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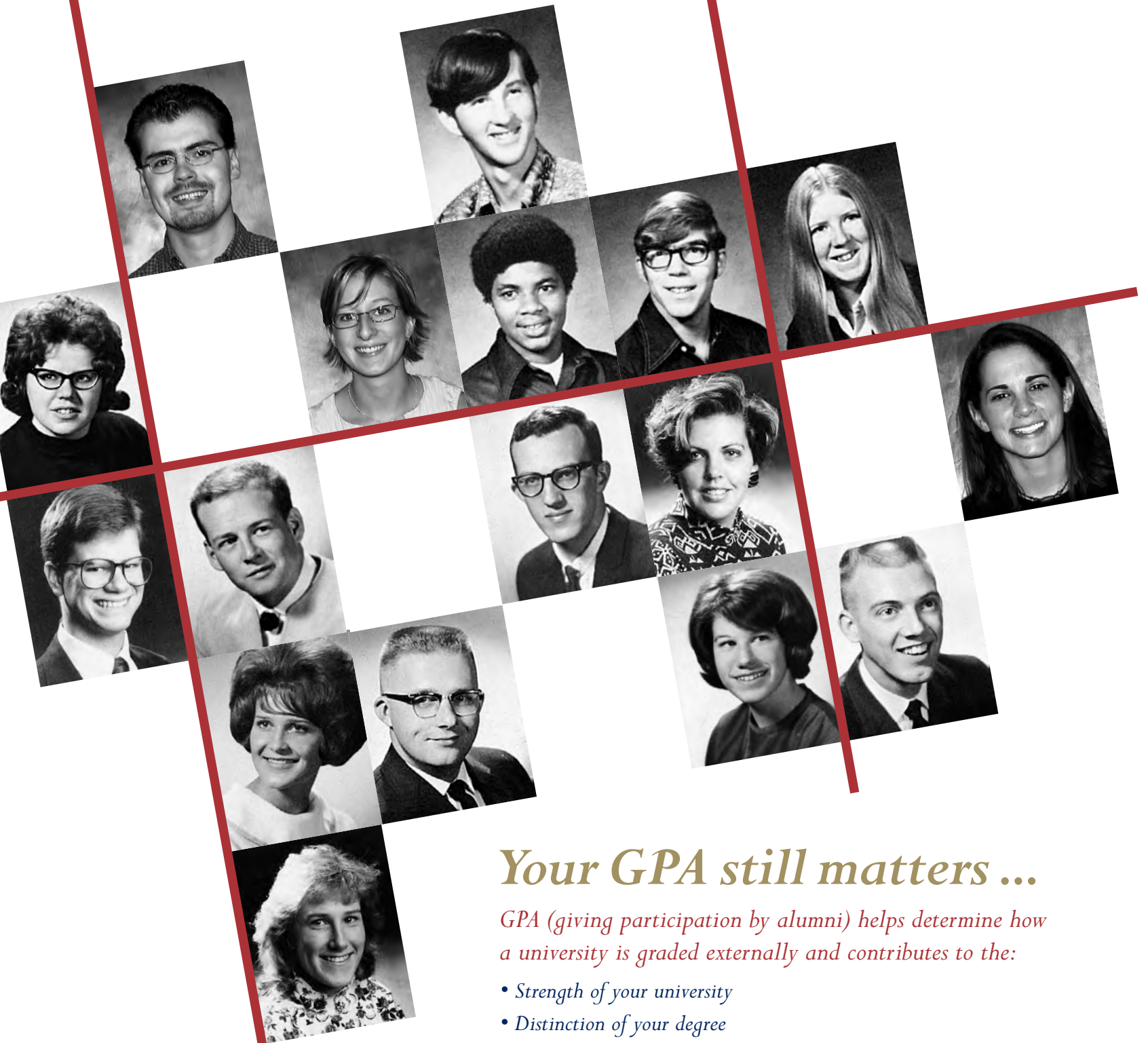
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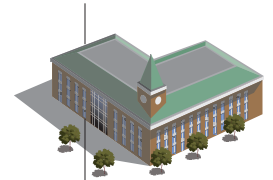
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Readers Forum

>> I related to much of Burel Ford's article "How can healing take place?" (Summer '06). I am a Lakota woman from the Rosebud Reservation in South Dakota.

The hurt of prejudice runs deep and goes back many generations. The pain needs God's healing touch; however, healing cannot begin until individuals of Anglo descent take ownership of the pain caused. I long to hear the words "I'm sorry" from an Anglo-Christian who finally understands. Not that they are directly responsible, but that they acknowledge the pain caused by historical prejudices.

In turn, those of us who have suffered because of the sin of prejudice need to let go of our sin of unforgiveness. We must reach out in the love of God. Both sides have a role to fulfill according to God's plan for each of us.

Patty Bordeaux-Nelson (G80)
MADISON, SOUTH DAKOTA

>> I appreciated Burel Ford's article, and was so sorry to hear about his friend's violent death. Sometimes I'm not sure what's worse: overt racism of the kind that killed his friend, or the "killing me softly" kind of racism so often found in Christian (and other) communities, where well-intentioned white folk think they are doing someone a favor or that they've dealt with all their "stuff" — or worse, that they have no racism to deal with!

Sometimes we require real stories of real pain happening to real people in our real world before we will believe that the pain exists.

Laura Simmons, PhD, Assistant Professor of Christian Ministries, George Fox Evangelical Seminary
PORTLAND, OREGON

All about Hubbell

Many readers correctly identified Barry Hubbell in the "Tell us more" section (Summer 2006) — and then shared memories.

>> There are not too many places where I have made friends with so many positive and sincere individuals as at George Fox, and without question Barry Hubbell would be near the No. 1 spot on the list.

Sammy Ibarra (G88, MA94)
Bruin basketball player 1970–73
WILSONVILLE, OREGON

>> Although my husband and I attended Fox in the seventies, it is not difficult to identify this man today. He hasn't changed a bit! Even back then we joked about him being "ageless." Our memories are of Barry Hubbell flitting around with a mammoth set of bags and lenses hanging over one shoulder, hefting a camera the size of his entire torso, flashing these gigantic flashbulbs at our faces from all odd angles. It is fitting that this debonair gentleman became the "master of ceremonies" at Fox. He has added a silent sense of class to the place for a long, long time!

Werner and Debbie (Dominy) Seibert (G79)
OREGON CITY, OREGON

>> Any alumnus of a certain age will instantly recognize Barry Hubbell, otherwise affectionately known as "Harry Bubbell" or "Barely Humble."

Calvin L. Russell (G83)
BATTLE GROUND, WASHINGTON



>> My junior year, in the ambitiousness, idealism, and ignorance of my youth I had a certain "combative" attitude towards the administration (and the world, to some extent). Barry met me for coffee and shared with me about his career and life, and was very honest. It meant a lot to me — especially as I was trying to figure out my path in life. In retrospect, the openness to make contact above and beyond the call of duty seemed indicative of many people from the George Fox community.

Andrew Miller (n98)
BEAVERTON, OREGON

>> I don't think people realize how much Barry contributed to the school throughout his years. He is a modest man, not wanting to take the limelight for all his contributions, but he did a lot for the school.

Chrystal (Schmeltzer) Frazier (G88)
OREGON CITY, OREGON

>> I wouldn't have guessed that Barry would ever retire. Talk about iconic images.

Stephanie (Cox) Thomas (G83)
FILLMORE, CALIFORNIA

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Integration of faith and learning



The book *Simply Christian*, by Bishop of Durham N.T. Wright, suggests that in North America it has been axiomatic that “religion and spirituality should stay in their proper place — in other words, well

away from the rest of real life.” At George Fox University, we work deliberately to bring our Christianity into the center of the “rest of real life.”

For us, that means the integration of faith and learning. Some suggest that it is impossible to provide both academic excellence and distinctively Christ-centered programs. George Fox University addresses this question directly in our deliberate efforts to bring our Christian faith, the academic disciplines, and the learning environment into coherence. Our faculty is evaluated by how well they accomplish this integration.

But how do you position an institution such as George Fox? Our marketing efforts need to be accurate and attractive to demand attention from those with whom we seek to communicate. We join associations and consortia to tell the world we are “like” the other members of these groups. Then, we go to great lengths to articulate our distinctives, which set us apart from other universities. To be successful, George Fox must be both like and unlike other institutions.

Christ-centered universities maneuver in a challenging environment where we want to give students academic programs as excellent as the best universities that are not Christ-centered, while letting students know that our programs are indeed Christ-centered and not exactly like comparable programs elsewhere.

What is even more difficult is how the larger university is integrated with our society. Is the university more like the church or the academy? Do we protect the university from the neighborhood, or protect the neighborhood from the university? I believe Bishop Wright is correct in suggesting that we need to mix up the university, our society, and our Christ-centeredness. Are we willing to create a new flavor where the individual flavors are sometimes hard to find? True integration of anything is often difficult. If we genuinely integrate our faith with learning, let’s also integrate our faith with the rest of life. It could be a marvelous combination.

“We need to
mix up
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centeredness.”

A handwritten signature in cursive that reads "Dave".

Dr. David Brandt
President



Bruin Notes

Building boom

In 1977, U.S. Senator Mark Hatfield spoke at the dedication of the Hoover Academic Building. His address focused on his mentor, former President Herbert Hoover.

This October, Hatfield (below) — now a member of the George Fox faculty — returned to the same building for another dedication. At an outdoor ceremony (top right) celebrating the facility's \$4.3 million expansion and renovation, he again delivered a speech about Hoover. He also helped dedicate the building's new Hoover-



Hatfield Library, which includes memorabilia from the two statesmen. Both have long ties to the university. Hoover attended Friends Pacific Academy, the forerunner of George Fox, and Hatfield is a former trustee.

The project consisted of a 15,400-square-foot two-story addition and a major remodeling of the existing building. The art and nursing programs both gained educational facilities. New fea-

tures include the Roger and Mildred Minthorne Gallery, the Providence Health System Learning Lab, and a critical care room named in honor of alumna Dr. Caroline Engle.

The university completed two other construction projects this summer:

Amphitheater The class of 2010 was the first to use the university's new 500-person amphitheater (middle right), located on the west slope of Hess Creek Canyon near Wheeler Sports Center. On a warm summer evening, they sat on the grassy tiers and watched a movie during freshman orientation.

Le Shana Residence Hall One hundred and twenty juniors and seniors moved into the new 40,150-square-foot Le Shana Residence Hall this fall (bottom right). The \$7.4 million hall features 20 apartments, each with three bedrooms, a toilet room, a shower room, and a shared great room. Each houses six students. The facility, dedicated Nov. 4, also features a computer lab, a lounge, and a café. The hall is named in honor of former President David Le Shana and his wife, Rebecca.



Miller on mentors

As a young man, Don Miller's father left his family and checked out of his son's life. Consequently, Miller (right), author of *Blue Like Jazz*, *To Own a Dragon*, and other books, grew to understand the pivotal role mentors can play in young people's lives.

Studies show that 85 percent of people in prison grew up without a father. Without the benefit of male role models and mentors who stepped in at key moments in his life,

Miller says he too might have ended up in prison.

At this year's Kaleo conference, Miller will advise mentors of youth

by drawing on his own experiences of helpful and unsuccessful mentoring relationships. In its third year, the conference targets people who work with youth — pastors, parents, teachers, and friends.

Miller, keynote speaker, will share how mentors can turn experiences — good or

bad — into opportunities that show young people how to bring Christ into their struggles. He also will encourage people of all ages to seek mentors for themselves.

"Even today, I meet with men who pray for me and challenge me," says Miller, who lives in Portland.



"These men have been called specifically by God to act as father figures in my life, and I accept their love and encouragement as provision from God."

Last year's Kaleo conference drew about 180 people. The upcoming event, to be held in Bauman Auditorium, is expected to draw an even larger crowd.

For more information or to register, visit kaleo.georgefox.edu.



By the numbers

The second-largest freshman class in history helped the university set a record for traditional undergraduate enrollment (1,633) this fall. The total represented a 3 percent hike over the fall of 2005 and propelled George Fox to its second-largest overall enrollment total in history (3,185).

Including the degree-completion students, the university enrolled 1,873 undergraduates. Another 1,312 were enrolled in graduate programs.

A freshman class of 417 students came from 19 states and four countries, and 22 percent were from non-Caucasian ethnic backgrounds. The majors most popular among freshmen are elementary education, business, nursing, engineering, and biology.

New boss in Boise

The retirement of Glenn Moran last summer resulted in administrative changes at the Boise Center.

Christina Linder, an assistant professor in the center's MAT program, assumed Moran's position as director. She has been at George Fox as an adjunct instructor since 2003, when she became primary instructor for the Management and Organizational Leadership Program.

Getting on board

The university's board of trustees welcomes five new members this fall.

Pat Anderson is the retired provost of Fresno Pacific University and Azusa Pacific University. She holds a doctorate from Claremont Graduate School.

Scott Conant, human resources manager for SP Newsprint in Newberg, holds a bachelor's degree in accounting from Thomas College and attended Houston Graduate School of Theology.

Greg Goodwin of Vancouver, Wash., is president and chief executive officer of

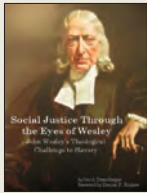
Kuni Automotive, which operates 10 auto dealerships in four Western states.

Truman Stone, an attorney with Brown, Tarlow, Bridges and Palmer in Newberg, has been active on the boards of Chehalem Youth and Family Services and the university's Tilikum Center for Retreats and Outdoor Ministries.

David Woolsey, owner of Mainstream Motors in Newberg, earned a bachelor's degree in business and economics from George Fox in 1968 and did postgraduate work at University of Oregon.

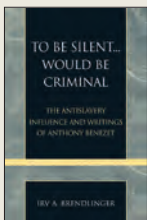
The write stuff: new books by George Fox faculty

The Fourth Gospel and the Quest for Jesus: Modern Foundations Reconsidered (T&T Clark) by Paul Anderson, professor of biblical and Quaker studies. Assesses two leading modern views: the de-historicization of John (the belief that John cannot be historical), and the de-johannification of Jesus (thus, John is considered off limits for historical-Jesus studies). An alternative “Bi-Optic” approach of gospel relations also is presented (John and the other gospels provide two distinctive perspectives).



Social Justice Through the Eyes of Wesley (Joshua Press) by Irv A. Brendlinger, professor of church history and theology. Explores

Wesley’s response to social injustice through the lens of his opposition to slavery, examining his distinctive doctrines and their implications for human society.



Brendlinger also wrote ***To Be Silent Would Be Criminal: The Life and Antislavery Influence of Anthony Benezet*** (Scarecrow Press). An overview of

the life and a republication of the major tracts and correspondence of Benezet, the dominant antislavery influence of the 18th century.

The Celtic and Roman Traditions: Conflict and Consensus in the Early Medieval Church (Palgrave-Macmillan) by Caitlin Corning, professor of history. A

survey of the relationship between the Celtic and Roman traditions during the period of the Easter controversy (590–768) concerning the proper date to celebrate.



A Catalogue of Previously Uncatalogued Ethiopic Manuscripts in England: Twenty-Three Manuscripts in the Bodleian, Cambridge University

and John Rylands University Libraries and a Private Collection, Journal of Semitic Studies, Supplement 21 (Oxford University Press) by Steve Delamarter, professor of Old Testament, and Demeke Berhane. Provides a catalogue of 23 Ethiopian manuscripts in England: 14 in the Bodleian Library of Oxford University, two in the Cambridge University Library, three in the John Rylands Library of the University of Manchester, and four in the private collection of Dr. Ian Mac Lennan of London.



Thunder of Time (Forge Press), a novel by James Foster, dean, School of Behavioral and Health Sciences and professor of psychology (pen name: James F.

David). A sequel to Foster’s *Footprints of Thunder*. It picks up the story in a world where dinosaurs and humans are living together peacefully until someone begins to manipulate time, trying to shape a future without human civilization.



Laughing Pilgrims: Humor and the Spiritual Journey (Paternoster Publishing) by Howard Macy, professor of religion and biblical studies. Shows

how humor can help us know who we are and how to live well — and why saints laugh a lot.

Macy also wrote ***Stepping in the Light: Life in Joy and Power*** (Friends United Press), which explores vital Christian living rooted in Scripture and in the bold witness of Friends.



The Contented Soul: The Art of Savoring Life (InterVarsity Press) by Lisa McMinn, associate professor of sociology. Considers why contentment seems elusive

in a culture richly blessed and encourages readers to slow down to resist “rugged individualism” in favor of embracing and supporting strong community ties.

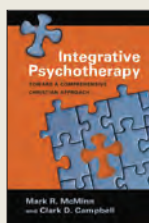


Finding Our Way Home: Turning Back to What Matters Most (Jossey-Bass) by Mark R. McMinn, professor of psychology.

Draws on insights from psychology, Christian spirituality, and theology to explore the human longing for home, a spiritual place as much as a

Honor roll

physical dwelling. The book won an Award of Merit in this year's *Christianity Today* book awards.



McMinn also wrote *Integrative Psychotherapy: Toward a Comprehensive Christian Approach* (InterVarsity Press) with Clark Campbell, profes-

sor of psychology. Presents a Christian model of psychotherapy, drawing on three views of the *imago Dei* as the basis for three domains of intervention – functional, structural, and relational.

The Sacred Ordinary (Barclay Press) by Arthur Roberts (G44), professor-at-large. A collection of 50 of Roberts' sermons and addresses given publicly between 1967 and 2006 during his tenure as professor of religion and philosophy and through his retirement years in Yachats, Ore.



Cross and Covenant: Interpreting the Atonement for 21st Century Mission (Paternoster Press) by Larry Shelton, Richard B. Parker Professor of

Theology at the seminary. Promotes the idea that a covenant renewal understanding of Christ's atonement is more effective in communicating to diverse cultures than some traditional metaphors such as penal substitution.

Right: Charith Norvelle

All-American: George Fox is one of 50 colleges featured in the inaugural issue of *The Intercollegiate Studies Institute Guide to All-American Colleges*.



Other colleges designated in the guide include the University of Chicago, Princeton University, Gordon College, Pepperdine University, and Whitman College.

The guide provides in-depth profiles of colleges with "programs that connect in a special way with the core values of the American founding and the vibrant intellectual traditions of the West – schools and programs that are, in fact, often transformative." The college profiles are based on interviews with students, faculty, and administrators.

According to the guide, "If you are an evangelical Christian looking for a first-class education, or a Quaker or Mennonite uncomfortable with the theological modernism some of your church mates take for granted, take a good look at George Fox University. It is an inspiring place."

Best in the West: For the third consecutive year. The Princeton Review honored the university as a "Best in the West" school. It is one of 123 colleges and universities listed from 16 Western states. The Princeton Review rankings consider academics, quality of life, admissions selectivity, and financial aid. George Fox students were invited to voice their opinions about each category in an online survey hosted by the magazine.



Best Buy: The university placed 19th in its category in the latest ranking of "America's Best Colleges" by *U.S. News & World Report* magazine, continuing in the top tier of the "Best Universities – Master's" west region category. George



Fox also ranked ninth for value in the "Great schools, great prices" listing. "The higher the quality of the program and the lower the cost, the better the deal," says the magazine.

SELAH

A seminar for women

The university's third annual Selah conference, a one-day seminar for women, drew 550 women, including 90 undergraduate students, to campus in September. Keynote speaker Lori Salierno (right) of Celebrate Life International encouraged women to model integrity and faithfulness in a way that inspires others to follow God. Alumna Olivia Pothoff led worship, and radio host Georgene Rice emceed the event.

"Many lives have been touched as a



result of the Selah ministry," says Sheri Philips, executive director of university relations. "Next year, we will continue the journey by looking at how God brings restoration and victory out of the wounds in our lives."



Hog Heaven

Nearly 60 parents, community members, friends of the university, alumni, and employees turned out for the first George Fox Motorcycle Rally in August. The event drew riders from as far away as Anaheim, Calif., and Caldwell, Idaho. Participants chose between two routes – a 120-mile ride to the Oregon coast and back or an 80-mile trek through the hills and vineyards of Yamhill County.



Closed for business

Replacing toilets, painting, weeding, cleaning, pulling blackberry plants – virtually no project was off limits for more than 1,300 students and employees who participated in the university's annual Serve Day in September. For the eighth straight year, the Newberg campus closed for a day to serve the nonprofit agencies, churches, retirement homes, and civic organizations of Yamhill, Washington, Multnomah, and Clackamas counties.

"It is not a day for 'business as usual,' but a day that challenges each of us to give back to our communities," says Brad Lau, vice president of student life. "It creates an ethos of service. This is consistent with our



Christ-centered mission and the example of Jesus himself."

Teams traveled into Portland to assist the Oregon Zoo, the Shriner's Hospital for Children, the Union Gospel Mission, and the Raphael House, among others. In Newberg, crews visited

Friendsview Retirement Community, and the city's public library, fire department, and public works department. Teams also served surrounding communities, helping out at Tigard's Luke-Dorf residential services for the mentally ill, Sherwood's Cat Adoption



Team headquarters, and McMinnville's Habitat for Humanity branch, among other agencies.

Gymnasium benefactor dies



James Miller, namesake along with wife Lila of the university's Miller Gymnasium, died August 8 at the age of 86. Miller

served on the George Fox Board of Trustees from 1974 to 1986 and held honorary trustee status since. The couple made the lead gift to fund the construction of the gymnasium, built in 1977.

Over more than three decades, the couple has given millions to help fund the construction of the Edward Stevens Center, the current Hoover Academic Building remodel, and several endowed

scholarships including the Miller Leadership Award for freshman who have demonstrated exceptional character through co-curricular activities, student government participation, or service in the church or community.

A balcony in the Stevens Center bears their name. The James and Lila Miller Gymnasium includes three basketball courts and seating for 2,500.

Miller was president of Cascadia Lumber Co. and later became a partner in Willamette Pacific Land Co.

The Millers' first connection to George Fox came through their son, Paul, a 1969 graduate of George Fox. Their daughter-in-law, Judy, is also an alumna and serves on the board of trustees.

Macy goes Hollywood

The women who have lived on the third floor of the Macy Residence Hall have had their share of visitors over the years.

But none was as unlikely as Sean Penn, the controversial Oscar-winning actor and director. Penn and a crew of about 100 descended upon the residence hall in October to shoot a short scene for the upcoming



movie *Into the Wild*. Based on the bestseller by Jon Krakauer, *Into the Wild* is a story about a young man who abandons civilization to live — and ultimately starve — in the Alaskan wilderness. Penn is directing the movie, which stars Emile Hirsch. A portion of the film is being shot in Oregon, and a location scout identified Macy Residence Hall and its large attic as an ideal location to replicate an Emory University dorm, where the main character attended college. Several George Fox cinema students viewed the filming, and two were cast as extras. The movie is scheduled for a 2007 release.

The art of worship

One day last March, Mark Benjamin opened his e-mail to find messages from three people encouraging him to look at a job opening at George Fox. Benjamin did — and became the university's director of discipleship and worship arts.

Besides helping with chapel planning, Benjamin says he is here to encourage creativity in the worship services and to help students express their gifts in ways that help other students connect with God. He wants "to be a pastor of sorts to these artists." He also notes that "like any community, we have a tremendous amount of brokenness; I see my job as coming alongside students to help them grow from brokenness into a

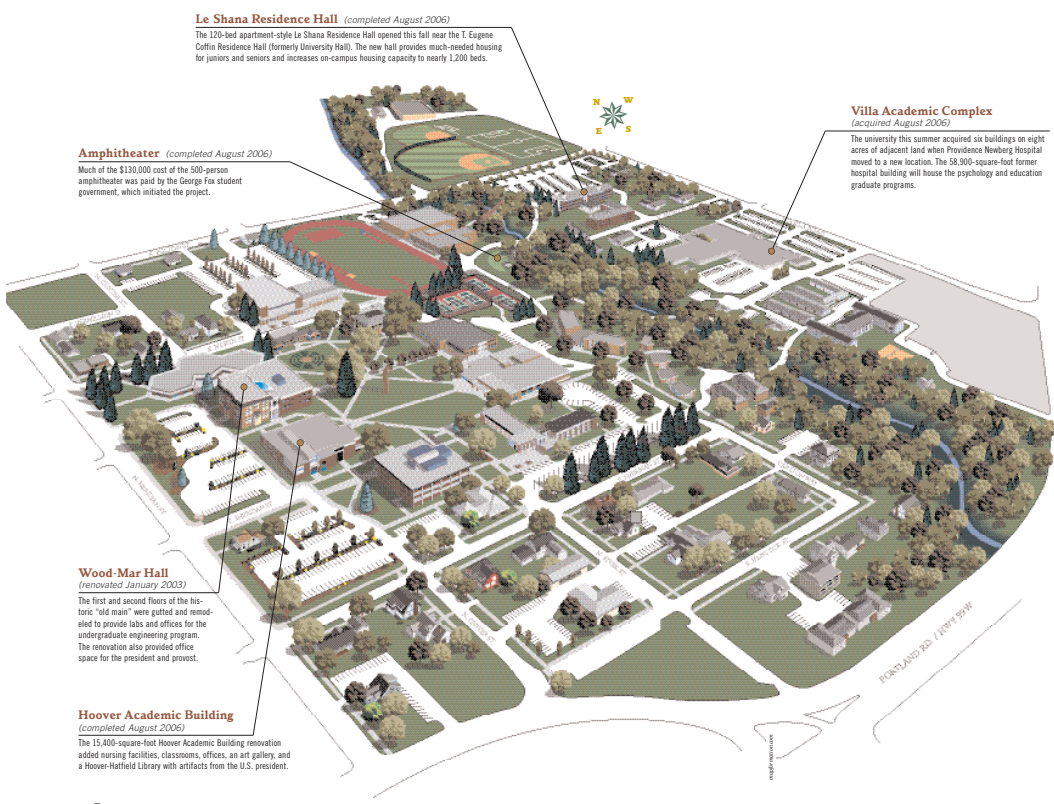


wholeness in Christ."

Benjamin oversees the small groups program and has initiated "honesty groups" for those struggling with issues of sexuality, body image, or eating disorders.

Originally from Canada, Benjamin received a master's degree in Christian leadership from Asbury Theological Seminary in Wilmore, Ky. He worked in the seminary's Office of Community Life the last two years.

To Benjamin, getting paid for spending time with college students is a privilege. Much of his ministry flows out of relationships, he says. "Some of the greatest work, movements, and visions are often birthed in friendship."



Le Shana Residence Hall (completed August 2006)
 The 120-bed apartment-style Le Shana Residence Hall opened this fall near the T. Eugene Coffin Residence Hall (formerly University Hall). The new hall provides much-needed housing for juniors and seniors and increases on-campus housing capacity to nearly 1,200 beds.

Amphitheater (completed August 2006)
 Much of the \$130,000 cost of the 500-person amphitheater was paid by the George Fox student government, which initiated the project.

Wood-Mar Hall (renovated January 2003)
 The first and second floors of the historic "old main" were gutted and remodeled to provide labs and offices for the undergraduate engineering program. The renovation also provided office space for the president and provost.

Hoover Academic Building (completed August 2006)
 The 15,400-square-foot Hoover Academic Building renovation added nursing facilities, classrooms, offices, an art gallery, and a Hoover-Hatfield Library with artifacts from the U.S. president.

Villa Academic Complex (acquired August 2006)
 The university this summer acquired six buildings on eight acres of adjacent land when Providence Newberg Hospital moved to a new location. The 58,900-square-foot former hospital building will house the psychology and education graduate programs.

George Fox University 2006

Recent additions to the Newberg campus illustrate the changing identity of the university

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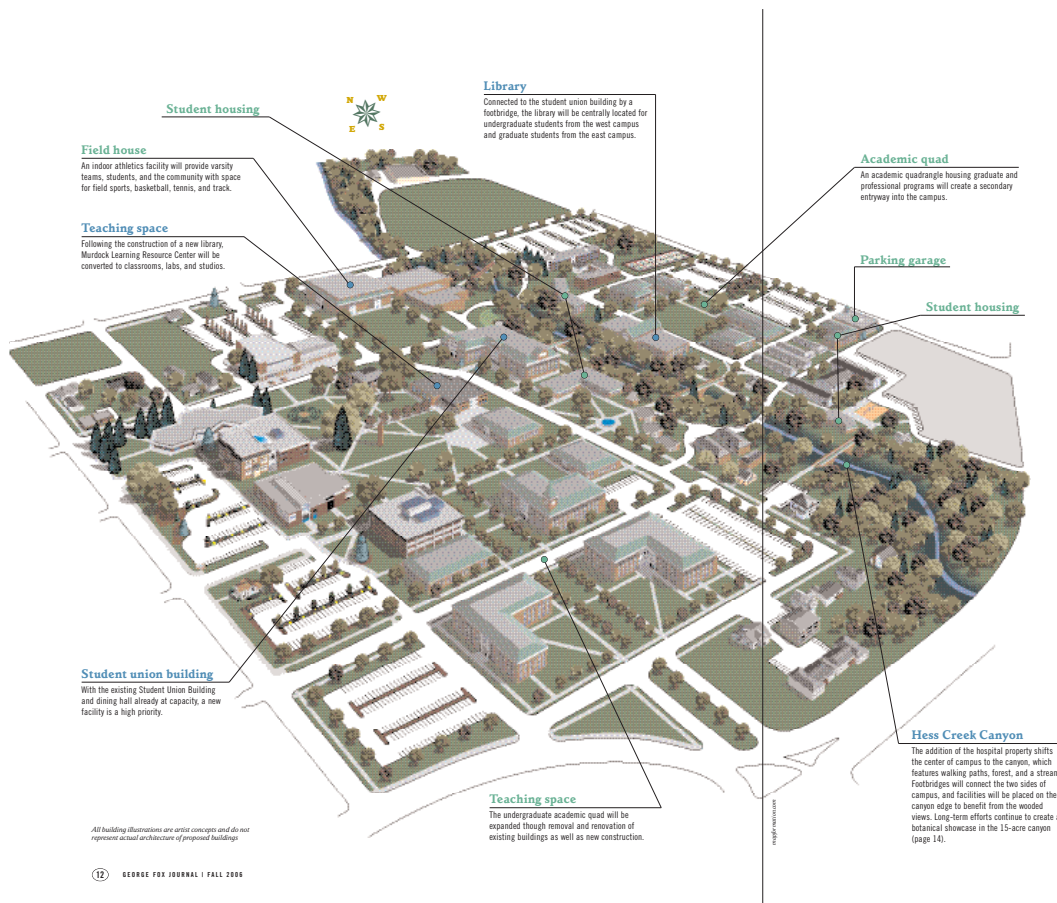
Over the last two decades, George Fox has grown from a small liberal arts college to a comprehensive university with 3,200 students. Graduate students now make up nearly half of the student population. In addition to undergraduate majors such as music, literature, and biology, the university now offers an array of professional programs. The School of Education is one of the state's top producers of teachers and school administrators. The university's MBA program is the second largest in Oregon.

This expanding interpretation of the university's mission has spurred recent acquisitions and construction projects on the Newberg campus. Besides additional residence life buildings, most of the new facilities are used in the training of engineers, educators, psychologists, and nurses.

On deck: outdoor athletics complex

The university is raising funds to construct a new athletics complex on 24 acres of land donated by board member Ken Austin and his wife, JoAnn. The land is less than half a mile north of campus and will provide a track oval and playing fields for the soccer, baseball, and softball teams.





All building illustrations are artist concepts and do not represent actual architecture of proposed buildings.

George Fox University 2046

A new campus master plan provides a vision for future development of the Newberg campus

George Fox University is poised for continued growth. To prepare, the university hired award-winning architecture firm Zimmer Gunsul Frasca to create a Newberg campus master plan that provides a framework to guide future improvements. No timeline has been determined, although the plan suggests a sequence of projects.

Short-term goals

- Emphasize Hess Creek Canyon as a central feature of the campus
- Build new student union and library on canyon walls, creating central pillars for campus
- Convert existing library to teaching space
- Construct a new outdoor athletics complex near campus (page 11)

Long-term goals

- Locate student housing on canyon to benefit from wooded views
- Add field house to Wheeler Sports Center
- Shift graduate and professional programs to the east side of campus by replacing the hospital with a second academic quad
- Preserve greenspace by constructing future academic buildings at least three stories high
- Encourage pedestrian traffic through use of view corridors, walking paths, and fewer, but larger parking areas

Beyond the Newberg campus

The university also is addressing future needs at its teaching satellite sites. In Idaho, the Boise Center nearly doubled its space in 2005 by moving to a new site west of downtown. The Salem Center opened in 2002, providing classrooms for education, counseling and professional studies programs. The Portland Center is at capacity and is expanding into a nearby facility.



Clyde's Canyon



Clyde Thomas remembers the wildflowers — the pink bleeding hearts, the white trilliums, and the vibrant purple wild iris. He remembers the sweet fragrance of false Solomon's seal, violets, and mock orange.

They and many other native plants grew in Hess Creek Canyon on the George Fox campus where he played during his boyhood visits to his grandfather Oliver Weesner, a math professor at the college. A native of eastern Washington, Thomas enjoyed the lush foliage he found alongside the small creek. When he enrolled at George Fox as a biology major in 1974, his old playground became a 15-acre botany laboratory. Over his four years he identified 153 varieties of native plants in the canyon. But he noticed changes. The wildflowers were disappearing, either buried by construction debris dumped down the canyon slopes or choked out by ivy and Himalayan blackberries. His senior project documented the changes.

Thomas joined the college's grounds crew after graduation and began dreaming of turning the wooded ravine into a showcase of native plants. He went on the offensive against the invasive non-native plants, using both his muscles and small doses of pesticide to knock them back. After clearing a patch of ivy near the footbridge, Thomas was delighted the next spring to see 60 to 70 trilliums sprouting. The restoration was under way.

When he heard that a farmer near Salem was clear cutting 10 acres of forest, he spent a Saturday rescuing 80 native plants, which he planted in the canyon on his own time. During the past three decades, he's ranged as far as Eugene to bring back hundreds of plants for the canyon.

In 1990, he was offered a promotion to director of plant services, giving him supervision of all maintenance, grounds, and construction on campus. "I said, 'That's not really what I'm interested in. My heart's in the grounds and in the canyon.'" In the end, he took the



Clyde Thomas has labored for decades to make Hess Creek Canyon a showplace of native plants and trees. Now the university's master plan calls for the ravine to become a campus centerpiece.

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position, swayed in part by the argument that he would be able to make the canyon work a higher priority.

The campus has blossomed during his tenure. When an outside group of university administrators recently gave an accreditation report on George Fox, they raved about the "well groomed, well landscaped, and attractive campus."

Thomas spends little time in his office. He's more likely to be found slinging mud at the bottom of a ditch or sowing grass seed around new construction sites. Twenty-year-old students wear out before Thomas, who turned 50 in July. "We have not yet found anyone who can outwork Clyde," says Debby

O'Kelley, who has worked in the plant services office for 10 years. "I've seen e-mails from him sent at 3 in the morning," she says. "That's about the only time he's at his desk."

Thomas and coworkers have planted more than a thousand trees and hundreds of native plants in the canyon, working mostly weekends and evenings. He's raised more than \$10,000 for canyon projects and led several blackberry-clearing work crews. He's far from finished. Thomas

envisions a place where visitors can experience the flora of a miniature Willamette River Valley, walking along the creek from the valley ponderosa pines, incense cedars, and maples of the Willamette's headwaters to the Douglas firs, grand firs, and dogwood of the river's lower regions. His dream meshes with the university's new master plan, which emphasizes Hess Creek Canyon as a central campus feature through footbridges, trails, and new facilities overlooking the wooded area.

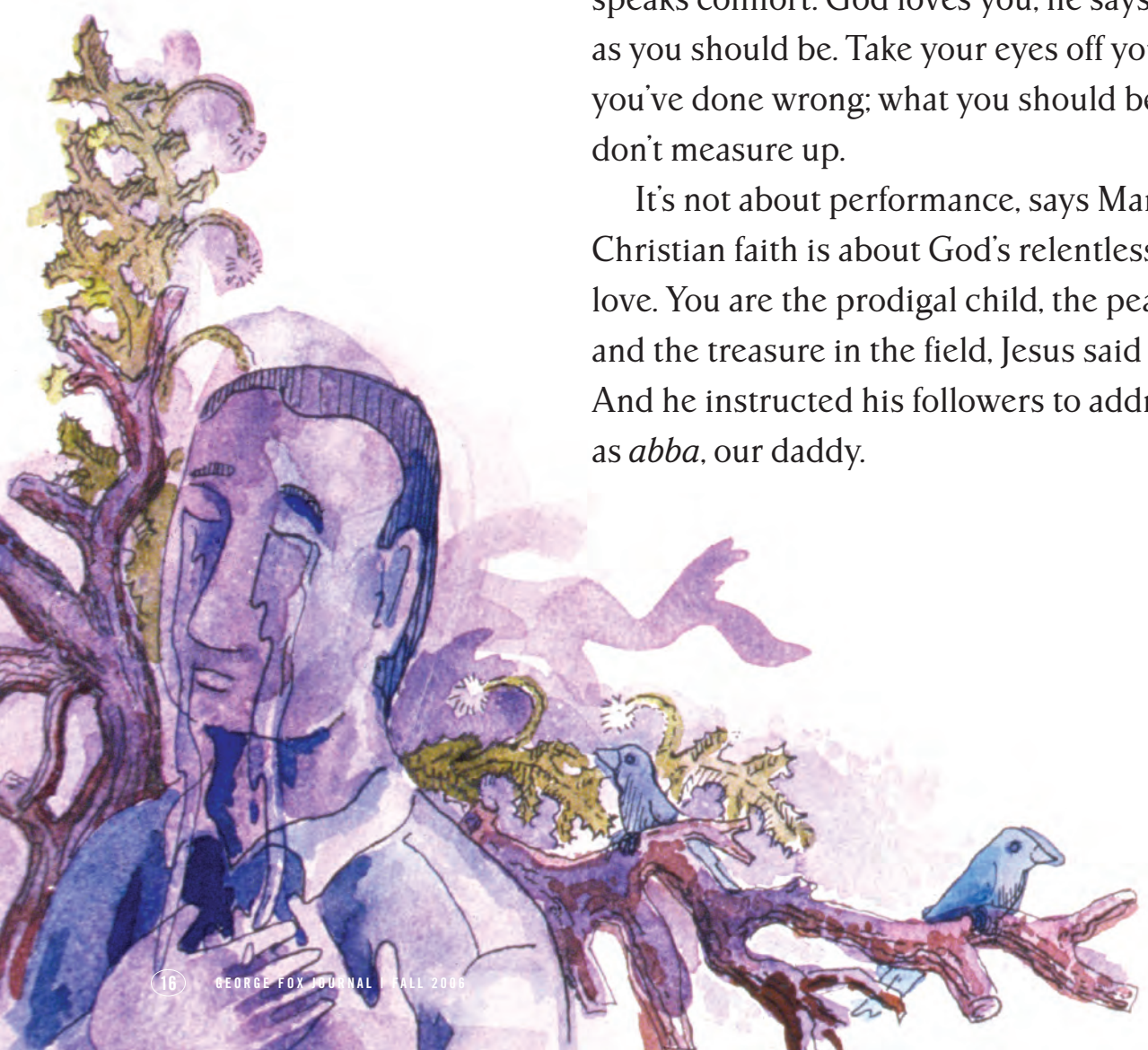
Today, two sons of Thomas attend George Fox. Joel, the older, is a student employee who this summer helped with the new amphitheater landscaping. Working on the slope of the canyon, he didn't have to look far to see the 60-foot-high cedars his father planted three decades ago. And below that was something just as remarkable. The wildflowers were blooming.



Outrageous Grace

To the weary and heavy-laden, Brennan Manning speaks comfort. God loves you, he says — as you are, not as you should be. Take your eyes off yourself — what you've done wrong; what you should be doing; how you don't measure up.

It's not about performance, says Manning. The Christian faith is about God's relentless tenderness and love. You are the prodigal child, the pearl of great price, and the treasure in the field, Jesus said through parables. And he instructed his followers to address God as *abba*, our daddy.



Brennan Manning brings the message of God's all-embracing love to campus



"Christianity is not primarily a moral code, or an ethic, or a philosophy of life," Manning says. "It's a love affair. Jesus takes us to the father, and they pour out the Holy Spirit upon us — not to be nicer people with better morals, but brand new creations, prophets, lovers, human torches ignited with the flaming Spirit of the living God."

Self-condemnation and gloom block God's way to us, Manning says. "The key is to let yourself be loved in your brokenness."

"Let the focus of your inner life rest on one truth, the staggering, mind-blowing truth that God loves you unconditionally as you are and not as you should be. Because nobody is as they should be."

It's been more than 40 years since Brennan Manning was "ambushed by God" on the far side of despair. As an alcoholic who felt completely broken, he discovered an unshakable trust in the love of Christ. Though his setbacks sadden him,

he understands that his Savior forgives seventy times seven. He wants his listeners and readers to know that, too.

Manning is the author of many books, including *The Ragamuffin Gospel* and *The Importance of Being Foolish*. Manning, the Catholic-priest-turned-evangelist, leads spiritual retreats throughout the United States and Europe. In September, he visited George Fox, sharing over three days with students and area pastors. He also addressed some questions for the *Journal*:



Journal *What is the primary objection you hear to your persistent message that God loves you as you are?*

Manning The number one objection is that this message promotes universalism. So I want to make this abundantly, luminously clear: I'm not a universalist. Universalism is a heresy that makes the death and

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resurrection of Christ irrelevant. The key is that you stretch your mind and stretch your heart to accommodate God's all-embracing love in Jesus Christ.

Journal Does that relate to your comment in chapel that the God of many Christians is too small for you?

Manning Yes. Definitely. That's a God who loves me when I'm good and hates me when I'm bad — a very fickle God where everything depends on my behavior. A God of legalism, a God of moralism, a God of heavy-handed authoritarianism. And it's not the Jesus who said, "Make your home in me as I make mine in you." Home is a nest of warmth and hospitality, welcoming love, intimacy, and a nonjudgmental spirit.

Journal How should we feel when we don't live up to some of the New Testament guidelines for behavior?

Manning The one regret I have in my life is the hours I've wasted in self-condemnation, low self-esteem, and self-hatred, which is all ego-based by the

way. Whether you have an incredibly high opinion of yourself or a very low opinion of yourself, they're both ego-based — the shock and horror that I've failed. But I'd never judge any of God's other creatures with the savage condemnation with which I crush myself.

Journal But some Christians do judge others with savage condemnation. If presented



"Home is a nest of warmth and hospitality, welcoming love, intimacy, and a non-judgmental spirit"

with the story of the woman caught in adultery, they emphasize, "Go and sin no more."

Manning The problem is that the judgmental people have never really been broken themselves. For example, when my

ex-wife Rosalyn divorced for the first time, her best friend, who was a committed Christian, would have nothing to do with her. Seven years later when she herself divorced she called Rosalyn and asked, "Will you please forgive me?"

Journal If God loves those who fear him, isn't that in a sense conditional? Isn't it based on some sort of emotional response from us?

Manning Fear is silent wonder, radical amazement, and affectionate awe at the infinite goodness of God. I'm not talking about silent wonder as some kind of an intense emotion. It's just "I never dreamed that God is like this." So I don't see the fear of the Lord as being a highly emotional response.

Journal What about the individual who is just indifferent, who doesn't care? Does God love that person as much?

Manning God loves that person. It's just that the person is unable to receive the love — whether through cynicism, skepticism, indifference, or being hurt by the church. I hear that so often: the reason they stop going to church is because "my pastor" did this or did that. There is some kind of moral failing. If God stopped loving, he would stop being God. He cannot not love. It's just that many people put themselves in a position of rejecting it.

I'm really convinced of this: If I want you to see yourself as a beautiful treasure of Jesus, I've got to treat you like a treasure. Then you've got some human model. Is it



possible that God could love me the way Brennan does? To me, that's a key — treating others as treasures opens up the possibility that the treasure in the field and the pearl of great price all make sense.

Journal You refer often to the loving nature of the God of Jesus. Of course, we believe this is the same God of the Old Testament. How do we reconcile the apparent contrast?

Manning It's not by looking at God that you learn who Jesus is; it's by looking at Jesus that you learn who God is. He's the image of the invisible God. There is no contrast. Jesus said, I make all things new. The God of the Old Testament is the God that assumes human form in the person of Jesus.

Journal What if we claim to love Jesus but keep falling on our faces? Do we really not love him since the Bible says if we love him we will keep his commandments?

Manning There's this naïve idea that once I accept Jesus as saving Lord my life is going to be an unbroken, upward spiral toward holiness, this untarnished success story. Once we accept Jesus as saving Lord then nothing's ever going to go wrong. And it's almost like being a patient etherized on the table. The simple truth is that after three years with Jesus, Peter denied him. After receiving the fullness of the Holy Spirit and Pentecost, Peter was still jealous of the apostolic success of Paul.

When Jesus was asked by Peter how often should I forgive — seven times? Jesus said, "No, 70 times seven." At that moment Jesus was describing himself. No matter how many times you stumble and fall, just

keep getting up. To me, it's like a drunk going down an alley. He bangs into the wall, tears his shoulder, then he crawls down and rips his pants; he crashes into the other wall and he gets a black eye but at the end of the alley there is Jesus saying "Get up. Get up. Keep coming. Keep coming. Don't get discouraged. Don't give into despair. No matter how many times you stumble and fall, all you have to do is ask for forgiveness and it's given."

Journal How do you feel Jesus looks upon the American Church today?

Manning You know, I really have to qualify my answer to that. Some of the greatest men and women I have met in my life have been in the evangelical church. In fact, I started a group in 1993 called The Notorious Sinners. Fifteen guys from around the country, all men, and the three things they had in common were they were serious about Jesus, they were capable of raw honesty about their own brokenness, and they had a sense of humor. The evangelical church is so divided. For example, 44 percent of evangelicals believe that abortion is OK. So I don't think it's fair to make any kind of a statement about the evangelical church because it's so diverse. Some of the

places are dynamically alive and other ones are still trapped in the old legalism. And moralism, which is the twin sister of legalism.

Journal Is it difficult for you to keep going into churches and Christian circles with that mentality?

Manning Last week, *Christian Music Planet* magazine listed the 10 most impactful books of the last 100 years, arrived at through extensive studies with religion professors, lay people, and what they call religious aficionados. The 10 most impactful books of the last 100 years. You know what was first? *My Utmost for His Highest*. Know what was fifth? *The Ragamuffin Gospel*. And this is an ultra right-wing magazine. The reason I get into





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right-wing places as well as moderate and left-wing places is because I don't have any kind of label. They don't see me as a Catholic, they do see me as a Christian, but I'm not a charismatic, I'm not a fundamentalist, I'm not a born-again enthusiast. You know, I'm just Brennan who's a vagabond evangelist, and because I only preach of Jesus and the gospel of grace nobody's hung a label on me yet. It's because I don't believe people need to hear me talk about my position on abortion and on pacifism

and on nuclear war and all these burning theological issues, many of which are neither burning nor theological. They want to experience Jesus. That's why, without a label, I get invited to this wide variety of faith communities.

Journal *You're very popular with youth these days.*

Manning Yeah, I've got an enormous following among young people because they can spot a phony a mile away. If you're speaking from your heart and you're willing to share honestly your own brokenness, they find you credible, which delights me.

Journal *Do you feel encouraged by this generation of young people?*

Manning Yes I do. It is an old cliché that the young are the future of the church. I'm amazed when I see their enthusiasm for prayer, for lives of service, and what they do during their college breaks. They're going off to Mexico and building homes. They're going off to Rwanda. They're going to all these places. This is their free time. Yeah, there is hope there. And they're

always going to be a minority, but it's that core group who keep the faith alive and are the future of the church.

Journal *And they're honest. This seems evident in many of the emerging churches filled with young people. There also seems an element of angst.*

Manning Thomas Merton said the only solution to the angst of man is mysticism. My spiritual director told me, "Brennan, if you don't develop your mystical life, you will never be the man God intended you to be."

Journal *You addressed prayer in chapel as though it's accessible, just entering into the presence of Jesus.*

Manning The Quakers have a lovely phrase. They define prayer as holy loitering.

Journal *Why do so many people cry when they hear you speak?*

Manning I really believe this: Back in the 15th and 16th centuries people were encouraged to pray for the gift of tears because it was considered God's therapy for healing people broken in their past. I admire people who have the freedom to

cry and to laugh. There are some churches I used to go to where people sit there very solemnly. They never laugh. They never cry, and they basically say, "Go ahead lay a new word on me because I already know the old one."

In fact, if I was the Cardinal of New England, I would have sent a team of missionaries up there like I would to a pagan country because there is so much legalism, so much moralism, so much traditionalism, but the people around us there have never heard the gospel of grace. Not all, but a majority.

Journal *Some say Paul's writing has a strong shaming quality. But you quote him often as you speak about God's love for us, so you must not think so.*

Manning Well, you've got to be careful with Paul. For example, when he says women must wear hats in church, he's not offering the word of God; he's offering his own personal opinion because of the thoroughly male culture of the time.

Journal *How do you know when it's the word of God, or when it's Paul?*

Manning To me, I don't want to make that judgment by myself, so I go read Scripture scholars, exegetes, those I really trust and who explain the text and help me understand.

Journal *And there are those who say they're literalists, but they are not wearing hats in church.*

Manning Billy Graham says he's not a literalist. He's approaching his 87th birthday

and he said he's changed a lot.

[Editor's note: In the August 14, 2006, issue of *Newsweek*, Graham says: "I'm not a literalist in the sense that every single jot and tittle is from the Lord. This is a little difference in my thinking through the years."]



"If I want you to see yourself as a beautiful treasure of Jesus, I've got to treat you like a treasure"

Journal *You have said you pour yourself into your writing for weeks at a time and then let it sit. Then when you read it later, if it moves you, you know it's going to move other people. But if it doesn't, you start over again.*

Manning Yes. At Columbia University we had a teacher who could barely reach the blackboard. Her name was Martha Foley and she became famous for putting out great American short stories. She wrote on the blackboard, "When the writer cries

the reader cries. When the writer laughs the reader laughs." My feeling is that I've got a normal emotional range. If I laugh or I cry then the average reader is going to be moved in the same fashion.

Journal *What most moves you about your new book, The Importance of Being Foolish?*

Manning I think it's the last chapter – the final judgment. Jesus is appraising, evaluating, and measuring every man and woman in terms of their relationship with him. He calls each person by name. Bob Dylan walks up, and next to him is Adolf Hitler. And there's Amy Grant and Tom Cruise and all these villains and all these supposedly good people. And then when he calls my name I go up trembling and fearful, and he takes my hand and he kisses me and says, "Come on home." That conviction grows as I get older. As Billy Graham said, as you age, you think more about heaven.

Trust is relying on the promises of Jesus accompanied by the expectation of fulfillment. Jesus said, "He who eats my flesh and drinks my blood enjoys eternal life, and I'll raise him up on the last day." When I read that, Jesus is saying, "Look you've got my word on it. You've got my word on it." And that is ultimately the source of all our trust. **GFJ**

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Alumni Connections

1970-79

John Booth (G72) is chair of the music department at Hannibal-LaGrange College, Mo. An article describing his experience as a George Fox freshman music major, titled "From Probation to 'Most Improved,'" was published in the recent issue of "College Faith III: 150 Christian Leaders and Educators Share Faith Stories from Their Student Days."

Catherine Griffith (n74) is teaching religion courses in the first-year general education program and business ethics at Augustana College, Ill. In 2004 she received a PhD in applied religious ethics, specializing in Christian sexual ethics, from the University of Virginia.

Randy Thornburg (G74) and his wife, **Divonna (Littlefield) Thornburg** (G75), live in Wickliffe, Ohio, where they serve as music and worship pastor at the Willoughby Hills Friends Church.

Deborah (Goins) Johansen (G75) has been named to direct plays at McMinnville (Ore.) High School, expanding her current role directing the drama program at Patton Middle School, McMinnville. She has been with the school district since 1990 after 13 years teaching and directing the Children's Educational Theater, Salem, Ore.

Cliff McCurdy (G77) is a mathematics, physics, and computer programming teacher at Argyle (Texas) High School where he has coached 19 math and science teams and 22 individuals to championship titles in state competition. This year his team won every event, achieving the state academic meet title for the second time in three years. Argyle had the state champion team in science for the fifth year in a row, both math and calculator applications for the third consecutive year, and number sense for the second consecutive year. He was named 2005-06 District Teacher of the Year and recipient of the Golden Eagle Teacher Excellence Award by the Argyle ISD Education Foundation.

Linda Byrd (G78) is interim administrator for Christian Camping International Jamaica. In May she attended the eight-day CCI Forum at de Betteld Conference Centre, The Netherlands.

Les Keele (G79), after nearly 30 years as a classroom teacher and coach, is the new principal of Vale (Ore.) High School. He moves from Bend, Ore., where he began teaching in 1963.

1980-89

Jeff Loe (G80) has been named interim superintendent of schools for the Grand Coulee Dam (Wash.) School District. For the next year he will expand his duties for the district, where he has been business manager for the last two years. He moved there from Nespalem, Wash., where he was business manager for nine years.

Sandra (Archer) Young (G81) in August completed a PhD in English at the University of South Carolina with concentration in composition and rhetoric. Her research involved recovering freshman composition methods in historically black colleges in South Carolina prior to integration. She has started a full-time teaching position at Columbia College, a women's college in Columbia, S.C., where she is teaching English and English education courses.

Dennis Sturdevant (n81) serves on the board of Missionary Aviation Fellowship and each year visits an MAF outpost. In April he was in Kabul, Afghanistan, reporting back the conditions in the war-torn city. He is founder/owner of Precision Helicopters Inc, Newberg.

Angie (Dunn) Rettmann (G86) is director of Children's Community at Grace Chapel, Wilsonville, Ore.

Diana Crane (G87) is a chaplain at Brooke Army Medical Center, San Antonio, Texas.

Mark Duhrkoop (n88) is director of family services and community outreach with CityTeam Ministries, Portland.

Jerry Gillham (SPS88) is new assistant city manager for Prineville, Ore., in charge of community development. He previously served three years as city manager for Baker City, Ore., and also as city manager in Scappoose, Ore., Madras, Ore., and Nyssa, Idaho.

Tim Hyatt (G89) received a doctor of natural medicine degree from National College of

Natural Medicine in Portland in June and is beginning practice in Sherwood, Ore.

John Marvin (G89) is teacher/administrator for the new McMinnville (Ore.) Christian High School, which opened in September with ninth and 10th graders enrolled. He teaches biblical studies, world history, and geography. He previously has been an Assembly of God missionary, conducting a series of missions to Jamaica (including administration at a Christian elementary school) and also helping start a college-level Bible school in Antigua.

1990-99

Kevin Lucke (G90) has been promoted to claims manager for Sublimity (Ore.) Insurance Company. He has been with the firm since 1997 and in the insurance claims field since 1994.

Chad Moore (G91) has been named Western U.S. manager for Churchmultimedia and has moved to Liberty Hill, Texas, near Austin. He manages a team of eight for the firm that works with small- to medium-sized churches to provide video projection and video recording/Internet solutions.

Kari (Ketterling) Goodman (G92) is associate director of Children's Community at Grace Chapel, Wilsonville, Ore.

Leonard Maxson (G92) is band teacher/director at Rogue River (Ore.) High School, also teach-

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- SPS School of Professional Studies
- MA Master of arts
- MS Master of science
- MAT Master of arts in teaching
- MBA Master of business administration
- MDiv Master of divinity
- MEd Master of education
- GFES George Fox Evangelical Seminary
- EdD Doctor of education
- PsyD Doctor of psychology

ing part time at the middle school. He has been with the school district since 2004, previously teaching in Waldport, Rainier, and Winston, Ore.

Jan Vondrachek (SPS92, MBA00) is executive director of Hazelden Springbrook, an alcohol and drug addiction treatment facility in Newberg. Previously she was director of marketing, alumni, and volunteer relations for the center.

Matt (Kirkpatrick) Clemons (G93, MBA02) is director of admission and financial aid for the School of International and Public Affairs at Columbia University, New York. He began in June, moving from a position as associate director of admission and financial aid at Manhattan School of Music.

Tory Johnson (G95) passed the Oregon Professional Engineers exam in April and is senior project designer with WRG Design, Inc., Portland.

Stephen Pharo (MBA95) has been named by Oregon Gov. Ted Kulongoski to head the Oregon Liquor Control Commission. He was named to the executive director position after serving several months as acting director. He has been with the state agency for 12 years and now will lead the 211-employee commission with headquarters in Portland and

regional offices in Medford, Eugene, Salem, and Bend, Ore.

Janet Weber (G95) was named a city of Tigard, Ore., Employee of the Month for November. She is a youth services librarian for the Tigard Public Library.

Linda (Pullen) Simmons (PsyD96) is the author of *Interactive Art Therapy Projects*, a book published in July by Haworth Press. She is a staff psychologist with Hope Psychological Services in Lexington and Marlboro, Mass.

Peter Aare (SPS97) in July was named an assistant county attorney for Citrus County, Fla. He was a police officer in Orlando, Fla., prior to enrolling at George Fox. He then received a law degree from Loyola University, Chicago, and returned to Florida in 2001 where he has served with several law firms. In his new position he focuses on legal issues with the county's public safety department.

Jimmi Sommer (G97) is new regional director for U.S. Senator Mike Crapo, working in his Twin Falls, Idaho, office. Previously she worked in the Idaho attorney general's office and formerly was with the Technology Law Group as director of public and legislative affairs.

Monte Wilber (G97) is in the second of four years of an anesthesia residency at the State

University of New York – Buffalo. He received an MD from Loma Linda University (Calif.) in 2004 and in 2005 was commissioned as a lieutenant in the U.S. Navy.

Matt Cross (G98) in August became program director for Camp Ocean Pines, Cambria, Calif. He heads the campus outdoor school and summer camp programs.

Arthur Macomber (SPS98) has opened a law practice in Coeur d'Alene, Idaho, concentrating on real property, land use, water, and construction law in Kootenai County. He received a law degree from the University of California Hasting College of Law in 2003.

Josie Smith (G98) has started Josie Smith Marketing and Events, specializing in those areas for small- to medium-sized businesses in Portland and Seattle. She has seven years of experience as a marketing manager in the shopping center industry, most recently for Bridgeport Village, Tualatin, Ore.

Jack Hardy (MBA99) is the founder and owner of "The Public Eye," a Web-based TV program based in Vancouver, Wash. It shares video news, commentary, humor, and feel-good stories, with updates posted weekday mornings. The "labor of love" is in addition to his full-time job as partner and public relations director with Ant Hill Marketing, Portland.

A source of hope

Gayathri Ramprasad is determined to be "a candle of hope" for those suffering from mental illness. Ramprasad (SPS01, MBA03) was one of five mental health advocates awarded the Voice Award for Consumer Leadership presented by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration, and the Center for Mental Health Services. The award is "for raising awareness of mental health and expanding understanding that mental health problems exist in every community and affect almost every family in the United States."

Ramprasad, a mental health consultant and speaker, says when she sought medical help for her depression nearly 20 years ago, she was shocked to find herself in solitude in a hospital room deal-



ing with her darkest moments alone. She remembers thinking, "It's not me who is mad; it's the system." Since then, she has devoted her life to raising awareness of depression and educating patients and professionals on the benefits of treating the whole person, not just the illness.

She also was winner of the 2006 Eli Lilly Welcome Back Award for Lifetime Achievement for making a difference in the lives of people affected by depression. Born in India, she aims to remove the stigma of mental illness around the world.

2000-06

Jessica Adams (G00) is a dentist in Lake Oswego, Ore., becoming an associate with Dr. Sue Wendling. Jessica started there as a patient, then became a dental assistant during her George Fox years and for two years prior to attending Loma Linda University School of Dentistry.

Christopher Carbonell (G00) began in June as a configuration manager for T-Mobile in Bellevue, Wash.

Amber Hamilton (G00) owns Seychelles, a gift boutique opened in June in Manchester, Vt.

Jerry Hoffert (MBA00) has been appointed controller for Albertina Kerr Centers, Portland. He recently was assistant controller at Morrison Child and Family Services and previously worked for eight years in the Kerr finance department. The Kerr Centers, with 812 employees and a \$28 million budget, work with children with emotional or mental health challenges, individuals with severe developmental disabilities and their families.

Jamie Johnson (G00) started Sept. 1 as director of housing/resident director at Gordon College, Wenham, Mass.

Wendy (Mueller) Knosp (G00) received a PhD from Oregon Health Sciences University in



Spiritual leader

Rear Admiral Robert F. Burt (MDiv 81) became the 24th chief of chaplains of the U.S. Navy in a ceremony held in June in Washington, D.C. Deputy Secretary of Defense Gordon England and Admiral Michael Mullen, chief of naval operations, officiated at the ceremony.

As chief of chaplains, RADM Burt is responsible for the recruiting, training, and equipping of those chaplains who serve with the U.S. Navy, the U.S. Marine Corps, and the U.S. Coast Guard. "I chose to follow the plan that God has for me and my passion for ministry. Our mission as chaplains is to guide marines and sailors to do the same," he said.

RADM Burt brings 25 years of Navy chaplain experience to the job. His most recent assignment was deputy chief of navy chaplains/chaplain of the Marine Corps.

August and is continuing in postdoctoral work at University of California, San Francisco.

Elizabeth Carlson (G01, MBA04) is finance director for the city of Newberg. Hired Aug. 1, she moved from a similar position with the city of West Linn, Ore.

Michael Ward (SPS01) has been named executive director of network development at Saint Alphonsus Regional Medical Center, Boise, Idaho. For the previous 12 years he was a senior administrator at West Valley Medical Center, Caldwell, Idaho, most recently as associate administrator. In his new position he oversees the center's regional relationships and operations with rural hospitals and physicians.

Rosalee Burrell (G02) has joined the San Diego office of the law firm Gates, O'Doherty, Gonter & Guy as an associate attorney. She graduated from the Thomas Jefferson School of Law, San Diego, in May 2005 and passed the California Bar in December.

Adrienne Dorsey (G02) has established her own business, Magnolia Public Relations, in Burbank, Calif. It focuses on beauty, fashion, and lifestyle firms, providing public relations, brand/image consulting, marketing, writing, and event planning.

Paul Gramenz (G02) received a medical degree in May from the University of Colorado. He and his wife, **Jane (Seale) Gramenz (G99, MAT01)**, have

moved to Minneapolis where he is a resident emergency medicine doctor at Hennepin County Medical Center.

Jennifer Overstreet (G02) has begun work at the Office of the Registrar at George Fox as a records specialist, moving from a position as a broker's assistant for a Portland realty equity group.

Rosie (Ofstie) Crisostomo (G03) is a bilingual kindergarten teacher in a dual immersion program in Corvallis, Ore.

Bradley Wallace (MEd03) is the new middle school principal for Salem (Ore.) Academy. Recently he had been administrator of Cornerstone Christian School in Keizer, Ore.

Crystal Wulff (G03) is teaching high school biology to English-speaking students at the American Overseas School in Rome.

Liz Hughes (G04) is a direct-care counselor for teenagers with emotional and behavioral issues at Castle School, a residential high school in Cambridge, Mass. She also is studying for a master's degree in art therapy and mental health counseling at Lesley University in Cambridge.

Gabriel Pinski (MDiv04) is director of grants and outreach for L'Arche Greater Washington, a faith-based organization in the nation's capital that creates home and family-like community with people who have developmental disabilities and those who assist them.

Shannon Tocchini (MBA04) has been hired as sustainable business manager for HDR Inc., an architectural, engineering, and consulting firm, Portland. She is responsible for promoting implementation of a company-wide sustainability program. Previously she was with Louisiana-Pacific Corp. as manager of environmental management systems, sustainability, and regulatory innovation.



Cancer Rx

Todd Miller (G84), a senior research scientist with Ligand Pharmaceuticals in San Diego, was among a team of oncologists who oversaw the development of the drug Sutent in 2003. Two years later, the experi-

mental medicine was so successful in treating a deadly form of stomach cancer — gastrointestinal stromal tumors — that drug-giant Pfizer stopped its clinical trial early to make it available to patients in the study.

Pfizer, the world's largest pharmaceutical company, also markets the drug for treatment of a form of kidney cancer — advanced renal cell carcinoma.

Lisa Trefts (G04), as a master of international management student at Whitworth College, Spokane, Wash., was one of 100 graduate students from 40 nations selected for academic internships at the United Nations' graduate-study program in Geneva, Switzerland, in July. They evaluated and made recommendations on global issues, including human rights, the environment, and economic development.

Pauline Tseng (MA04) has completed Oregon State Board of Licensed Professional Counselors and Therapists requirements to receive an LPC license and has been promoted to a clinical supervisor position at LifeWorks Northwest, Portland.

Sandra Rustam (MAG05) this summer joined Youth Contact as a youth and family therapist, working in two Beaverton, Ore., middle schools. Previously she was with LifeWorks Northwest. This summer she passed the licensing exam for counselors and mental health professionals.

Melissa Chapman (G05) is student teaching at West Salem High School as she studies for a master of arts in teaching degree at Willamette University, seeking a license to teach high school social studies and junior high English.

Brian Cottrell (G05) is with TeachOverseas.org (formerly Educational Services International), teaching conversational English to professors at Nanchang University in the city of Nanchang, southwest of Shanghai, China.

Wendy Patton (MA05) has joined the counseling staff of Friends of Family Ministries, involved in individual, couples, and family counseling in Albany and Corvallis, Ore., offices.

John Moore (G06) is an electrical engineer for the Puget Sound Naval Shipyards, Bremerton, Wash.

Mark Richeson (G06) is living in Pasadena, Calif., studying for a master of arts in theology degree at Fuller Theological Seminary.

Ann (Dorn) Seregow (G06) is marketing director with the Media Operations Center of Hebrew Roots International, Portland office.

Brandon Wagner (G06), following two years as youth director for Newberg First Presbyterian Church, has been named interim high school youth director for Beaverton (Ore.) Christian Church.

Tyler Wallace (G05, MAT06) is teaching mathematics at Newberg High School.

'You make my dreams come true'

In the late '90s, he was a 4.0 student in the MAT program, and later a high school teacher. But **Geoff Byrd** (MAT98) always had a passion for music. He quit his teaching job shortly after a student asked him a pointed question: "Are you going to follow your dream?"

Byrd now is living that dream. He spent the summer touring with pop legends Hall and Oates. His songs — influenced by the likes of Maroon 5, Gavin DeGraw, Elton John, and The Beatles — have received airplay on radio stations nationwide. And he is considered to be the first pop star to break big via the Internet after four songs from his *Candy Shell* CD reached the top 10 simultaneously on GarageBand.com, one of the nation's largest online communities of independent musicians and fans. Byrd's popularity on the Internet also helped land him an appearance on the nationally syndicated *Mark and Brian* radio show and numerous magazine articles, including a photo on the cover of *Billboard* magazine.



JUST MARRIED

Matt Barker (G97) and **April Pekarek** (G02), Oct. 29, 2005, in Newberg.

Amy Varin (G97) and Todd Hoppock, May 20, 2006, in Ketchum, Idaho.

Stacey Parker (G98) and Derrick Bailey, April 8, 2006, in Phoenix, Ariz.

Lois Lee (G99) and Paul Hughes, April 15, 2006, in Llanrug, North Wales, United Kingdom.

Pamela Longman (G00, MAT01) and Kacy Clark, June 24, 2006, in Longview, Wash.

Marisa Munoz (G00) and Samuel Landero, Sept. 2, 2006, in Houston, Texas.

Angela Burns (G01) and Jeremy Stevenson, June 20, 2006, in Lincoln City, Ore.

Lori Miller (G01) and Jonathan Nussbaum, Dec. 30, 2005, in Salem, Ore.

Amanda Corrigan (G02) and **Todd Kimball** (G03), Oct. 2, 2005, in Pleasant Hill, Ore.

Jason Harper (G02) and **Amy Lydy**, July 29, 2006, in Seattle.

Heather Lilley (G02) and Nicholas Smith, June 10, 2006, in Sheridan, Wyo.

Kirsten Norgaard (G02) and **Tevin Taylor** (G03), Dec. 17, 2005, in The Dalles, Ore.

Abbey Puckett (G02) and David St. Clair, Dec. 18, 2005, in Bremerton, Wash.

Sarah Jones (G03) and Beau Rudzek, Aug. 4, 2006, in West Linn, Ore.

Kristen Dorschler (G04) and Cory Bailey, June 24, 2006, in Portland.

Alison Givens (G04) and Kyle Warner, Aug. 27, 2005, in Wilsonville, Ore.

Janelle Goeres (G04) and Benjamin Ralph, April 22, 2006, in Medford, Ore.

Stephen Keck (G04) and **Vanessa Thurston** (G04), March 19, 2006, in Anchorage, Alaska.

Christy Miller (G04) and **Tobin Rummel** (G04), July 22, 2006, in Trout Lake, Wash.

Rachel Sparks (G04) and Owen Bradley, June 10, 2006, in Longview, Wash.

Melissa Stuewe (G04) and Nathan Forbes, June 24, 2006, in Philomath, Ore.

Jessica Wilson (G04) and Erik Dunham, July 8, 2006, in Portland.

Mandi Zollman (G04) and Brian Cannon, June 17, 2006, in Joseph, Ore.

Elise Macy (G05) and **Scott Szalay** (G06), June 4, 2006, in Portland.

John Macy (G05) and **Catherine Hill** (G06), May 20, 2006, in Bozeman, Mont.

Tyler Wallace (G05, MAT06) and Nicole Brocatto, May 27, 2006, in Gresham, Ore.

BABY BRUINS

Chad Moore (G91) and Kristi Moore, a boy, Matthew John, June 16, 2006, in Round Rock, Texas.

Joshua Nauman (G91) and **Lisa (Bouder) Nauman** (G91), a boy, Nathaniel Paul, Aug. 6, 2005, in Newberg.

Ginean (Lewis) McIntosh (G92) and Mark McIntosh, a girl, Jasmine Marie, July 12, 2006, in Tigard, Ore.

Jason Koop (G93, MAT02) and **Trudy (Kitt) Koop** (n93), a boy, Jackson Levi, June 28, 2006, in Carson City, Nev.

Lisa (Hein) Creekmore (G96) and Larry Creekmore, a girl, Aubry Jordan, Feb. 17, 2006, in Port Orchard, Wash.

Holly (Rice) Dunn (G96) and **Steven Dunn** (G96) a boy, Michael Andrew Boone, Dec. 9, 2005, in Fairbanks, Alaska.

Phillip Nelson (G96) and Tracy Nelson, a boy, Christian Phillip, Aug. 19, 2006, in Tigard, Ore.

Jennifer Taylor-Greene (n96) and Douglas Green, a boy, David James, April 24, 2006, in Portland.

Stephanie (Sanders) Adams (G97) and Thomas Adams, a girl, Ellianna Grace, May 6, 2006, in Littleton, Colo.

Jill (Schiewe) Arzie (G97) and **Michael Arzie** (n97), a boy, Owen Levi, April 1, 2006, in Tualatin, Ore.

Dirk Bellamy (G97) and **Valerie (Vanlandingham) Bellamy** (G97), a boy, Luke Livingston, Aug. 31, 2005, in Salem, Ore.

Jennifer (Low) Edwards (G97) and John Edwards, a girl, Emily Elizabeth, April 14, 2006, in Clackamas, Ore.

Christina (Stenstadvoid) Johnson (G97) and Steven Johnson, a boy, Devin Michael, June 14, 2006, in Springfield, Ore.

Laura (Johnson) Joubert (G97, MAT98) and Michael Joubert, a boy, Nolan Michael, April 11, 2006, in Portland.

Liberty (Amrein) Lacy (G97, MAT01) and **Matt Lacy** (G98), a girl, Charlotte Anne, July 10, 2006, in Vancouver, Wash.

Jennifer (Hawkins) Maurer (G97, MAT98) and Bernard Maurer, a girl, Elenore Louise, Oct. 14, 2005, in Raleigh, N.C.

Darci (Parmley) Wilson (G97, MEd02) and Brady Wilson, a girl, Ireland Skye, March 14, 2006, in Portland.

Katie (Crisman) Gates (G98) and **Nathan Gates** (G00), a girl, Karys Noelle, Jan. 13, 2006, in Tigard, Ore.

Joshua Howery (G98) and **Sherilyn (Gerig) Howery** (G00), a boy, Joshua Gideon, June 18, 2006, in Newberg.

Shannon (Killeen) Lilienthal (G98) and Chris Lilienthal, a boy, Aiden Patrick, June 1, 2006, in Harrisburg, Penn.

Jessica (Wilson) Smith (G98) and **Phil Smith** (G98), a boy, Oliver Evan, Feb. 13, 2006, in Portland.

Alumni in the fast lane



Jason Derting (n90, left) compares his company's growth to his first car — a 1974 Mercury Capri. "The old beater would cruise along at 60 mph, but when I turned it up to 85, stuff started falling off," the CEO says.

Named the third fastest growing company in Oregon in 2006 by the *Portland Business Journal*, Derting's Discover-e Legal saw revenue climb from \$1.45 million to \$12.5 million between 2003 and 2005. This rapid growth made it hard to keep together the pieces of the Portland-based company that processes electronic data for law firms, corporate legal departments, and litigation

professionals worldwide. The immediate success resulted in some challenges with production management and visibility. President **Rob Oliver** ('92) says glitches are being addressed. "We're starting to be more aggressive, spending a lot more marketing money and getting a bigger footprint," Oliver says.

Amy Burnett (G06) and Matthew Vctor, June 3, 2006, in Portland.

Bryce Clark (G06) and **Megan Weber** (G06), Aug. 25, 2006, in Camas, Wash.

Dane Coppini (G06) and **Jess Jones** (G06), May 1, 2006, in Portland.

Ann Dorn (G06) and **David Seregow** (G06), June 10, 2006, in Puyallup, Wash.

Danae Dougherty (G06) and **John Moore** (G06), May 20, 2006, in Springfield, Ore.

Jonathan Grover (G06) and **Dana Smith** (G06), July 22, 2006, in Sherwood, Ore.

Emily Myers (G06) and Michael Sherman, July 1, 2006, in Helena, Mont.

Laurie Osterud (G06) and Tom DeBoard, May 21, 2006, in Portland.

Karla (Montiel) Delgado (G94) and Steve Delgado, a girl, Elizabeth Grace, Aug. 19, 2005, in Coos Bay, Ore.

Chad Campbell (G95) and **Janet (Killary) Campbell** (G95), a girl, Addison Eileen, Feb. 10, 2006, in Salem, Ore.

Jason Carpenter (G95) and **Jennifer (Dawson) Carpenter** (G95), a girl, Madison Laura, March 15, 2006, in Parkersburg, W. Va.

Bryan Clark (G95) and **Kelli (Barlow) Clark** (G00), a girl, Brianna Maelyn, Jan. 13, 2006, in Albany, Ore.

Marchand (DeChenne) Lewis (G95) and **Greg Lewis** (MAT98), a girl, Susanna Faye, March 7, 2006, in Grants Pass, Ore.

Ben Ashley (G96, MAT02) and **Jill (Wiesenthal) Ashley** (MA02), a boy, Samuel Benjamin, March 29, 2006, in Silverton, Ore.

Coby (Van der Meer) Knifong (G99) and Preston Knifong, a girl, Lucy Mae, May 23, 2006, in Portland.

Brennan Koch (G99, MAT00) and **Jolene (Hurlbert) Koch** (G99), a boy, Carson Daniel, Oct. 23, 2005, in Missoula, Mont.

Nathan Kuske (G99) and **Jennifer (Freeman) Kuske** (G01), a girl, Halle Dawn, May 11, 2006, in Silverdale, Wash.

Erin (Parmley) Banks (G00) and Nathan Banks, a girl, Finley Quinn, June 13, 2006, in Puyallup, Wash.

Heidi (Johnson) Boos (G00, MEd05) and **Ryan F. Boos** (G02), a girl, Mikayla Lynne, April 22, 2006, in Newberg.

Christopher Carbonell (G00) and **Chelsea (Dauber) Carbonell** (G02), a boy, Caleb Bennet, May 24, 2006, in Vancouver, Wash.

Adam Collins (G00) and **Lisa (Bauman) Collins** (G00), a girl, Avery Jane, Nov. 5, 2005, in Beaverton, Ore.

Bryan Edwards (G00) and Tracy Edwards, a girl, Jane Allison, Aug. 29, 2005, in Portland.

Jim Marr (G00) and **Stephanie (Taylor) Marr** (G00), a boy, Henry James, July 20, 2006, in Hillsboro, Ore.

Joseph Notter (G00) and Kristine Notter, a girl, Sydnie Diane, Aug. 14, 2006, in Littleton, Colo.

Kelly (Boeve) Russell (G00, MA04) and Justin Russell, a girl, Peyton Bailey, April 6, 2006, in Portland.

Jocelyn (Kennedy) Wallbaum (G00) and Nathan Wallbaum, a boy, Noah Zachary, April 17, 2006, in Gresham, Ore.

Andrew Coleman (G01) and **Marisa (Merritt) Coleman** (G01), a girl, Sydney Reese, Sept. 14, 2006, in Portland.

Rachel (DeYoung) Davidson (G01, MAT02) and **Zachary Davidson** (G02, MAT03), a girl, Esther Inez, Aug. 8, 2006, in Clackamas, Ore.

Megan (Luginbill) Fisher (G01) and Troy Fisher, a girl, Ainsley Elizabeth, June 12, 2006, in LaGrande, Ore.

Catherine (Shannon) Chavez (G02) and Lorenzo Chavez Jr., a boy, Lorenzo J. Chavez III, May 5, 2006, in Tacoma, Wash.

Jared Coe (G02) and **Andrea (Robinson) Coe** (G04), a boy, Keenan Michael, June 30, 2006, in Burien, Wash.

Matt Cummings (G02) and Nicole Cummings, a boy, Nolan Dean, Feb. 3, 2006, in Newberg.

Carly (Page) Greenland (G02) and **Nate Greenland** (G02), a boy, Ethan Elisha, Dec. 12, 2005, in Everett, Wash.

Heather (Frazier) Petersen (G02) and **Matthew Petersen** (G02), a girl, Hannah Elizabeth, May 16, 2006, in Boise, Idaho.

John Coburn (G03) and **Melissa (Leichty) Coburn** (G03), a boy, Preston Elijah, Jan. 1, 2006, in Beaverton, Ore.

Rose (Ofstie) Crisostomo (G03) and Manuel Crisostomo, a boy, Zavier Veracruz, Aug. 24, 2005, in Corvallis, Ore.

Ryan Keeler (G03) and **Rachel (Moskowitz) Keeler** (G04), a boy, Andrew LeRoy, Aug. 10, 2006, in Coos Bay, Ore.

Benjamin McGarry (G03) and **Chelsea (Philips) McGarry** (G04), a boy, Ian Thomas, Sept. 11, 2006, in Bend, Ore.

Lindsey O'Reiley (G04, MAT06) and John-Michael O'Reiley, a boy, James Michael, June 22, 2006, in Newberg.

Brianna Robbins (G04), a boy, Javon Gabriel, born Sept. 4, 2004, adopted June 5, 2006, in Eugene, Ore.

Herminia Pina (SPS05) and Isidro Pina, a girl, Alejandra Isabella, Dec. 14, 2005, in Nampa, Idaho.

Kathryn (Russo) Tussing (G05) and **Steve Tussing** (G06), a girl, Vasilia Josephine, April 21, 2006, in Portland.

Suzie Covert (MA06) and Jim Covert, a boy, Micky Alexander, April 18, 2006, in Salem, Ore.

IN MEMORY

Roger Hart (n25), Apr. 30, 2006, in Salem, Ore.

Lera (Rice) Toft (G36), Aug. 9, 2006, in Caldwell, Idaho.

James Mortenson (n44), July 27, 2006, in Hood River, Ore.

Richard Taylor (G44), June 21, 2006, in Covina, Calif.

Chester Bumbarger (n46), May 31, 2006, in Salem, Ore.

Lloyd Lyda (G51), May 24, 2006, in Scottsdale, Ariz.

Paul Doble (n59), May 18, 2006, in Florence, Ore.

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



Baltic Bruins

Student life at Lithuania Christian College bears some striking resemblances to student life at George Fox, thanks to four alumni and one former staff member who serve on the college's 14-member student life staff. **Chad Clark** ('06, top left) arrived two months ago; **Rebecca (Dorsey) Sok** ('05, bottom left) and **Pisey Sok** ('04, top right) are starting their second year there; and **Andrew Stave** ('98) and Kim (Cliff) Stave (bottom right) are beginning their fifth year.

"We've kind of become an extension of the George Fox student life department," says Kim Stave. She is now director of community life at the international college, located in Klaipeda, Lithuania. She has modeled many of its programs after the university. Andrew Stave, married to Kim, is the orientation and sports and recreation coordinator.

Clark serves as a resident director. Rebecca Sok is the leadership development coordinator.

Pisey Sok, married to Rebecca, is spiritual formation coordinator.

This year the college initiated the first of what the staff hopes will be an annual tradition — a community serve day.

The college brings together 600 students from 18 countries, and faculty and staff from 15 countries.

How I learned to stop worrying and love the Bible

by Becky Ankeny

As a child, I tried to read the Bible (KJV) through yearly and often made it, chugging through three chapters a week-day and five on Sunday. Psalm 119, the longest “chapter,” meant a bleak day for a third-grader. I loved the stories, but the Bible was like a landscape photograph — all flattened out, no nuances — and more burdensome than inspiring. Learning to read with intelligence, imagination, and openness turned the Bible into a three-dimensional landscape well worth traveling through.

How did the Bible become full of height, depth, and breadth to me? Four books taught me how to read the Bible. *The Meaning of the City* by Jacques Ellul taught me to use intelligence to see that the Bible had “themes” that held it together as a single revelation, even through its multiple voices. *The Art of Biblical Narrative* by Robert Alter taught me to ask imaginative questions about the stories I read: why is this story here and why is it told in this way?

Understanding the Old Testament by Bernhard W. Anderson opened my eyes to the complex relationship between text and cultural context and helped me find meaning I had missed by not knowing that dialogue. *Practicing the Presence of God* by Brother Lawrence challenged my idea that certain activities like reading the Bible were “spiritual” and others, like washing floors, were not; my daily life did not need to be compartmentalized between the sacred and the mundane;



“The Bible is inspired by God, both in the writing and in the reading.”

my family relationships, my housework, my teaching, my washing diapers were also acts done in the presence of God. This understanding removed the superstitious aspect of Bible reading, making the Bible more an invitation and less an obligation.

As an English professor, I notice storytelling — who tells the story, who hears the story, how the characters change, how the story gets repeated within itself and in other stories. When I taught Genesis to an adult Sunday school class, we set aside the divisive issue of the earth’s age; instead, we asked, “Since God inspired this story, and it is profitable for doctrine, reproof, correction, and instruction, what picture does it give of God and God’s relationship to humans? How do I learn better to do and be what God wants?” We had fun exploring Genesis, a sad, surprising, even humorous revelation of God’s constant graciousness to humans.

Recently, I taught Sunday school on the theme of marriage. From 1 Peter, we went back to Abraham and Sarah,

worked our way through the record of levirate marriage, concubinage, polygamy, adultery, and other puzzles, and found no ideal marriages depicted in the Bible; every one has some sort of flaw. Because we read intelligently and imaginatively, we became more aware that God works with humans where they are, that God’s graciousness includes our imperfections, and that God has never faced the issue of how to reward that perfect marriage.

Reading in these ways uncovers unexpected truth that can broaden one’s understanding of God. While studying marriage, I realized that Hagar, the Egyptian concubine of Abraham, mother of Ishmael, met God personally two times in the desert, and God led her to water and promised to take care of her and her son and to make them a nation — demonstrating that God cares about every person, not just the chosen few. In a world where the descendants of Isaac and Ishmael are at war, this points to right thinking about whom God loves.

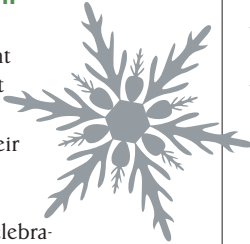
The Bible is inspired by God, both in the writing and in the reading. God permits questions, encourages imagination, and works through historical and social context in order to invite the reader into relationship. The Bible consistently teaches and shows that God is unfailingly gracious to human beings, and that is good news.

Becky Ankeny is associate vice president for academic affairs.

Portland Christmas Celebration

December 5

Join President David Brandt and his wife, Melva, for their traditional George Fox Christmas celebration in Portland. This year's Portland Christmas Celebration will feature holiday music, hors d'oeuvres, and desserts from 7 to 9 p.m. at the Pittock Mansion. Enjoy the company of the George Fox family as we celebrate the birth of Christ.



Tickets are \$20; reservations are required by Nov. 25.

For more information or to register, contact Vangie Pattison at 503-554-2134 or evpattis@georgefox.edu.

Homecoming February 16-17

Return to George Fox and renew connections during Homecoming 2007. Much has changed at the university in the last two years. We've renovated the Hoover Academic Building, added a residence hall and amphitheater, and purchased the former Providence Newberg

Hospital property. The theme, "Building on Our Past," will highlight these and other changes while emphasizing our unchanging core as a Christ-centered university. We hope that you'll come home and see that, while much is changing, more is staying the same.

The classes of 1947, 1967, 1977, 1982, 1987, and 1997 will be honored. An affinity reunion will be held for the New Vision Singers.

For more information, call the Office of University Relations at 503-554-2131.



February 24

Donald Miller, author of *Blue Like Jazz*, will speak at a youth ministry conference presented by the university and seminary. Miller will talk about the mentors he had when he was young and will encourage those attending to both seek and be mentors. For more information or to register, visit kaleo.georgefox.edu.

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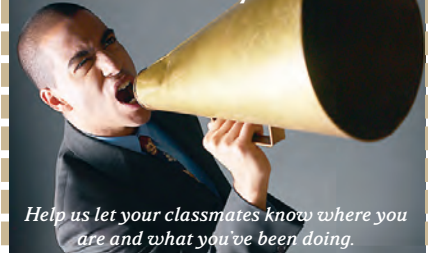
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Master of ceremonies

"Funny, all I know is that his name is Barry and beyond that I have no idea what he does at Fox. During my school years there, I always saw him around wearing a suit and very intimidating at that ... who is this man and what does he do at Fox?" – Lisa Foltz (G98)

Last issue, we asked you to identify the distinguished gentleman overseeing graduation in the Tell us More photo. As many of you knew (see responses in Readers Forum on page 2), that man is Barry Hubbell, who spent 37 years behind the scenes at George Fox creating publications, producing events, promoting the university, and serving as an advisor for presidents. A 1964 graduate, he gave nearly his entire career to his alma mater. Hubbell has been director of information,



director of college relations, sports information director, communication specialist, archivist, and executive assistant to the president.

Congratulations to Debbie (Dominy) Seibert (G79), who received a \$50 gift certificate from the University Store after her response was selected from more than 35 submissions. – *Read Hubbell's retirement citation at georgefox.edu/journalonline/hubbell.html.*



◀ Tell us more . . .

Can you identify these men? They were photographed near the George Fox Newberg campus on Aug. 10, 1955. Both have long-time ties to the university. We're also interested in any memories you may have involving either one. All responses are entered in a drawing for a \$50 gift certificate from the University Store. Submit entries to journal@georgefox.edu or mail them to *Journal*, George Fox University, 414 N. Meridian St. #6069, Newberg, OR 97132



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