the English Department at Stanford University, received an honorary Doctor of Humane Letters degree.

Entrepreneur faces challenges of doing business in Russia

By Bob Aaron

Clay Logan '68 has made more than 100 business trips to Russia during the last eight years, seeing firsthand how America's principal Cold War adversary is making the tough transition from communism to capitalism.

"I don't know how it will turn out," Logan says. "The jury is still out on the future." "There's no doubt they'll survive," he adds, "but will they have a good life? That's still a question. Will Russia determine its destiny?"

It might take a decade to see results, Loges forecasts. An entrepreneur with business interests in places like Moscow, St. Petersburg, Tashkent, Uzbekistan, and Minsk, Belarus, Logan is president of Segol, a paging business with 650 employees including 500 in Moscow. Segol (Loges spelled backwards) has 42,000 subscribers in Moscow, expects to grow to 100,000 subscribers by the end of the year and is testing a public advertising of stock next year with shares traded in the United States.

Loges recently merged his company with a Russian firm, making it the largest pager company in Moscow. Russia's largest local public utility—a company that generates 10 percent of the country's power—was a shareholder in the deal.

"Americans," he says, "are used to working in an environment where people want to make decisions, an environment where people understand the notion of working to get ahead and where there is a moral framework."

These factors, Loges says, are absent in the Russian business scene.

Indecisiveness is another trademark business practice in Russia. "It's really terrible," Loges explains. "No one wants to make a decision. Decision-making in Russia is a high-risk activity—even for simple things. This is in stark contrast with America, where everybody makes decisions."

These factors in the Russian business environment, according to Loges, are prompting many American business people to go home. However, Loges has stayed because of his entrepreneurial spirit—something he describes as akin to being a "Green Beret of entrepreneurs." Succeeding in Russia's brave new business world has become a personal challenge, a badge of honor for Loges.

"Most entrepreneurs are driven by more than just money," he explains. "They have a passion, a zeal, to master destiny and walk their own path."

Russia's balky telephone system, a legacy of communism, is contributing to the boom in the use of pagers in cities like Moscow. Pagers are leapfrogging telephone technology in Russia, Loges explains, where they do much more than alert users to phone messages. For example, pagers display written messages and are used as wireless telemetry devices to read electric and gas meters.

Despite the turmoil of contemporary Russia, Loges assesses the Moscow economy as "remarkably robust."

"Last Thursday," he says, referring to a trip to Russia in May, "I was walking down the street and I was amazed by the number of construction cranes and the number of people wearing nice clothes."

Loges—a political science major at Puget Sound, student government president in 1967-68 and former trustee who lives in Bellevue, Wash.—credits his Puget Sound education for part of his business success.

"I'm a great believer in a liberal arts education," he explains. "It teaches you how to absorb, analyze and apply information. With much credit to Puget Sound, I got a great liberal arts education that taught me to think, write and communicate well."

Loges also credits his participation in student government with teaching him organization, budget and management skills.

Loges has worked closely with Puget Sound students. Last summer, two students worked as interns in his Moscow operation. This summer, he is sponsoring Rob Reinhardt '97, who will work in Segol's Moscow marketing and business operations.

"There's no doubt they'll survive, but will they have a good life? That's still a question. Will Russia determine its destiny?"

"The scope of the AIDS problem in Armenia is unknown. If you look at a United Nations' report with regional summaries of the epidemic, Armenia is a blank line. Crucial information is missing and something has to be done."

George Melikian '96, who is enrolled in a two-year master's degree program in public health at Yale University's School of Medicine, is conducting a study of Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome (AIDS) in Armenia this summer.

By Bob Aaron

He's spending his days this summer roaming the streets of Yerevan, capital of Armenia, a former Soviet Republic, interviewing intravenous drug users and testing them for the deadly virus that triggers Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome (AIDS). At night, he's back on the streets interviewing and testing prostitutes.

George Melikian '96 is on a public health mission. He wants to learn all he can about the behavior and culture of people at high risk for infection by the Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV), especially in developing nations.

Melikian, a biology and psychology double major when he was a Puget Sound student, is enrolled in a two-year master's degree program in public health at Yale University's School of Medicine. His research is supported by Yale's Wilbur G. Down Fellowhip, a prestigious grant named for the Yale physician who discovered Down's Syndrome, a form of mental retardation. The fellowship underwrites medical research in developing nations. Melikian won the fellowship after drafting a proposal and surviving intense questioning by a panel of more than 30 professors from Yale's medical school.

"According to the United Nations," Melikian reports, "30.6 million adults and children worldwide are infected with HIV. About 5.8 million people, or 19 percent, were infected in 1997 alone—that's 16,000 infections a day. Ninety percent of those infected with HIV live in developing nations."

AIDS is a disease caused by a virus that attacks the body's immunological system. It is transmitted by venereal routes or blood products. In April 1997, the Atlanta-based U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention reported that 581,429 people in the United States as of December 1996 had been diagnosed with AIDS and 362,004 people had died of AIDS-related illnesses. CDC estimated last year that about one million people in the United States were infected with HIV.

Melikian, whose career goal is to practice medicine in the developing world, says recently there has been a dramatic rise in AIDS in Armenia, a country slightly smaller than Maryland with a population of 3.7 million. That's struggling economically in the aftermath of the collapse of communism in the Soviet Union. The recent explosions of the AIDS epidemic have occurred in Africa and the United States and Asia. According to Melikian, some believe that the next AIDS target will be the former Soviet bloc because of drug use, prostitution and the population's mobility which helps spread the disease.

"One of the first steps in controlling AIDS," says Melikian, "is to identify high-risk groups and study their behaviors," especially in terms of blood-borne infections. Therefore, his study will look at several factors relating to the risk of infection, including the frequency of sex, blood transfusions, the use of drug paraphernalia, and travel patterns of high-risk people.

Melikian, who is of Armenian descent, believes his knowledge of the Armenian language and culture will be a plus in conducting his field study.

"Prevention has a crucial role in controlling the spread of AIDS," Melikian says. "We don't have a cure for AIDS but we can take steps to prevent it." Melikian believes his Puget Sound education helped "in so many ways," to prepare him for his Armenian Adventure. He attributes his fact-finding research experience at Puget Sound, fostered by faculty like assistant biology professors Kevin Weir and Susananne Hannaford, who "helped me to think freely and learn how to design studies." Melikian says, "They spent so much time, energy and commitment teaching me how to learn.

Melikian departed for Armenia June 6 and will return to the United States Aug. 30. In addition to searching the streets of Yerevan, he will recruit people for his study in prisons, hospitals and other places where high-risk candidates—like those afflicted by sexually transmitted diseases—may be found.

"The scope of the AIDS problem in Armenia is unknown," he says. "If you look at a United Nations' report with regional summaries of the epidemic, Armenia is a blank line. Crucial information is missing and something has to be done."
Dual career couple tackle fast track fields

By Bob Aaron

As founder and chief executive officer of the Seattle-based Columbia Resource Group Inc. (CRG), John F. Oppenheimer '80 has organized hundreds of conferences and events in 28 countries and across the United States, some involving Presidents Carter, Bush and Clinton, Deanna (Watson) Oppenheimer '80 is executive vice president, consumer banking at Washington Mutual, one of the nation's top ten banks with more than $150 billion in assets, where she manages half of the bank's 20,000 employees and has been involved in key client relations, marketing, corporate communications, product development, advertising, the bank's foundation and development.

This husband-and-wife duo career team—who knew each other in their native Idaho and at Puget Sound before marrying in 1984—is professionally involved in two of today's fastest changing and most challenging businesses: international business and banking.

John has been with CRG (originally called Columbia Institute) since 1980, when it was run by former U.S. Rep. Orval Hansen (R-Idaho) and operated out of a Capitol Hill townhouse in Washington, D.C., conducting political research and polling about Congress and organizing public events for the Democratic and Republican national committees, embassies, corporations and other clients.

John and Deanna—who both majored in urban affairs and political science at Puget Sound—went together briefly in Washing to, with John focusing on events management and Deanna concentrating on research, which fit nicely with her magazine advertising and marketing background.

In 1985, the Oppenheimers decided they didn't want "to be in D.C. forever" and opened a satellite office in Seattle. However, haggling their beta, they kept their D.C. area apartment for a while despite the distances between Seattle and Washington, D.C.

At that time, CRG began focusing more on government relations, and the two worked on getting online software manufacturers are among its largest clients. CRG's specialties include new product launches, which may involve 30-city road shows, or honchoing a Seattle meeting of the Asia Pacific Economic Corp. (APEC), which, at the time, set a record for the most heads of state in a city on a single day, according to John.

John's event planning activities involved former U.S. President Jimmy Carter in a world water summit conference at the Carter Center in Atlanta, former President George Bush at a conference on the new federalism in Portland, Ore., and President Clinton at the APEC meeting. In the fall of 1997, CRG organized Washington Gov. Gary Locke's trip to the People's Republic of China.

Three years ago, John founded CRG Hospitality, a separate company specializing in conference center management and hotel consulting. CRG Hospitality was selected by the Port of Seattle to operate its Bell Harbor International Conference Center, which in its first 18 months hosted attendees from more than 100 nations.

"This is the most advanced conference center on the West Coast," John says.

CRG Hospitality also manages Seattle Mayor Paul Schell's Inn at Langley, Friday Harbor House and the Heron Beach Inn on Ludlow Bay, in Washington state.

Based on his international business experience, John has some career advice for Puget Sound students: "Learn a foreign language and do whatever you can in your college career to spend a semester abroad. Puget Sound does a good job on that. Learn about cultural differences."

John's staff includes 38 employees with CRG and 90 with the hospitality group. Among them are: Former Congress Laura Mayer '79, CRG's president and chief operating officer and Deanna's Puget Sound roommate.

John and Deanna Oppenheimer, who are professionally active in two of today's fastest changing and most challenging businesses, international business and banking, are also very involved in family life. They are seen here with their sons, James, 6, and daughter, Jensi, 10.

John introduced Leesa to husband, Brian Mayer '80, a dentist, who was John's Puget Sound roommate.

Puget Sound ties are strong at CRG through the university's internship program: "Interns are our single best source of hires," John says, adding, "Puget Sound is our best source of interns. We hire about 40 percent of our interns after graduation."

"Many of our interns work on events," John explains. "Our goal is for them to work on a project from start to finish. This gives them experience in event management on things like client contact, drafting speeches, and attending and observing meetings—working closely with full-time employees who review their work."

A liberal arts background, John says, is important to his business because "the liberal arts opens your eyes to explore and not be narrowly focused."

Deanna credit her Puget Sound liberal arts education with sharpening three key skills: written and oral communications, analytical abilities and the ability to constantly reexamine yourself as conditions change.

When the Oppenheimers relocated to the

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Arakelian wins Fulbright fellowship to Germany

By Bill Pritchard

When alumna Lisa Arakelian '97 decided she wanted to work in Germany to deepen her education and experience she applied for a Fulbright Fellowship, with help from past and present Puget Sound advisors.

Former graduate fellowship advisor Kate Marie Schumaker '86, played a key portion of the application—considered to be the most critical element of the process.

Current advisor Ruth Herman was in with assistance on identifying the require- ments for the scholarship and helping acquire the application.

This September, after going through a process that covered several months, Arakelian, who was degree in international studies, was named the head for the northeastern Baltic coastal town of Stralsund, population 68,000, for a year as a teaching assistant in English at Hauptschule mit Grundschule Ferdinand von Schmit.

Arakelian already had spent three months in Germany, in the former East Berlin, through the University's Study Abroad Program.

When she started the Fulbright application, Arakelian says, she knew "I had a couple of professors who would give me really good recommendations."

The toughest part would be the essay an applicant is required to write on the most important event in his or her life, and how that affected his or her intellectual development. Arakelian says that the death of her father when she was age 14 was the major event in her life.

The difficult part about writing that essay, she said, was trying to put that loss in a positive light, showing how it affected her development and led to a desire to study German and to Germany.

Arakelian says she started studying German in 1994 at the age of 16 because she had no advanced Spanish class available. In addition to offering advanced study, taking German gave her the option of conducting independent studies.

Also, she says, the German teacher was pretty good at convincing her German was a "good language for music and for the sciences."

Arakelian says she started studying Spanish in high school, but switched to German because there was no advanced Spanish class available. In addition to offering advanced study, taking German gave her the option of conducting independent studies.

Besides giving her the opportunity to work with others in a binational classroom, the federal government sponsored her with a travel scholarship which took place in April 2 in the Wheelock Student Center Rotunda, Albertson Hall. It involved: public relations for the event and provided great contacts for the students, he says.

In addition, he said, attendance by alumni at ASK Night was up 40 percent over the previous year.

"Getting face to face opportunities, students now can access ASK on the Internet. More than 1,000 alumni have different versions of ASK, and students and alumni have information about specific careers and graduate school.

The network provides information on careers, organizations and the level of education and experience required for different fields.

The Website address is www.ups.edu/advising/ask.htm.

Profiles of students who have benefited from ACA services are:

- Ian Fund '98, an intern with the NASA Ames Research Center, at ASK night and now is working for the company.
- Jason Le Monds '98, got an intern- ship with Microsoft with the help of Lesley Link '93, a user manager and team lead for the company.
- That internship led to the offer of a full-time job that Le Monds accepted.

Fall employer expo slated for Oct. 21-22

If your employer is recruiting for career positions, internships or summer jobs, Puget Sound's annual Career Advising office wants to know.

Contact Kate Davis '94, Academic and Career Advising, at (206) 285-7348, <aca@ups.edu> for more information about how you can help.
Reunion '98: Return of the Hatchet

By Bob Aaron

Students once scoured through every book in the Puget Sound Library looking for it. Residence hall rooms were ransacked searching for it. The search was never-ending. Chants began in Tacoma and spirited up the Jones Hall tower in pursuit of it. And, one year the quest ended when it was discovered working in it was carved out Dun & Bradstreet volume, costing $2 cents.

"There was intrigue about it all the time," said Troy Strong '48, a retired Methodist minister and former University trustee (1960 to 1975) who attended its 50th reunion Oct. 23-25 at Reunion/Homecoming Weekend '98. "It was a constant matter of interest."

The story is still being told. And, the Hatchet is the constant allusion. The passing of the hatchet from the senior class to the junior class is a long time Puget Sound tradition. This relic—surrounded by high jinks, mischievous pranks and lore—will reappear at Reunion. It is an integral part of the Hatchet traditions, an unspoken bond forged by campus living arrangements. Preserving the contributions of fraternity and sorority members to campus life at the University of Puget Sound should continue to be an ongoing priority.

The experience is exemplified by the president of Beta Theta Pi, president of the Interfraternity Council and now as a member of the board of directors, can provide me with an understanding of the many issues and concerns shared by the more than 20 Greek fraternities and sororities on campus.

The University has made a tremendous financial commitment to reno-
vate residence halls. There is a strong desire on the University's part to make that housing as attractive and comfortable for the students as possible. This will help the Greek system at Puget Sound to grow. A strong Greek system can enrich the educational experience at the University's long-term vitality.

Major components of the Exclusive Use Agreement have been resolved to accommodate present day living standards. Realistic occupancy stan-
dards will be implemented. Provision for air conditioning in all residence halls with fewer beds in almost every house after the renovations. Pledge classes vary in size—between 10 and 25. The Use Agreement allows the Greek system to deal with those variations. The agreement authorizes the University's security and safety to have exclusive control of a specific University-owned facility. This is an important factor for them to protec-
t their investments in University housing and, therefore, several posi-
tive components have been added. This will benefit everyone concerned. A final, rewritten document, incorporating these revisions, will be reviewed in the fall by IRC/PRC for action by the board Committee on Academic and Student Affairs in October.

As I look back on my four years at the University of Puget Sound, I think of the many friendships that were part of my experience. Be-
cause of my involvement in Greek life. I also recall the perceived adversarial climate between the Greek system and the University administration. Those old ideologies are not as important anymore. Fraternity and sorority members, along with other alumni, should acknowled-
g and appreciate the contribution the Greek system has made to the University. Involving almost $9 million in Union Avenue renovations can be considered a testimonial on behalf of the University and the Board of Trustees. I am confident a new era exists for positive Uni-
versity-Greek relations. The fraternity and sorority system at the University of Puget Sound should thrive and go forward. I commend the University to a strong partnership.

ASK night shifted to Fall semester

Alumni Sharing Knowledge Night, the an-
nual reception providing students and alumni an opportunity to discuss life at and after Puget Sound, will be held in the fall for the first time this year.

On Sept. 24, students will have a chance to learn about various career fields Puget Sound graduates enter, voluntary groups they join and how their lives are enriched through their liberal arts education.

Previously, the event took place in the spring. "It makes sense to move this successful event from and center," said Pete Hamper '81, who has attended ASK Night nearly every year since it was launched in 1987. "Winter is a poor time to get feedback from the advice they get from alumni," Hamper added, because the event now will be held in the fall instead of the spring.

Ron Albertson '75, assistant director for career services in the Office of Academic and Career Planning, said, "No statistics indicate students are in their academic and career planning, the alumni network is a pivotal, critical tool. We want them to start planning early and moving ASK Night to September will help us launch a series of career services events for the year."

Alumni have various reasons for attend-
ing the networking event. Most have infor-
mation about particular fields or they want to offer advice about courses, extracurricular activities, the graduate school admission process, and about how to conduct a successful job search.

"This is especially an meaningful way for alumni to be involved with the University," said Catherine More, assistant director of alumni programs at Puget Sound.

Linda Rix '79 said of ASK Night: "It's wonderful hearing all the altruistic reasons for being here. But I'm glad to hear that others are here for the same reason as me—to recruit."

Rix, president and chief executive of Avet Technologies, was a successful ASK Night recruiter. Economics major Ian Pend '98 received a job offer from the firm, a software manufacturer. Rix's attendance at ASK Night led her to being recruited as a mentor in the University's Business Leadership Program.

Those interested in attending ASK Night, Sept. 24, should contact: Leah Travis, aca-
demic and career adviser, 253-750-3357, or acaspupeds@advising/homepage.htm.

Alumni will gather Sept. 24 between 5:30 and 7:45 p.m. for their networking opportuni-
ties prior to the 6:30 p.m. reception with students in the Rotunda at the Wheelock Student Center. For more information or to volunteer, contact the Office of Alumni Affairs, 253-750-3245, or leave a message in the alumni voice mail box, 1-800-339-3312, or visit the Website at <www.upt.edu/alumni/reunion.htm>. Register by Aug. 25 using the form on page 12.

new alumni directory planned

Have you ever tried to get in touch with an old classmate, only to find that the last alumni directory is five years old or seven directories are over. A new Puget Sound alumni directory is in the works and you will easily be able to locate your friends and former classmates.

The new University of Puget Sound Alumni Directory, scheduled for rele-
lease in the summer of 1999, will be the most current and complete refer-
cence ever compiled of more than 22,000 University alumni. This compre-
hensive volume will include for each current and former name, address and phone number, academic data, plus business information and email address (if ap-
licable), bound into a classic, library quality edition.

The Puget Sound Alumni Association has contracted with the Bernard C. Harris Publishing Co., Inc. to produce the directory. Harris soon will begin researching and compiling the infor-
mation to be printed in the directory by mailing a questionnaire to each al-
mum. You may indicate that you do not want to be listed in the directory.

The new University of Puget Sound Alumni Directory soon will make find-
ing an alumnus/e as easy as opening a book. The directory also will be avail-
able online on CD-ROM. Look for additional details about the project in up-
coming issues of Archie.
**Friendships, nostalgia and a successful senior sneak**

By Bob Aaron

April 13, 1948.

On that day a half-century ago, the senior class at Puget Sound pulled off the first successful senior sneak with all the planning, precision and panache of a World War II spy escape.

"It was a cloak and dagger operation," recalled Helen Strong, 49. "It was just after senior day."

"Reunions are not meaningful unless you had a good time with friends in college. We had such a good time and were involved in so many extracurricular activities, we can hardly wait to see friends."

By 1948, senior class members had outgrown the "little girl" image planted by the juniors.

World War II so we were aware of cloak and dagger operations.

Planning for the clandestine project took place in Helen's self-campus apartment, where she lived with her husband, Troy Strong '48, a history major and U.S. Army Air Corps veteran. Another co-compiler was Rosa Mae (Monger) McDonald '48, class president.

As his 50th reunion approached, Troy—a former Puget Sound trustee (1969 to 1977), a retired steel mill inspector and a former co-chair—reminisced about his years as a Puget Sound student, recalling memorable campus traditions like the hatchet, the senior sneak and the tug-of-war between freshmen and sophomores that capped off spring cleanup day.

"Of all our traditions," Troy said, "the senior sneak was the most fun. I didn't know its origins, but the administration agreed that the senior class could take a day off in the spring to have a picnic or some kind of outing. There was a faculty chaperone and you could go anywhere within 150 miles of Tacoma.

The senior sneak became a rivalry between juniors and seniors.

"If the juniors arrived on the scene (of the senior sneak), the seniors had to feed them," Troy explained. "If the seniors were successful (and the location of the senior sneak went undiscovered) the juniors were embarrassed.

Security about the time, date and location of the senior sneak often was porous.

If the class was caught sneaking out, according to Helen, because juniors and seniors either roomed together or dated.

"The senior sneak was never successful," Helen recalled. "Before our time, the senior class just assumed it would get caught and prepared for a getaway with the juniors. Troy believed it was important for the class of '48 to have a successful senior sneak and volunteered to head it. Planning began in the summer of 1947 and continued throughout the winter of 1948.

"We were going to go early in the year," Troy said, "and take a chance on the weather. There were some good days in April. The sneak was taught in May, but we changed the timetable.

Drivers were recruited, a major challenge because of the number of Marines and enough vehicles were needed to take the senior class. There were fewer buildings on campus then, making an escape without detection difficult. Troy recalled: "We invited all drivers to an off-campus house on a Sunday night. The drivers were told that there would be assigned people to ride with them and would be notified less than 12 hours before departure. They wouldn't be told where they were going, only a rendezvous point. All of this eliminated the chance for leaks.

Girls living in Anderson Hall were assigned a list of people to contact about the details of the senior sneak. The information was written down in notebooks and the girls were instructed not to talk to their contacts, only to show them the written message to avoid eavesdropping.

At 5:45 a.m. on April 13, the conspirators tuned in to the radio news cast, which ended with the sound of a gong, the signal to launch the senior sneak. The girls in Anderson, for example, headed downstairs with their books if it going to class.

Their picnic gurn was worn beneath their regular clothing. The drivers entered campus at the sound of the gong, quickly picked up their passengers and drove off. Students from on and off campus met in a Seattle church parking lot, where maps were handed out and the convoy headed to Lake Goodwin, near Everett, Wash., a two-hour drive, arriving there between 10 a.m.

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"We spent the night with our granddaughters in a sorority house."

In addition to the formal program of speakers, recognitions and award presentations, Flaherty said: "There was chit chat across the generations. People were fascinated by various connections members had with the school, such as the people associated with names on buildings."

"It was a very touching event, there was a sense of history."
A liberal arts paradise

L.A. alumni meet at Huntington Library

By Bob Aaron

The renowned Huntington Library, Art Collections and Botanical Gardens—an oasis of art and culture amid the 150 acres of natural beauty—was the site of a March 8 gathering of the Los Angeles chapter of the University of Puget Sound Alumni Association.

Lorna Robinson ’60, a member of the University of Puget Sound National Alumni Board and chair of its Nominating Committee, organized the event. The Huntington, located in San Marino, Calif., is a “wonderful, learned spot,” Robinson said, explaining why she chose it for the event, attended by 30 alumni.

“Puget Sound’s educational thrust,” she added, “should extend to alumni and their families.”

The Huntington complex includes three art galleries and a library that showcases a magnificent collection of rare books and manuscripts, 18th- and 19th-century British and French art, American art from the 18th to the early 20th century, and a small collection of Renaissance paintings.

Alumni gathered in Fellows Hall, where they were greeted by Robert Skotheim, library president. Catherine Morse, assistant director of regional alumni programming, led a discussion about University of Puget Sound activities. Decaira led tours of the botanical gardens and art galleries, and attendees were free to visit other parts of the complex.

Robinson, a Huntington Library fellow, said: “You could tour the Huntington Library for days and days and not see the whole thing.”

The benefit of alumni gatherings like the one convened at the Huntington Library, according to Robinson, is “the educational thrust. You get something out of the meeting. It’s very educational and inspirational,” especially since alumni were encouraged to bring their children.

The Huntington Library is a private, nonprofit institution, founded in 1919 and opened to the public in 1928.

Alums board ocean liner in Honolulu

By Bob Aaron

About 45 Honolulu-area alumni gathered aboard the S.S. Independence on April 4 to hear an update on the University of Puget Sound activities and accomplishments and enjoy the nine-deck ocean liner.

“I think people always are pleased to be here,” says Scott Higashi ’91, director of alumni relations and risk management for American Hawaii Cruises, owner of the S.S. Independence since 1983. “I know I am. It’s exciting to be part of that progress.”

Higashi, who majored in Asian Studies at Puget Sound, helped organize the event and led a tour of the 682-footlong, 30,090-ton ship, which has 415 cabins and can accommodate 1,000 passengers. Tour highlights included the ship’s two freshwater swimming pools, grand buffet and cafes.

“I enjoy helping out with various alumni events,” says Higashi, who is a Honolulu resident.

Alumni saw a video about the program’s activities faculty and students are doing at Puget Sound, Higashi explained, noting: “Programs like this help build the University. It has evolved a great deal since I was there.”

Reminiscing about his student days at Puget Sound, Higashi characterized the campus as “just the right size,” and located in the Pacific Northwest, “one of the most beautiful places in the world.” He fondly remembered the campus “comfortable feeling and his interaction with professors.”

Higashi said that alumni events like the one aboard the S.S. Independence give alumni a “good sense of where things are” at the University of Puget Sound.

Careers

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Seattle area, Deanna targeted her job search on regulated industries going through the gyrations of deregulation, which led her into banking with Washington Mutual in 1985.

“I thought those types of industries,” she explained, “would need someone with marketing and government experience.”

The greatest challenge facing the banking industry, according to Deanna, is to “continue to improve our ability to compete. Shareholders and customers are demanding more so the challenge is how to stay competitive in a rapidly consolidating industry.”

In banking, Deanna explains, the cost of technology is driving consolidation.

One dimension of Washington Mutual’s competitive edge, Deanna explains, is customer service. “We see demand,” she says, “for a nationally branded bank with outstanding customer service. We see ourselves as big enough to support advanced technology but also offering personalized service” characteristics of smaller banks.

Despite their career demands, family is a focus for the Oppenheims, especially their daughter, Jenny, 10, and son, James, 6.

Deanna, a former Puget Sound trustee and alumni board member, serves as president of the Seattle Children’s Theatre, the second largest theater of its type in the United States, and vice chair of the Corporation of the Seattle Art, which is a trustee of the Woodland Park Zoological Society, chairs the annual fund committee of the Fred Hutchinson Cancer Research Center Foundation and is a board member of the Washington Council on International Trade and Discovery Institute.
30th Reunion Class of 1968
Pat Gourley Chesebro of Tacoma is the editor of The Unique and Exotic Travel Monthly, which focuses on unusual and exciting travel opportunities. Her husband, Larry Chesebro, is a retired owner and publisher.

1970
Carolyn J. Morrison Fulton lived in Bangkok for two years where she taught English at the National School of Bangkok. She recently graduated a graduate assistantship from Florida State University. Next year she will begin doctoral studies in music education and research. She made a seven-minute film about a new Garland Encyclopedia of World Music.

1974
Sarah Reade of Edmonds, Wash., writes, "With the help of UPS, I was able to attend medical school as the age of 36. I graduated with honors and have now opened my own practice: Eye Care—no HMO—capitalism or managed care—it’s working! Thank you Reade. Donna Reit of Jacksonville, Fla., is district director of Reit Hand Therapy.

1975
Tom McCarthy of Santa Cruz, Calif., writes, "I recently started my own event management company, Entertaining. I am also the regional office manager of the Sorling Institute of Relationships and the regional procurement manager of the International Community Service. In 1996, I married Robert N. Schwanz with recommendations from the International Veterinary Acupuncture Society. Last winter, he taught a seminar on acupunture at the University of California, Albany, Calif. He lives in Santa Fe, where he operates a business, Santa Fe Equine.

1976
Allan R. Miller of Ovings Mills, Mil., is marketing director and travel consultant for Eventronics, a company that develops travel software.

25th Reunion Class of 1973
Stephen Hunt is assistant dean of students and director of Orientation and Risk Education at North Carolina-Chapel Hill. It has been exceptionally satisfying to continue a wonderful relationship with college students—at least one which I started at UPS.

Carol D. (Huhn) Smyth writes, "I recently married Jack R. Smith Jr., and we are planning to attend the reunion in October. We married in a ceremony with the Honolulu Police Department and Jack is vice president of Copiers Hawaii Management Co.

1974
Derek Ursache of Honolulu is the manager of industrial relations for Hawaiian Marine Corporation.

20th Reunion Class of 1978
Judy Friend moved to Greenwich, N.C., last November where she is an account manager for VF Jeanswear. "It’s true what they say about Southern hospitality," she writes.

Marcia Melena works at a home health therapist with Associated Health Services. Marcia also teaches classes called "Fundamentals of Care Giving for Adult Family Home Applicants." Her husband, Donald Melena, is a retired counselor in pastry. They have two children, Matthew and Dave, and live in Lakewood, Wash.

1980
Brad Duncan is a litigation partner in the Richmond, Va.-based law firm of Hunton and Williams. He lives in Williamsburg, Va., with his wife, Cheryl, and their two daughters, Katherine and Elizabeth. Twins were expected in June.

Marcia Harris is assistant superintendent for the Portland Public School District. She and her husband, Jeff, live in Warsaw, Wash.

Kathryn (Dubsky) Zahn celebrated the third birthday of her son, Andrew, in April. She and her family live in College Place, Wash., where she works for GOF! Communications Inc.

1981
Anita Stanley of Hollywood, Calif., writes, "In the past ten years, I have appeared in five films, including the recently completed. In Quiet Nights, several TV shows and commercials, a music video for the Bay City Rollers, and as an associate of the National Executive Committe for the Graphic Artist's Guild, a trade group. Her son, Dory Maney, just finished his freshman year at Puget Sound College.

1982
Carr Tuck and her husband, Bill Tuck, work as the western regional national chair corporation coordinators. With the World of the Christian ministry organization that collects, refurbs and then transports previously owned wheelchairs to persons with disabilities in need around the world. The couple reside in Elk, Wash.

Doug Bemser of Bellingham, Wash., is coordinating the professional development of school teacher training program through the Woodring College of Education at Western Washington University. Gail (Westworth) Class is director of business operations for the Master Sinfonia Chamber Orchestra and is a Bible study leader at the Las Alas, Ca.

1997
Jeanette (Close) Harris has a granddaughter, Kathryn Philpott '01 of Canby, Ore., studying at Pacific Northwest College. Jeanette lives in Kirkland, Wash.

1946
Ruth Ann (Dowdew) Easias and her husband, Bill, retired in 1997 after a wedding anniversary in 1977. They recently traveled to Israel with their son, David, and his wife, Kristin. David and Kristin live in Hartford. Va.

Maryfield and her husband are moving from Denver to Seattle and "hopes to find a condo to move into in Seattle.

45th Reunion Class of 1953
Malcolm (Gary) Salle and Merle Roberts married on April 18 at Kowloon Chapel. Marilyn says, "After dating through high school and college, it seemed that our dream came true." They reside in Gig Harbor, Wash.

1954
Barbara (Johnson) Rumney recently retired as a systems analyst programmer for the Washington State Department of Labor and Industries. She was off to Florida in May, California in June, Oregon in July and September, and Jamaica in November.

1957
Sybil Enschede Cox of Eastonville, Wash., moved to Tacoma in 1995, retired after teaching for 28 years in Washington state and D.C. My husband, Bill, will retire this year which will provide more time for travel, grand kids, and music. I have worked in our children’s rhot as a retiree.

40th Reunion Class of 1958
Robert Donnelly and his wife, Marilyn, spent June and July 1997 in Alaska. The couple are retired and live in Ocean Shores, Wash.

Elaine Petersen lives at principal of Montlake Terrace high school after 36 years in the Edmonds (Wash.) school district. Elaine was named the 1997 Washington State Principal of the Year. She then took a new position in educational administration with Frederick County Public Schools as executive di-
Jeff of Air happily Rancho in live this 1984 in Washington of Utah. Hayward, joining Chad, in Emma, University Gould taught drives, at the basis. He operates from his home and travels in the Western U.S. and Latin America. He lives in North Tacoma.

1984
Susan Givens "opened a publishing company, Quiet Press (folk print) fiction, non-fiction, poetry, children's literature, adult literature, and a partner (and do all pens work, including editing, book design, cover design and marketing) which I have owned since the fall of the press in 1998 was The Quiet Press, a small, independent press. 1947-1962, author Anthea Teyber Scott. (I will publish four more books also."

William Givens, reside in Tacoma, Jennifer (Watt) Fox and her husband, Stephen, in Seabeck, Luliana.

I was selected as a position as manager with Ionmae Corp. in Rav, Utah. Ionmae makes Zip and Jax compare machines and runs a local call center. I was in that position for a total of 2 years, 3 months.

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I was in an office in global business. Tim and his wife, 13 years, have three children. Tress, 11, Cayda, 11, and Caila, 5.


Tom Turner lives with his wife, Chris, and their two sons, Andy, 7, Olivia, 1. and Emma, 1, in Seattle.

1985
Karen (Luren) Stanisch writes, "I graduated from University of South Florida on April 3, 1988 in Montana to Stephen Stanisch. We will return to Minnesota where we are both employed. Our email address is GRIELLESG@compuserve.com."

Karen Luren Stanisch is a rehabilitation manager and occupational therapist.

1986
Cheryl Swab and husband, Gavin, celebrated the birth of their daughter, named Lisa Shae, the day after a good friend Tom Morrison 83 is and the godson of Ben Allen-White. "I will be a great bonus to the family. Their oldest son, Nicolas, is age 4."

1987
Jeff Jensen resides in Lakewood, Wash., with his wife, Judy, and their dog, Hank. Jeff sells real estate for Windermere.

10th Obituary Class of 1988
Richard Brune writes, "Margaret 89 and I moved back to Washington in January 1977 so that I could take a position with a consulting company. I was promoted to vice presi- dent of ten test services and have been with NCLB Consulting since. Barry has been working in Payupll for 20 years as a consultant in psychological therapy in a long-term care facili- ty. We have a baby daughter in July and have no plans for the future."

Richard was in his 50's with minor adjustments. "My son passed away in 1981."

The couple reside in Kirkland, Wash.

Cari Fraser and her husband, Scott, of Anchorage, Alaska, welcomed their new daughter, Grace, on the birth of their son, Brady Ryan Fraser, Nov 21, 19storm."

James T. Huff II and his wife, Donna Huff 90, will celebrate their 25th wedding anniversary on Oct. 25.

Vera O’Brien will return to California in August after serving 27 months in the United States Army in England. She is looking for work at cellphones at 1704-4723 123.

Alison Whiteout’s wife’s 1988 graduate. I’ve been enjoying my job as a vocational rehabilitation counselor. My master’s degree in special education has been most helpful. Ironically, I’ve recently been diagnosed with what is most likely multiple sclerosis. I’ve been seeing a neurologist and have been treated at a local hospital for neurology."

I will start a new job as manager of Operations at the University of Washington. Myself, Eric Reitan, Ph.D., teaches at University of South Carolina. Before that I was at Boeing and then served as lead but switch to a more optimal environment."

Stephanie Brown graduated last December from Washington State University with a bachelor of science degree in nursing and computer science. She is working at the psychiatric unit of Memorial Hosp- ital."

Rachel Clark married John Bell, on Dec. 31, 1997, in Marana, Arizona. This is her second marriage. She says she will keep her maiden name.

James Dunton and his wife, Cindy, have welcomed their first baby, last Nov. 26. They also have a two and- a half year-old daughter. I’ve been work- ing in the auto finance industry and is the north western sales man for 1999."

Tom Koontz, his wife, Kristin (Lund) Koontz, are expecting their first child, born in 1997. Tom is a faculty member at the University’s School of Natural Resources as an associate professor in environmental and natural resource policy. Kristin is taking a sabbatical from el-ements of land management and has spent more time with their daughter.

Judy Lyons-Gruver writes, "My hus- band (Paul Gruver) and I are producing an independent film. Being in the NAE of a program is a great opportunity."

My husband and I plan to be at the films website and am composing and coordinat- ing music for the soundtrack."

We will be in the year 2000. Please visit our website for more information at www.geocities.com/Hollywood/Land-/ 1642/"

Barbara Moore (Hayes) Bax and her husband, Dan Bax, of Portland, Ore., announce the birth of their daughter, born on Oct. 21, 1997. Wendy writes, ‘congrat to my sir Triba mens family’. "We held a christening party. I look him up at the Portland area or contact me at #4938@compuserve.com."

1990
Julie Jacobson has been accepted as "Albuquerque’s Favorite Radio Personality" along with her husband, Gene Gares, at the Annual People’s Choice Awards. Julie and Gene co-host the morning show on KPEK FM radio. The award was presented to the most popular businesses around Albuquerque with more than 100,000 listeners."

Julie and Gene were honored as "Favorite Radio Personality" at a ben- efit for the Citizens of Albuquerque.

Charles Noble of Portland, Ore., was featured as a soloist with the Oregon Symphony Orchestra in the annual holiday concert, "The Festival of Trees," Nov 26-28."

Carrie Sandahl earned her Ph.D. in theater and drama at the University of Washington in 1990. Carrie has served as the manager of the University’s Department of women’s Studies and is currently at the University’s Department of women’s Studies. Carrie can be reached by email at ccsandahl@uw.edu"

1991
Christine Avellanet writes, "I just recently left Faith Hunter, my employer"
PROFILE

Jack Kirk sees self as jack of all trades

Jack Kirk? "I calls himself a jack of all trades. He sings, he acts, he is in a licensed tour guide and he travels the world on a schedule of "adventure concierge," making sure private parties, special events, meetings and similar activities go off smoothly.

In May, he was in his hometown of Portland, Ore., starting in the Northwest premiere of a new Sundheim work, "Putting It Together." He says it was an easy pleasure having his old friends, faculty and friends in the audience.

That performance has put him in the company of such luminaries as the recent West Coast Pacific Northwest Drama Critics Circle award winner.

In July, he will travel to Amsterdam, where he will sing in a concert in the same opera house and the following day to his salt of mother sang.

His work on parties, cruises and speaking engagements draws to top-performing corporate employees, "It's all a mixture of living within a fictional world, yet doing real travel and travel to these fantastic events." He has worked with groups as small as 15 and as large as 150.

"If I say, "my inner life is very full; I count my blessings.""

In his postgraduate life experiences, Kirk says, were his years as an undergraduate at Puget Sound.

"I had a lot of experience for me from day one was just splendid," he says. "I loved my training and the education that we got there, as a result of small classes and close contact with the professors.

Kirk says he gained a reputation for being an enthusiastic participant in the profiles that he so that one professor would regularly ask: "Are there any questions, other than (from Mr.) Kirk?"

"I love the school, I love the park-like aspect, I love the intimacy," of the school, Kirk says. "It makes me feel that I graduated yesterday."

Kirk attended Puget Sound and shortly after graduation, he attended a master's program in the East.

"When you perform, the audience applauds because you were so much part of the musical development," he says. "The same principle holds for the tours and events he works with. I can say with confidence that we enhance the tour, I am gratified by the success and the contentment of the people involved.

Kirk adds that "I attribute a little bit of my love of work with Pacific Northwest Sound, with its small, intimate atmosphere, and the open and comfortable relations I had with my professors."
ALUMNI PROGRAMS CALENDAR

For more information or an invitation to any alumni events, call the alumni office at 253-755-3245. You are encouraged to attend alumni events when you are visiting the area.

July
25, Saturday
Annual alumni picnic—Campus.

September
22, Tuesday
Hawaii Alumni Chapter—Business Breakfast, Pacific Club, Honolulu.
26, Thursday
Alumni Sharing Knowledge Night—Campus.
27, Sunday
Chicago Alumni Chapter—Branch and Architecture Root Course.

October
23-25, Friday–Sunday
Reunion '98, all alumni welcome—Campus.

Portland alumni explore ancient Egyptian art
Portland, Ore., alumni chapter officers (from left) Spencer Strahan '75, Shannon Chieson Worley '90 and Joanie Platt Welch '66 were among Puget Sound alumni who explored 200 masterpieces of ancient Egyptian art at the Portland Art Museum's exhibit, Splendors of Ancient Egypt, as an Alumni Association event, May 3. Douglas Edwards, associate professor and chair of religion, spoke to alumni at a brunch at the Multnomah Athletic Club prior to the group's touring of the exhibit.

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