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Running, 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; 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 academic 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 goldfish and taking them out late each fall. "I've become quite an expert on goldfish," 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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PUGET POWER DONATES ELECTRIC CAR TO WESTERN
Western will be in the Mount Rainier League with Central Washington, Linfield, Pacific Lutheran, UPS, Whitworth and Willamette.

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 preseason 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.

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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 recharge 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 2.2 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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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 postdoctoral 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 at Massed University for her sabbatical, winter quarter 1995.

Amanda Eurchik 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.

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, 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 students. The All-Card has a magnetic strip and a photo. It also functions as a meal card and copy card.
Viking vehicles triumph nationally

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, surpassed 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.

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 graduates 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.

Student's high-flying invention considered for Academy Award

Erical 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.

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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 a game.

"Shut-Out" Central at the football game.

At other places, "people can get a B.A. and never find their own 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."

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. For more than 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 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 mailbox.

"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 teach. 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 visual 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 Jonathon 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."

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
Home Economics grads reunite

"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.

During the cruise, Life Member Jeff Franklin ('90), was asked "what made you join as a Life Member?" Being a president 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 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 stall 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.
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 resume 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 ('98) 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 Huftield ('69), Jon Sitkin ('84), and Robin Russell ('82).

Four board members ended six-year terms on the board: Gary Grins ('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, Catherine 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 1-800-676-6883 or 650-3353 and ask for Kristie Lundstrom.

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 graduates 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 sons' played the Minnesota Timber­ wolves.

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 resume. Keep the communication coming. We would appreciate your ideas for alumni features.
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 embazoned 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 Edwards 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-leaved splendor between Haggard Hall and Wilson Library. This tree is one of 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 off-shoot 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 alders, 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, kinnikinik and lady ferns nestle beneath the trees.

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 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 Walsh 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: Amtzen Hall, Parks Hall, the Chemistry Building, Biology Building and the Ross Engineering Technology Building.
Kaiser named foundation president

Bellingham 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 who serve 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 Pederson, investment executive with the Bellevue investment 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 Lynden; 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.

Washington newspapers support journalism computer lab

Journalism 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 newswriting, 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.

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 Mattes....$5,000 in support for the Western Design Center from Zelco Industries....$59,700 in the Estate of Robert W. Wagoner for an endowed professor 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 support for annual scholarships from Charles and June Ross....$8,000 in 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 Miriam Crellin....$15,000 from the Mark and Blanchie Harrington Foundation to support CBE activities....$35,000 in scholarship support from Marriott Food Services to celebrate the company’s 50th Anniversary with Western....$50,000 from Wilder Construction to initiate a distinguished professorship benefiting Husky 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 Yokorton....$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 The Boeing Co....$100,000 from Gordon and Alice Fraser to fund a unitrust....$15,000 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 Kathring to support the Katie Keller Scholarship....$5,000 to support the Vet Memorial Scholarship from Jim and Candace Doud....$10,337 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 support 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 $23,000 for the Vehicle Research Institute (VRI) from The Boeing Co....$5,000 from People’s State Bank to fund an endowed scholarship....$5,000 to support a new Chemistry Dept. program from the M.J. Murdock Charitable Trust....$72,000 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 fund the Venice Creek program, an electric fuel facet from Puget Sound Power and Light Co. valued at $17,685 for the VRI....$10,000 to support the Viking Golf Tournament from Haggen Foods....scientific journals from SBE valued at $18,854 for the college biology lab....$8,000 to the American Association of University Women....$15,000 from Ernst Gayden to fund the Husky College Lecture Series....$10,000 from Bent Faber to create the Runkle Faber Endowment....$10,000 from Margi Loser and $10,000 from Frances Frazier to fund the Double Eagle Scholarship Endowment.
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 choice. For those of the Pacific Rim. 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.

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 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."
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 more senior faculty position in the Sociological 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 Puget Sound reservation, is a graduate of the University of Puget Sound Law School and a Blackfeet Nation tribe member. She has worked for the past five years as a 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 nomination 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 Bumbershoot rock music this summer 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 Athletes All-American honors by placing among the top six at the national championships.

Dec Balderson (Sr., Kennewick)

Three named basketball All-Americans

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

- Doyal led the 16-12 men's squad with a 17.8 scoring average.
- Sampson averaged 16.6 points per game and ranked fifth in the West Region in scoring defense (12.5 avg.).
- Women's center Gina Sampson (Jr., Kirkland/Redmond) was sixth in the nation in scoring defense (12.5 avg.) and league all-defense honors as did Kale Dyer (Jr., Everett/Cascade).

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 Walmire (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).

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. Hudson Peter Myers (Sr., Yakima/West Valley) finished second in the women's heptathalon with 4,359 points, a school-record toss in the discus with a school-record toss of 133 feet, 3 inches.

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.

The Viking football team placed third and the Viking basketball team all-league picks.

Nancy Waltmire (So., Snohomish), who tied for the women's open-eight, and Mary Johnson (Jr., Bayside Cafe/Western Washington University), who cleaned the boards with a plus 21.0 average in rebounding, are The Marina Restaurant & Bayside Cafe/Western Washington University Female Athletes of the Year.

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- 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 clipped.

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., Indiana/North Kitsap) was sixth in the heptathalon 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 boasts the great- est 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 Scandina- vian gillnetters at the river's mouth. Ephemra'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 ne- cessities 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 micromosis it

tells the story of American civilization itself, our proudest achieve- ments 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 vari- ety 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-surfing sails 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 big- gest collection of radioactive waste, a former nuclear weapons complex where one of the high school foot- ball teams is called the Bombers. In its scenery and modification, the Columbia is a river of jarring contrast, like some kind of object les- son laid down by God and man.

And the Mississippi, I suspect, will always remain in the American imagi- nation 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 past 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 Ameri- can Century, come to the Columbia.

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OFF THE SHELF

Western's faculty and alumni continue to produce a flurry of books. From nationally-used college texts to inspired novels and col- lections of poetry, Western's bookshelf in- cludes the following new releases:


Eileen Coughlin, vice president for student affairs/dean of academic sup- port services, recently edited "Suc- cessful 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.


Western alumna Sheena Ashdown, a 1977 English graduate, together with her husband Dale Hamilton, has 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 ful- filling life is published by the couple's company, Gibbons Publishing.

Noted dancer, choreographer, and Western theatre arts faculty member Nolan Dennett has published his first novel, "A Place of Shelter." Nom- inated 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 mas- ters local Native American spiritual and medical practices."

Award-winning author and associate professor of English Omar Castafieda 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 Castafieda's native Guate- mala. Publisher's Weekly notes, "This rewarding, multifaceted story will in- form, teach and entertain."

"The Tree in the Ancient Forest," writ- ten by Carol (Hall) Reed-Jones (83), a graduate student in music history, teaches children about the interde- pendence of plants and animals in nature.

1962 - Dave Page is owner and cobbler of a small storefront shop that is known around the globe as The Place for repairs, refinishing 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 Littig 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 R. Johnston is the new administrative officer for the News- paper Group, 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 commentary 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.

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

1979 - 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 Gatchel, a unique gallery and studio space for artists who are consumers of mental health services and/or survivors of abuse.

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... Shelly Hays, president of the New inaugural Obama Report, has received a $12.5 million project that will replace the current Lummi Casino with a larger casino, hotel and bingo hall.

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 Riley has become a partner of the Seattle law firm Retherford & Schumacher... Scott J. Schumacher is manager of the Career 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... Imperial of Seattle has named Leslie Eggirling its new assistant vice president... She lives in Bothell with her husband and three sons.

1984 - The Bellingham Herald has named Jean Darby as the editor of the Bellingham Herald of the Bellingham Technical College..."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 built a strong foundation for my studies at the University of Hawaii and now for his move to Cambridge in September."

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

For tickets, call (360) 650-6146.

Western Gallery hours:
Monday through Friday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Saturday, noon to 4 p.m. Audiophone tours available for Outdoor Sculpture Collection. Call (360) 650-3963.