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A man with a beard, wearing a dark sweater and jeans, stands in the center of a large, ornate, circular pattern on a stage floor. The pattern is composed of yellow and purple lines forming a stylized, swirling design. The background shows rows of red seats in an auditorium.

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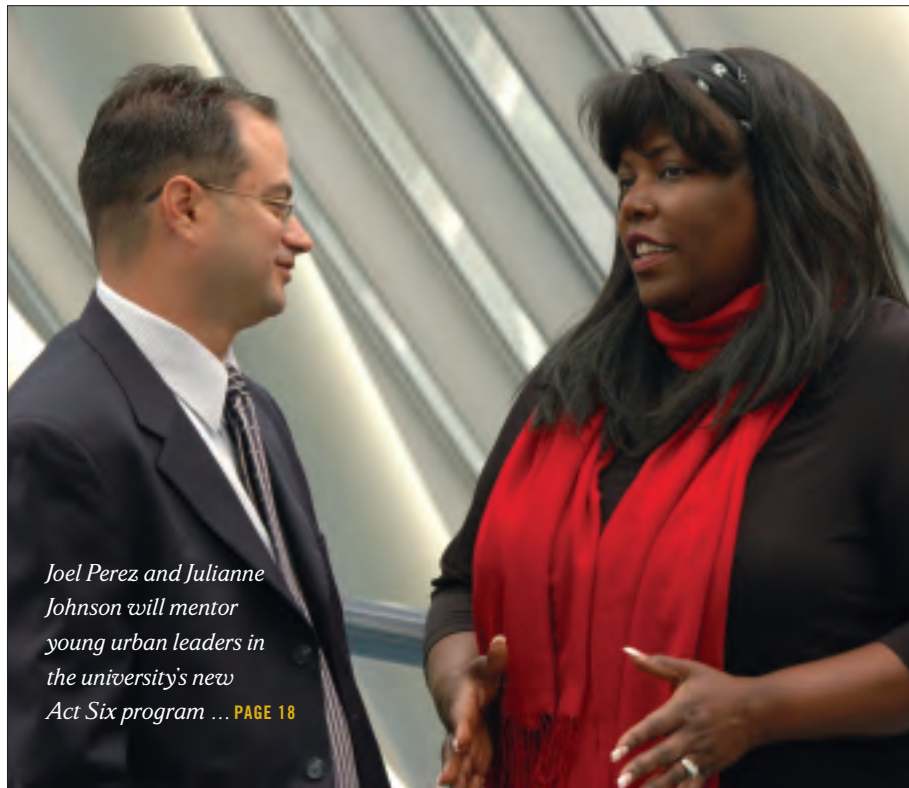
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Readers Forum

The Journal received more than 30 letters in response to the spring issue "Tell us more" photo. The excerpts below represent a small sampling of your sentiments.

>> Mike "Biggs" Wirta is someone I will never forget from my days at George Fox. You won't find a more loyal fan of Bruin basketball, nor a more enjoyable person to talk with. His ability to capture every detail of a game with pencil and paper and then magically transform all the scratches into an absolutely perfectly scribed score sheet was amazing. Although I know that he has updated his process to capture Bruin stats with the help of a computer, some of us will always prefer to remember the "legendary" Biggs sitting at the scorer's table with a pencil and paper.

Thanks for taking me back.

Brian Martin ('91)

Bruin basketball player 1989–91
PORTLAND, OREGON

>> I'm happy to share my memories of the Bruins' "biggest" fan ... Mike "Biggs" Wirta. It's impossible to think of Biggs and not have a smile on my face. What a loyal, trusting, happy, and caring individual — someone who would genuinely do anything for anyone.

Congratulations, Biggs, on your 1,000th game!

Susie Fisher ('77)

ALBANY, OREGON

>> Biggs took great care of the gym floor, even sweeping it during halftime of games. I think about that every time I'm at a basketball game ... thinking someone should be sweeping the floor during the half like Biggs always did at Fox.

Tammy (Stockman) Malgesini ('82)

HERMISTON, OREGON



During May Serve 2006, Mande Spotts and 16 other students visited with nursing home residents in Pecica, Romania, while painting benches in their courtyard

mothers. Crenshaw and Johnson renewed friendships with several orphans they had met on a previous trip. "We were amazed at the growth

The last issue of Journal included a story about a movement among George Fox students to live their faith by loving people in the world around them. This spring, that desire led a group of students to spend a month in Romania.

For the third time in five years, George Fox students traveled around the globe for the people of Romania.

In May, Andrea Crenshaw, the university's director of outreach and service learning, and alumni Matt Johnson ('04) led 17 students back to one of Central Europe's poorest countries. Today about a third of the Romanian population still lives below the poverty line.

During the month-long trip, the team built relationships and provided physical labor for six different ministry and social-service organizations. The students poured concrete for a church building, moved debris, painted, and landscaped. They scraped old mortar off bricks so the bricks could be reused to build a home for a senior citizen.

When they weren't working, the students befriended orphans, senior citizens, and women at a home for unwed

of the kids," Crenshaw said.

The students raised their own funds for the trip. George Fox's May Serve program annually sends students overseas for a month of service and evangelism. Past trips have gone to Ukraine, India, Cuba, Jamaica, Brazil, Malawi, and the Philippines.

The July 2003 cover story of George Fox's alumni newspaper LIFE featured a small group who returned to Romania to honor Tish Langston, a 21-year-old George Fox student who died in an auto accident hours before a 2002 May Serve trip to Romania (georgefox.edu/life/archives/LIFE_Vol_33_No_3.pdf).

Tell us what you think

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The constant amid change



Graduating senior Travis Shaffer recently caused me to ponder his future. This year's student president spoke to our annual meeting of the Henry Mills Society, a group of individuals who have recognized George Fox University in

their estate plans. Travis is not yet in this group. With a bachelor's degree in political science and history, he is just beginning his career, planning to go to graduate school then into politics. Since the audience included a significant number of alumni who graduated quite a few years ago, I began to wonder: "Will Travis and his fellow classmates recognize his alma mater many years from now when he is on campus for another gathering of the Henry Mills Society?"

George Fox will change. Institutions are alive; they are not static. They respond and transition. How will alumni recognize their alma mater when buildings they loved have been demolished, the logo has been contemporized, students are listening to strange music, there's a new entrance to the university, and they can't park where they used to?

It would be a terrible mistake to promise graduating students that their institution will not change. We want them to understand this transition through the decades and we want them to continue to support the university in new ways — and with significant donations. But, they will be supporting a place that is different from the one they attended.

A standout strength of George Fox is its stability through changes. Since its founding in 1891, George Fox has remained an unapologetically, deliberately Christ-centered university. George Fox has grown decidedly, has become less homogeneous, and now allows students to play cards, watch movies, and dance. But, throughout all these changes over 115 years, we continue to work on our core: integrating our Christian faith with the academic disciplines. We continue to provide worship experiences and other support and encouragement for spiritual growth. Faculty members are required to write papers — reviewed by their peers — on how they will bring Christian faith and their discipline together.

My commitment is that Travis and all the graduates of 2006 can return to George Fox at any time and always recognize their university as a Christ-centered, high-quality institution. There will be new programs, new people, new buildings, and new rules. But Jesus Christ will still be Lord, and his centrality will be at the heart of George Fox University and its distinctiveness.

**“George Fox
will change.
Institutions are
alive; they are
not static.”**

Dr. David Brandt
President



Bruin Notes

Oh, the Humanity

"Because of Drew." Habitat for Humanity wins at Mr. Bruin 2006



It wasn't pretty, but Drew Kaufman can take pride in the final results. At the Mr. Bruin pageant held on campus this spring, Kaufman sang an off-key personalized rendition of Kelly Clarkson's pop ballad "Because of You." His "Because of Drew" performance during the talent show

portion of the mock beauty pageant helped him win the Mr. Bruin title. More importantly, he and 11 other contestants raised nearly \$5,000 for the Newberg chapter of Habitat for Humanity.

Hundreds of revved-up students bought tickets to cheer every antic and wacky dance move made by the contestants, who also assisted in construction of a Habitat home in Portland.

Kaufman has the bloodlines to be Mr. Bruin. The Newberg senior is a third-generation student at George Fox. His mother, Susan Hampton, works in the George Fox financial aid office and his grandfather, Maurice Chandler, is a retired university administrator.

Claire Rolfs, president of Habitat for Humanity's Newberg board, took the stage to thank the contestants and organizers. "I get to announce the winner," said Rolfs. "It's Habitat."



Mr. Bruin 2006 Drew Kaufman and other contestants helped raise nearly \$5,000 for Habitat for Humanity



Missions-minded entrepreneur

Seminary student Tom Durant has the business know-how to build a handsome bank account for himself. With a 30-plus-year background in business development and an MBA, he has worked for Fortune 100 companies, led software companies, and served on the boards for businesses in the high-tech industry.

But a few years back, Durant took stock of his life and decided he was no longer interested in business as usual. He knows his skill sets. He knows his heart for God's kingdom. Now he wants to use capitalism as an engine for social good. By year's end, Durant plans to resign his chief operating officer position at a Eugene-based software company and spend the second half of his career creating economic opportunities in the developing world, specifically Haiti.

Haiti is the poorest country in the Western Hemisphere, with 80 percent of the population living in poverty amid little or no infrastructure. More than 95 percent of the land is deforested, and more than 80 percent of the watershed is barren.

"So many countries are so much worse off than the United States. I'm always astonished at the disparity," says Durant, who will graduate next term with a master of arts in theological studies. "I want to use the gifts God has given me for him, others, and the creation in its entirety."

Partnering with the missionary organization Christian Flights International,



Durant is implementing an economic development plan for Ranquitte, a community of about 20,000 where job opportunities are nil. Last summer, he visited to assess opportunities and discovered he needed to address more critical needs first. "It makes no sense to develop a for-profit business plan until people have food in their stomachs," he says.

So he created two phases to his plan.

The first phase began in May, supported in part by private donors. More than 20 workers were hired and at least 15 landowners received contracts to reforest and cultivate about 60 acres, primarily for food crops.

The landowners will donate a portion of their harvest to the "poorest of the poor," and will use

most of the harvest to feed their extended families, he says.

In the second phase, Durant will assist a self-formed "corporation" in Ranquitte to market a cash crop. Like other enterprises blending commerce with missions, all earnings will be turned back into the community for medical clinics, schools, and other development projects.

On his first visit, Durant found the people of Ranquitte skeptical. Promises had been broken in the past. "However, after providing funds to the local manager, hiring workers, and contracting with landowners, the reality of a hopeful future replaced any skepticism," he says.

Durant also is hopeful about his own future. This investment is worth making.



Accreditation news

The Association of Theological Schools (ATS) reaccredited **George Fox Evangelical Seminary** programs in March. An ATS visiting team reaffirmed the seminary's master of divinity, MA in spiritual formation, MA in theological studies, MA in ministry leadership, and doctor of ministry degrees. Among other commendations, the report noted the seminary's "highly dedicated and competent faculty and staff."

The university's **social work** program gained accreditation in February, making George Fox the first Oregon school to gain this endorsement from the Council on Social Work Education. The development makes George Fox graduates eligible to take tests where licensure is required — about 70 percent of all states.

A shot in the arm

The nursing program, housed in the Hoover Academic Building, got a boost from a \$400,000 grant from the M.J. Murdock Charitable Trust. The donation pushed the university's fund-raising total to \$3.2 million for the \$4.3 million expansion and renovation of the building. The trust also pledged to match \$1 for every \$2 raised, up to an additional grant of \$350,000.

Work on the building began in July 2005, with completion projected for this fall.

Glenn's goodbye

Glenn Moran — faculty member, department chair, dean, and director of the Boise Center — retired from the university in July after 23 years of service. In the early 1980s, he was involved in creating a four-year education program.

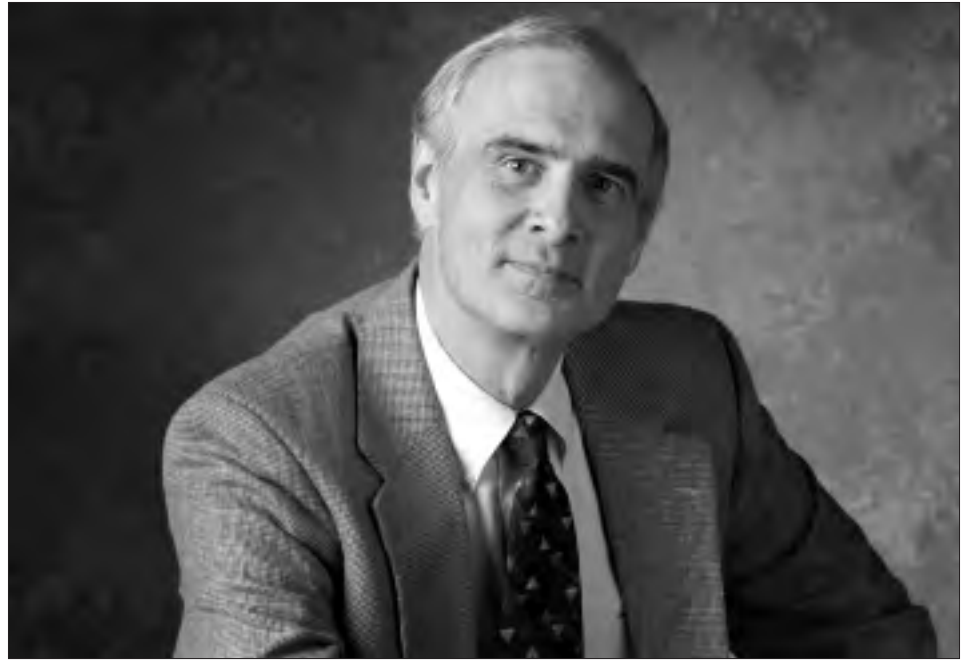
After a five-year stint working in the West Linn (Ore.) School District, he returned to George Fox and was instrumental in developing the university's Master of Arts in Teaching program. Later, he helped develop the administrative licensure program.

Moran plans to volunteer and teach occasionally at the Boise Center.

Boot camp Brianna

Graduate Brianna Fredericks ('06), a political science major, was accepted into the Reagan Ranch Leadership Academy this summer. Fredericks was one of only 24 college students accepted into the highly competitive program aimed at political conservatives. Selection is based on academic record, accomplishments, communication skills, and leadership potential. The academy, described as "an intense, month-long boot camp for rising leaders," is based near the Reagan Ranch in Santa Barbara, Calif.

In the fall, Fredericks will serve as an intern for U.S. Sen. Gordon Smith.



Wayne's world

Wayne Adams, chair of the Graduate Department of Clinical Psychology, has been awarded a Fulbright Scholar grant to develop psychological tests for Chinese elementary students.

Adams will work with faculty at Wuhan University, the oldest university in China, to develop the tests. To date, no scientifically sound instruments are available to assess Chinese students' cognitive abilities, specifically intelligence and memory. Adams is co-author of four nationally normed psychological tests of cognition in the United States.

Adams and his wife, Nora, participated four years ago in George Fox's faculty exchange program with another Chinese university in the region. Wuhan University of Technology. Two years later, Adams returned to China to consult with Wuhan

University faculty regarding development of a campus psychology clinic with a spiritual emphasis.

The Fulbright Scholar program has been the flagship program in international educational exchange for more than 50 years. The grants are awarded each year to leading researchers, teachers, and administrators at universities worldwide, allowing the recipients to travel, conduct research, and teach abroad at host universities for up to one year.

Three other current George Fox professors have received Fulbright grants. Martha Iancu, associate professor of English as a second language, taught in Romania three times. Chris Koch, associate professor of psychology, visited Russia. Paul Otto, chair of the Department of History and Political Science, researched in the Netherlands.

Class act

George Fox recognizes top teaching and research with faculty achievement awards

MaryKate Morse

Graduate teaching

MaryKate Morse lives what she teaches. As one of the pastors of a church plant in southeast Portland, she encounters the same challenges her students will face when they enter the ministry.

That's one reason Morse, associate professor of pastoral studies and spiritual formation at George Fox Evangelical Seminary, is praised for "a classroom alive with learning," as one student puts it. "Her presentations are creative, stimulating, and thought-provoking."

Morse directs the seminary's master's



programs, teaches leadership and spiritual-formation courses, and is a consultant on leadership training and team building. "Students laud her personal commitment to them. She has a compassionate and tender heart," says Jules Glanzer, dean of the seminary.

Morse, who earned a doctorate from Gonzaga

University, also knows how to have fun. She collects squirt guns, but only those disguised as something else.

Morse's antics have caught some students off guard. "They think the flower on my lapel is just a flower. They're quite stunned when they learn otherwise."

Michael Magill

Undergraduate teaching

Michael Magill enjoys the simple things in life — a day of backpacking, driving his jeep, or leaving a lecture knowing his students "got it."

Magill describes the latter pleasure as the "greatest feeling." The professor of mechanical engineering strives to connect with pupils verbally and visually — which may require him to bring in a machine part or conduct a plant tour to illustrate a point.

"His ability to teach is unmatched. He has an incredible heart for students," says a student who nominated him for the award.

Magill came to George Fox from Purdue, where he was a tenured full profes-



sor and department head of mechanical engineering technology. Even then he believed he would end up at a Christian university. "Since 1986, my wife and I prayed for an opportunity to teach at a place like George Fox," says Magill, who earned a doctorate in civil engineering from Oklahoma State University. "It

is so meaningful to connect with the students on engineering and spiritual issues."

Magill's ability to make that connection has resulted in nine major teaching awards in his career. This most recent honor is special "because it came from my students," he says. "They initiated it and worked for me to receive it. I am humbled by their vote of confidence."

Steve Delamarter

Researcher of the year

He will go anywhere — Israeli caves of Qumran included — to conduct research. As a result, countless others will reap the



benefits of his passion for biblical manuscripts.

Steve Delamarter, professor of Old Testament at George Fox Evangelical Seminary, is

assembling what will be one of the largest collections of Ethiopian manuscript images in the United States — a total of about 100 books and 150 magic scrolls and amulets. They will be deposited in four research libraries next year, making them available to scholars investigating scribal practices and the forms Bibles have taken over the centuries.

"Steve has raised the bar for research and scholarship," says Jules Glanzer, dean of the seminary. "He inspires us all." Delamarter's interests are broad: During the past year he published articles on astronomy and cosmology, technology and pedagogy, and Ethiopian manuscripts, among other topics.

Delamarter earned both a master's degree and a doctorate from Claremont Graduate School.

Delamarter's research was featured in the Spring 2005 issue of *Journal* (georgefox.edu/journalonline/archives/spring05/word.html).

Launching careers

Darrick Pope plans a career in biochemistry research. David Rueter wants to be a test pilot. Kelsey Tresemer plans to research



energy production, particularly fusion reactors.

A gift from the Oregon NASA Space Grant Consortium is helping these graduated seniors pursue their dreams. The students each received a \$1,333 scholarship from the consortium, which awards funds to Oregon students earning a bachelor's degree in a science, technology, engineering, or math discipline. This year, 20 such students, selected from a pool of 18 member schools, were awarded scholarships.

Friend of the family

Dr. Miles Edwards, the great-grandson of university founder Jesse Edwards, died March 23 after a battle with cancer. Edwards, 76, was a member of the board of trustees and lectured regularly in science and seminary classes. He and his family donated nearly \$3 million to the university for faculty development, scholarships, the Edwards-Holman Science Center, and the Jesse Edwards House, home of the university president. A lung doctor at Oregon Health & Science University for 40 years, Edwards spent another decade as a semi-retired ethicist.



Course schedule

George Fox added its 14th intercollegiate sport — and its first new sport in 10 years — with the addition of a women's golf program that tees off this fall.

MaryJo McCloskey (above) will serve as head coach after leading the Lewis & Clark College women's golf program for eight years. Under her direction, the Pioneers placed second in the Northwest Conference Championships each of

the past three years.

The Bruins will play a fall and spring schedule and compete in the Northwest Conference as a member of NCAA Division III. The program received a \$4,000 donation from Wilsonville pro golfer Brian Henninger to help offset start-up costs. George Fox's home course will be the Chehalem Glenn Golf Course in Newberg.

Gold standard

As an encore to 2005. George Fox again gained regional and national recognition for its marketing materials.

The university's Office of Marketing and Communications earned six medals — two golds, a silver, and three bronzes — in the national Council for Advancement and Support of Education's (CASE) Circle of Excellence competition. That came after George Fox scored eight regional awards — including a grand gold at the CASE District VIII contest in February.

George Fox's recruitment package also earned "Best of Show" designation in a national contest conducted by *Admissions Marketing Report*. The university is one of only 16 schools to receive the honor in a competition that drew 2,200 entries from more than 1,000 colleges, universities, and secondary schools.

Last year, George Fox earned 12 regional CASE awards — including "Best of Show" — and won two silvers and three bronzes at CASE nationals.

2006 spring sports highlights

Track and Field

Cook and company finish strong

In Wes Cook's 19th and final season as head coach, five of six George Fox entries in the NCAA National Track and Field Championships in Lisle, Ill., earned All-America status.

Incoming head coach John Smith mentored each of the All-Americans as field events coach. Decathletes Seth Harris (Jr., Boise, Idaho), Josh Priester (Sr., Walla Walla, Wash.), and Ryan Forbes (Fr., Jackson, Wyo.) placed a respective fifth, seventh, and eighth.

Meanwhile, Joel Krebs (So., Salem, Ore.) took third in the javelin (207 feet, 6 inches) and Lindsey Blankenship (Jr., Washtucna, Wash.) eighth in the women's hammer (164-3). During the season, Zeb Udell (Fr., Dallas, Ore.) set a Bruin record in the pole vault (16-0), as did Blankenship in the hammer (172-4). Both won Northwest Conference titles in their events. Other NWC champs were Harris (decathlon and long jump) and the 4x400 men's relay. Harris was named Co-Athlete of the Meet at the NWC Championships.

Softball

Center fielder Cassie Halvorson (Sr., Hillsboro, Ore.) earned Second Team All-Northwest Conference honors and was a First Team Academic All-District pick.

Tennis

No. 1 men's player Tyson Hunter (Jr., Jacksonville, Ore.) went 9-5 to earn All-Northwest Conference honors for the second straight year. For the women, Laura Rogers (Sr., La Habra, Calif.) led the way by going 8-9.

Baseball

Another conference crown

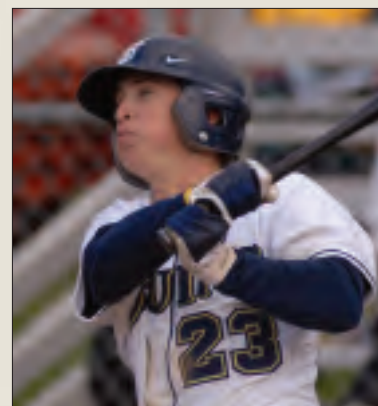
Making their fifth appearance in the NCAA national tournament in seven seasons, the Bruins finished third in the West Regional in Orange, Calif., and ended the year 29-15.

George Fox reached the playoffs by winning a fifth straight Northwest Conference title (18-6) under coach Pat Bailey. The Bruins also led the nation in fielding (.970) for the third time in four years and ranked sixth nationally in batting average (.356).

Individually, Derrick Jones (Sr., Forest Grove, Ore.) earned NWC Player of the Year honors and was a First-Team pitcher and designated hitter. Joining him on the First Team were second baseman C.R. Braniff (Sr., Hillsboro, Ore.), shortstop Bo Thunell (Fr., Canyon City, Ore.), right fielder Dan Wentzell (Jr., Tualatin, Ore.), and relief pitcher Chris Albrecht (Jr., Woodinville, Ore.). Bailey was NWC Coach of the Year for the fifth straight year.

Thunell made the All-West Regional First Team; Jones, Braniff, and Wentzell the Second Team; and Bryan Donohue the Third Team. Wentzell and Brandon Rupp were First Team Academic All-District selections. Thunell was named a Third Team All-American.

All-Americans: Junior Lindsey Blankenship (left), freshman shortstop Bo Thunell



Four hours before opening night and Bryan Boyd presides over a stuffy auditorium vibrating with drama students — half-adult, half-children who preen, prance, shout, dance, hug, and mock fight. Boyd directs traffic, his voice ragged from a nagging cold. There is much to do. A light points the wrong direction, the stage dirt is polluted with white specks, the lights need to be programmed for each scene, extra props lay about, and photos of actors need to be framed and displayed in the entryway. In the middle of the stage, a backdrop is freshly painted. Two fans are flailing to speed the drying, but they puff at the ceiling. Boyd's patience is strained. "Can someone point those at the screen?"

Out of confusion will emerge art designed to touch the lives of an audience and, even more, the lives of these students now prancing about the auditorium. Boyd, the university's scenic and lighting designer, has achieved remarkable art during his young career. The 33-year-old has won more than a dozen awards from the academic theater community. His peers at the Artists Repertory Theatre in Portland and at local universities seek him as a guest designer. This spring, the Kennedy Center American College Theater Festival in Washington, D.C., named him as one of its 35 Celebrated Teaching Artists.

At George Fox. Boyd teaches theater classes and is responsible for the scenery, lighting, and sound for three shows a year. He works with theater director Rhett Luedtke, one part-time costume designer, one part-time scene shop manager, 18 student employees, and a handful of volunteers. "It's a community



*Theater professor Bryan Boyd says
the process of creating art is like prayer.
His peers say the results are inspired.*

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Art & Soul

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art-making experience.” Boyd says. “We spend a lot of time in the design process. Rhett is great at pulling the best ideas from designers ... letting it be a collaborative experience. The awards are also his ... it’s the whole program, not just my stuff.”

While the last-minute preparations may be hectic, Boyd’s work begins softly. A Quaker, he draws from the Quaker movement in his creative process. For more than three centuries, Quakers have emphasized the importance of community, waiting, and listening in their decision making. Long before any rehearsals begin, Boyd and the artistic team gather to begin the creative process.

In his words ...

Engaging the story

“Every member of the artistic team brings to the table a unique set of gifts and insights, as well as biases and blocks. Because Christ is present in our lives and desires to commune with us in our everyday activities, we can enter into a script mindful of what Christ might show us through it. Rather than relying on the director to create a vision for a show, each member of the artistic team carries the responsibility of bringing her whole self to the text in order to fully engage the story and listen for what lies at the core of the playwright’s message. Each individual must then be open to share those insights with the rest of the team.”

The big idea

“We start by distilling the script to its core dramatic question. The world of the show grows out of that concept. If we do



First performed 2,400 years ago, **Trojan Women** (2004) portrays the plight of women during the siege of Troy. Three centuries later, Boyd created a barren set that would reflect Euripides’s theme: the desolation of war. To encourage community reflection on the effects of war in Iraq, he reconfigured the actor-and-audience relationship in Wood-Mar Auditorium, sitting the audience on all four sides of the stage. “We wanted people to take the show in the context of our community ... to look across and see another audience member.”

Shakespeare’s **Macbeth** (2006) tells a supernatural 11th-century tale of prophecy, power, and murder. Boyd drew from the gloomy script to create a dark and earthy show. The set’s gentle curves reflected the script’s organic themes and the all-female cast.



Above left: Emily Sringren. Left, right: Bryan Boyd

Meritorious achievement awards

Kennedy Center American College Theater Festival

Show	University	Award
Machinal (2005)	George Fox University	Scenic Design
Machinal (2005)	George Fox University	Lighting Design
Proof (2005)	Western Washington University	Scenic Design
Trojan Women (2004)	George Fox University	Scenic Design
A Piece of My Heart (2003)	George Fox University	Scenic Design
As You Like It (2003)	George Fox University	Scenic Design
Godspell (2002)	George Fox University	Scenic Design
The Marriage of Bette and Boo (2002)	University of Portland	Lighting Design
The Cherry Orchard (2001)	University of Portland	Scenic Design
Henry V (2000)	University of Portland	Scenic Design
Big River (1995)	George Fox University	Lighting Design
Fiddler on the Roof (1994)	George Fox University	Lighting Design
Macbeth (1994)	George Fox University	Lighting Design

Boyd created a box with four panels for the Broadway hit musical **Godspell** (2002). When Jesus arrives, all is black outside the box. The show builds to the crucifixion, when the background lights up and the box becomes black. Symbolically, the world is turned inside out and all can see beyond the box.



that, the style of acting, lighting, and costumes will be unified.”

Listening, waiting, wondering...

“It is possible that there is some right way to present a show at a particular time and for a unique audience. Maybe there is some choice out there which would best communicate the show. And maybe, by listening closely for that way, we will find it together. This is what I do as a designer. It’s enormously intuitive and difficult to talk about. Maybe it’s just a style — a way of working. But for me it’s also a conviction.

“I always wondered as a student where you get ideas. I still don’t know. Most of the time, it’s like prayer ... listening, waiting and wondering ... rather than asserting ideas on something. I listen to the text. I listen to my collaborators. Out of that long process of listening, an idea may come in a dream, in the shower, or when I’m sitting and thinking. The idea happens to you rather than something you conjure up.”

God’s role in the artistic process

“As a Quaker artist, I believe that if I am mindful, God can dwell at the center of my artistic process — both in solitude and in community. The Creator of creators can be the source of inspiration and revelation to each person involved in an artistic team. Lives can be touched through story, no doubt, and it may be that God desires us to use our gifts well to tell a story in just the right way, so that God may collaborate with us to touch our audience.

“I believe that God, the Creator, is at work (and at play) with me in my art and in my vocation. Not that I’m always fulfilling God’s greatest desire and the world’s greatest need by designing the environ-



The tragedy **Machinal** (2005) is a 1920s expressionist play about a young woman crushed by the machinelike pressures of the industrialized world. To portray a world of machines, Boyd created a harsh, sterile, inhuman environment. Just as the machines of society threaten the protagonist, the huge ceiling — representing the machine — threatens to collapse on the woman at any moment.

Lighting allows a designer to create many different environments out of a neutral setting. It can communicate mood, time of day, season of year, and passage of time. For most shows, Boyd will program between 80 and 120 different lighting cues.

Byron Boyd



ment for a show, but I believe that God is the source of my inspiration, and that God is a collaborator with me in my artistic process.”

Research

“Throughout the process I’m doing research. The big ideas come out of waiting, but the research informs that intuition. It creates an environment that the idea grows out of. I look for other works of art — other artists, architects, and photographers who have captured the qualities I’m looking for. I go and check out 50 books and look at the pictures. Is that a bad thing for a college professor to say?”

The value of theater

“It is often said that fiction can carry the same weight as nonfiction and can communicate truths about the human condition with equal or better force. And if all truth is God’s truth, then it is not difficult to believe that God is interested in helping us tell the truth well through our stories.”

Complete

“The audience is our final collaborator. People come to the theater with their own experiences. I really like playwright Bertolt Brecht’s idea that a play isn’t over until the audience members go into their daily life and make different choices than they would have before. I hope that is what theater at George Fox is about.” **GFJ**

To read more about Boyd’s artistic process, go to theatre.georgefox.edu/discernment.pdf. His “Quaker Corporate Discernment as a Model for Collaboration in Theatre” paper has been published by Northwest Theatre Review and Christianity and Theatre magazines.

Handshakes, hugs, and smiles were plentiful at the university's 114th commencement in Newberg. More than 600 graduates and about 5,000 of their loved ones gathered in Newberg to observe the passing of academic milestones. Yet, on a day set aside for celebration and family, reminders of wars and storms still intruded. Commencement speaker Fred Gregory ('66) warned the graduates that the world is becoming more perilous. A veteran of four decades of international relief work, Gregory currently oversees the work of Mercy Corps in Afghanistan. "Your world needs you," he told them.

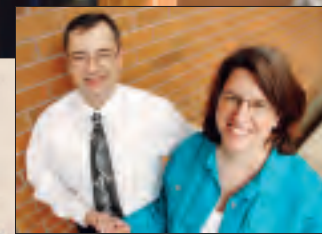
New Orleans to Newberg

An onslaught of storms could only delay Bill Stieber from becoming the first in his family to graduate from college.

After hurricanes Katrina and Rita blew him from University of New Orleans to Oregon last September, Stieber enrolled at George Fox this spring. The university took him in as a guest student and paid the costs of his final semester's tuition and books. At age 41, Stieber completed his bachelor's degree in business administration.

Thousands of miles from his own university, Stieber donned cap and gown and walked the commencement stage at George Fox. President David Brandt gave him a ceremonial University of New Orleans diploma — a symbol of an achievement long in the making.

In the mid-1990s, Stieber spent



months recovering and adjusting to medications after epileptic seizures ended his career in trucking and construction. He started taking classes at a community college in 1997 and transferred to University of New Orleans. When he was just two classes short of graduation, Hurricane Katrina struck, flooding his basement apartment and destroying most of his possessions. He sought refuge in Galveston, Texas, and

eventually made his way to join his parents in Oregon. A referral from friends led him to George Fox.

Hours after the commencement ceremony, Stieber proposed to his girlfriend, Susie. She said yes. Two days later, he started his new career in a management position. Stieber's season of storms has passed.

Left, above: Gary Allen. Right: Nathaniel Reinhart

Daddy's diploma

Wearing a pink dress, 8-year-old Georgina Fernandez walked across the graduation platform to receive a diploma at the university's ceremony for graduates of the professional studies, master's, and doctoral programs. Georgina took the place of her father, MBA graduate Greg Fernandez, who recently deployed with the Oregon Army National Guard to Afghanistan. Greg requested that the older of his two daughters receive his degree at the ceremony. Georgina shook President David Brandt's hand amid cheers from the graduates and guests packed in Wheeler Sports Center.



dren leave their homes at night to sleep at public places to avoid being kidnapped. Event organizers said more than 30,000 children have been abducted and forced to join rebel forces fighting a two-decade war with the government.

"We took time to talk about the somberness of the event," said Nicole Bresnahan, a senior from Woodland, Wash., and an event organizer. "It sparked a lot of good conversations." Bresnahan said George Fox students made up the largest single group at the Portland event and several volunteered on the security and registration staff. Many of the participants wrote letters to American and Ugandan political leaders. Others created art to send to the children.

Invisible Children organizers estimated that more than 50,000 in 130 cities participated in the Global Night Commute. The Invisible Children organization takes its name from a documentary created by three 20-something Californians to show the plight of the "invisible" Ugandan

Invisible children, visible love



Kevin Bennie made his graduation night about more than celebration. Hours after receiving his diploma, Bennie and about 20 other recently minted graduates joined more than 140 George Fox students in downtown Portland for a public demonstration calling attention to the plight of children in Uganda. "I felt it was important to make a statement about the world and the way I want to live my life," said Bennie. More than 1,000 participants — many



from local colleges — walked to Pioneer Courthouse Square for an all-night vigil. Called the Global Night Commute, the event was sponsored by the Invisible Children organization to illustrate how thousands of threatened Ugandan chil-

children, the film has been shown across the U.S. at churches, schools and universities. The George Fox screening attracted more than 800 students, the largest single audience on the West Coast according to Invisible Children organizers.

As the temperature dipped near 40 degrees, Bennie and the others lay down to sleep on the square's cold brick surface in sleeping bags. "It was not the most comfortable place, as you can imagine." **GFJ**

And in those days, when the number of the disciples was multiplied, there arose a murmuring of the Grecians against the Hebrews, because their widows were neglected

they laid their hands on them. 7 And the word of God increased; and the number of the disciples multiplied in Jerusalem greatly and a great company of the priests were obedient to the faith.

actsix

LEADERSHIP & SCHOLARSHIP INITIATIVE

After 12 years of living in the Portland metro area, senior Nicole Tabbal visited northeast Portland for the first time last year. It was the university's annual Serve Day, and she and other students joined with Northeast Coalition of Neighborhoods executive John Canda to pick up trash in neighborhoods surrounding Martin Luther King Jr. Boulevard, the area Canda says the media dubs the most dangerous place in Portland.

As the students wound through residential neighborhoods and school zones, they exchanged greetings with residents. Their last stop was inside the shelter for Hurricane Katrina refugees at the defunct Washington-Monroe High School. There the lone cluster of white students watched volunteers hard at work arranging clothing, canned foods, and rows of cots. Rather than posing a sense of danger as some had imagined, this neighborhood

instead presented warmth and community. Tabbal says she grew up in "a 99 percent white suburb."

The name **Act Six** comes from a biblical reference to the early church. Leaders responded to inequity in the distribution of resources by appointing minority leadership that would assist the Church toward its mission (Acts 6:1-7). Act Six operates from the conviction that cities and colleges need this same kind of leadership today.

Because of two close friendships she's formed at George Fox and her Serve Day experience, she has happily discarded old stereotypes. "It's all about exposure," she says.

George Fox considers exposure to diverse cultures an essential part of education, guiding more than 75 percent of its students through overseas experiences and supporting a multicultural services office. But on a campus that remains predominately white, opportunities to interact with diverse cultures are limited.

"As believers we feel we are called to understand and celebrate the diversity that God has created," says Brad Lau, vice president for

Student Life. "The kingdom of God encompasses all races. We would like our Christian environment to reflect that reality."

Now the university aims to better achieve this ideal

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in the daily ministration. 2 Then the twelve called the multitude of the disciples unto them, and said, It is not reason that we should leave the word of God, and serve

tables. 3 Wherefore, brethren, look ye out among you seven men of honest report, full of the Holy Ghost and wisdom, whom we may appoint over this business. 4 But we will give ourselves

through the Act Six leadership development and scholarship program. Beginning in fall 2007, George Fox will provide scholarships to a multicultural cadre of up to 10 Portland leaders in urban high schools. By the fourth year, as many as 40 scholars will be enrolled.

Central to Act Six, which was created by the Northwest Leadership Foundation in Tacoma, Wash., is developing students who will lead on campus and then return to serve as role models and leaders in their own inner-city communities. "This is very much in keeping with our mission — to demonstrate the meaning of Christ by participating in our world's concerns," Lau says.

Thus, the students will be chosen based primarily on leadership potential, not financial need. Many students will bring outside scholarships with them, with George Fox making up the difference for tuition, room and board, and books.

Applicants may be of any race, but must be from urban high schools in Portland. At the two faith-based institutions already running the program — Whitworth College in Washington and Crichton College in Tennessee — about 79 percent are students of color. Students may come from any faith background.

Act Six places high emphasis on preparation and support, says Joel Perez, George Fox's newly hired director of Act Six and first-year programs. "In higher education, people don't always know how to encourage people of lower socioeconomic status or people of color to adjust and succeed. The transition is very difficult."

Indeed retention rates are typically low for college students from outside the dominant culture, even among scholarship recipients. However, Act Six boasts a 97 percent retention rate since its beginnings at Whitworth in 2003.

To help students begin college with a built-in support system, Portland Central Young Life, an Act Six affiliate, is partnering with the university. Young Life will recruit and select scholars early in their senior years, and then train them in the nine months before they come to campus. Julianne Johnson, well-known Portland vocalist and humanitarian, was hired to lead this program. Perez will guide the students through the transition once they arrive, helping them plug into campus life, and providing mentoring and leadership development.

Embracing diversity, however, is about more than just statistics — it's a matter of the heart, says Canda. Act Six not only will expose students "to people who don't look like them, but also

Joel Perez, director of Act Six and first-year programs, understands the difficulties students of color face when adapting to a new culture. When he began college at Biola University, he initially assimilated into its then predominately white culture by joking about his background in a virtually homogenous Hispanic community. It may have helped him gain acceptance, but Perez began



realizing he was rejecting his identity. After going through a confrontational stage, he decided to become a bridge-builder.

Perez became president of Hispanic Fellowship, helped develop social action clubs, and became involved in student government to help increase awareness of diversity issues and the concerns of first-generation students.

"I had found my voice and believed I could best express my perspective and the needs of marginalized students through involvement in the life of the college," he says.

Perez looks forward to sharing his experiences with students who will relate. "When you're a person of color, you can become a mirror, reflecting how you worked through similar experiences."

Perez comes to George Fox from Pomona College in Claremont, Calif., where, since 2001, he was associate director of student programs and was instrumental in developing diversity programs on campus. Perez earned a master's degree in education from Azusa Pacific in 1998 and is working on a doctorate in higher education from Claremont Graduate University in Claremont, Calif.

give them an opportunity to build real relationships and possibly to walk through life together," he says.

Tabbal agrees. When asked if she feels Act Six will enrich the campus, she says that adding to the diversity would be great, though not if it's run as a charity program. "But if we approach it from the belief that everyone has an equal point of view and a valuable story to share, it could really benefit George Fox and the students who come here." GFJ

To apply for Act Six, students should visit actsix.org or call Julianne Johnson at 503-281-3757.



Alumni Connections

1960-69

Dan Nolta (G63) has authored a new book, *Compassion: The Painful Privilege*, published by Barclay Press in Newberg. He shares the processes through which God led him, including guiding him in his career. He retired in 2004 after nearly 20 years with the Tacoma-Pierce County (Wash.) Chaplaincy as chaplain coordinator for the sheriff's department. He continues to serve as international liaison with the International Conference of Police Chaplains, of which he is a former president.

Esther Mae Hinshaw (G64) is a volunteer – and the first one – with Family Friends, a national support program that matches older adult volunteers to families whose children have special needs. The Newberg-based effort, the only one in the Northwest, serves families from Sherwood to McMinnville. She resides in Friendsview Retirement Community in Newberg.

Gary Brown (G68) is employed by the pro-shop at the new Chehalem Glenn Golf Course in Newberg. He and his wife, **June (Hubbard) Brown** (G63), are sponsoring a "seniors" trip to Branson, Mo., in November.

1970-79

Steve Reynolds (G71) is band director for Foothill Christian School in Glendora, Calif. He also owns RLM (Reynolds Live Music), an entertainment coordination business in Pomona, Calif., and performs jazz saxophone and flute.

Paul Tremaine (n72) is president of Access Computer Consultants in Dundee, Ore.

Ron Mulkey (G74) is pastor of Metolius (Ore.) Friends Church, moving from the associate pastor position at Greenleaf (Idaho) Friends Church.

Mark Ankeny (G75) has been named dean of the College of Education at Pacific University

in Forest Grove, Ore., after one year in a similar position at Westminster College in Utah.

Mark Vernon (G77) has resigned as boy's basketball coach at Southridge High School in Beaverton, Ore., and has taken the same position at Newberg High School.

1980-89

David Myton (G80) has been promoted to professor of chemistry and education and is chair of the School of Education at Lake Superior State University in Sault Ste. Marie, Mich., where he has been teaching since 1993.

Christine (Hockett) Stanfield (n80) and **Jeff Stanfield** (G89) are with World Gospel Mission, working at Tenwek Hospital in Kenya. She is acting principal and teacher for the school of nursing and he is a consultant/mentor with Kenyan staff in the Information Technology Department. They also are actively involved in encouraging local congregations of Africa Gospel Church.

Rachel (McFerran) Burd (G82) is the owner of Allstar Realty Group, a corporate real estate broker business in Las Vegas.

Tammy (Stockman) Malgesini (G82) on April 1 began a new career as a general assignment reporter for the *East Oregonian* daily newspaper in Pendleton, Ore. She works in the newspaper's Hermiston, Ore., bureau.

Mark Wilson (n82) is pastor of the Foothills Foursquare Church in Gilroy, Calif.

Bill Schniedewind (G84) is professor of biblical studies and northwest Semitic languages at the University of California, Los Angeles (UCLA). Additionally, he chairs the Department of Near Eastern Languages and Cultures. In 2004, he authored the book *How the Bible Became a Book*, published by Cambridge University Press.

Gerardo Ibarra (G88, MA94) is acting principal of Lake Marion Creek Elementary School in Poinciana, Fla. For the last three years he was

assistant principal at a Woodburn, Ore., elementary school.

Judy (Warner) Miller (SPS89, MA01, PsyD04) is a counselor for Samaritan Counseling Centers, with offices at Calvin Presbyterian Church in Tigard, Ore., and First Presbyterian Church in Portland.

1990-99

Ann Scott (SPS90) has been named 2005 PriceCatcher.com Person of the Year for Yamhill County, Ore., in recognition of her work on behalf of children. She retired this year, 30 years after cofounding Plan Loving Adoptions Now, a McMinnville, Ore., adoption agency. PriceCatcher.com is a Yamhill County web directory and search engine that honors community members and newsmakers who make a positive local difference.

Kirsten (Benson) Anderson (G92) has received a Fulbright Scholarship to spend the summer of 2006 in South Africa and Namibia working with secondary institutions on education reform. She is a special education teacher at Highline High School in Seattle.

Phil House (PsyD92) is chief of psychology services with Yellowstone Boys and Girls Ranch in Billings, Mont. He also has a private psychology practice in Billings.

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GTraditional graduate
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SPSSchool of Professional Studies
MAMaster of arts
MSMaster of science
MATMaster of arts in teaching
MBAMaster of business administration
MEdMaster of education
GFESGeorge Fox Evangelical Seminary
EdDDoctor of education
PsyDDoctor of psychology



Alumni Connections



Jemima Skjonsby (left) with fellow missionary and friend Jennifer Roemhildt

that God, after all, is the Savior."

Skjonsby left for Greece in 1999 to work with refugees as a short-term missionary with International Teams. Four years later, she and a partner began a separate project for the missions agency – Nea Zoi, or "New Life" – that targets individuals in prostitution.

Most of the women Skjonsby meets are uneducated, have no job skills, and are cultural minorities. She estimates 60 percent come from trafficking rings. Because living-wage jobs are few, she finds progress is slow. She continues loving. "I've learned that God's love and grace aren't just for the 'good girls,' like I tried so hard to be while growing up."

Nea Zoi



Every Monday and Thursday night, Jemima Skjonsby ('96) visits red light districts in Athens to meet with prostitutes in brothels, bars, and hotels lining the dark streets. She offers friendship, advice, and opportunities for change.

Caring for the women is the easiest part. The hard part is focusing on the process and abandoning her results-oriented instinct. "I'm learning that it's more valuable to sit with someone in her pain than to run around trying to fix things, and

Skjonsby, who majored in psychology, contemplates doing graduate work in clinical psychology in the future. In the meantime, she says, "My heart is very much here with the girls I meet and with the Greek people."

Brandon Crosier (G93) is vice president of marketing for USA Mobility, a wireless communications company providing voice, data, and messaging services to Fortune 1000 corporations, based in Alexandria, Va. Previously he was director of marketing for Nextel Communications in Reston, Va.

Andrea Fuller (G93) is executive director of Prodigal Gatherings, a ministry serving homeless and high-risk youth in Aurora, Colo.

Carol Riha (SPS93), news editor for the Associated Press in Des Moines, Iowa, has been appointed chief of bureau in charge of AP's Iowa operations. She joined the AP in 1983 in Detroit, transferred to Portland in 1988, and to Des Moines in 1999.

Steve Gard (G93) is a social studies teacher at Matilija Junior High School in Ojai, Calif.

Steve Pharo (MBA95) has been appointed acting director of the Oregon Liquor Control Commission in Salem. He has been with the commission since 1994 and will head the agency while search is under way for a permanent director.

Tony Pruitt (G95) has resigned as assistant facilities director at Twin Rocks Friends Camp in Rockaway, Ore. He and his wife recently returned from a home-schooling tour of the United States. He works at Cascade Steel Rolling Mills in McMinnville, Ore.

Wally Johnston (MA96) has been promoted to executive chaplain with Metro Police Chaplaincy, overseeing the corps of chaplains and serving as liaison with their departments in Washington, Multnomah, and

Clackamas counties in Oregon, and the Oregon north coast.

Kenneth Spencer (MBA97) is an engineer for Interface Engineering, a mechanical and electrical consulting firm in Portland.

Elizabeth (Phares) Tucker (G97) and **Bryce Tucker** (n99) live in Pleasanton, Calif., where she became a stay-at-home mother in March (see Baby Bruins) after a career as a graphic designer and as a professional organizer. He is an ensign in the U.S. Coast Guard, serving with the electronics systems and support unit in Alameda, Calif.

Keith Johnson (G98) is assistant pastor for New Song Community Church in Portland.

Marty Kehoe (SPS98) is president of MK Development in Portland, a condominium development and commercial real estate investment business with projects in Portland, Seattle, and San Diego.

Patrick Lewis (SPS98) has been elected to the National Association of Convenience Stores board of directors. Since 1995 he has been a partner in the Oasis Stop 'N Go Convenience Stores, based in Twin Falls, Idaho.

Michael Turinsky (G98) is the area director for Young Life in East Auckland, New Zealand.

Quentin Watne (G98) is a physical therapist at Sacred Heart Medical Center in Eugene, Ore.

Molly Galbreath (G99, MAT00) teaches in the Family and Consumer Science Department at Lynnwood (Wash.) High School.

Brad Hesselgrave (n99) and **Holly (Goodin) Hesselgrave** (G99, MAT00) live in Monroe, Wash., near Seattle, where he is a nurse on the cardiac care floor at Overlake Medical Center in Bellevue, and she teaches ninth grade physical science and junior/senior high chemistry at Monroe High School.

Tony Nzanzah (MA99) has been appointed general director of Scripture Union South Africa, an organization in Cape Town, working in camps, schools, and communities introducing young South Africans to Jesus, the Bible, and the church.

2000-06

Tim Buechsel (G00) and his wife live in Weimar, Germany, where he is a youth pastor in a Baptist church.

Jenny Colvin (G00) received a master's degree in library science from Indiana University in May. She is music librarian for Furman University in Greenville, S.C.

Josh McPherson (G00) and **Sharon (Barnett) McPherson** (G00) live in East Wenatchee, Wash., where he is a real estate agent for Premier One Properties and was named 2005 Rookie of the Year for Wenatchee Valley and surrounding areas. She is an oncology nurse at Central Washington Hospital in Wenatchee.

Shelley Yonemura (G00) is one of 20 students accepted into the two-year Oregon State University master's degree program in college student services administration. She just finished a two-year, part-time AmeriCorps position as volunteer services coordinator at Linfield College. She also has been part-time director of children's ministries at Sherwood (Ore.) Community Friends Church.

Aaron Fuller (G01) and his wife are living in Daegu, Korea, where both are employed by the city's Office of Education.

Rick Johnson (SPS01) is the author of *Better Dads Stronger Sons*, released May 5. His first book, *That's My Son – How Moms Can Influence Boys to Become Men of Character*, was released last year.

Aaron Wright (G01) received a PhD in organic chemistry from the University of Texas April 6. He is beginning a post-doctoral research position at the Scripps Research Institute in La Jolla, Calif. His wife, **Janet (DeYoung)** (G01), has been teaching elementary school the last four years in Round Rock, Texas.

Sean Annala (SPS02) and his wife have opened a dog-friendly coffee house, Iron Muss Coffee Company in Beaverton, Ore. Their shop provides free doggie treats to visiting dogs.

Lindsay (Casebeer) Weehunt (MAT02) is a fifth grade teacher at Boeckman Creek Elementary School, Wilsonville, Ore.

Adrienne Dorsey (G02) received an MBA in May from Woodbury University in Burbank, Calif. She is a public relations executive for PUREconsulting, a fashion public relations firm in Los Angeles.

Steven Graham (MA02) has been accepted into the Hebrew and Jewish Studies Program at Oxford University in England.

Andrea Halvorson (G02) received a master's degree in forensic science from Michigan State University in December 2005. She is a forensic scientist in the DNA/biology unit of the Michigan State Police Crime Lab in Northville, Mich.

Jared Meidal (G02) and his wife have joined the staff of World Impact Inc. They will serve at the Oaks Camp and Conference Center in Lake Hughes, Calif. They will be supporting World Impact's church-planting efforts in the local inner cities by hosting groups and designing programs.

Nina Barge (G03) is manager of the Wells Fargo bank branch in Medford, Ore.

Christina (Brown) Gossman (G03) graduated from Eastern Washington University in June 2005 with a master of social work degree. She is a medical social worker at Deaconess Medical Center in Spokane, Wash.

Gayathri Ramprasad (MBA03) won the 2006 Eli Lilly Welcome Back Award for lifetime achievement. The award, presented by Eli Lilly and Company, a pharmaceutical products developer, is given to individuals who fight the stigma associated with depression. She is a mental health consultant in Portland, Ore.

Abbey Schmitt (G03) is now a financial analyst for American Capital Strategies, a



Early every Thursday morning, rain or shine, Norman Winters walks across the street from Friendsview Retirement Community to the

A Winters Tale

university to provide a little-known volunteer service.

He shuttles the university's vans and vehicles across campus to refuel them and keep them ready to drive.

For this and for his hundreds of other volunteer hours, George Fox named Winters its **Volunteer of the Year** for 2006. Winters, 72, clears weeds, vines, and brush from Hess Creek Canyon. He also plants flower baskets for the campus light poles and notifies others of volunteer work opportunities on campus.

Winters and his wife, Margaret, co-chair the university's auxiliary membership committee and are members of the President's Council.

His parents, Arthur and Gwen, both graduated from George Fox in 1929; both were later employed at the school. Two of Norm and Margaret's children attended George Fox – Chris (Winters) Watkins ('80), and Kathy Winters ('85).

Washington, D.C.-based private equity firm. Previously, she was an auditor with Ernst & Young for two years.

Denise VanDewalker (MA03) is a private-practice marriage and family therapist in Dallas, Ore.

Andrea Corzatt (G04) is a volunteer at Nuestros Pequeños Hermanos, an orphanage in Miacatlan, Mexico. She is a caretaker for 24 girls 6 to 9 years old.

Elizabeth Moyer (G04) is an Army Reserve specialist, currently deployed overseas at a forward-operating location in support of Operation Enduring Freedom.

Yen Tse (G04) is studying for a master's degree in intercultural studies/teaching English to speakers of other languages (TESOL) at Wheaton College Graduate

Left: Gary Allen. Right: Rich Heins/OSU sports information

School in Illinois. She also works at the Pui Tak Center in Chinatown in Chicago, teaching ESL to Chinese adult immigrants.

Amara Sheppard (G05) finished her first year of medical school at Oregon Health & Science University. This summer she is involved in a Global Health Outreach trip to Chimborazo Province, Ecuador, and a community health outreach trip to inner-city Chicago – the Lawndale Summer Medical Project. In the fall she will serve as the OHSU student leader for the Christian Medical and Dental Association.

JUST MARRIED

Ardys Roberts (n46) and Karl Altneder, April 22, 2006, in Newberg.

Debbie Luther (G91) and Phil McMillin, March 25, 2006, in Portland.

Cindy Frisch (G93) and Rommel Dizon, Feb. 19, 2006, in Beaverton, Ore.

Celeste Beringer (G97) and Tom Pettijohn, Oct. 29, 2005, in Seattle, Wash.

Tim Buechsel (G00) and Isabel Escobar, Aug. 20, 2005, in Waco, Texas.

Janice Van Tassel (n00) and Adam Taisey, Dec. 17, 2005, in Newberg.

Austin Ashenbrenner (G01) and Erika Fischer, Oct. 22, 2005, in Mercer Island, Wash.

Aaron Fuller (G01) and Marcia Beacham, Aug. 20, 2005, in Kaslo, British Columbia, Canada.

Krissy Hanson (G01, MEd04) and Sean Findley, Dec. 30, 2005, in Beaverton, Ore.

Bethany Wheatcraft (G01) and Travis Cibolski, March 4, 2006, in Portland.

Lindsay Casebeer (MAT02) and Ryan Weehunt, July 9, 2005, in Oregon City, Ore.

John Felton (G02, MAT03) and Amy Beaumont, Dec. 10, 2005, in Gresham, Ore.

Heidi Hardenburger (G02) and Trevor Courtney, Jan. 28, 2006, in Albany, Ore.

Trisha Taylor (G02) and Chris Birdwell, April 2, 2005, in Tigard, Ore.

Darbi Ytreeide (G02) and Philip Harms, April 21, 2006, in Santa Rosa, Calif.

Sarai Engel (G03) and **Adam Sweeney** (G03), Aug. 27, 2005, in Tenino, Wash.

Silas Towne (G03) and Sara Ober, Feb. 11, 2006, in Anderson Lodge, Wash.

Ryan Magnuson (G04) and **Bethany Thompson** (G04, MAT06), June 25, 2005, in Lake Oswego, Ore.

Heather Book (G05) and Jason Earney, Sept. 10, 2005, in Auburn, Calif.

Meridith Lundy (G05) and Ryan Foley, Dec. 17, 2005, in Powell Butte, Ore.

BABY BRUINS

Douglas Linscott (G80) and Wendy Linscott, a boy, Nikolai Hesom, Feb. 17, 2006, in Pasadena, Calif.

Nolan Hostetler (G85) and Lori Hostetler, a girl, Jessica LeAnn, Nov. 9, 2004, adopted Feb. 7, 2006, in Battle Ground, Wash.

Todd Farmer (G86) and **Cherith (Mennealy) Farmer** (n88), a boy, Joshua James, July 21, 2005, in San Antonio, Texas.

Becky (Holman) Friesen (G89) and Eon Friesen, a boy, Caleb Benjamin, Sept. 9, 2005, in Flagstaff, Ariz.

Rich Seiber (G90) and Stephanie Seiber, a boy, Parker Drew, May 2, 2006, in Sacramento, Calif.

Jaynese (Rupke) Granger (G91) and Scott Granger, a boy, Jordan Dakota, Oct. 19, 2005, in Moses Lake, Wash.

Kristin (Anderson) Hamann (G92) and David Hamann, a girl, Kyra Diane, Dec. 29, 2005, in Portland.

Tina (Palaske) Lee (G92) and Matthew Lee, a boy, Micah Daniel, Feb. 9, 2006, in Portland.

Amy Dahl (G93) and Erik Dahl, a boy, Kire Brev, Aug. 27, 2005, in Bellevue, Wash.

The mighty Casey

One year after taking Oregon State to its first College World Series since 1952, former George Fox baseball coach Pat Casey (G90) returned to Omaha, Neb., and coached the Beavers to their first national championship. Oregon State, which went 0-2 in the World Series in 2005, overcame an 11-1 loss to Miami in its tournament opener to win the eight-team event, clinching the title by taking two of three games from North Carolina in the finals. Oregon State (50-16) became the first team in series history to win six elimination games – and the first Northern-based school to win the tournament since Ohio State in 1966. In addition to Casey, George Fox had another connection to the Beavers: championship-game winning pitcher Dallas Buck is the son of GFU alumnus Eb Buck ('76).



A family tradition

When Danae Dougherty crossed the graduation platform, it marked the end of an era for the Dougherty family of Springfield, Ore. Next fall, for the first time in 17 years, no Dougherty will be attending George Fox. Since 1989, five siblings have graduated from the university. First came Kevin (1989-93), who served as student body president and is a sociology professor at Baylor University. Heidi (1993-97), an elementary education major who taught for several years and is now a stay-at-home mom in Kuna, Idaho. Ryan (1996-2000) also was student body president and now works for the university as director of undergraduate admissions. Derek (2000-04) was the athlete of the family, playing on the varsity soccer and tennis



teams. Danae (2002-06) came last, a straight-A business student.

All the siblings were back in Newberg for Danae's graduation. Their father, Douglas, is a 1972 graduate of George Fox Evangelical Seminary. After watching his family help five children through college, Ryan quips his mom wishes she could have gotten a punch card.

Danae Dougherty after graduation with her siblings and fellow alumni (l to r) Kevin, Heidi, Ryan, Derek

Lisa (Heinze) Georgeson (G93) and James Georgeson, a boy, Jesse David, Oct. 7, 2005, in Saugus, Calif.

Ryan Bartlett (G94) and **Kathleen (Bertagna) Bartlett** (G96, MAT97), a girl, Ella Joy, Nov. 3, 2005, in Prescott, Ariz.

Mark Herold (n94) and Sandra Herold, a girl, Caitlin Sierra, Mar. 7, 2006, in Longview, Wash.

Cherie (Bulkley) Bolton (G95) and Dean Bolton, a boy and a girl, Patrick Scott, Sept. 15, 2001, in Port-au-Prince, Haiti, and Kenya Johanne, June

24, 2003, in Port-au-Prince, Haiti, adopted March 2, 2006, in North Plains, Ore.

Lisa (Abbey) Harris (G95) and Rob Harris, a girl, Cecelia Rose, May 12, 2005, in Coon Rapids, Minn.

Sally (Johnson) Moore (G95) and Kent Moore, a boy, Hudson Allen, April 24, 2006, in Milwaukee, Ore.

Viola (Fletcher) Askey (G96) and Mark Askey, a boy, James Edward, Nov. 20, 2005, in Salem, Ore.

Sara (Scanlon) Brown (G96) and Roby Brown, a boy, Casey Quinlan, March 21, 2006, in Austin, Texas.

Jeannie (Ford) Lansford (G96) and Shane Lansford, a boy, Nathan Cael, Nov. 18, 2005, in Lemoore, Calif.

Diane (Marr) Longmire (G96) and Lance Longmire, a boy, Jude Robert, April 17, 2006, in Walla Walla, Wash.

Laura (Adolfo) Moore (G96) and George Moore, twins, a girl, Hayley Kathryn, and a boy, Derek Austin, March 28, 2005, in Hillsboro, Ore.

Andrew Royer (G96) and **Ruth (Hinds) Royer** (G96), a boy, Aaron Anderson, Dec. 1, 2005, in Wenatchee, Wash.

Ryan Chaney (G97) and **Kristin (Oelrich) Chaney** (G98), a boy, Jaimon Silas, June 21, 2005, in Salem, Ore.

Michelle (Migneault) Shipley (G97) and James Shipley, a girl, Mollie Irene, June 25, 2005, in Portland.

Elizabeth (Phares) Tucker (G97) and **Bryce Tucker** (n99), a girl, Isabella Kiyomi Phares, March 21, 2006, in Pleasanton, Calif.

Jeff Woolsey (G97) and **Robin (Hunt) Woolsey** (n97), a girl, Kate Elizabeth, Jan. 17, 2006, in Charlottesville, Va.

Beth (Kahut) Coultrap (G98) and Keith Coultrap III, a girl, Ella McKenzie, Dec. 7, 2005, in St. Clair Shores, Mich.

Kristin (Franz) Fast (G98) and **Nate Fast** (G98), a boy, Elijah Clay, Aug. 25, 2005, in Palo Alto, Calif.

Katie (Putignano) Gale (G98) and Tim Gale, a boy, Noah Andrew, March 4, 2006, in San Dimas, Calif.

Keith Johnson (G98) and **Jen (Schilperoort) Johnson** (G99), a girl, Kaya Eirene, Nov. 29, 2005, in Portland.

Heidi (Hughes) Monuteaux (G98) and Justin Monuteaux, a boy, Judah Lawrence, Oct. 14, 2005, in Burien, Wash.

Michael Turinsky (G98) and Jewel Turinsky, a boy, Michael Liam, Dec. 29, 2005, in Auckland, New Zealand.

Carolyn (Wadlow) Wood (G98) and **David Wood** (G98, MEd04), a girl, Cadelyn Elisabeth, May 12, 2005, in Silverton, Ore.

Elaina (Roshak) Canutt (G99) and **Colby Canutt** (G00), a girl, Lacey Faith, Feb. 17, 2006, in Canby, Ore.

Holly (Goodin) Hesselgrave (G99, MAT00) and **Brad Hesselgrave** (n99), a boy, Carter Lewis-Dennis, Feb. 23, 2006, in Seattle, Wash.

Chad Hollabaugh (G99) and **Jaliene (Miller) Hollabaugh** (G00), a boy, Coleman John, Jan. 13, 2006, in Tualatin, Ore.

Cory Morgan (G99) and **Tiffany (Smith) Morgan** (G00), a boy, Andrew Christopher, April 8, 2006, in Tigard, Ore.

Lisa (Bertalotto) Mulvany (G99) and Quinn Mulvany, a boy, Ethan Quinn, Dec. 20, 2005, in Ontario, Ore.

Charity (Fleming) Pancake (G99) and Shannon Pancake, a boy, Caleb Jonathan, April 14, 2005, in Olympia, Wash.

Eric Thompson (G99, MBA04) and **Sarah (Jagger) Thompson** (G99, MEd06), a boy, Ethan David, Feb. 16, 2006, in Tigard, Ore.

Nicole (Sasaki) Beebe (G00) and **Shawn Beebe** (G00), a girl, Sydney Kohana, March 12, 2006, in Idaho Falls, Idaho.

Adam Cordero (G00) and **Jennifer Gerhardt-Cordero** (G01), a boy, Aaron Scott, Feb. 27, 2006, in Portland.

Bryan Edwards (G00) and Tracy Edwards, a girl, Jane Alison, Aug. 29, 2005, in Clackamas, Ore.

Ben Frankamp (G00) and **Hannah (Macy) Frankamp** (G00), a girl, Katelyn Elise, Nov. 10, 2005, in Albuquerque, N.M.

Eric Lundeen (G00) and Carole Anne Lundeen, a boy, Aiton Chase, Apr. 13, 2006, in Vail, Colo.

Matthew Magee (G00) and **Kendra (Charles) Magee** (G01), a boy, Jacob Carter, Feb. 22, 2006, in Nashville, Tenn.

Josh McPherson (G00) and **Sharon (Barnett) McPherson** (G00), a girl, Audra Mae Isabella, June 2, 2005, in East Wenatchee, Wash.

David Rasmussen (G00) and **Julie (Schmidt) Rasmussen** (G00), a girl, Laelie Anna, Oct. 10, 2005, in Gresham, Ore.

Marissa (Clark) Eyon (G01) and **Tae Eyon** (G01), a girl, Elyse Victoria, Oct. 7, 2005, in Silverdale, Wash.

Sandra (Scott) Johnsen (MAT01) and Rick Johnsen, a girl, Marley McKenna, Dec. 7, 2005, in Vancouver, Wash.

Andrew Wilson (G01) and **Jennifer (Taylor) Wilson** (G01), a boy, Aidan Peter, Nov. 24, 2005, in Portland.

Krista Dorr Dooling (SPS02, MAT04) and Bryan Dooling, a girl, Isabel Dorr, Nov. 20, 2005, in Portland.

Katherine DuPriest (MA02) and **Matthew DuPriest** (MA02), a boy, Alexander John, Aug. 24, 2005, in Portland.

Catherine (Strickland) Pearson (G02) and James Pearson, a boy, Ethan Peter, July 11, 2005, in Medford, Ore.

Colleen (Forbes) Wachob (n02) and Erik Wachob, a girl, Elisa Joy, Jan. 19, 2006, in Bellvue, Colo.

Kimberly (Saint-Romain) Moore (SPS03) and Jason Moore, a boy, Trenton Cole, Jan. 6, 2006, in Tualatin, Ore.

Tomoko Oikawa-Metzenberg (MBA04) and Allen Metzberg, a girl, Erika Oikawa, Aug. 31, 2005, in Portland.

Robert Gaslin (G05) and **Josey (Hilton) Gaslin** (student), a girl, Kalina Christine, Feb. 23, 2006, in Salem, Ore.

Jesse Merz (MAT05) and Laurel Merz, a girl, Josephine Alice, Dec. 29, 2005, in Portland.

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Una (Hicks) Rowley (G34), March 30, 2006, in Brookings, Ore.

Mary (Brooks) Dimond (G37), April 18, 2006, in Portland.

Dorothy (Choate) Morse (G38), May 6, 2006, in Newberg.

Grace Roberts (G38), June 1, 2006, in Newberg.

Edward Stark (n59), May 19, 2005, in Caldwell, Idaho.

Fred Pritt (n68), Jan. 11, 2006, in Vancouver, Wash.

Randal Darby (n80), April 29, 2006, in Portland.

Glen Williamson (MA80), Dec. 18, 2005, in Stanwood, Wash.

Nina Dominy (PsyD97), Jan. 15, 2006, in Tualatin, Ore.

Tera (Bloodgood) Ewert (G97), May 22, 2006, in Olympia, Wash.

Randall Nunnenkamp (SPS99), June 6, 2006, in Hillsboro, Ore.

Patricia Mullinax (MA05), Feb. 24, 2006, in Portland.

Kelly (Keith) Zielke (MDiv05), June 9, 2006, in Stayton, Ore.

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How can healing take place?

by Burel Ford

For nearly 40 years I hated myself. I also hated white people. Why? Because I always felt inferior to others. Equality and justice were not a part of my experience.

In 1993, two African American men invited me to dinner. During the meal, we laughed and cried about the “black experience” in America. Our conversation was better than most of this kind, however — it was filled with love rather than spite. These men, with their bright outlooks, were different.

When I asked why, they said they belonged to Jesus. “God heals the soul,” they said.

We read the Bible together, and I too gave my life to Jesus. God took away the hate I had of myself. He made me whole, and I began to love all people, regardless of race, culture, handicap, or gender.

When I share this story with my white friends, especially those in the broad-minded Northwest, sometimes they are surprised. It’s hard for them to grasp the depth of hurt people of color still feel due to lifetimes of racist encounters — subtle or otherwise.

Most Christians say they believe in racial equality. They understand God loves all people equally regardless of race, gender, and abilities. This is encouraging on the grand scale.

But these values are not translating enough into intentional effort to ensure justice for everyone. Many people of color continue to feel marginalized or discriminated against — in both secular



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and religious institutions. There is still much pain, even among your brothers and sisters in Christ.

How can healing take place? It can begin by one truthful relationship at a time, inspired and touched by Christ’s love. As we learn about people unlike ourselves, we develop empathy and love for them. When we love someone, we want what is best for them.

When I was a junior at Michigan State University, my newly assigned roommate complained, “Of all the people here — 22,000 guys — I have to room with a black guy. I don’t like black people. This is hard to stomach.”

I approached our resident assistant who provided no answers. Then I met a senior named Kent, a black man in a similar leadership position. He said, “You have two choices: Run and get another roommate, or help change his mind. If you run from this, you run your entire life. If you change his mind and try to be

the most exemplary man on the planet, it will be good for the both of you.” I chose the latter.

During the semester I treated him with respect. When I wrote a term paper on Martin Luther King Jr., I shared it with him. He loved it. He saw the positives of King’s work and the work of white people involved in the civil rights movement. We became friends. In fact, his parents, who had taught him to hate, invited me to a Minnesota-Michigan State football game.

I no longer hate myself or others. What made the difference? Christ’s love shared through relationships — one-on-one, shoulder-to-shoulder friendships. In these relationships, I have changed for the better and so have my friends.

It’s not enough to choose proper attitudes toward minorities and then wait until they cross your path. Some people don’t feel welcome along these paths. To be a part of the healing, you must take the initiative — get outside of your comfort zone, reach out, and make some new friends.

Burel Ford is director of Multicultural Services at George Fox University.

Editor’s note: While this commentary addresses residual hurt from apathy or inaction, overt racism continues. Following this column’s submission, a close friend of Ford’s was stabbed to death in rural Pennsylvania. Racial epithets were scrawled on the wall in blood.



Motorcycle rally August 5

Alumni and friends of the university are invited to cruise with fellow riders from the George Fox community. Bruin tattoos included! Two rides are offered: a scenic 210-mile ride to Detroit Lake along Clackamas River Highway and an 80-mile ride through the valleys and hills of wine country. Riders will converge on the Newberg campus at the end of their rides for a motorcycle show and a barbecue dinner. The



charge for the long ride is \$42, which includes breakfast, lunch, dinner, a T-shirt, and a gift basket. The short ride costs \$25 and includes lunch, dinner, a T-shirt, and a gift basket. Dinner for guests who don’t ride is \$15. Visit georgefox.edu/alumni/events to register or get more information.

Selah: A Seminar for Women September 30

“Steps of Courage: Following Jesus into the World” is the theme for Selah 2006. The third annual women’s conference hosted by George Fox will encourage women to go deeper with God.

align their passions with his plan for their lives, then step out boldly to participate in the work he’s called them to do.

This year’s one-day conference features Lori Salierno, an enthusiastic national speaker and CEO of Celebrate Life International. Georgene Rice will emcee, and worship will be led by Olivia Pothoff. Lunch is included in the \$40 registration fee. Registrations must be received by Sept. 27. Women who register prior to August 31 will receive a \$5 discount. Visit georgefox.edu/selah to register. Call 503-554-2134 for more information.

Family Weekend November 3–5

Students will share an exciting weekend with their families. Musical and theatrical performances round out a full schedule of family-style events, including worship with the George Fox community, a holiday auxiliary bazaar, faculty lectures, and Comedy Sportz, an improvisational group from Portland. Visit georgefox.edu/parents/events to register beginning Sept. 15. For more information call 503-554-2134.

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Congratulations to Tom ('75) and Roberta Hurt ('74) who correctly identified the "Tell Us More" photo of Mike Wirta. They were sent a \$50 gift certificate to the University Store. And yes, Wirta is still driving his De Lorean sports car. Read about the much-loved stat man and why everyone calls him "Biggs" on page 20.



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