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## *Gardeners cultivate Western's tradition of beauty*



Western's gardeners, four of which are alumni, care for 154 acres of campus. The gardeners are (left to right): Gene Wright (supervisor), Jack Merrigan, Peter Clark, Linda Strickland, Mary Scott-Larson, Marc Daugherty, Mitch Blanton and Joe Mackie.

Photo by Lori McGriff Boroughs

**P**runing, planting, weeding, watering, Western's six gardeners shape the beauty of campus, all 154 acres of it, with pride. They feel a special connection, they say, to each tree they plant and for the care of those planted by the generations of gardeners that came before them.

For four of Western's gardeners, that sense of ownership is intensified through caring for their alma mater. Alums Joe Mackie ('68, Art), Linda Strickland ('73, Sociology/Anthropology), Marc Daugherty ('73, English), and Peter Clark ('88, History) are part of the physical plant crew, or as they like to think of it, "team."

Gene Wright, who oversees the gardeners and the physical plant crew explained how everyone relies on one another. "We are all part of a team: the gardeners, grounds crew, sprinkler maintenance workers, machinery mechanics, utility worker crews, and office staff," he said. "Not one of us could do it without the others."

And, for all the team, it is a matter of inheritance, Wright said. "So much was here before we ever came. Somebody made a good decision years ago," he said of the

placement of campus.

Lead gardener Joe Mackie is one of the gardeners who takes pride in caring for that legacy. He has seen many changes in the campus over the last 30 years. He attended Western in the mid '60s, started as a gardener in 1974 and became lead gardener in 1978.

"Personally, I'm interested in working in harmony with what is already here," Mackie said. "It's a tremendous campus. I would say it is easily the loveliest in the state," he added.

Standing just below the front entrance of Old Main, he described some of the trees he planted, including the Japanese flowering cherry tree, which stands near Wilson Library and in spring is a showcase of color.

"I've been here long enough to have a personal relationship with many of these plants and trees," Mackie said. "I have a piece of myself invested here."

Peter Clark was thrilled when the opportunity to return to Western's campus came up in 1990. He was a gardener at Skagit Valley College in Mount Vernon before coming to Western.

He listed working outside, the versatility of the work and the people as top benefits of being a gardener. "There's a great deal of job satisfaction, Clark said. He cares for the areas around the Ridgeway residences complex.

*"I've been here long enough to have a personal relationship with many of these plants and trees; I have a piece of myself invested here."*

Public safety is of primary concern, Clark said. Bushes near walkways must be kept low enough so it would be difficult for people to hide behind them, trees must be watched for stability in case of freezing rain and any overgrowth that becomes an obstacle must be cleared away.

The gardeners receive ongoing training. They use insects to control pests such as aphids, mulching to control weeds and other organic techniques are emphasized.

Despite the variety of their aca-

demic interests, all the gardeners have a strong knowledge of horticulture and natural pest control methods, as well as the safe use of chemical deterrents.

For some like Linda Strickland, the job came through her home hobby of gardening. Before becoming a gardener she worked as a library technician at Wilson Library.

"I loved the idea of getting outside and working outdoors," she said as explanation for her career change. Strickland cares for the areas around Fairhaven College and Buchanan Towers. Highlights each year include stocking the Fairhaven pond with oriental gold fish and taking them out late each fall. "I've become quite an expert on gold fish," she said, laughing. The fish are stored in a large aquarium in the campus physical plant.

The variety of backgrounds leads to some interesting break time discussions spanning history, politics, sociology, the arts and biology.

There is a lot of time to think, while one gardens. Perhaps it is the perfect combination: intellect and environment.

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## Briefly

### SHANNON POINT RECEIVES \$125,000 NSF GRANT

Western's Shannon Point Marine Center in Anacortes has received a three-year \$125,000 National Science Foundation (NSF) grant to continue its summer Research Experiences for Undergraduates program through 1997. Operated at Shannon Point since 1990, the program focuses on marine science research. The grant provides each of eight students selected to participate a travel allowance, housing at Shannon Point dormitory, and \$275 per week salary. It also provides research supplies and equipment as well as funds for student travel to regional and national scientific meetings. The program received 158 applications from students from 90 colleges in 35 states for the 1995 session.

### WESTERN'S PRESIDENTS CLUB REACHES 500 MEMBERS

Topping off the celebration of its 10th anniversary, the Presidents Club at Western has reached an all-time record of 500 members. The Presidents Club was founded in 1985 with an initial 61 participants. Its members donated more than \$20 million to support university programs during its first decade.

"Western depends on support from private donors to enhance quality programs and provide scholarship assistance," said Presidents Club campaign chairman Frank "Moose" Zurline. "Reaching 500 members is a monumental milestone. It proves that many people share a common tie with Western."

For more information on the Presidents Club, call the Western Foundation at (360) 650-3027.

### OUTSTANDING FACULTY AND STUDENT AWARDS GIVEN

Awards for outstanding contributions to Western were presented at Commencement exercises June 10. Recipients of the 1994-95 Excellence in Teaching Awards were geology Professor David Engebretson and James Lortz of the theatre arts department. They each received certificates and \$1,000 from the Western Foundation. Professor Richard Gardner of the mathematics department earned the Paul J. Olscamp Outstanding Research Award with a \$1,000 stipend.

Nearly 60 students who lead the 17 organizations of Western's Ethnic Student Center (ESC) received the Diversity Achievement Award and \$1,000 in cash from the Western Foundation's campus enrichment fund. The money will help support the ESC annual retreat for freshman and returning students.

### CHEMISTRY DEPARTMENT RECEIVES RESEARCH GRANT

A \$72,000 grant from the M.J. Murdock Charitable Trust of Vancouver, Wash., is enabling Western's chemistry department to offer outstanding undergraduates new opportunities for intensive laboratory research. The program was offered for the first time this past summer and will be offered again next summer.

Six undergraduates worked with three faculty members during the 10-week program this year. Western's state-of-the-art chemistry building, which opened in fall 1993, was the site for the research activities.

"Offering such an extensive research program for its most talented undergraduates is something every school strives to do," said Chemistry Department Chair Mark Wicholas.

### NATIONAL MAGAZINE GIVES VIKINGS HIGH RATING

Western's football team has earned another high ranking from a national magazine. *College Sports* magazine selected the Vikings tied for No. 4 in its pre-season National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics Division II rankings in the September 1995 issue. Western shares the No. 4 spot with Columbia Football Association rival Linfield. The Vikings earlier were ranked No. 4 by "Bob Griese's College Football Yearbook."

The conference has realigned into public and private divisions. Western will be in the Mount Rainier League with Central Washington, Simon Fraser, Eastern Oregon, Southern Oregon and Western Oregon. The Mount Hood League features Lewis & Clark, Linfield, Pacific Lutheran, UPS, Whitworth and Willamette.

### PUGET POWER DONATES ELECTRIC CAR TO WESTERN

Puget Power & Light Company has donated its electric car, a converted 1986 Ford Escort, to Western's Vehicle Research Institute (VRI). The electric car, which is valued at \$17,685, was converted by Solar Electric of Santa Rosa, Calif. It has a range of 50 miles between recharges and a top speed of 65 mph. The car is powered by a 23 horsepower electric motor using 18 six-volt batteries plus a 12-volt DC battery for the accessories. The car costs 2.25 cents per mile to operate and has no tailpipe emissions.

"This donation will give us an opportunity to study a commercially available electric car and compare it with what we're doing here," said VRI Director Michael Seal.

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# Campus Connections

## Western highlights

Western President Karen W. Morse will serve as the 1995-96 chair of the Council of Presidents, a voluntary association of Washington's six public baccalaureate institutions.

The council works closely with such state agencies as the Higher Education Coordinating Board. Represented in the group, in addition to Western, are the University of Washington, Washington State University, Central Washington University, Eastern Washington University and The Evergreen State College.

Larry J. Estrada, vice provost for diversity/director of American Cultural Studies, is helping shape statewide educational policy as a member of the Washington Goals 2000 Coordinating Council. Estrada also is starting his second three-year term on the state's Commission on Hispanic Affairs.

Students from Fairhaven College won an Odyssey of the Mind state title in the creative problem-solving competition in late April.

The state's Substance Abuse College Task Force has honored Western's program as "Outstanding Wellness Program of the Year." Special recognition was given to the Wellness Center's Lifestyle Advisors who assist fellow students in embracing healthy life choices.

Mark Bussell, associate professor, is one of five chemistry faculty in the nation to receive \$60,000 Henry Dreyfus Teacher-Scholar Awards for 1995. He will use the grant to continue his research on developing new catalytic materials for the removal of sulfur impurities from fossil fuels. Bussell joined Western's faculty in 1990 after post-doctoral research at the University of Paris VI and the University of Washington.

Midori Takagi, a first-year Fairhaven College professor, has received the \$29,000 Andrew W. Mellon Post-Doctoral Fellowship. She will teach at Bryn Mawr College in Pennsylvania, while she develops her dissertation, "Urban Slavery in Richmond, Virginia, 1782-1865," into a book.

Rosalie Rosso King, a faculty member in art and engineering technology, was appointed a visiting scholar in residence to Stanford University for her sabbatical, winter quarter 1995.

Amanda Eurich of the history department and Carol Janson of the art department both received \$3,500 seminar fellowships and were in residence at Duke University for six weeks during the summer.

## Summer Stock Silver Celebration



Previous productions: (listed from top left to bottom left clockwise) "Music Man," "The Sneeze," "Comedy of Errors," "The King and I," and "Our Town"



A "silver season" of Broadway and London hits marked the 25th year of Summer Stock at Western.

Billed as the state's longest running straw-hat theater, the summer attractions this year included Oscar Wilde's "The Importance of Being Earnest," Craig Lucas' "Prelude to a Kiss," Ken Ludwig's "Lend Me a Tenor," and Jerry Bock and Sheldon Harnick's "Fiddler on the Roof."

## Wilson Library 'logs on'

The long rows of wooden card catalog drawers are gone. In their place stand computer terminals ready at the click of the mouse to give complete listings of all the collections in Wilson Library.

After nearly five years of planning, testing and inputting, Wilson Library is on-line and ready for the 21st century.

One of the most popular features of the new software is a tool that allows users to virtually scan the books on the shelf next to a selected book. Titles of books on either side can be pulled up by the click of the mouse or a stroke on the keyboard.

The system also gives information on the number of copies available. When the system is fully operational, 40 terminals will be available.

The library software was designed by Innovative Interfaces,



Western students can now access library information via computer. Photo by Lori McGriff Boroughs

one of the nation's leading software makers.

The system is graphically based and uses Microsoft Windows. Other universities such as the University of Puget Sound have been using similar systems.

With the installation of the new system comes new library cards known as the Campus All-Card, which now becomes the official identification card for Western stu-



dents. The All-Card has a magnetic strip and a photo. It also functions as a meal card and copy card.

# Viking vehicles triumph nationally



Photo by Lori McGriff Boroughs

This team of Engineering Technology students led the Viking 25 — a Dodge Neon converted to run on electric power and Compressed Natural Gas — to third place in the Hybrid Electric Vehicle Challenge. It was one of two recent competitions for Western's Vehicle Research Institute.

## KUGS radio goes on-line

Western's campus radio station, KUGS (89.3 FM), is one of only two radio stations in the country to broadcast live on the Internet. KUGS general manager Ted Askew confirmed that since going on-line earlier this year, more than 30,000 Internet users worldwide have visited KUGS' home page, clicking on a box to download the station's signal.

By creating a contest inviting users to e-mail the station with their location, KUGS received responses from Europe, Australia, Tasmania, Canada, and more than 20 states in the United States. KUGS even received an e-mail from the British Broadcasting Corporation (BBC) in London, congratulating the station on their on-line achievement.

The only other U.S. radio station to broadcast on-line is the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. (KUGS' World Wide Web Site address is <http://www.kugs.org>)

## Peace Corps honors WWU

The Peace Corps has honored Western for its consistent success in providing graduates as volunteers for overseas service. Western alumnus Howard Anderson ('71, '77), a former Peace Corps volunteer who is now director of its Office of Training and Program Support, presented the award to the Western Career Services Center.

According to the Peace Corps office in Seattle, 112 Western graduates have served in 55 countries over the last decade. An additional 16 grads were placed overseas this past summer, bringing to 21 the number who have joined this year. Western ranks among the top 50 universities nationwide in Peace Corps recruitment.

## Women's Commission presents service awards

Western's Women's Commission presented Distinguished Service Awards to Fairhaven College Professor Kathryn Anderson and to the Sister to Sister Program, begun under the auspices of Western's Multicultural Services Center.

Anderson, who has served as director of the Women's Studies Program since 1978, received her award for furthering women's studies and the empowerment of women at Western. Anderson is a 1985 recipient of an Excellence in Teaching Award and co-organized a noted project and traveling exhibition on Washington women's heritage.

The Sister to Sister Program's award honored its creation of innovative programs to enhance Western's retention of African American women students. This peer support program matches African American female students who are new to Western with mentors, who act as role models and assist in the transition and adjustment to university life.

Western Engineering Technology students were honored with top finishes in two separate competitions created by the Society of Automotive Engineers.

For the second year in a row, the Viking 26, a SAE formula racing car, brought home the prize for best racing performance in the SAE competition at the Silver Dome in Pontiac, Michigan. The vehicle is a one-seat miniature version of an Indianapolis 500 racer, powered by a 600 cc motorcycle engine.

The 12-student team beat out 87 cars from 82 universities in the United States, Canada, Mexico and Puerto Rico to come in first in the Goodyear Racing Best Performance event.

Viking 26, a product of Western's acclaimed Vehicle Research Institute, also came in second in the "value engineering" (cost efficiency) category, sur-

passed only by University of Michigan's team. Western received a fourth-place overall ranking in the competition, in which students design an SAE formula racer from the ground up without faculty assistance.

Western's Viking 25, a Dodge Neon converted to run on electric power and Compressed Natural Gas (CNG), placed third in a competition among 11 university teams at the Hybrid Electric Vehicle Challenge at the Chrysler Technology Center in Michigan. The event, first held in 1993, was created by the Society of Automotive Engineers together with the U.S. Department of Energy.

The leader of that event after the week-long series of trials was the University of Tennessee, followed by Texas Tech University. Prize money for Western's achievements in the competition, coupled with private donations, will be used to upgrade the Neon for next year's competition.

## Student's high-flying invention considered for Academy Award



Photo by Lori McGriff Boroughs

Eric Dustrude shows off his Cine-Hover Cam, a radio-controlled helicopter that carries a camera. On page 9 is a picture of the new science complex courtyard at Western, which was taken using a 35mm camera mounted to the bottom of the helicopter.

Eric Dustrude, a computer science student at Western, is the designer and builder of the Cine-Hover Cam "Pegasus," a radio-controlled helicopter that carries a 16mm or 35mm movie camera with a video-assist camera. The invention was recommended for a Scientific and Technical Achievement Award from the Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences this year.

Together with his partners, Jim Pearson and Walt Ferar of California, Dustrude has filmed for television commercials, music videos and feature films. He can also take still photographs with his 35-pound heli-

copter, which has a rotor span of 80 inches and a top speed of 65 mph.

The innovative helicopter is able to fly under, around, and over areas that full-sized helicopters or camera dolly systems can't reach. It is lightweight enough to fly near objects without blowing them away or kicking up dust which obscures the picture, a problem in the industry known as "downwash." The camera is mounted on three axes which allows the operator to pan, tilt or roll the camera.

In addition to his TV and film work, Dustrude operates a local aerial photography business, Aerial Visions.

# Accent on Alumni

## Homecoming '95: Western's doors are opening

Let Homecoming '95 be your gateway to Western for a weekend of fun on October 20 and 21. The weekend lineup includes faculty presentations, a fun run/walk, an old fashioned bonfire, and of course . . . the Homecoming Salmon Barbecue. You can also cheer the Vikes to "Shut-Out" Central at the football game.

Alumni are always welcome to revisit Western's campus. Western's doors are opening for Homecoming but if you haven't been back to campus within the last two years, you won't believe how our "doors" have multiplied. See the new science building, the

new biology building, the new archives building, and the newly remodeled Edens Hall.

The doors of Higginson Hall are also open to alumni this homecoming. For the first time, Western can offer affordable overnight accommodations to alumni and their families in Higginson Hall. Of course, accommodations are in dorms—twin beds with a shared bath—but it is a great chance to get some friends together and relive your college days. Official information and registration forms will be mailed in early September, so mark your calendar and watch your mail box.

## Famous Brownies

Watch for them  
in *Sunset* magazine

Western Alumni Association's Administrative Assistant Kristie Lundstrom created mouthwatering raspberry brownies as Western's official Homecoming food in 1992.

Since then, the yummy morsels have become one of the most popular features of the annual Homecoming celebration.

And, word is spreading about these unique chocolate treats.



Photo by Phil Dwyer of *The Bellingham Herald*

The October 1995 issue of *Sunset* magazine will feature Kristie's recipe. For a copy of the recipe, pick up *Sunset* magazine or call Western's Alumni Office at 1-800-676-6885.

## Fairhaven alum returns to teach and question

When Jonathon Appels studied art at Fairhaven College in the early '70s, he created a sculpture that still stands in the courtyard.

In many ways, he left a permanent impression on the campus. This last spring, he returned to Fairhaven to teach and to continue sharing his sculptural beginnings through teaching physical movement and phenomenological philosophy classes.

Describing his return as "like a ride on H.G. Wells' time machine," Appels reminisced about the early days of Fairhaven.

"I always knew I would be back. For me, it was only a question of when," he said, while sitting a few feet from the "he, she" sculpture he created in his youth to question sexual identity.

Appels continues to question. In the '90s, he has been exploring body movement and its connections to the mind and art.

He founded his own contemporary dance company in New York City in 1979 and brought the eight-person troupe to Western this spring. The company also appeared in Vancouver and Victoria, B.C., at the Seattle Art Museum and at the Hult Center in Eugene, Ore.

With his background in the vi-



Photo by Lori McGriff Boroughs

sual arts, Appels often refers to his choreography as "sculptural." *Dance Magazine* lauded its "pictorial elements." In 1993, Appels was the first recipient of a fellowship in the name of the late *Dance Magazine* editor-in-chief, Bill Como. In making the award, the New York Foundation for the Arts called Appels "a pioneer in connecting dance to other art forms."

Company Appels has performed in Belgium, Canada, France, Germany, Poland, Hungary, Romania, Croatia and Holland. Appels also spent 1991 and '92 in Belgium on a Fulbright Fellowship, studying the principles of the phenomenologist philosopher Edmund Husserl.

Of his choreography, Appels has said, "I love to question the laws of physics because I try to utilize the body to express a transcendence. My dance is more metaphysical than physical."

Twenty-one years after leaving, the need to make an impression is still strong. "I was here once and

New York dance choreographer Jonathon Appels returned this past spring to teach at Fairhaven College, where as a student he created the "he, she" sculpture that stands in the college courtyard. His dance troupe, Company Appels, toured the Northwest while he taught classes at Fairhaven. Appels dancers (below) have been lauded internationally for expression and artistic interpretation.



Photo by Tom Brazil

I blinked, and I am here teaching a class," Appels said.

At other places, "people can get a B.A. and never find their own voice," he said. "The powerful thing about Fairhaven is the

student's search for identity.

"It's very exciting, when you remove grades, all the questions change," Appels said. "The kind of questions we raise are important to living a life."

# Hats Off!

## Home Economics grads reunite



Photo by Kristie Lundstrom

### "Always Part of the Western Community"

That was the message delivered by President Karen Morse to over 100 home economics alumni who returned to Western's campus June 23 and 24 at the Home Economics Reunion Luncheon in the Viking Union Lounge. The home economics department was cancelled as an academic program at Western in 1992-93.

The weekend back on Western's campus, hosted by the Alumni Association and planned by a committee of former faculty and graduates, was designed to reconnect the alumni with the university, and to reaffirm that they will always remain an important part of Western.

"Gone But Not Forgotten" was a theme throughout the weekend, and was part of the inspiration for the unusual centerpieces which graced the luncheon tables: hats previously worn by former home economics faculty. All the hats were collected by Dr. Dorothy Ramsland, former chair of the department.

Dr. Ramsland, the driving force behind the reunion, was pleased with both the number of alumni who came back to Western, and the hundreds of alumni who responded to a work experience survey that was mailed out in advance.

Activities included a reception in the Solarium (the location of the former department), an Alumni Market Place on Eden's second floor patio, a luncheon and program in the Viking Union Lounge, a sculpture walk, and an overnight in Eden's Hall.

The University's Chair Collection, which originated in the home economics department and is now under curatorship of the Western Gallery, was displayed. The collection includes more than 60 chairs, many of which were created by internationally acclaimed designers.

Home economics alumni are working to raise enough money to get the Chair Collection out of storage. If you are interested in contributing, please contact Jennifer Rick of the Western Foundation at (360) 650-3616.

## Life Members Club Update

By Kristie Lundstrom  
Alumni Association's Life Member Coordinator

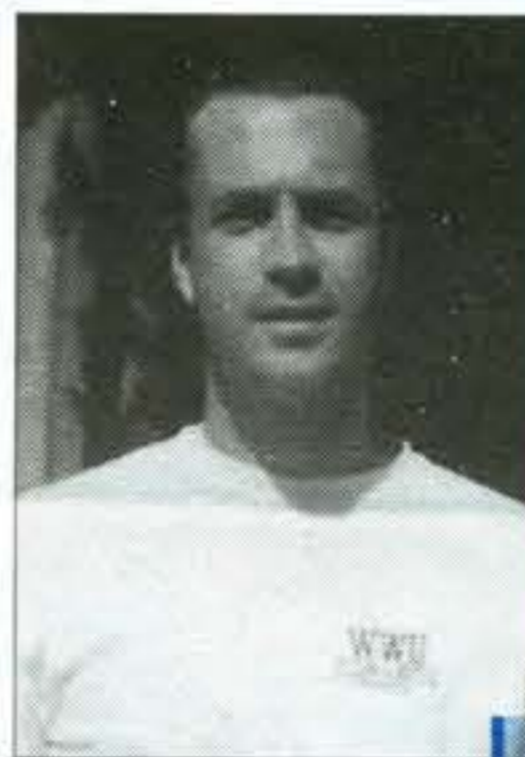
The annual WWU Alumni Club Life Member Dinner and Cruise took place on April 28 at the Seattle Yacht Club. With 110 dedicated Western alumni and friends in attendance, it was the most successful Life Member event to date.

What a splendid night the distinguished group had dining on a scrumptious Italian buffet prepared by the chefs at the Seattle Yacht Club. Then at eight, they cruised Lake Union on the "Sightseer" with a spectacular view of Seattle at night. Once returned to shore, our alumni were treated to a sundae bar with fresh strawberries and homemade ice cream.

WWU President Karen Morse was on hand to give an overview of the latest happenings on campus and in the

legislature. Chris Goldsmith, alumni director, gave updates on current alumni events and club statistics.

During the cruise, Life Member Jeff Franklin ('90), was asked "what made him join as a Life Member?" Being a prudent Western graduate, Jeff responded, "I found there to be many benefits that motivated me to join, such as having my name engraved on the perpetual plaque in the Alumni House, receiving a brass-on-smoked-glass replica of my diploma and an invitation to this annual function. Of



Life member Jeff Franklin

course, it makes more sense to pay the one-time \$500 lifetime dues than to pay the annual renewal of \$25. Over 30 years time, that's quite a savings." Thanks, Jeff!

Door prizes were given out to add to the festivities and big congratulations went to Robin Russell, William Brown, Randy Hurlow and Tony Larson who each received a set of WWU glassware. Lyle Morse was the big winner with a sunny yellow alumni squall jacket.

With hugs and warm wishes the group departed, looking forward to next year's event which has already been scheduled for April 20, 1996. After five years, the Life Member Club has set a precedent for all future get togethers.

Are you interested in becoming a WWU Alumni Club Life Member? We'll gladly send you a membership form and answer any questions. Please call Kristie Lundstrom at Alumni House, 650-3353 or 1-800-676-6885.

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Michael Pittis  
Wenderly Porterfield  
C.H. Richards  
Suzanne Rivord  
Theo J. Roddy  
Lois M. Romer  
Robin Russell  
William C. Schmitt  
Adrian C. Shields  
Jon Sitkin  
Cecil C. Thomas  
June Hardin Thomas  
Maureen Ott Trainor  
Patrick A. Tuttle  
Jeffrey VanKleec  
Lisa M. Verage  
Solveig Vinje  
George W. Walk  
Joyce Taylor Wallace  
Dick and Annie Youngberg

## 50 Year-Gold Seal Reunion



Pictured above are more than 30 alumni who returned to Western's campus for a reunion. Some alumni were celebrating their 50-year reunion (the Classes of 1945 and 46) and some were from the Gold Seal Society, which represents alumni who graduated more than 50 years ago. One alumnus, Trygve Blix, was from the Class of 1928.

# Alumni News

## Distinguished Alumnus Award nomination forms available

Nominations are due by December 31, 1995, for the 1996 WWU Distinguished Alumnus Award.

As one of Western's top honors, the Distinguished Alumnus Award goes annually to a Western graduate in recognition of a "lifetime" of achievement in a particular career or field.

Nominees must have actually graduated from Western or one of its predecessor institutions.

Nominating packets should include a letter of nomination, a current resumé or vita, a letter of support for the nomination and any other supporting material such as magazine or newspaper articles.

This past year's recipient was Dr. James Ford, former president of Skagit Valley College, who was cited for his lifelong dedication to higher education in this state and elsewhere.

Nominations should be addressed to Distinguished Alumnus Award Committee, Alumni House, Western Washington University, Bellingham, WA 98225-9199.

## Alumni Board members named

Mark Hardie ('53) took possession of the WWU Alumni Association gavel in May as Kenneth Cox ('85) completed his year as association president.

In other action during the WWU Alumni Board's spring meeting, Ray Foster ('84) was named president-elect and Tony Larson ('88) was named treasurer for the coming year.

New members of the board's executive committee were also elected. They include: Kelly Guise ('91), Allan Darr ('73), Karen Hulford ('69), Jon Sitkin ('84), and Robin Russell ('82).

Four board members ended six-year terms on the board: Gary Grim ('81), Marilyn Klose ('63), Alvin Arkills ('87) and Chuck LeWarne ('55). LeWarne, who is also a past president of the WWU Alumni Association, had served more than 15 years with the association.

Three new board members were also elected to initial three-year terms. They are: Bart Shilvock ('76) from Seattle, David G. Moore ('83) from Mount Vernon, and Reed Zulauf ('83) from Puyallup.

Our congratulations to all of these fine volunteers!

## Alumni Association tacos win Ski to Sea accolades

The Alumni Association participated in Bellingham's Ski-to-Sea Festival for the very first time this year, and what a fabulous team they were. The only racing they did during the day, however, was preparing the fastest taco.

The "Ya Sure, You Betcha They're Good" Viking Taco booth performed with all the grace and stamina of a first-rate athletic team. Executive Director Chris Goldsmith ('74) was taco grillmaster, along with the rest of the Alumni Office staff, Catherin Ward ('90), Jennifer Huber ('94) and Kristie Lundstrom. Working in perfect synchronization while taking orders and preparing the tacos were Robin Russell ('82), Kelly Guise ('91), Elizabeth D'Alessandro ('92), Larry Lundstrom ('76) and Traci Lynch ('95). Good going, team! Look for the booth next year; they'll be happy to sell you a delicious Viking Taco.

Are you interested in participating in the actual race? We are looking for alums to participate in next year's festivities. Phone the Alumni House at 1-800-676-6885 or 650-3353 and ask for Kristie Lundstrom.

### e-mail addresses wanted

Western alumni are asked to send in their e-mail addresses to the Alumni Office. An alumni network is in the works. Alums can contact Western via e-mail as well at [alumni@wwu.edu](mailto:alumni@wwu.edu).



Photo by Kristi Lundstrom

### Political science grads meet with Ralph Munro in Olympia

Secretary of State Ralph Munro (Class of '66) hosted a reception for about 30 political science graduates from Pierce and Thurston counties in May. (Left to right) Judy McNickle ('66), Angie Wirkkala ('92), Dr. Kenneth Hoover (chair of Western's Political Science Department), and Secretary of State Ralph Munro caught up on state politics and departmental news.

## Grist of Goldsmith

By Chris Goldsmith/Alumni Director

Our hearty thanks to those Western grads who've been turning out in rewarding numbers for a recent string of alumni events held around the region.

About 30 political science grads from Pierce and Thurston counties joined political science faculty and several student interns in Olympia for a reception and department update at Secretary of State Ralph Munro's (Class of '66) office. Dr. Kenneth Hoover, department chair, introduced the students and faculty and brought the alumni up to date on departmental and Western happenings.

More than 175 alumni from Skagit County joined forces in March for a sneak preview of the new Skagit River Brewing Company's microbrewery in Mount Vernon. Interest was so intense for that event that we had to turn away another 75 Skagit Valley alums, with a promise that we'd do another one soon.

And on two different dates, large groups of Western alumni took to the Tacoma Dome to represent WWU in our own section, as the Seattle Super-sonics played the Minnesota Timberwolves.

College of Business and Economics Dean Dennis Murphy got in the last word to more than 100 CBE graduates at Giggles Comedy Club in Seattle's University District in April. Attendees enjoyed some great comedy, as well as several Alumni Association-hosted munchies during the evening.

As noted elsewhere in this issue, more than 100 of our WWU Alumni Club Life Members took the opportunity to join us at the Seattle Yacht Club in April for a dinner/reception and a cruise of the Lake Washington Ship Canal and Lake Union.

We also enjoyed celebrating two reunions: Home economics alumni returned in June, and a 50-year reunion for the classes of 1945 & 1946 in July.

And don't forget Homecoming this fall, which is set for Friday and Saturday, October 20 & 21. Events will include the traditional fireworks display on Friday evening and the now-famous homecoming salmon barbecue prior to the Western vs. Central football game at Civic Field. Numerous student sponsored events also are on tap, so mark your calendars and watch for an upcoming mailing.

Finally, thanks for all the letters and calls of support for our redesign of the alumni publication. And yes, *Window on Western* does replace *résumé*. Keep the communication coming. We would appreciate your ideas for alumni features.

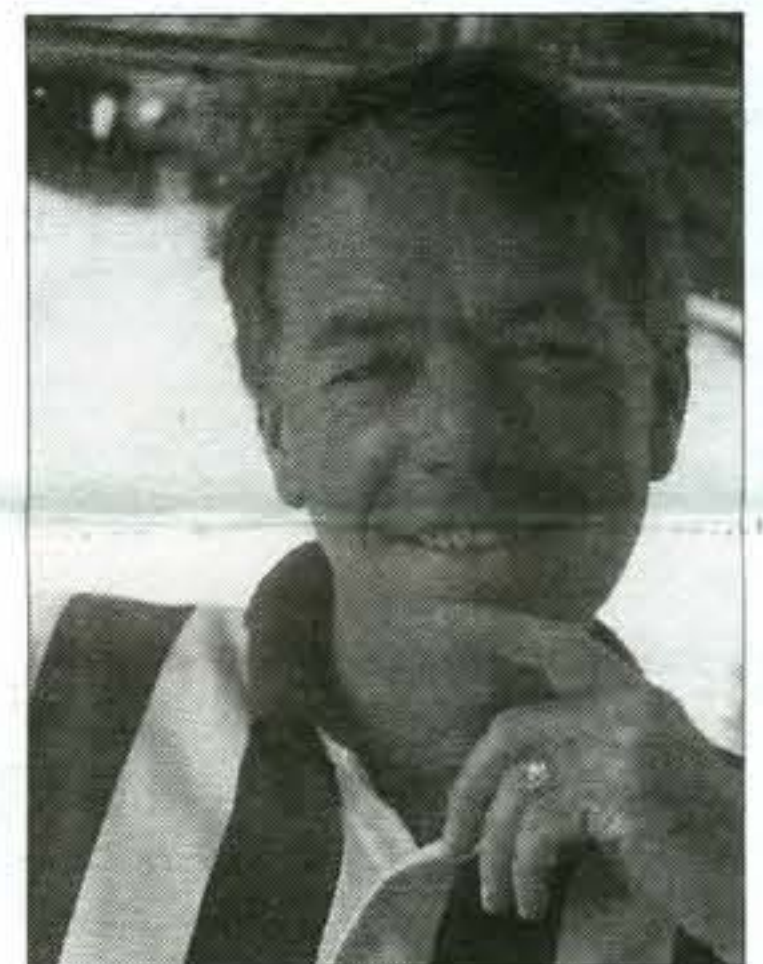


Photo by Lori McGriff Boroughs



# Living Monuments

## In search of the great Gingko tree

What horticultural delights are hidden amidst the greenery of Western's campus? While searching for the rumored great Gingko tree, we discovered many other plant specimens, some emblazoned with folklore and unsubstantiated roots, others of the everyday variety, but quite notably only found in the Northwest.

Yes, Western is blessed with a Gingko tree, a dinosaur of trees, ancient and proud. It can be found to the left of Old Main, near Edens Hall. Its fan-shaped leaves and rough bark help identify it.

Another tree shouts for recognition as well. An Oriental Plane tree—believed to have originated from a cutting from the original Hippocrates Tree on Kos in the Aegean Sea, where the first physician lectured to his students—was planted by former Western president Charles J. Flora. As Flora notes in his book, "Normal College Knowledge," he was given two cuttings from the tree in appreciation for speaking to a meeting of British Columbia physicians. He planted one cutting at his home, the other just to the right as one enters the Fairhaven College underpass heading south.

The Empress of China tree stands in elegant broad-leafed splendor between Haggard Hall and Wilson Library. This tree is favored by many for its cooling moments of shade in the summer and its sculpture-like branches in winter.

The greatest of nature finds can be discovered just behind campus. The Sehome Hill Arboretum stands where there was once only barren land littered by logging debris. Today its tree and plant life are managed and protected for future generations.

The creation of the arboretum was the result of concern in the late 1950s by Glenn Jordan, a long-time head gardener at Western. As Flora notes in his colorful account, Jordan requested that this land be set aside and that a planting plan be put in place for the entire campus. The dialogue went something like this notation in "Normal College Knowledge":

"Sometimes I get really tired. I plant something and then we tear it out to put in a new building. I don't feel like I get anywhere. There is no permanence in anything I do," Jordan reportedly told Flora, then the university president.

Flora responded positively, setting a committee in place to create such an arboretum. As he noted in his book, "Life was tough for a gardener, especially one who cherished living monuments."

The arboretum officially came into existence in 1974, a living monument with specimens of the Northwest. The Bellingham Parks and Recreation Department, in cooperation with the university, manages 165 acres of this offshoot of the Chuckanut Mountains. Thirty-five acres are college-owned. The arboretum serves as a natural outdoor laboratory for biology, geology and environmental students.

In autumn, with the colors of the leaves reflecting sprinkles of sunlight, a visitor is struck by the awe of nature. The park is made up of thousands of towering Douglas firs and western hemlocks, maples, red alder, black cottonwoods, western red cedars, yews, wild plums and cherry trees. Sword ferns, snowberry bushes, thimbleberries, huckleberries, Oregon grape, flowering honeysuckle vines, salal, red elderberry, ocean spray, kinnikinnik and lady ferns nestle beneath the trees.

Wild bleeding heart, tiger lily, lady slipper, pink star flower, buttercup varieties, yellow yarrow and fireweed create a canvas of color in their seasons. Numerous fungi, including the rare coral root orchid, can be spotted alongside the steep curving trails of the park.

For the wanderer or those in search of solitude, the natural beauty of Western's campus invites discovery. Much like the great Gingko tree, living monuments continue to stand despite the test of time.

Sehome Hill Arboretum maps and brochures are available at Western's Visitor Center.

# The Hands of the Transformation



In the fall of 1899, the campus of the New Whatcom State Normal School was swampy and covered with logs and stumps. The grounds in front of the main building had been partially cleared and

wooden sidewalks were built over the muddy, bare earth. Such was the scene that greeted 88 students at 10 o'clock in the morning on September 6 of that year, when the first session of the new school began. The principal, Dr. Edward T. Mathes, and his six faculty members were confident that the new institution would attract many students. Their confidence was justified; by the end of the first year, 264 students were enrolled and two additional faculty members were hired.

Over the years, the name of the school changed several times. The physical campus changed as well, from 10 acres hewn from the sides of a hill to 190 acres and one of the most attractive collegés in the nation. All this was guided by many hands throughout the generations. The first students and staff planted many of the oldest trees and plants. For Western's gardeners, the caretakers who inherited the expanses of green lawn, patches of ivy and towering trees, it is like caring for a living canvas.

Archival records indicate that a formal landscaping plan for the campus was set in place in 1908, the year after the addition of the wings to Old Main, followed in 1909 by concrete sidewalks, which replaced the boardwalks. From those early days, the plan was to leave an expanse of green in front of Old Main. Through the 1950s, most classes were held in this stately building, which on one side looked out onto a playground for physical education classes and children attending the Campus School.

Architects have been inspired to do some of their best work at Western. Many of the buildings have won national recognition. With each new building came a molding of the landscape and gardens nearby.

Highlights over the years included the completion of Western's main library in 1928, which for many years stood amid a wide expanse of lawn on all sides. In 1962, two wings were added. Additions to Wilson Library, completed in 1972, doubled the capacity of the building and included the stairstepped, terraced area. By the late 1960s, the academic heart of the campus had shifted to a group of mostly new buildings surrounding a red brick square with the emblematic Fisher Fountain, named for a former campus president.

In 1970, a new campus for Fairhaven College was completed, nestled in the trees. Built in an attempt to avoid the impersonal effects of an institution grown large, the landscaping here included a pond as centerpiece to a small cluster community.

Today, the campus continues to extend southward toward Fairhaven College with the addition of Arntzen Hall, Environmental Science Center, Parks Hall, and the new Chemistry and Biology buildings. Landscaping in combination with architecture continues to shape the identity of the campus. The mall area between the new science complex features evergreen-covered mounds bordered with rocks, designed to represent the San Juan Islands.

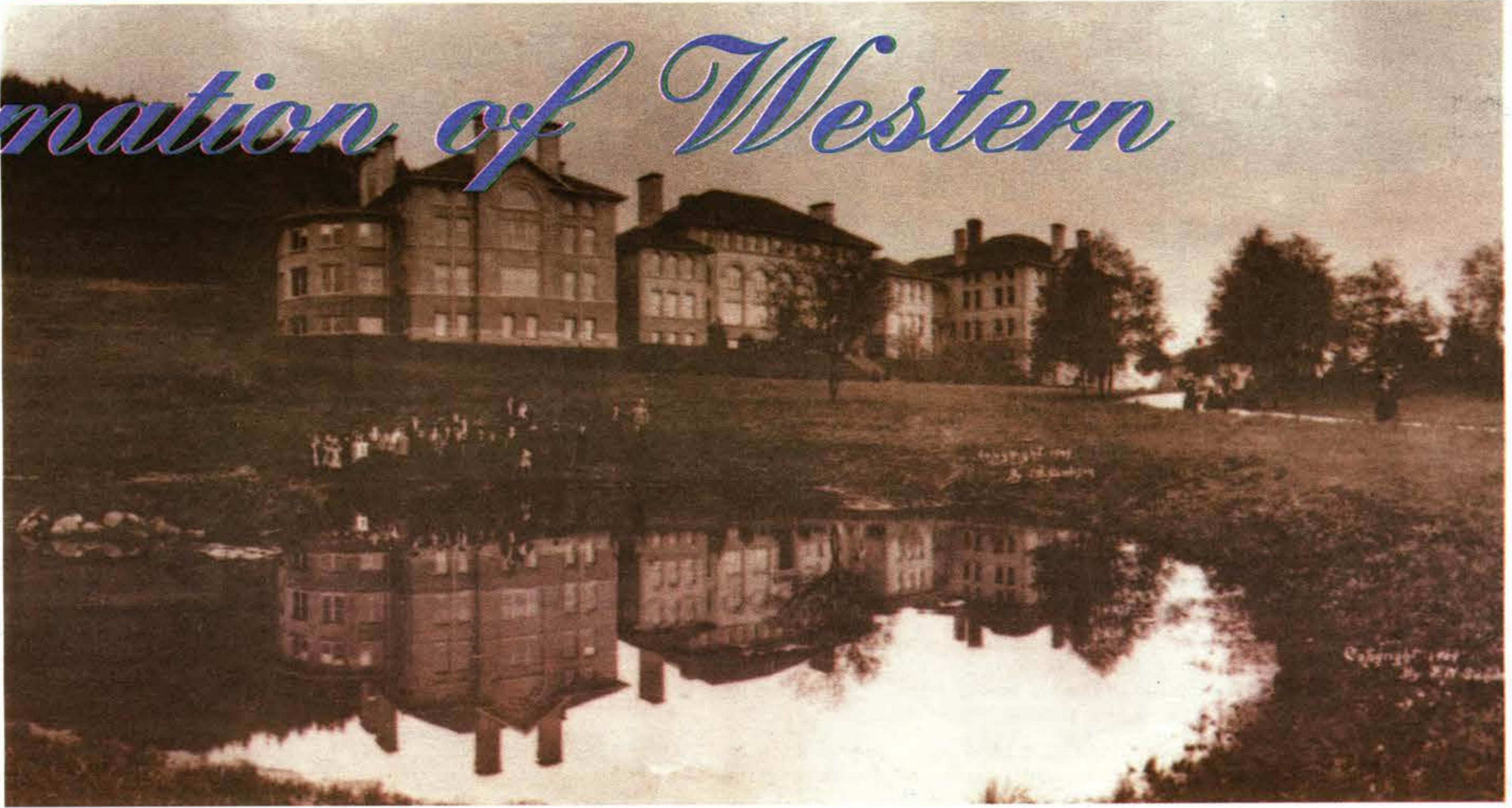
Western's nationally renowned Outdoor Sculpture Collection at present includes 22 works, many of which are integrated into the natural setting. The blending of nature, art, architecture and human-guided landscaping is softened by the work of the campus gardeners and their support staff.

From the rough hewn boardwalks of the earliest days to the patterned brickways of today, the physical environment of the campus is fitting for the academic goals of the institution. For those who are contemplative in nature, spots can be found under the shade of trees or on benches lining Red Square on late summer afternoons. Sculptures tucked away in unexpected places and the walkways of the arboretum on Sehome Hill offer a setting for quiet reflection. The transformation is not yet complete. Like a living canvas, the campus continues to be colored and shaped by many hands.

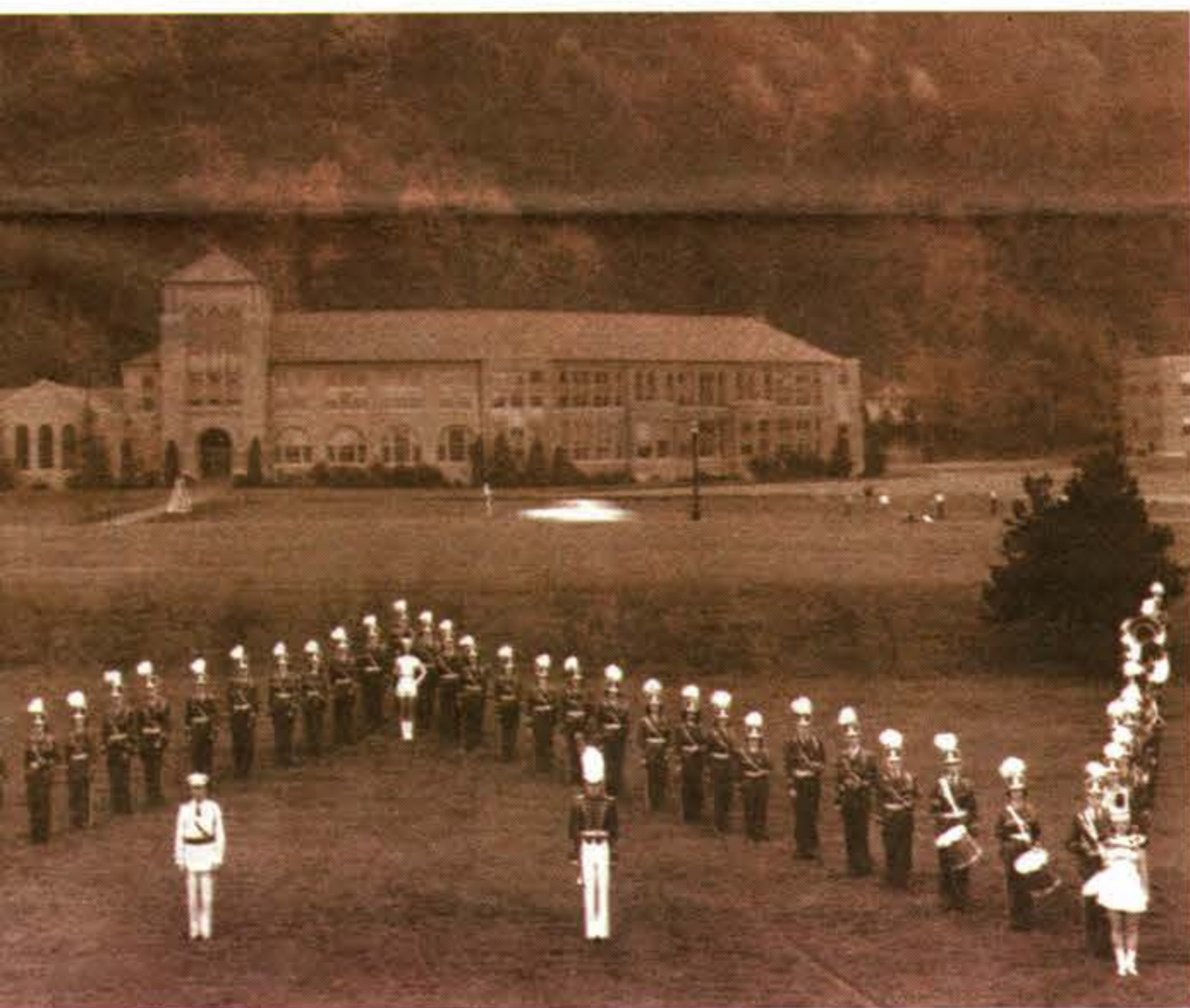


# Generations

## Formation of Western



The campus in 1909 (above) was anchored by a completed Old Main, but much of the grounds was still unmanicured. Only a few months earlier, a formal landscaping plan began. "Kibbe" pond, later filled in, is in the foreground of what was then Whatcom Normal School.



The main building at New Whatcom State Normal School was completed in 1896. The school did not open until three years later, however, since operating funds had not been provided by the state legislature. By the time the first students arrived, the land surrounding the school had been partially cleared, but fallen logs and stumps remained (top left).

Music professor Don Walter leads the Western marching band on Waldo Field in this campus photo from the 1950s (above). The field is the present site of Red Square and Haggard Hall. Campus School is in the background. The house at its right was the college health center.

The aerial photo (above right) shows the Environmental Studies building under construction in the early 70s and the campus today (right). Since the earlier photo, additions to campus include: Arntzen Hall, Parks Hall, the Chemistry Building, Biology Building and the Ross Engineering Technology Building.



# Investments in Excellence

## Kaiser named foundation president

**B**ellingham investment executive Markell Kaiser has been elected president of the Western Foundation Board of Directors for 1995-96. Kaiser is chief operating officer of Saturna Capital Corporation and has served in a variety of volunteer leadership roles for the foundation.



Together with husband Nick, the Kaisers fund an annual professorship in the College of Business and Economics specializing in international business. In addition, the Kaisers are active members of the Presidents Club and have co-chaired the WWU Parents Fund Campaign. Their daughter Jane is a third-year student at Western.

As foundation president, Kaiser will oversee a board of 24 volunteers, each serving a three-year term. The board meets on a quarterly basis, and is responsible for monitoring and maintaining the foundation's fiscal stability and helping to initiate

a wide range of fund-raising programs.

During 1994-95, the foundation board made unrestricted grants to the university totaling more than \$200,000. In addition, the board ensured the appropriate deposit and use of approximately \$2.5 million in annual gifts designated for specific purposes by donors.

Also joining Kaiser as new foundation officers for 1995-96 are: vice president -- Dick Pedersen, investment executive with the Bellingham office of Dain Bosworth; secretary -- Moose Zurline (WWU Class of '50), Bellingham marketing and sales specialist; treasurer -- James Doud, Jr., president of Mathew G. Norton Company of Seattle.

Elected as members-at-large to serve on the foundation's executive committee are: Barbara French Duzan (WWU Class of '84) from Friday Harbor and Seattle resident Robert Helsell, president of Wilder Construction in Bellingham. Immediate past president of the board is F. Murray "Red" Haskell. Alumni President and Puyallup resident Mark A. Hardie (WWU Classes of '53 and '60) also will join the board as an ex-officio member for the coming year.



Western alumna Kelli Kuljis Linville (WWU Classes of '74 and '81) is joined by her husband Will Roehl (left) as they receive a special plaque from Western Foundation Board of Directors past president Red Haskell. The plaque recognizes Roehl and Linville as the "500th Members" of Western's Presidents Club. Since the club's founding in 1985, its members have contributed more than \$20 million to support Western programs. Members like Roehl and Linville contribute \$1,000 annually.

## Investments in Excellence

The following is a brief reporting of \$5,000 or larger gifts received since December 1994 to support programs at Western Washington University.

\$10,000 in endowed scholarship support from **Miriam Snow Mathes**.....\$5,000 in support for the Western Design Center from **Zelco Industries**.....\$59,700 from the **Estate of Bessie Bostwick** to fund a scholarship endowment.....\$15,000 from the **National Environmental Policy Institute** to establish a scholarship in honor of Al Swift.....a sailboat worth \$7,500 for the sailing club from **Dexter McCulloch**.....\$5,000 in scholarship support from **Charles and June Ross**.....\$8,000 to fund annual scholarships and build a permanent endowment from **Tempress, Inc.**.....\$5,000 to support CBE activities from **Bellingham Sash & Door**.....\$5,000 in unrestricted support from the **Estate of Miriam Crellin**.....\$15,000 from the **Mark and Blanche Harrington Foundation** to support CBE activities.....\$35,000 in scholarship support from **Marriott Food Services** to celebrate the company's 35th Anniversary with Western.....\$50,000 from **Wilder Construction** to initiate a distinguished professorship benefiting Huxley College and CBE.....\$69,000 in property from **Floyd Sandell**.....\$5,000 to fund a Journalism computer lab from **The News Tribune** ..... \$5,000 to support the Vehicle Research Institute's Neon project from the **Chrysler Corporation**.....\$14,000 to support the Center for Economic Education from **Economics America Washington**.....\$10,000 from **Clifford and Theresa Schmierer** to establish a scholarship in memory of Kurt Schmierer..... \$5,000 to support the Journalism computer lab from **Peter Horvitz**.....\$5,000 in unrestricted support from **Barney and Joyce Yorkston**..... \$5,000 from **Key Bank** to sponsor the Company Appels project.....\$7,000 from **Boeing** to study development of a high school, community college and university curriculum in Engineering Technology.....\$50,000 in endowed scholarship support from the late **Thomas Horn**.....\$12,788 from the **Bellingham Central Lions Club** for Speech Pathology and Audiology equipment.....\$5,000 in unrestricted support from **Tosco Northwest Co.**.....\$5,000 from the **Gannett Foundation** to support the Journalism computer lab.....\$25,000 in surplus equipment from **The Boeing Co.**.....\$100,000 from **Gordon and Alice Fraser** to fund a unitrust.....\$10,000 from the **Estate of Frank C. Brooks** to establish scholarships for the College of Business and Economics.....\$10,000 from **Marriott Food Services** to provide annual scholarships.....\$10,000 in unrestricted annual support from **Microsoft**.....\$22,517 from the **Estate of Miriam Crellin**.....\$5,000 from **Robert Keller and Pat Karlborg** to support the Kathleen Keller Scholarship.....\$5,000 to support the Veit Memorial Scholarship from **Jim and Candace Doud**.....\$30,337 from **Jean Towne** to fund a gift annuity.....\$5,314 from the **Lion's Hearing Foundation** to support the Speech Pathology and Audiology Dept.....\$5,000 from **Charles and June Ross** to supplement the Ross Scholarship Endowment.....\$5,000 to support the Vehicle Research Institute from **Wilder Construction**.....\$5,000 in equipment to support the Technology Dept. and flatbed truck valued at \$21,000 for the Vehicle Research Institute (VRI) from **The Boeing Co.**.....\$5,000 from **Peoples State Bank** to fund an endowed scholarship.....\$36,000 to support a new Chemistry Dept. program from the **M.J. Murdock Charitable Trust**.....\$7,200 in cash and equipment for the English Dept. from the **Signpost Press**.....five laser printers for the Engineering Technology Dept. valued at \$6,975 from **Tektronix**.....\$5,000 to fund minority scholarships from **Seafirst Bank**.....\$131,471 from the **Estate of Paul Woodring** to fund scholarships.....\$10,000 from **US Bank** to fund minority scholarships.....\$10,000 for the Kaiser Professorship from **Alpha Technologies and Fred Kaiser**.....\$51,000 from **Red and Betty Haskell** to supplement the Haskell Scholarship Endowment and to support the Western Crew program.....an electric Ford Escort from **Puget Sound Power and Light Co.** valued at \$17,685 for the VRI.....\$10,000 to sponsor the Viking Golf Tournament from **Haggen Foods**.....scientific journals from **SPIE** valued at \$18,854 for Wilson Library.....\$5,500 in scholarship support from the **American Association of University Women**.....\$15,000 from **Ernst Gayden** to fund the Huxley College Lecture Series.....\$10,000 from **Bent Faber** to create the Eunice Faber Endowment.....\$10,000 from **Margit Loser** and \$10,000 from **Frances Frazier** to fund the Double Eagle Scholarship Endowment.

## Washington newspapers support journalism computer lab

**J**ournalism students at Western will write and edit stories in the region's most advanced journalism laboratory, beginning fall quarter.

The 20-station lab will feature Macintosh computers and advanced software used to edit and design newspapers, magazines and other publications. The lab will have full hookups to the Internet, and will receive national newswires. Classes in newswriting, copy editing and design, and reporting will move into the new facility, located in College Hall.

Newspapers in Washington contributed more than \$56,000, which was matched by the university. Contributions came from daily newspapers representing roughly 90 percent of the state's circulation, and a large share of weekly newspapers as well.

"We are delighted not only at the contributions received but at the response of so many publishers," said Journalism Chair Floyd McKay. "Essentially, when we ask for a contribution, we are 'selling'

our graduates who have gone into the profession. The fact that so many publishers supported the lab is the best possible endorsement of the journalism program at Western."

The project was designed by Professor Carolyn Dale, chair of the department from 1990-94, in consultation with the department's Professional Advisory Committee. McKay, as the new chair beginning Spring of 1994, took up the fund-raising task.

Western's journalism program is particularly noted in the region for producing reporters and editors for both weekly and daily newspapers.

Journalism has one of the highest percentages of alumni giving among Western departments. In September, the department will celebrate its 25th Anniversary with a gathering on campus. The department's founder, the late Gerson Miller, is honored with two department scholarships funded by a memorial in his name.

The department enrolls about 140 majors in sequences in news-editorial, public relations and environmental journalism. In addition to Dale and McKay, full time faculty include Professors Lyle Harris, Tim Pilgrim and Pete Steffens. The department also utilizes several adjunct professors to teach special subjects.

# "The Campaign for Western"

## targets raising \$18 million for campus enrichment

October 7 kickoff to publicly announce capital campaign

Western Washington University will publicly announce the most ambitious fund-raising campaign in its history at a gala kickoff celebration scheduled for the evening of Saturday, October 7, in Carver Gymnasium. The Campaign for Western pursues a goal of raising \$18 million by December 31, 1996, under the theme "Opening Doors to Tomorrow."

"Through The Campaign for Western, we are determined to provide the types of programs and resources that our students deserve," said President Karen W. Morse. "The campaign will provide the margin of excellence necessary to make Western a pacesetter among universities of its type," she added.

Western Foundation past-president and Bellingham civic leader F. Murray "Red" Haskell has agreed to chair the volunteer-driven campaign and lead its coordinating committee. Haskell is chairman of the board of the Haskell Corporation, located in Bellingham.

"This campaign comes at a critical time for higher education in the state and in the nation," said Haskell. "Institutions like Western find themselves at a crossroads of sorts, faced with the challenge of

accepting the status quo or forging ahead by seeking private investments. We choose to forge ahead," he said.

Five broad initiatives, each with a specific dollar goal, have been identified as campaign priorities. Within each initiative, numerous special projects have been designed in an attempt to represent the collective goals of the entire campus community. Campaign initiatives include:

- \$7 million for Teaching and Research Enrichment, to create the classrooms of the future.

- \$5 million for Scholarships and Fellowships, as investments in the best and brightest.

- \$2 million for the Arts, to applaud the essence of the human spirit.

- \$1.5 million for International Initiatives, to prepare for the century of the Pacific Rim.

- \$2.5 million in on-going annual support and other special projects.

"The Campaign for Western will focus on creating permanent endowments to provide critical

support across all areas of campus. It will include all gifts, big and small, and provide an opportunity for everyone who cares about this university to make a difference," said Haskell. "It will provide a special opportunity for alumni to make a difference like never before."

The Western Washington University Board of Trustees has officially endorsed the campaign. In addition, the Trustees have provided a broad range of "naming" opportunities to recognize campaign donors who provide a significant investment in the future of the university.

Naming opportunities begin at the \$5,000 level and continue upwards of \$5 million to name a university college.

"This campaign will take Western to the next level of academic achievement," said Morse. "It will help us to build on our existing strengths and ensure a unique educational experience for today's students and for those yet to come."

For more information regarding The Campaign for Western or to sign up as a campaign volunteer, please call the Western Foundation at (360) 650-3027.

## THE CAMPAIGN FOR WESTERN

*"Opening Doors to Tomorrow"*

## Fraser Hall honors Western benefactors



In honor of Western's single largest donors, the Lecture Halls complex has been renamed The Gordon H. and Alice C. Fraser Hall. The renaming took place at a special ceremony following the June 8 meeting of the WWU Board of Trustees.

Fraser Hall, as it will be known to students, will permanently honor the Bellingham couple's generosity to and support of university programs. Since joining the Presidents Club in 1985, the Frasers have provided more than \$2 million to enrich and support

a variety of programs. Both Frasers attended Western. Alice Fraser graduated from Western when it was still Bellingham Normal School, and "Bus" Fraser attended Western before transferring to the University of Washington. Bus Fraser is a long-time business and civic leader, and owned Fraser Chevrolet among other interests.

Through two unitrusts, the

Western benefactors Alice and Gordon "Bus" Fraser flank president Karen Morse outside the newly renamed Fraser Hall. The complex was renamed in their honor on June 8.

couple's generosity will benefit the College of Business and Economics, the music department, the biology department, student scholarships, science equipment and lecturers.

"The Frasers' interest in a broad range of university programs makes naming the Lecture Halls building an ideal way to honor their tremendous loyalty and support," said President Karen Morse. "They are very special people, and we are very gratified to be able to show our respect and gratitude in this way."

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# Headliners

## Western graduate named president of demographers association

Douglas S. Massey ('74) is the new president of the Population Association of America, a professional organization for demographers.



Massey graduated with a bachelor of science degree from Western and later earned his master's and Ph.D. from Princeton. While at Western from 1970-74, Massey completed three majors: sociology/anthropology, psychology and Spanish.

He is currently the University of Pennsylvania's Dorothy Swaine Thomas Professor, which is the most senior faculty position of the Populations Study Center. Before going to the University of Pennsylvania, he was the director of Latin American Studies at the University of Chicago.

Massey is also co-author of "American Apartheid: Segregation and the Making of the Underclass," a sociological analysis of black residential integration in 20th century America (Harvard, 1993). He has a new release this year entitled, "Miracles on the Border," which is a look at Mexican folk art paintings and their connections to Mexican migration to the United States.

## Governor names Juarez King County Superior Court Judge

Deborah Juarez, a 1983 Fairhaven College graduate and advisor for Western's Law and Diversity Program, has been named to the King County Superior Court bench by Gov. Lowry.



The Governor described Juarez as a "positive role model in the court" and "a real success story" after announcing the appointment.

Juarez, who grew up on the Puy-

allup reservation, is a graduate of the University of Puget Sound Law School and a Blackfeet Nation tribal member. She has worked for the past five years as staff attorney for the Native American Project of Evergreen Legal Services, representing tribes on treaty rights, protection of natural and cultural resources, and child welfare. She is only the third Native American to serve in the state court system.

Juarez was previously a King County public defender until 1990, when she began working with Evergreen Legal Services. She is an experienced trial lawyer and has been a Superior Court judge pro tem for two years.

-Source: The Seattle Times

## Vance to run for State Superintendent of Public Instruction

Metropolitan King County Councilman and Western alumnus Chris Vance, a 1984 graduate in political science, is running for Superintendent of Public Instruction in 1996.

Vance, who is making speeches around the state in anticipation of the nonpartisan race, is one of two announced candidates who will challenge two-term Superintendent Judith Billings. The other is Olympia real estate developer Ron Taber.

Vance describes himself as a conservative who will push for a return to basic academics and discipline in schools. He believes that his lack of a professional education background is a plus, setting him apart from the education establishment. Vance, elected to the County Council in 1993, previously served three years in the state House of Representatives.

-Source: Seattle Post-Intelligencer

## Meinert named a person of influence

David Meinert ('90) was a double major (philosophy and economics) at Western when the worst thing happened: He graduated. To make a short story shorter, he inadvertently became one of the hottest music and nightclub promoters in the state.

*Pacific Magazine*, in recognition of his off-beat and highly successful booking business, named him one of the "100 People of Influence" in the state.

"With an eye for unusual poster art and a knack for getting 2,000 flyers around town in a flash, he now books live music three nights a week, as well as 'Seattle Slam' poetry on Wednesdays," *Pacific* notes. He is booking Bumber-shoot's rock music this year, and he manages several bands, as well as produces Northwest shows of national acts.

-Source: Pacific Magazine

## Spotlight on Sports

### Western ends athletic year on high note

All-American performances, a trip to nationals and three league championships highlighted Western's spring sports season.

Four Viking track & field athletes earned National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics All-American honors by placing among the top six at the national championships.

Dee Balderson (Sr., Kennewick)

Easley also placed fourth and Balderson fifth at nationals in 1994.

Western's track team won the Pacific Northwest Athletic Conference men's title and tied for the women's crown. Hurdler Peter Myers (So., Yakima/West Valley) was named Outstanding Male Performer at the meet and Kelven "Pee Wee" Halsell received Coach of the Year honors.

The Viking men's golf team placed 15th at the NAIA National Championships after earning its first national trip since 1986 by winning the NAIA West Region Championship. Todd Waltmire (So., Snohomish), who tied for 30th individually at nationals, received region and league all-

star honors as did Kale Dyer (Jr., Enumclaw) and Mark Leibold (Jr., Everett/Cascade).

Western also won the PNWAC title with Steve Card being named Coach of the Year.

The women's softball team reached post-season play for the first-time in its three-year history. First baseman Tawnya Miller (So., Olympia/North Thurston), outfielder Jackie VanDerVorst (Sr., Brinnon/Quilcene) and shortstop Patti Wales (Sr., Kent/Kent-Meridian) were all unanimous first-

team all-league picks.

The Vikings placed third and fourth, respectively, in women's and men's tennis at the NAIA Pacific Northwest Region Championships. The No. 1 women's doubles team of Meggan Caddigan (So., Woodinville) and Maggie McDonald (Fr., Seattle/Seattle Prep) narrowly missed out on a trip to nationals, reaching the finals at regionals.

Western won a grand final in the women's junior varsity-eight at the Pacific Coast Rowing Championships. Placing second were the women's open-eight and novice-eight.

### Football and basketball standouts named 1994-95 athletes of the year

A football player who got down and dirty and a basketball player who cleaned the boards are The Marina Restaurant & Bayside Cafe/Western Washington University 1994-95 male and female Athletes of the Year and will have their names added to the G. Robert Ross Memorial Trophy.

Rover Bill Christensen (Sr., Seattle/Shorecrest), who helped the Viking football team lead the nation in scoring defense (12.5 avg.), is Western's male Athlete of the Year. Gina Sampson (Jr., Kirkland/Redmond), who ranked among the national leaders in rebounding, is the Vikings' female Athlete of the Year.



### Three named basketball All-Americans

Three Western Washington University basketball players received NAIA All-American honors.

- Women's center Gina Sampson (Jr., Kirkland/Redmond) was a third-team choice and forward Shannon Anderson (Jr., Woodinville) received honorable mention. Also receiving honorable mention recognition was men's forward Harold Doyal (Sr. Bellevue/Interlake).

- Sampson averaged 16.6 points per game and ranked No.19 nationally in rebounding with an 11.0 average. Anderson scored at a 15.9 clip.

The duo helped the women's team to a 21-8 record and a No. 22 rating in the final NAIA Division I National Poll.

- Doyal led the 16-12 men's squad with a 17.8 scoring average.

finished second in the women's discus with a school-record toss of 148-11, four inches further than her previous personal best, and Jennifer Campbell (Jr., Seattle/Highline) placed third in the women's 3,000 meters (10:08.27).

Scott Easley (Sr., Indianola/North Kitsap) was sixth in the heptathlon with 4,359 points, a personal best and the third-highest score in school history.

For Balderson and Easley, it was the second straight year that they had earned All-American honors.

# Point of View

## Roll on Columbia

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The Columbia River boasted the greatest Chinook salmon and steelhead trout runs in the world. For thousands of years the region's native inhabitants had used the fish as a primary source of food and the foundation of their wealth and culture. Pacific salmon, which died as they spawned, also fed a complex ecosystem with nutrients and energy imported from the ocean. Creatures ranging from bears to bugs depended on the annual cycle.



Today, those runs have declined an estimated 85 percent, despite the production of more than 170 million young fish each year by artificial hatcheries. Half of the original salmon and steelhead habitat in the basin is gone. A third of all stream miles in the basin have been blocked by dams with no means of fish passage. Scores of individual salmon runs are extinct. As the fish runs approach collapse, so do the cultures built around them, from tribal reservation economies to Scandinavian gillnetters at the river's mouth. Ephrata's gain in vegetables is Astoria's loss in fish.

This is not a book to either glorify or condemn what has happened to the Columbia River. Each generation that approached the river was a product of its time, necessarily captive to the assumptions and necessities of that moment. Yet examination of the Columbia's past and troubled present is instructive. Serious thought about what we've done provides perspective for future management decisions. It can allow us to question our own assumptions and look at the river through different eyes. No major American river has been transformed quite so grandly, quickly, and completely as the Columbia. In microcosm it

tells the story of American civilization itself, our proudest achievements and most dubious legacies.

It is a river that elicits emotion, that tells us stories about ourselves. It is the most beautiful big American river in the grandeur and variety of its landscape, the most daring in its engineering, and the most disturbing in its capture. Its final glorious gorge is a National Scenic Area where the surface of the Columbia is scoured by wind-surfers as colorful as a convention of butterflies. But the same river winds through the industrial valley of Trail, B.C., which was so polluted earlier in this century that its champion hockey team is called the Smoke Eaters. It flows past the nation's biggest collection of radioactive waste, a former nuclear weapons complex where one of the high school football teams is called the Bombers. In its scenery and modification, the Columbia is a river of jarring contrast, like some kind of object lesson laid down by God and man.

The Mississippi, I suspect, will always remain in the American imagination a 19th-century river. It will forever be the place of Tom and Huck, of sternwheeler and flatboat, of the siege of Vicksburg and the Battle of New Orleans. The Columbia is our 20th-century river. Its dams represent the optimistic faith in technology of the century's beginning, and the restless misgivings about large-scale engineering at the century's end. It is the river of the turbine, the dynamo, the reactor and the airplane. In the first three decades after World War II, major dams were completed in the Columbia Basin at a pace faster than one per year. It is a river so transformed as seemingly invented. If you want to see how America dreamed at the height of the American Century, come to the Columbia.

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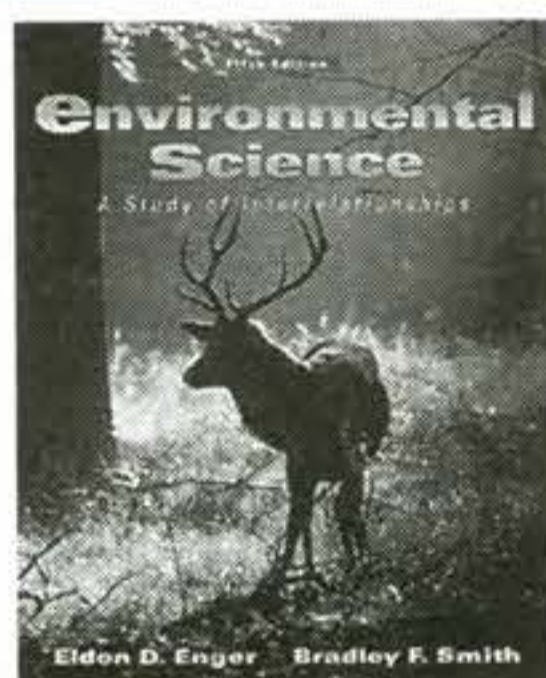
## OFF THE SHELF

Western's faculty and alumni continue to produce a bevy of books. From nationally-used college texts to inspired novels and collections of poetry, Western's bookshelf includes the following new releases:

Poems by **James Bertolino**, a Western faculty member, and Western graduate **Thelma Palmer**, appear in "Graces: Prayers & Poems for Everyday Meals & Special Occasions," now in its third printing since its release by HarperCollins in September 1994.

**Eileen Couglin**, vice president for student affairs/dean of academic support services, recently edited "Successful Drug and Alcohol Prevention Programs" for Jossey-Bass Publishers. Additionally, she authored two of its chapters. The book is part of the publisher's "New Directions for Student Services" series.

**Michael Frome**, professor of environmental studies and well-known environmental journalist, has produced a revised edition of his book, "Promised Land Adventures and Encounters in Wild America," which first appeared in 1985 and is published by the University of Tennessee Press. Frome, who has worked for *The Washington Post*, *The Los Angeles Times* and *Field & Stream*, came to Western in 1987.



Environmental Science by Brad Smith

**Brad Smith**, dean of Huxley College of Environmental Studies, produced with E. Enger, "Environmental Science: The Study of Interrelationships and Environmental Field and Laboratory Manual," W.C. Brown Publishers, Dubuque, Iowa, fifth edition, 1994.

**Kenneth S. Keleman**, professor of management, created "Jumpstarting the New Team," a team development booklet, Pfeiffer and Co., 1994.

**Hyung-Chan Kim**, professor of educational administration and foundations, wrote a selection on "Asian Americans" in *The World Book Encyclopedia*, 1995 edition, p. 812-17.

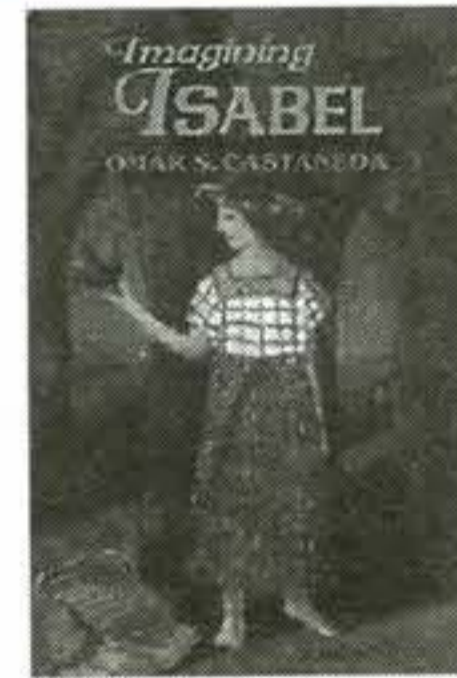
Western alumna **Sheena Ashdown**, a 1977 English graduate, together with her husband Dale Hamilton, has



A Place of Shelter by Nolan Dennett

released "101 Ways to Improve Your Self-Esteem: A Fast and Easy Guide for Very Busy People." Written by Ashdown, this guide to a more fulfilling life is published by the couple's company, Gibsons Publishing.

Noted dancer, choreographer, and Western theatre arts faculty member **Nolan Dennett** has published his first novel, "A Place of Shelter." Nominated for three book awards, Dennett calls his work "part truth, part myth, and part history." *Publishers Weekly* says: "(The) coming-of-age tale gains power as it intertwines two primary plot threads: the drama of a young gay teenager coming out in rural Idaho and the saga of a broken-hearted wandering peddler who masters local Native American spiritual and medical practices."



Imagining Isabel by Omar Castañeda

Award-winning author and associate professor of English **Omar Castañeda** continues to gain praise for his work through his latest novel, "Imagining Isabel." The book delves deeply into human aspirations and the political climate of Castañeda's native Guatemala. *Publisher's Weekly* notes, "this rewarding, multifaceted story will inform, teach and entertain."

"The Tree in the Ancient Forest," written by **Carol (Hall) Reed-Jones** ('83), a graduate student in music history, teaches children about the interdependence of plants and animals in nature.

**Ron Podmore**, a 1991 Woodring College graduate, recently published a children's book titled "Signs of Success: Profiles of Deaf Americans."

# Class Notes



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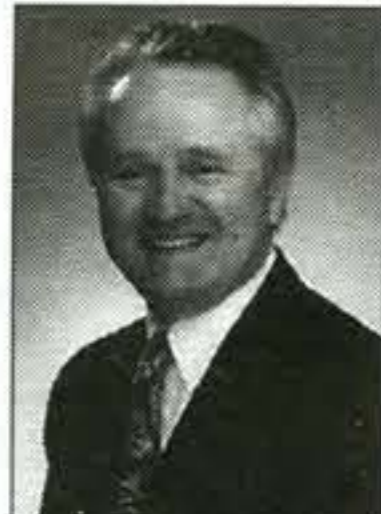
Artist Robert Maki ('62) cleans off the mirror that is part of his sculpture "Monet/Maki," one of his works at the Bellevue Botanical Garden. Maki, who was recently featured in The Seattle Times, has numerous pieces on display throughout the Northwest, including his sculpture (pictured below) entitled "Curve/Diagonal," a gift from the Virginia Wright Fund to Western's Outdoor Sculpture Collection.

**1962** - Dave Page is owner and cobbler of a small Fremont boot shop that is known around the globe as The Place for repairs, refitting or resoling of hiking, skiing and climbing boots. He has been in business for 25 years.

**1965** - After 24 years of service in the Federal Bureau of Investigation, Robert B. Wade has retired. He was responsible for direction of all overseas espionage investigations and was awarded the National Intelligence Distinguished Service Medal by the Director of Central Intelligence for his career service. Wade accepted a new position as senior vice president with the Parvus Group, an international investigative, intelligence and security consulting firm in Silver Spring, MD.

**1970** - Officials at California State University, Dominguez Hills have announced the selection of Dr. William Little as the new director for the African American Studies program at the Carson campus.

**1971** - Dynamic Systems Inc. in Bothell has named Bruce Henderson operations manager, which will include finance, information systems, customer service, shipping and receiving... William F. Johnston is



Bruce Henderson

the new administrative officer for The Newspaper Guild, Local 82. The Guild represents reporters and other employees at The Seattle Times, the P.I. and The Journal American in Bellevue. He also received the 1993 first-place award from the Society of Professional Journalists for his National Public Radio commentaries heard on KPLU in Tacoma... Wallace Sigmar has been named by Peninsula College as its new president. He served as interim president for the past two years.

**1972** - Clayton Finkbonner is supervising a \$12.5M project that will replace the current Lummi Casino with a larger casino, hotel and bingo hall.

**1974** - Oak Harbor native Mark Haddock is the new curriculum and instruction director for the University Place School District. Previously, he was the principal at Garfield Elementary School in Olympia.

**1975** - Catharine Herbold is the executive director of the Bellingham Festival of Music... Navy Lt. Kerry L. Kaino received a Meritorious Mast, an official recognition from a commanding officer for superior individual performance, while assigned to the Naval Station Puget Sound, Seattle... The Institute

of Certified Management Accounts in Montvale, NJ, announced that Ed Barkley is now a Certified Management Accountant... Leon Long is the Adams County Auditor and lives in Othello with his wife and children.

**1976** - Imperial Holly Corporation announced that Kathryn Hoban joined the company as a regional sales manager, at its sugarbeet processing factory in Tracy, CA.



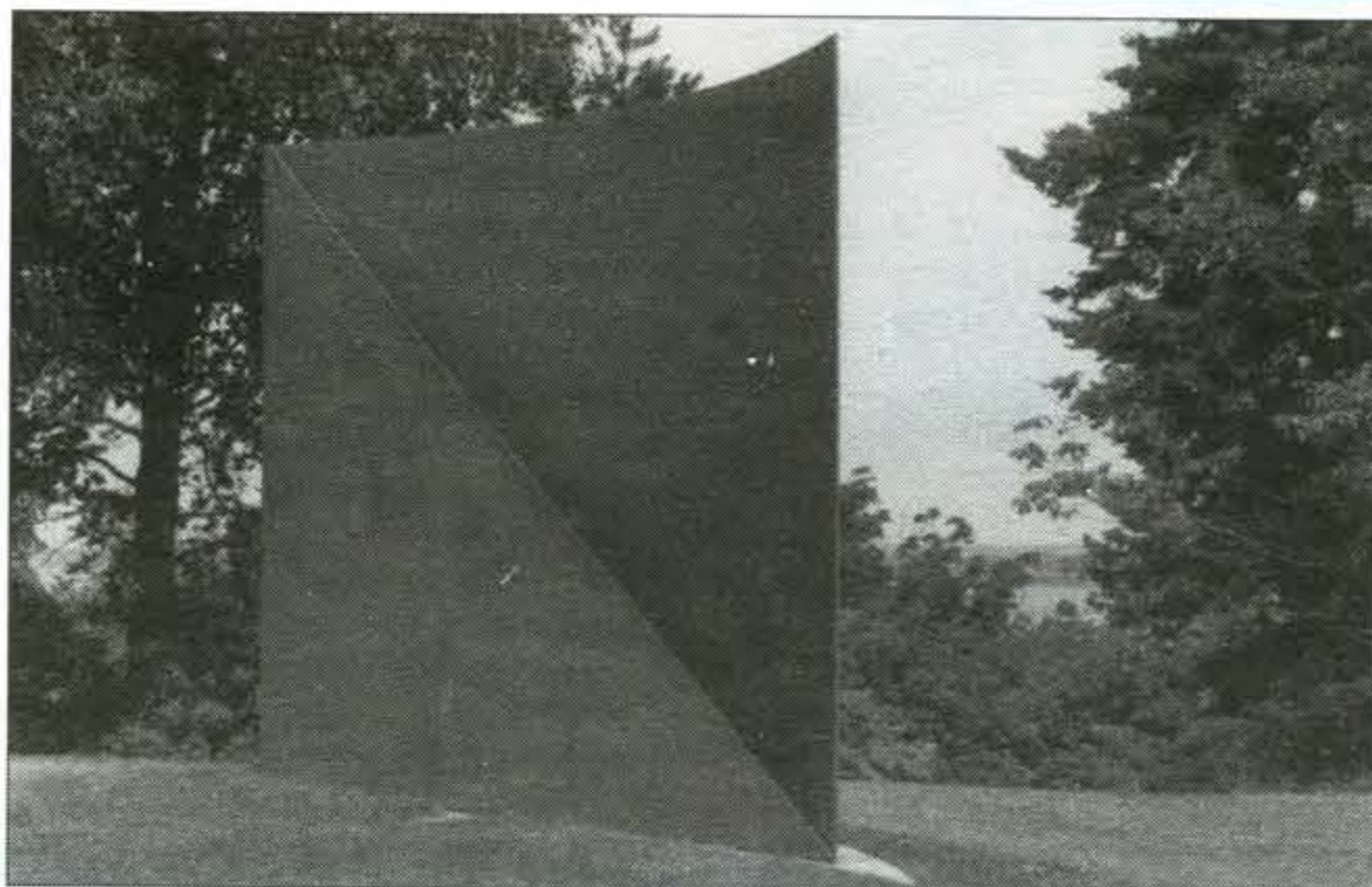
Kathryn Hoban

**1977** - Michelle Aguilar is the co-owner of The Indian Way, a gallery specializing in artwork by native peoples. For the past eight years, Aguilar had been the executive director of the Governor's Office of Indian Affairs... Richard Rigby is the coordinator for Gallery Gachet, a unique gallery and studio space for artists who are consumers of mental health services and/or survivors of abuse.

**1978** - SAFECO of Seattle has named Leslie Eggerling its new assistant vice president. She lives in Bothell with her husband and three sons.

**1979** - Anne Gordon is owner and trainer of Anne's Animal Actors of Bothell. Her animal actors have appeared in movies such as "A River Runs Through It," "Surviving the Game" and "The Yearling," as well as the TV show "Northern Exposure."

**1980** - Steve Muller has been named manager of the Everett branch of The Prudential Preferred Properties... Rev. Sherman Gordius is the new pastor for Our Savior's



"Curve/Diagonal" by Robert Maki.

Photo by Art on File, Seattle

Lutheran Church in Raymond and First Lutheran Church in South Bend. He lives in Raymond with his wife, Vicki, and daughter, Jessica Ann... Navy Chief Warrant Officer Rodger A. Sitko was promoted to his present rank while serving at Naval Air Reserve, Naval Air Station Whidbey Island, Oak Harbor.

**1981** - William Crawford and his wife, Lori, own and operate Harbor Pictures, a video production company specializing in business and educational productions. They reside in Indianapolis, IN, with their four-year-old daughter, Sara... Skagit Valley native Kim Pflapson has been hired by the Sedro-Woolley School Board as the district's new business manager... Lane, Powell, Spears, Lubersky welcomes new attorney, Brad E. Ambarian... Shelly Weisberg is the head of the Greenways Citizens Advisory Committee in Bellingham... Mark Fiege received his doctorate in history from the University of Utah and is an assistant professor at Colorado State University, teaching Western U.S. and environmental history.

**1982** - Robin C. Russell, vice president and trust officer for the Bank of California in Seattle has been promoted to the position of personal trust senior sales representative. Russell has been with the bank for 10 years... Roberta



Robin C. Russell

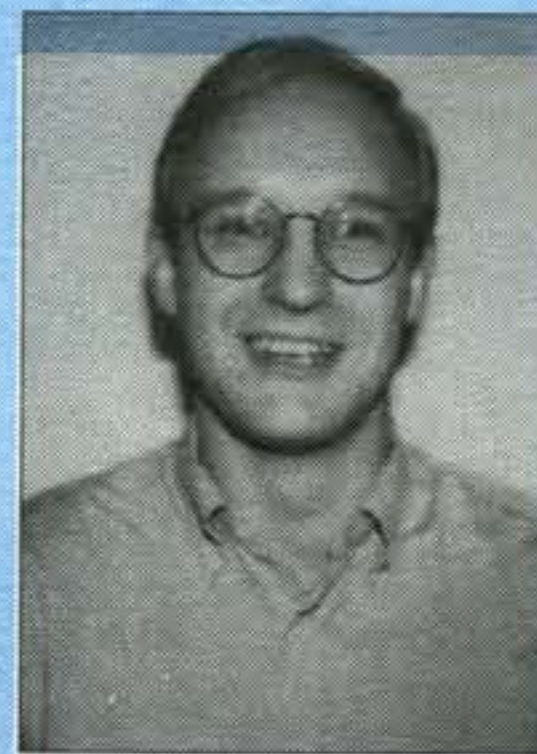
Riley has become a partner of the Seattle law firm Keller Rohrback... Scott J. Schumacher is manager of the Lacey office of Washington Federal Savings... Sandi Hain has been named branch manager for Horizon Bank in Edmonds... The Trust for Public Land, a national, nonprofit land conservation organization in New Jersey, has named Theresa Fowler one of nine new board members on the statewide Barnegat Bay Environmental Grant Fund Advisory Board.

**1983** - Sheri Marr is marketing Director for Coquitlam Centre in British Columbia. Under Marr's art direction, the Coquitlam Centre was the recipient of three first-place awards and two merit awards in the Newspaper Advertising Best of Year competition - 1994.

## Political science graduate wins Cambridge fellowship

John Charles Schencking ('92), presently at the University of Hawaii, has received a three-year all-expenses-paid fellowship to study Japanese history at Cambridge University in England.

This prestigious fellowship, funded by the Japanese firm of Yasuda Trust & Banking, was awarded based on Schencking's dissertation proposal. His doctoral dissertation topic is the rivalry of Japan's army and navy and the influence on domestic and international politics from 1905 to 1920.



Schencking said that Western built a strong foundation for his studies at the University of Hawaii and now for his move to Cambridge in September.

"I really appreciated the support of Western's history and foreign language departments and the reference department of Wilson Library, as well as Professor David Ziegler of the political science department," Schencking said by phone from Hawaii. "Western was a great institution for me. I would like to go back and teach there one day. I guess you can take the person out of Western, but not Western out of the person," he said.

**1984** - The Siefkes Group, a public relations firm in Issaquah, has hired Dan Ramsay as an account executive... Dean Driskell, associate director of publications design, has been honored by Pacific Lutheran University as one of four outstanding employees... April Weed, a public accountant with the Bellingham accounting firm Moss Adams, recently was promoted to audit department supervisor.

**1985** - Julia Barello teaches metal-smithing at New Mexico State University in a tenure-track position... Thomas E. LaGrandeur received his doctorate in Cellular/Molecular Biology from Indiana University and is conducting a three-year post-doctoral research project in Tucson, AZ.

# Tributes

**1987** - Lisa Potter, a former Chicago Title sales rep, has moved to Real Estate Exchange Inc., a Chicago Title affiliate, as an account representative based in Tacoma... Kevin Quantrell of Wapato is now an ordained minister and serves at Tieton Baptist Church. He is also deputy chief of the Wapato Volunteer Fire Department.

**1988** - Susan Fleming, former Bellingham-area director for Special Olympics, has taken a job with the Montesano Chamber of Commerce.... Dawn Daugherty, hired by Naval Undersea Warfare Center in Keyport in 1990, is producing training and marketing videos for the Department of Defense... Ron and Tracy (Leyritz) Bundy announce the November 1994 birth of their daughter, Sarah Jo Bundy.

**1989** - David Ripp has been hired as port manager in Woodland, WA, moving from Modesto, CA... David E. Adams has been awarded a Fulbright grant to conduct research in Turkey studying the country's modern history... Michelle A. Hauser recently reported for duty at the Naval Station Puget Sound in Seattle with the Inspector-Instructor Staff... Navy Lt. Jay R. Vannice, who recently returned from a six-month deployment to the Western Pacific Ocean, is now on duty at the Naval Air Station in Miramar, CA.

**1990** - Lt. Fridrik Fridriksson recently graduated from The Basic School which prepares newly-commissioned officers for assignment to the Fleet Marine Force... Navy Seaman Recruit Edward C. Turkovich recently completed U.S. Navy basic training at Recruit Training Command, Great Lakes, Ill... Laura Hayes is a deputy prosecutor in the Whatcom County Prosecuting Attorney's Office.

**1991** - Jeff Sadighi has purchased the Top of the Towers restaurant in Bellingham... Melissa Young is Outside Classified Salesperson of the Year at *The Bellingham Herald*... Jill Gross is owner of The Little Gym in Bellingham.

**1992** - Ferndale High School teacher Mary Kanikeberg was featured as "My Favorite Teacher" in *The Bellingham Herald*... Karen Gebhardt is *The Bellingham Herald's* Inside Classified Salesperson of the Year.

**1993** - Lt. Jeffrey D. Lee recently graduated from The Basic School, preparing for assignment to the Fleet Marine Force... Kimberly Schmidt has been named operations coordinator for Micropath's microcomputer inventory group in Bellevue... Vicky Stump has joined the Bellingham accounting office of Metcalf, Hodges & Co. as a staff accountant... Colin Wilcox is a copy editor for the Kitsap Newspaper Group... Sue Ten Kley is the new regional recruiting manager at the Bellingham office of MCE Technical Services.

**1994** - Moss Adams, CPAs, of Bellingham, has appointed three new staff accountants: Chris Kradjan in accounting services, Scott Davison in the audit department and Todd Wong ('88, '94) in the tax department... Karin Kratzig Burn has been hired by the certified accounting firm of Larson Gross... Nicci Noteboom is assistant editor of the new, four-color *Washington* magazine. She also is a contributor to *Washington CEO*... Ellensburg High School announced that Mark Carlsen is the new head coach of the volleyball team... Guy Bergstrom has joined the *Pierce County Herald* as a reporter.

## We want to hear from you!

Send submissions of photos and copy for Class Notes to Western Washington University Alumni Association, Bellingham, WA 98225-9199.

## Faculty

### Thomas Billings

Thomas Billings, a retired professor of educational foundations in Woodring College of Education, died at the age of 66 on May 27 at his Everson farm.



A native of Oregon, Billings received his Ph.D. in philosophy from the University of Oregon and taught at Sacramento State before coming to Western in 1964. While at Western, he was director of Project Overcome, a Bellingham community action project through the Office of Economic Opportunity (1965-67) He moved to Washington, D.C., to become national director of the Upward Bound program (1967-68), then returned to the Western faculty where he served until August 1993.

In 1971, graduating seniors selected him outstanding teacher in the education department.

### Eunice Faber

Professor Emeritus of Foreign Languages Eunice Faber died June 3 in Bellingham. She was 81.



Born in Washington, D.C., Faber received her A.B. in 1934 from Howard University. Her M.A. and Ph.D. degrees were from Catholic University in 1944 and 1967 respectively. She joined Western's faculty in 1959, teaching Spanish and French until her 1982 retirement, although she returned to teach part-time two quarters in 1984.

She is survived by her husband, Bent Faber, a staff member in administrative computing. A memorial scholarship has been established in her name through the Western Foundation.

### Jiri "Joe" Veit

Jiri "Joe" Veit, professor of physics, died March 17 at his Bellingham home. He was 60.

Born in Prague, Czechoslovakia, he fled to England as a teenager. He received his Ph.D. from the University of London and worked at the University of British Columbia before coming to Western in 1963.

## Western Friends

### Frank C. "Jim" Brooks

Frank C. "Jim" Brooks, a Whatcom County business and community leader and long-time supporter of Western, died Feb. 7 at his daughter's home in Bellingham. He was 75.

Owner of Brooks Manufacturing Co. in Bellingham, he founded the Frank Carver Brooks Scholarship Fund at Western. He also served on the board of many Whatcom County organizations, including United Good Neighbors, March of Dimes, Boy Scouts of America, and the Mount Baker Council.

### Thomas Horn

Thomas Horn, Bellingham entrepreneur and philanthropist, died March 20 in his sleep at the Leopold, his home for more than 60 years. He celebrated his 101st birthday on Feb. 8.

At his 100th birthday party attended by 200 guests, Horn donated \$50,000 to start the Martina and Thomas Horn Scholarship Fund at Western. Martina, his wife of 40 years, died in 1958.

For his 101st birthday, he gave Western another \$50,000 for scholarship funds. The money helps Bellingham and Whatcom county students who otherwise wouldn't be able to go to college.

## Alumni

### Francis Biery Fegley

Bellingham banker Francis Biery Fegley ('32) passed away March 13 at the age of 83. He lived his entire life in Whatcom County and retired as assistant manager of the Bellingham branch of Seafirst Bank in 1973. He was married to his wife, Ethel, for 56 years, and both were active in many choirs, including the St. James Presbyterian Church choir.

### Alice D. Molenkamp

Alice D. Molenkamp ('40), retired Portland educator, died of brain cancer on February 14. During her extensive academic career, she served as art teacher and elementary school principal for Portland Public Schools and held faculty positions at Columbia University, University of Vermont and New York State University. She was also assistant superintendent of curriculum in White Plains, NY, and director for undergraduate and graduate programs at Nazareth College in New York. Remembrances may be made to the WWU Alumni Scholarship Fund.

### Helen Mooers

Longtime Davenport school teacher Helen Mooers died September 6 at age 80 and was buried in Odessa. Mooers graduated from WWCE in 1951 and taught school in South Dakota, Alaska, Texas and Washington. She traveled extensively in the U.S. and abroad. She is survived by her four children.

### Carol Virginia Batdorf

Former YMCA program coordinator Carol Virginia Batdorf ('54, '62) passed away February 7 in Bellingham at the age of 75. During WWII, Batdorf served in U.S. Naval Intelligence. She taught for Western's continuing education department, but her passion was Northwest Indian art. Some of her artistic efforts are displayed at Lake Tennant Park in Ferndale and in the Intalco Aluminum Corp. totem logo.

### Eugene Hugh Friese

Eugene Hugh Friese ('55), "The Grand Teddy," died March 10 after a long battle with cancer. He began his career as a language arts teacher at Sylvester Junior High and later held positions at Riverton, Sunset and Seahurst in the Highline School District. In 1974, he became director of instructional resources, retiring in 1985. Upon his retirement, Friese created a storytelling business called The Teddy Bear Club, where he'd bring a toy teddy bear and tell stories at local schools and libraries.

### James W. Addicott

James W. Addicott ('60), of Salinas, CA, died of cancer January 8. He was a lecturer, author and business consultant, as well as founder and president of a pension administration corporation. He was involved with employee benefits programs for more than 20 years. Addicott's books included "Securing Your Future," "Retirement Systems in the United States" and "You and the Financial Arena." He is survived by his wife, Jan, and son, Leslie.

### Camille Ray

Camille Ray ('90) died at age 27 on January 17 as the result of an auto accident in Portland, OR. After she graduated from WWU, she lived in Hawaii for the past one and a half years. She enjoyed riding horses, surfing, snowboarding and was an avid traveler.



# Calendar

## September

- 8 First annual WWU Alumni Association Golf Tournament at Shuksan Golf Course, one of Whatcom County's newest and most challenging courses. For information: 1-800-676-6885.
- 21 "Celebrating Learning At Western": a series of faculty presentations about innovations in teaching and learning. Free. Call: (360) 650-3483.
- 23-28 1995 Fall WWU Alumni Annual Cruise. Information: 1-800-676-6885.
- 28 WWU Extended Programs sponsors a Jennifer James presentation, "Thinking in the Future Tense" at the Bellingham Best Western Lakeway Inn. Information: (360) 650-6854.

## October

- 2 Technical Writing/Communications Certificate Program begins, through WWU Extended Programs. Information: (360) 650-6854.
- 20 The Performing Arts Center Series presents the Guarneri String Quartet, 8 p.m., Performing Arts Center. Call: (360) 650-6146.
- 20-21 Homecoming '95, Game, Salmon barbecue. Call: 1-800-676-6885.

## November

- 7 The Performing Arts Center Series presents the Baltimore Consort, 8 p.m., Performing Arts Center. Information: (360) 650-6146.
- 11 Fall Family Open House.
- 14 Turning Points-Faculty Speaker Series presents Dr. Thomas Schlotterback's talk on "The Once and Eternal Virgin Goddess Athena Parthenos (or Big Mama's Back and She's Bad)" at 5:30 p.m., Old Main Theatre. Free. Information: (360) 650-2829.

## December

- 2 The Performing Arts Center Series presents the Spectrum Dance Theatre, 8 p.m., Performing Arts Center. Call: (360) 650-6146.

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