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Dean Smith Serves on Governor’s Panel

On September 18, 2002, Governor Gary Locke signed the Executive Order on Sustainability for the State of Washington.

Press Conference on the Executive Order for Sustainability with Governor Locke; Sue Mecklenburg, Vice President of Starbucks Coffee Company; Brad Smith; and Constance Rice, Executive Director of the Desmond Tutu Peace Foundation, September 18, 2002

Governor Locke opening the first meeting of the Sustainable Washington Advisory Panel with Co-Chairs Constance Rice and Brad Smith, September 18, 2002

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Western Foundation will be conducting the annual Huxley Phonathon on February 18, 2003. This is a great way for Alumni to support Huxley’s good work.
Message from the Dean by Brad Smith

As 2003 gets under way the words most often heard throughout Washington universities is that of budget cuts. There is little doubt that Western and therefore Huxley will be impacted by the state’s massive $2.4 billion budget shortfall. While the overall budget horizon may not be the brightest, Huxley is well-positioned to face the challenges of 2003. The good news is that enrollment continues to be very strong with a growing number of out-of-state and international students. Currently, we are in the process of hiring two new faculty members and the number of grants coming to Huxley also continues to grow.

The real challenge facing both Huxley and Western is the ever-increasing cost of a higher education. As state funding decreases, institutions of higher education are forced to raise tuition. This spiral effect means that access to a higher education becomes a little more difficult for many students each year. A difficult part of my position is meeting with excellent prospective students and their families — and seeing the excitement in their eyes about attending Huxley often turn to tears when they learn we have no remaining scholarships or other means of financial assistance. Unfortunately, I see no quick fix to these problems in the near term. Your continued support of Huxley’s students is needed now more than ever.

Returning to more upbeat news, Huxley is represented on the Executive Board of the newly-created Council for Environmental Deans and Directors. This national organization of some 100 colleges and universities will provide a strong united voice for increased NSF and other federal funding for environmental programs. As you will read on the following pages, Huxley’s international initiatives continue to expand. We now have active exchange programs with Holland, Russia, Japan and China. Such international exposure benefits both student and faculty perspectives in our ever-shrinking world. With each succeeding graduating class it is our goal to insure that a Huxley education will also be known for its international preparation.

Please let me know your thoughts. Give me a call (360-650-3521) or email brad.smith@wwu.edu. I would welcome the opportunity of hearing from you. I hope you enjoy the following pages about your college.
News

Huxley In Leading Role in Worldwide Metropolitan Growth Management Project

Brad Smith and Robert Tibbs, as representatives of Huxley College, have been invited to be the lead North American partner in a new project on global urbanization initiated by the Alterra Research Institute of Holland's Wageningen University. The “Metropolitan Delta” project will investigate specific challenges and seek interdisciplinary solutions for regional landscape and strategic planning in fast-growing Metropolitan Delta areas around the world. The project is to be publicly launched at a July 2003 land-use conference in Australia. Huxley College will be coordinating the participation of the University of Washington and the University of British Columbia in conjunction with the non-profit Cascadia Pacific Center of Bellingham.

PHONATHON

On February 18, 2003, the Phonathon callers will be asking for alumni support. This is where you, as Alumni, can help our College grow and continue to be the best environmental college on the planet! When called, you will have the opportunity to choose an area in which to offer support. Choices include: 1) Graduate Assistantships, 2) International Initiatives, and 3) Undergraduate Scholarships. Thanks for your continued support of Huxley College.

Planet Magazine

The Planet is Huxley’s quarterly student magazine. Founded by students in 1979, it is the central element of Huxley College's undergraduate environmental journalism curriculum. The magazine is dedicated to environmental advocacy and awareness through responsible journalism. The Planet was recently recognized as one of the top eight college magazines in the U.S.

About the Planet...

“The reporting shows an incredible depth and range — so much so that one wonders how these students manage to do anything else. The visuals are arresting and powerful. The writing is nearly always thought-provoking and is often quite moving. This is knock-your-socks off stuff.”

- Dr. Carol Kaesuk Yoon, New York Times science writer

Huxley Involved in Marine Science Conference

The 2003 Georgia Basin/Puget Sound Research (GB/PS) Conference, organized by the Puget Sound Water Quality Action Team and the Georgia Basin Ecosystem Initiative will be held in Vancouver, B.C., from March 31 to April 3, 2003. This international conference will be attended by scientists, natural resource managers, educators and community members from both sides of the border representing a wide array of disciplines. The participants will share results and information on important issues and significant work currently underway in the shared GB/PS ecosystems. This
year’s theme is “Applying Science and Information to Sustainability in a Shared Transboundary Ecosystem.” Sponsors of the conference include the Government of Canada, the U.S. E.P.A., and various educational and corporate enterprises. Brad Smith assisted in the conference as a member of the Advisory Committee. Huxley sponsors students to attend the conference; a number of Huxley students have been accepted to present posters. Alicia Marrs, senior Environmental Policy major at Huxley, is the co-coordinator of student participation.

Environmental Studies: A Scientific Approach

The success of the Huxley Core Class, “Explorations in Environmental Studies,” can be contributed to the effort of addressing local environmental issues through the lens of both environmental policy and science. Drawing on the strengths of the Department of Environmental Sciences and the Department of Environmental Studies, students explore the issues surrounding Bellingham Bay in many different lights: as a geographer, policy analyst, planner, marine biologist, and ecologist. The instructors of the course this quarter, Drs. Grace Wang and John Rybczyk, encapsulate this blending of science and policy. Dr. Wang brings to the class a background in forest policy and Dr. Rybczyk brings a background of wetland science. Huxley tries to emulate decision-making processes that students will encounter as environmental professionals as they enter the workforce. Learning to work both in environmental policy and environmental science is one important skill that students take with them as they embark on their careers.

The Core Class is exploring the Bellingham Bay as a case study this year. Drawing on a wide range of environmental faculty as well as community expertise, the students are exposed to many different facets of the Bay. In fact, during their first week in class, the students are able to explore Bellingham Bay by sailing on the “Snowgoose,” an educational sea vessel that provides students with first-hand knowledge of the local environment. Dr. Bert Webber, local marine and restoration expert and faculty member at Huxley College, provides the students with a close-up look at the issues surrounding Bellingham Bay. The students also were able to learn from local historian, Richard Vanderway, of the Whatcom Museum and local tribal member, Lenny Dixon, of the Lummi Nation.

Enrollment

Huxley College maintains solid enrollment numbers and a strong interdisciplinary nature by attracting a diverse range of students from five countries and 18 states, including transfer students from WWU and Washington’s Community Colleges.
HUXLEY'S LINK TO THE WWU FOUNDATION

For some months now, Huxley College of the Environment has enjoyed a direct link to the WWU Foundation through Director Amanda Haralson, who was hired in 2002 to serve as the Foundation's Director of Development for the Sciences, including Huxley College of the Environment and Shannon Point Marine Center. Amanda interfaces with individual donors, corporations, and foundations to assist in connecting their interests with the funding needs of the university and to find strategies that will maximize the impact of their contributions. She is part of an energetic Foundation team who work collaboratively to enhance individual departments and the university, as well as donors, students, faculty, staff and alumni.

Amanda has more than 20 years’ experience as a philanthropic fundraiser, including positions as Director of Development for the New Mexico Environmental Law Center and Executive Director of the Texas Association of Museums. Amanda’s enthusiasm is evident in her statement that:

"Given WWU’s reputation for excellence, the need for environmental science and for policy makers who are grounded in that science, combined with the shrinking public sector budget, it’s an exciting and important time to be fundraising for the sciences at Western. Huxley enjoys a national, in some instances an international, reputation and is noted for producing outstanding graduates. Our challenge is to parlay this reputation into greater support from individuals, foundations, and businesses to provide student scholarships, undergraduate research stipends, and support for student excellence to enable Huxley students to participate in regional and national competitions."

Amanda works closely with Dean Brad Smith and Huxley College members to build relationships with alumni and with businesses, agencies, and with corporations that employ Huxley graduates. She also collaborates with the Whatcom Land Trust and the Whatcom County Parks and Recreation Department to complete WWU’s fundraising role to finish the trail system at Canyon Lake Creek Community Forest.

Amanda Haralson can be reached by phone at 360-650-6542, by e-mail at Amanda.Haralson@wwu.edu or by mail at the Western Washington University Foundation, 516 High Street, MS 9034, Bellingham, WA 98225-9034.
Local Connections - Interdisciplinary Partnerships

North Cascades Institute (NCI)

Huxley’s partnership with the North Cascades Institute continues to grow. Huxley’s cooperative Masters in Environmental Education program is going very well. The first six students will graduate in March 2003, while the second group of students began classes in June of last year. Students are attracted to this program from all over the United States by the unusual combination of a nonprofit organization like NCI and the uniqueness of Huxley. The fact that much of their work is done in the North Cascades National Park Complex is an additional draw for many students.

The North Cascades Environmental Learning Center facility will house 45 students as well as the graduate students and Institute staff. Located on Diablo Lake, its "classrooms" include more than 2.5 million acres of wilderness. The Center is a collaborative project involving the National Park Service, Seattle City Light, and the North Cascades Institute. Huxley is delighted to be partners in this path-breaking project.

In an attempt to plant the seed of place-based environmental education (the NCI approach) in British Columbia, Huxley has received a generous fellowship to support one or more Canadian students in the Masters program. The grantor was the Skagit Environmental Endowment Commission and the endowment will be administered by the North Cascades Institute.

TENRM Program Update

The Tribal Environmental and Natural Resources Management (TENRM) program is an interdisciplinary, integrated environmental study program between Huxley and Northwest Indian College. It is based on community learning with Native American values integrated into the curriculum, and focused on tribal management of freshwater and marine resources. Grants with the National Science Foundation to sustain the program are in review and include an emphasis on conservation biology. The Northwest Indian College chapter of AISES was recently named Outstanding National Chapter of the year! Gigi Berardi and Lynn Robbins were acknowledged for their contributions to science education at the College—and, the recent awarding of the national recognition.
International Connections - Around the Globe

Dean Brad Smith, standing next to Jim Talbot of Seattle, with international colleagues at Far Eastern State University, Vladivostok, Russia. They met in January 2002 to discuss continuing collaboration with Huxley College.

Huxley’s Latest International Connection

An Agreement (signed in December 2002) between Huxley College, W.W.U., and Wageningen University (The Netherlands) provides for the exchange of undergraduate and graduate students between the two universities.

"Thank you for your kindness that we had a good time at the Huxley College, and you've been a great help for us. Although it was so short time, it is a long memory. It is a times of rich and colorful in Huxley College. We are also hope that have a chance of come here again. Welcome you to Capital Normal University where you will always is a welcome guest. Too many thanks to you and your outstanding Huxley College!"

-Huili Gong and Changdi Shi

Visiting Professors to Huxley from Japan and China
Winter and Fall Quarters 2002

Dr. Hiroshi Maruyama (1 to r), Dr. Catherine Barnhart, Provost Andrew Bodman, Dean Brad Smith, Dr. Huili Gong, Mr. Changdi Shi
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Huxley faculty continues to be diverse in their interests and research, prolific in their publications and involved with their community and students. We have included web sites for further information about their projects, publications and classes. Also, see http://www.ac.wwu.edu/~huxley/facstaffdirectory.html for more information about our Faculty as well as a listing of Adjunct and Affiliated Faculty.

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Andrew Bach—teaches Climatology, Map Reading and Analysis, Computer Cartography, Water Resources, Geography of Soils, The Pacific Northwest, and Climate and Biophysical Processes. Andy helped three graduate students finish their research projects in 2001-02: Robin Switzer (Effects of Mowing Spartina alterniflora to Enhance Overwintering Success of Biocontrol Agent Prokelisia marginata in Willapa Bay, Washington, US), Tara Burke (The Socio-Economic Effects of the Carlyon Beach/Hunter Point Landslide) and Nancy West (Suicide and Place: A Spatial Analysis of Suicide in the United States). He had an article published in the Geographic Review on Hydrologic Impact of Glacier on the Nooksack River. He continues to investigate land use changes impacting salmon habitat at Lake Ozette and the origin and evolution of the Ozette Prairies with a hoard of students.

Gigi Berardi—is Huxley’s Chair of Environmental Studies. She teaches classes in Human Ecology, Research and Writing Methods in Geography, Natural Resources Management, and Agroecology and Sustainable Development. With Lynn Robbins, she is an advisor to the Tribal Environmental and Natural Resources Management Program (TENRM), a Huxley College and Northwest Indian College project. This past year, she has published in Ethics, Place, Environment, Society and Natural Resources and American Indian Journal of Culture and Research. She currently is editing a series of articles on the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act, and the cultural lenses used in natural resources management. In April 2002, she worked in the remote village of Bethel, Alaska, looking at dance and language as a form of natural resources management.

Brian L. Bingham—teaches marine science courses and a graduate course in experimental design. He administers the National Science Foundation-funded Minorities in Marine Science Undergraduate Program (MIMSUP) and recently received funding ($860,000) to continue the program through 2008 (continuously funded since 1990). The program has allowed many students from other institutions to study at Western Washington University and is helping spread the word about our unique students, faculty and programs in Huxley College. Check out the webpage at http://www.wwu.edu/~mimsup. Brian is working with Gisele Muller-Parker in the Biology Department to expand the Marine and Estuarine Science graduate program. This program brings together resources from Huxley College, the Biology Department and the Shannon Point Marine Center to provide graduate students with a unique opportunity to study marine habitats in the Puget Sound and around the world. The program is attracting outstanding graduate students whose work is contributing to our understanding of marine and estuarine environments. In his own lab, Brian and his students are studying how our changing environment affects marine organisms. His most recent works focus on the effects of UV light on dispersal and survival of invertebrate larvae. The results suggest that species may be very sensitive to UV light, suggesting that changes in intensity could have important consequences for marine communities.

The National Science Foundation has refunded the MIMSUP Program (Brian Bingham) for 5 additional years ($860,000). This program is considered a model program for outreach to underrepresented groups. This renewal of funding will total 18 years of continuous years of funding for the MIMSUP program.

Leo Bodensteiner—teaches courses in environmental pollution fundamentals of ecology, limnology, stream ecology and environmental biology of fishes. Research interests include lotic ecology and aquatic habitat restoration, environmental tolerance of aquatic organisms, freshwater fisheries management and aquaculture. Leo’s recent projects include 1) Application of a multiple stressor framework to discriminate anthropogenic impacts to aquatic biological communities. 2) The application of the ABC Resource Survey Method, GIS and Integrated Multimedia Approach to Sensitive Shoreline Designation of the Winnebago Pool Lakes, Wisconsin.

Scott Brennan—teaches Environmental Science 101 and a variety of Environmental Studies courses. He is faculty adviser to Huxley’s rapidly growing Environmental Journalism program. Scott also advises The Planet Magazine, which was recently recognized as one of the top eight college magazines in the U.S! The Planet has recently added an online radio station in partnership with Seattle’s KPLU at http://planet.wwu.edu Addison Wesley Longman—

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Huxley Faculty - continued

Benjamin Cummings will publish Scott's introductory environmental science textbook in October 2004. Entitled "Environment: The Science Behind the Stories", this case study-based book has been in development for three years.

Patrick Buckley—teaches human geography, natural resource management, geographic information systems, planning process, transportation planning, third world, and world affairs. Pat spent fall quarter of 2001 at Meiji University, Tokyo, Japan. While there, he delivered a series of lectures focusing on Quality of Life and using GIS, especially focusing on the urban environment. These lectures are being compiled into a working paper to be issued by Meiji University. Along with colleagues from University College of the Fraser Valley, Abbotsford, B.C., he has submitted a paper to the Journal of Geography. He currently serves as the President of the Association of Washington Geographers.

Rabel J. Burdge—is currently a Visiting Professor in the Department of Sociology and Huxley College of the Environment at Western Washington University, where he teaches courses on environmental sociology and social impact assessment. He is a Professor Emeritus from the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. Burdge was recently appointed to a two year term (2003-04) on the Whatcom County (State of Washington) Planning Commission. He spent the winter and spring terms of 2002 as a Visiting Professor in the Department of Planning and Landscape, University of Manchester in the United Kingdom. Burdge is currently editing a special issue of the international journal, Impact Assessment and Project Appraisal titled, "The Practice of Social Impact Assessment." He is also working on the 3rd edition of his two textbooks, The Concepts, Process and Methods of Social impact Assessment and A Community Guide to Social Impact Assessment, both to be published by the Social Ecology Press of Middleton, Wisconsin.

Devon Cancilla—teaches courses in environmental toxicology, environmental chemistry, and environmental disturbances. Devon's projects include development of a University Integrated Laboratory Network (ILN): remote laboratories that will allow high schools, researchers and other colleges to use Western's equipment. Quote from Cancilla: "I'm not poisonous."

John T. (Jack) Hardy—is Chair of the Department of Environmental Sciences. He directs student research and teaches courses in the areas of environmental science, aquatic toxicology, and global environmental change. He supervises graduate student research projects involving the application of remote sensing to the study of coral reefs. In October 2002 he hosted a meeting of international experts on remote sensing of coral reefs at WWU. He recently completed a book, Global Climate Change: Causes, Effects, and Solutions to be published by John Wiley & Sons in spring 2003.

Peter Homann—
Peter's courses include terrestrial biogeochemistry, environmental systems, water quality, and biostatistical analysis. His research is focused on 1) quantifying soil organic matter at local and regional scales, evaluating controlling factors, and assessing uncertainty, 2) nutrient and carbon cycling in forest ecosystems, and 3) modeling plant-soil interactions at seedling to forest-stand scales. Peter recently completed a three-year term as Associate Editor of Soil Science Society of America Journal, a peer-reviewed journal covering soil microbiology, soil physics, soil conservation, and soil genesis. His research and new projects consist of synthesis of soil information for Integrated Research Sites of the Long-term Ecosystem Productivity study. The Biscuit forest fire in southwest Oregon, one of the largest fires during the summer of 2002, burned experimental plots at an Integrated Research Site, thereby allowing investigation of the complex interaction between forest species, coarse woody debris, and fire.

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Wayne G. Landis—Along with his faculty duties, Wayne is Director of the Institute of Environmental Toxicology and Chemistry. He teaches courses in environmental toxicology and risk assessment. Research includes developing new methods in toxicology, evaluating multi-species toxicity tests, and describing how ecosystems respond to stressors.

New Faculty Member
Grace Wang
Assistant Professor
Dept. of Environmental Studies
Dr. Grace Wang teaching and research interests are in the broad area of natural resource and environmental policy. Her specific interests include community-based forestry and non-timber forest products and addresses the question: how do different sets of people view natural resources? She returned to the Northwest after several years teaching in Pennsylvania.

Michael John Medler—Michael is a physical geographer with interests in landscape ecology, biogeography and the policy dynamics of natural resource management. Prior to coming to Huxley, Dr. Medler taught for the Rutgers Department of Geography at Rutgers University. He also taught at the University of Oregon and the University of Arizona. He applies integrative and analytical geographic approaches to ecosystem-scale management questions working with tools such as GIS, remote sensing and spatial analysis. His efforts center on developing techniques that use remote sensing, GIS, and advanced visualization techniques to simplify the mapping and interpretation of complex biophysical characteristics such as forest fire, fire hazard, or habitat. He also examines wilderness and wildland management issues and resource policy.

John McLaughlin—teaches courses in fundamentals of ecology, population biology, conservation of biological diversity, field methods in vertebrate ecology, and biostatistical analysis. Research interests include habitat relationships of birds and carnivores, effects of forest management on wildlife, population dynamics, and predator-prey interactions. His research includes studying the dynamics and extinction risk in populations of the Bay checkerspot butterfly (Euphydryas editha bayensis) and research in the areas of 1) Avian Distributions and Habitat Relationships in the North Cascades and 2) the Grizzly Bear Habitat Evaluation in the North Cascades Recovery Zone. An interdisciplinary research project combines Wayne Landis and John's approach to measure and forecast "Quantifying and Predicting Ecological Sustainability", that is, sustainable management of ecological systems.

Jean Melious—teaches courses in environmental and land use law, environmental dispute resolution, international environmental policy, and Canadian environmental policy. A paper entitled "Interdisciplinary Problem-Based Learning: Linking Environmental Policy and Environmental Science," written with Devon Cancilla, was selected as one of the best papers submitted to the 13th International Conference on College Teaching and Learning and was presented at the conference in April, 2002. Professor Melious is the Editor of the American Planning Association (APA) Planning and Law Division's newsletter.

Gene Myers—teaches courses including social science and humanistic perspectives on the environment, environmental history and ethics, environmental education, community-based change, and educational research. He has been active in shaping the new Core course. He is presently co-editing a special issue of Human Ecology Review featuring the application of
psychology to practical challenges such as conservation of biodiversity, changing consumption patterns, and helping zoos connect people with nature. Gene has continued his exchange between his environmental education classes with urban youth groups run by Western Alumni. Research interests include conservation psychology; development of environmental responsibility; human-animal interaction; and history, philosophy and methods of social science. Gene organized a series of sessions on the theme of "Conservation Psychology" at the 8th International Symposium on Society and Natural Resources and maintains the central web site for this topic at http://www.ac.wwu.edu/~gmyers/cp/. He was nominated for the Distinguished Scholar Award by the International Association of Human-Animal Interaction Organization, awarded every three years.

John Miles—is still teaching courses in environmental history, ethics, nature writing, and environmental education. He returned to Spring Block in the spring of 2002, then spent the nine-week summer session with thirteen environmental education graduate students in "Summer Block," the initial quarter in the M.Ed. which has the students in the field much of the time. Fall and winter is spent trying to finish his book on national park wilderness history. He is also a member of the Skagit Environmental Endowment Commission.

Debnath Mookerhee—teaches courses in systematic and regional fields of geography including urban and economic geography, regional development, spatial analysis of environmental problems, the developing world and Asian geography. Professional activities include research publications and presentations at national and international professional associations and organizations. His research focus includes comparative urbanization, regional development and growth management. His primary research projects have been the Differential Urbanization in Developing Countries and the Growth Dynamics in Metropolitan Environment.

Lynn Robbins—continues to teach courses in human ecology, environmental impact assessment and U.S. and international environmental policy. His research interests include the social consequences of controlled fires in Sequoia National Park, teaching the environmental studies program with Gigi Berardi at the Northwest Indian College and assisting the Redwoods National Park with its management of resources with Native Americans.

John Rybczyk—and Huxley graduate students currently work on numerous wetland-related projects in Louisiana, Pennsylvania, Virginia and Washington, as well as in Italy, Spain, Micronesia and the UK where their research interests include: the effects of global warming and sea level rise on coastal wetland sustainability, wetland restoration, invasive species, and ecosystem modeling. He teaches a variety of classes at western including Wetlands Ecology, Estuarine Ecology and the new core course for incoming Huxley students.

Donald T. Singh-Cundy—teaches courses in public opinion and environmental issues, application of survey methods to environmental issues, and analysis of survey data. Research interests include public opinion and environmental/wildlife issues and the role of the media in shaping public opinion.


Tom Terich—continues to teach physical and human geography along with land resources, geomorphology and geography of the United States. His research interests focus on natural hazards and coastal processes. During the winter and spring of 2002, Tom had his second opportunity (first in 1995) to teach for the University of Pittsburgh's Semester at Sea Program. He, along with 30 other professors, sailed with 600+ college students aboard the SS Universe Explorer around the world. Tom taught physical oceanography and environmental geology as well as delivering several lectures to the entire shipboard community about the

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geography of the countries the ship was visiting. He is now organizing several hundred digital images of the countries visited for use in classes at Western.

**Wendy Walker**—teaches environmental education, interpretation curriculum and outdoor education. Wendy divides her time between Huxley College and consulting work in interpretive writing, exhibit development and planning. Interests include developing environmental education programs for youth-at-risk, agricultural land preservation, creative writing and the arts.


**Herbert H. (Bert) Webber**—Bert's courses include marine science, ecosystem management and restoration and bio-statistical analysis. His research interests include assessment inventory and valuation of estuarine habitats; marine and estuarine water quality problems; and the life cycle, reproductive cycle, and habitat requirements of Pandalid shrimp. He also works with the Environment and Policy Institute of the East-West Center, Honolulu, on environmental impact assessment and management of development projects in the coastal zones of developing countries.

**Nicholas Zaferatos**—teaches urban and environmental planning; sustainable community development; planning theory, history, and methods; planning studio; campus planning; and Native American community development. His research interests include growth management, community development, Intergovernmental relations, Native American community and economic development, and federal Indian environmental policy. Nick was involved in planning and organizing the international ISOMUL Land Use conference held at Huxley in June, 2002. See details at http://www.ac.wwu.edu/~huxley/ISOMUL/. His Spring Quarter Planning Studio class was the recipient of the 2002 Honor Award for best student planning project in Washington awarded by the Planning Association of Washington and the Washington State Chapter of the American Planning Association. This spring, he will be teaching two classes in Athens, Greece, in Urban Design and European Environmental Policy through the NCSA international program. While in Athens, he will be exploring partnership opportunities with the Greek government and environmental organizations for establishing a future Huxley College summer field planning workshop on the Greek Ionian Island of Kefalonia. He continues to form local partnerships between the Huxley and local communities to help achieve sustainable community development.

**Athens Foreign Study**

Nick Zaferatos, Ph.D., AICP, and Huxley Assistant Professor, will be teaching in Athens, Greece, during spring quarter 2003. Sponsored by the Northwest Council on Study Abroad (NCSA) in cooperation with AHA International, Nick will teach Greek Environmental Policy and Urban Design & Planning at The Athens Center.
Huxley Faculty - continued

Huxley Faculty and National Park Service Join in Research Project
by John McLaughlin

Where is the wolverine nearest to Huxley College? Unless you count Huxley Dean Brad Smith (a University of Michigan graduate!), the answer is not known -- yet. This winter, a team of researchers from Huxley College and the National Park Service will search for elusive carnivores like wolverines in North Cascades National Park. The team includes Huxley undergraduates Kris Hartin and Mark Linnell, Huxley faculty John McLaughlin, and Park Service wildlife biologist Roger Christopheren. The team will travel on skis and snowshoes to remote locations throughout much of the Park, where they will erect remotely triggered cameras. As carnivores approach bait placed nearby, they will cross an infrared beam and release the camera shutter. The research team will return to camera stations at weekly intervals to monitor the equipment and to replace film and batteries.

Declines in the abundances and distributions of forest carnivores throughout the western states have raised conservation concerns for at least a decade. Many carnivores are particularly sensitive to habitat fragmentation and human activities, due to their large home ranges, slow reproductive rates, and dependence on old growth forests. Efforts to protect and restore carnivore populations require information about current distributions and habitat requirements of these species. Results of our carnivore survey will help meet these information needs. Our data will inform management decisions in both the Park and surrounding areas with more intensive human use.

The carnivore research program will contribute to a U.S. National Park Service initiative to inventory and monitor biological resources across the nation. In the North Cascades, this work has included inventories of birds, bats, forest vegetation, and aquatic invertebrates. John McLaughlin, graduate student Ed Curtis, undergraduate Michael Collins, and researchers from the Institute for Bird Populations have nearly completed the avian inventory. McLaughlin and others will begin work on butterflies and their associated plants in the Park in summer 2003. Look for updates on their progress in future newsletters. Similar ecological inventories also are under way at Rainier and Olympic National Parks.

Although wolverines have been seen in the North Cascades previously, they are so rare that they may go undetected by the survey. Similarly, detecting wolves, lynx, or fisher will be possible but unlikely. Researchers do expect to find many marten and coyote.
Huxley Students

Moses Tcheripanoff

During his time as a commercial fisherman in Alaska, Moses Tcheripanoff (who is from the Aleutian chain off the coast of Alaska) became interested in environmental issues. He decided the best transition back to full-time student would be a two-year program at Northwest Indian College, before transitioning to a university setting. Research of several colleges helped him decide that Huxley College offered the best opportunity for his transition to university life, and he was familiar with the location and people here that he had met while in Alaska.

In addition to his role as a husband (his wife is a school nurse) and father (to his daughter who says she is “five – and a half!”), Moses looks forward to becoming a Huxley alumni when he graduates with a Bachelor’s degree in Geography in Spring 2003.

Through an internship with Northwest Indian College, he recently worked on a North Puget Sound Ecological Characterization. This work involved not only listing all the species in the region, from the top of Mt. Baker down into the ocean depths around the San Jan Islands, but locating images of those species. He was involved in creating two classes over the last couple years, and is currently working on an animated GIS model to show a 10,000-year period of a 10 by 15 kilometer region. This current project is in collaboration with graduate student Rich Hutchings. Moses hopes this work, and other projects, will lead to a research grant allowing him to work with the Alaska nonprofit organization, Aleutian/Pribilof Island Association.

Spring Block—Student Comment

As noted by one Spring Block student in the Environmental Education field experience program,

"[Spring Block] was] the most significant learning experience of my academic career...not because of the knowledge I assimilated, but because of the realization of my potential..."
Jori Burnett

Jori Burnett is a Bellingham native who received his graduate degree in Political Science in 1998 and is currently “on the verge” of completing work for his Master’s Degree in Urban Planning (Regional Resource Management) at Huxley College. Jori decided to return to Bellingham, after a year working in Boston for a public interest research group, when he realized that the environmental issues such as logging and pollution with which he was dealing with there could be tackled much closer to home.

Redevelopment of the Georgia-Pacific pulp mill site is at the core of Jori’s thesis. Through a study of a variety of different land uses, he has developed 70 different indicators of socially sustainable development, with the goal of “what is best for Bellingham” – as opposed to what might be best from a strictly economic or environmental perspective. A few of his indicators include land use that provides equal access to all, has the least potential to become polluted in the future, and would bring the largest number of living wage jobs to the area.

Through his work, he developed seven different focus groups in the area to look at various attributes of new development. The groups were diverse: long time residents and those newly arrived, those with business interests and environmentalists. From such diverse groups, Jori expected to reap diverse reactions to how the Georgia-Pacific site could best be developed. To his surprise, nearly all of the groups reached the same general conclusions, choosing those potential land uses that ranked highly in his list of 70 indicators.

Jori sees his current work as an opportunity to get citizens from all walks of life involved in how growth is managed Bellingham. He has studied the historical component to development in Bellingham (i.e., by investors in San Francisco or by large corporations) and he views today’s challenges as “the first time we are able to take control for ourselves of what happens here.” Jori is excited about his work here in Bellingham, and hopes to continue along those lines, perhaps in a community outreach program.
Tiffany Campbell, CNN Video Journalist, completed her Environmental Journalism degree in December 2001.

Scholarships Available for Huxley Students...

Aaron Edward Gastellum Memorial Scholarship
American Water Works Association, NW WA Subsection
Bess Fosse Scholarship in Environmental Studies
Cecil William Westman Memorial Scholarship
Chuckanut District Garden Clubs Scholarship
Congressman Al Swift Scholarship
Gary Gray Memorial Scholarship in Environmental Photography
Patrick L. Monahan Memorial Scholarship
Richard Brian Whitmire Memorial Scholarship
Trans Mountain Oil Pipeline Scholarship
Washington State Federation of Garden Clubs Scholarship

Students Win Second Place Award at Conference

Huxley students took second place at the 42nd Annual Conference of the Pacific Northwest International Section (PNWIS) and hosted by the Puget Sound Chapter of the Air & Waste Management Association (A&WMA), in Tacoma, Washington, in November 2002.

During the “Student Ecofund Challenge” portion of the conference, student teams (of 3 to 5 persons each) were presented with an environmental problem to solve as if they had been hired as environmental consultants. The teams were given three days to research the problem, develop a solution, and create and present a PowerPoint presentation of their solution to a panel of real-life experts.

Steve Rybolt (Economics and Environmental Studies), Jill Leonetti (Environmental Policy), and Karl Krueger (Environmental Toxicology) placed second in competition against other five-person teams. Steve says the three teammates are all graduating this year, but hope to come back as graduate students and return to the Conference in Alaska next year with the intention of placing first!
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Staffers’ Continuing Education

Mary Moores, Huxley Registrar, and Kathy Johnson, Undergraduate Advisor, are both pursuing their graduate degrees. Mary is entering her third quarter as a graduate student in education (Student Personnel Administration) and Kathy was recently accepted as a Geography graduate student. Stefan Freelan is, in addition to his full time duties as GIS Specialist at Huxley, working diligently to finish his Master’s thesis in Geography. When asked when he will finish his degree he responds “soon, soon!!”

New Staff Member in the Department of Environmental Studies

Sue Hoidal

Sue is a Bellingham native, and was a student at WWU during the first years of Huxley’s existence. She came to Huxley after spending the last 16 years working for the Bellingham School District in Special Education and is currently working as the Chair’s Assistant in the Department of Environmental Studies. She and her husband of 25 years have two sons. Matt, who is a WWU graduate and currently attending Marquette School of Dentistry in Milwaukee and Chad, who is a senior in the teaching program at WSU.
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<td>Environmental Protection Specialist, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (Seattle District), interested in aquatic resource regulation and protection. Involved in Corps wetland mitigation banking program: <a href="mailto:perrydox@earthlink.net">perrydox@earthlink.net</a></td>
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Kendra Irene Robinson
Envr. Education 2002

Leif Fleming Greenwell Sanders
Geography/Social Studies 2001

Mohammad Shegeft
Envr. Science 2002

Angelita M. Rodriguez
Envr. Science 2001

Nichole Katherine Sather
Envr. Science 2001

Rachael Melissia Sinnaeve
Envr. Science 2001

Krystal Lara Rodriguez
Envr. Science 2001

Erin Kelly Schau
Envr. Science 2001

Kerry G. Sinnott
Planning & Envr. Policy 2001

Holly A. Roger
Envr. Education 2001

Gary Steven Schenck
Envr. Education 2001

Philip J.R. Skovron
Envr. Science 2001

Colin Porter Rogerson
Envr. Education 2002

Catherine Vera Schiller
Envr. Policy 2002

Kristian Sven Skybak
Envr. Science 2002

Stuart John Rosenberger
Envr.Science 2002

Jessica Ann Schwab
Political Science/Planning & Envr. Policy 2002

Annemieke Smith
Geography 2001

Matias Alexander Rudback
Envr. Science 2002

Tara Keeler Schwenke
Envr. Education 2001

Craig Allen Smith
Geography 2000

Holley Ray Runnels
Geography 2001

Lauren Paige Seaby
Geography 2001

Shelby Alexis Smith
Envr. Education 2001

Daniel Orion Russell
Economics/Envr. Studies 2002

Ananda Seebach
Envr. Science 2002

Lorelle Theresa Spencer
Planning & Envr. Policy 2000

Shari Lynne Russell
Envr. Science 2002

Sara Lynn Sekerak
Envr. Science 2000

Isaac Herschial Standen
Envr. Science 2002

Taharr Safriwe
Planning & Envr. Policy 2002

Jeremy Scott Serka
Envr. Science 2001

Jamie R. Stazel
~ Working for Environmental Health Division, Department of Environmental Conservation.
jamiestazel@hotmail.com

Allison Elaine Sanders
Planning & Envr. Policy 2002

Tara Rae Stephens
Economics/Envr. Studies 2002

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Noel Patrick Stout  
Envr. Education 2002

Laura Marie Van Natta  
Geography 2002

Rian Christopher Wojahn  
Geography 2002

Christa Helena Strickwerda  
Envr. Science 2002

Seth A. Vidana  
2001

Eric David Wolin  
Planning & Envr. Policy 2001

Kara Frances Stubbs  
Envr. Education 2002

Megan Aileen Vogt  
Envr. Science 2001

Christine Kathleen Wong  
Envr. Science 2000

Alyssa Lynn Stutte  
Envr. Education 2002

Emily Christine Volkmar  
Envr. Science 2001

Ernest Man-Sing Wong  
Envr. Policy 2001

LaTrisha Arlene Suggs  
Envr. Policy 2002

Staryn J. Wagner  
Envr. Science 2002

Stephanie Michelle Woollett  
Geography 2002

Zakary R. Swannack  
Planning & Envr. Policy 2000

Lindsay Anne Walker  
Envr. Science 2002

Jennifer Angelica M. Wyckoff  
Envr. Policy & Assessment 2000

Trevor Cole Swanson  
Envr. Science 2001

Cory Scott Wall  
Envr. Education 2001

Emily Sara Wygant  
Geography 2001

Amy Kathleen Swenson  
Geography 2002

Kyle Ronald Wallace  
Envr. Education 2002

Garrett Chance Yager  
Geography 2001

Steven Joseph Szafran  
Planning & Envr. Policy 2001

Jeannine Marie Wallach  
Envr. Education 2001

Kuri Yamaura  
2000

Patrick Walch Taylor  
Envr. Science 2001

Brendan Charles Ward  
Envr. Science 2002

Michael Dewaine Yarbrough  
Geography 2000

Chris R. Thayer-Snyder  
Geography 2000

Kristen Marie Weatherford  
Envr. Science 2001

Ronnie Lee Yeager  
Envr. Science 2002

Elin Dean Thomas  
Envr. Education 2001

Matt G. Weatherly  
Planning & Envr. Policy 2001

Tammy Jean Youngblood  
Envr. Policy 2002

Skye Tenaya Elliott Thompson  
2000

Renee Louise West  
Envr. Science 2001

Candice Diane Youngren  
Planning & Envr. Policy 2002

Dean T. Toba  
Envr. Science 2001

Jason Harold Whitaker  
Envr. Science 2001

Laurie Beth Zech  
Envr. Education 2000

Bich Ngoc Trinh  
Envr. Education 2001

Tambra Kirsten White  
2001

Laramie Colvin Zent  
Envr. Science 2000

Bradley Rex Tuininga  
2001

Erika Christina Wittman  
Envr. Education 2002

Todd Andrew Zuchowski  
Envr. Science 2001

Michael John Van Dyke  
Envr. Science 2002

Lauren Marie Wilson  
Envr. Education 2002

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1990-1999 Graduates

Shawn Alexander  
Policy and Assessment 1996  
- Solo legal practice accepting cases in land-use, real estate and environmental law in Washington and in Bellingham.

Celerino Alvarez  
Envr. Science 1996  

Christi Amrine  
Planning 1993  
Planner for the City of Sultan.

Chris Behee  
Geography 1990

David Bennink  
Envr. Science 1994

Christopher Benum  
Envr. Science 1997

Sara Beresford  
Envr. Science 1996

Jason Blair  
Envr. Policy 1996

Lisa Bluish  
Terrestrial Ecology 1997

Elizabeth Bohle  
Envr. Policy and Assessment 1996

Jared Bond  
Envr. Policy and Planning 1998

Thomas "Ty" Booth  
Urban & Regional Planning 1992  
- Associate Planner, Pierce County, Washington. tbooth@tacomaclick.net

Chris Briskey  
Envr. Policy 1994

Charley Burns  
Envr. Planning 1990

Jamie Burrell  
Envr. Policy 1999  
- Environmental consulting, Bellevue, Washington. jgrayejs@net.com

Bill Cantrell  
Envr. Science 1990  
- Focusing on restoration ecology.

Cindy Carroll  
Envr. Science 1996

Michael Cawrse  
MS Envr. Science 1998

Kristen Clapper  
Envr. Education 1998

Cam Collins  
Terrestrial Ecology 1995

Lennie Rae Cooke  
Envr. Science 1994

Paul Cookson  
Geography Resource Management 1998  
- Forester, Department of Natural Resources, Bellingham.

Amber Cornell  

Sean Cosgrove  
Envr. Education 1996

Sam Cushman  
MS in Envr. Science 1997

Beth Cullen  
Policy & Planning 1998  
- Graduate student, Yale School of Forestry and Environmental Studies, currently designing and constructing natural rock ramp fishway for anadromous fish species. bcullen 76@yahn.com.

Douglas Dobyins  
Envr. Science 1992  
- Tribal Liaison, Northwest Straits Commission and working for Northwest Indian Fisheries Commission. Interests are watershed protection & restoration, land trusts & international communities, self-sufficiency and low income lifestyles. dougdobyins@ yahoo.com

Derwynn Dominquez  
Envr. Studies 1996

Chris Eckley  
Envr. Science 1997  
- Graduate student, Misc. Watershed Ecosystems, Trent University, Ontario, Canada. Research project is Mercury methylation and demethylation in the water column of lakes. Will start Ph.D. at University of Toronto in September 2003, researching urban mercury cycling. chris.eckley@ yahoo.com

Annika Fain  
Envr. Studies 1997

Amy Fuller-Lyman  
Policy & Assessment 1992  
- Supervisor, Environmental Projects and Training, Alaska Airlines. Interested in innovation in teaching environmental programs in the working world. amy.lyman@ alaskaair.com

Susie Goett  
Urban and Regional Planning 1994

David Grave  
Policy and Assessment 1995  
GIS Specialist, Pacific States

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Marine Fisheries Commission, designing an internet mapping application of fisheries information for the Pacific Northwest. Leaving for a one-year trip around the world this summer.

Jeff Gregg
Urban and Regional Planning 1993
~ Working for Pierce County in Washington. In 1999, presented at the ESRI Northwest Users Conference in Bend, Oregon, on Pierce County’s response to the ESA and how they use GIS/GPS to do analysis in critical areas.

Belinda Hovde-Klingman
Envr. Science 1990
~ Water Quality Inspector for Dairies, Washington Department of Ecology, Bellevue, working with enforcement and education of regulations keeping Washington State leading the way for responsible farming approaches and protecting water quality. lindyblu@hotmail.com

Keith Jones
Urban and Regional Planning 1996
~ Associate Planner for the City of Sherwood in Oregon.

Jesse Kellogg
Policy and Assessment 1999

Sue A. Kelly
MS in Envr. Science 1995
~ In August 2000, finished dissertation at Duke University where she was a Research Assistant as well as a Ph.D. student in Eco-Toxicology.

Cathy Kim
Envr. Education/Outdoor Interpretation 1995

Valeria Aleta Kinast
Envr. Assessment and Policy 1991

Erika Bergman Kinno
Envr. Policy and Assessment 1995

Jessica Klinkert
Envr. Science 1996

Andrew Kloster
Envr. Science 1997

Michele LaFontaine
Envr. Education 1995

Leslie Lang (Leslie Ann Garrison) 1990

Cynthia Lavigne
Envr. Education 1998

Margaret Ledford
Envr. Science 1996

Kris Lepine
1997
~ Environmental Scientist, Herrera Environmental Consultants. Currently designing wetland mitigation and stream restoration projects for impacts caused by road and highway projects. klepine@herrerainc.com

Jeremy Littell

Peter Luciano
Envr. Science 1994

Matthew P. Mason
Geography (Urban/Economics) 1990
~ Business Analyst in the Customer Support Finance Department at Boeing’s

Commercial Aviation Service.

Ted Matts
Envr. Studies 1992

Kelly McGourty
Envr. Policy and Assessment 1991
~ Received MS in Envr. Science from the University of Texas at San Antonio. Senior Planner at the Puget Sound Regional Council (with a focus on air quality).

Lewis McCulloch

Claire McGrath

Mara McGrath
BS Envr. Science; MS Biology 1999
~ Botanist, Ecological Land Services, a natural resource consulting firm. Enjoys working vegetable farm with husband.

Mary Fisk Mebane
Envr. Studies 1992

Leah Mickelson
Envr. Science 1995
~ Participating in an Environmental Health Masters Degree Program at University of Washington.

Jerry Mingo
1990

Gregor Myhr
Geography 1995

Carin Myers
Envr. Science 1992

Kyle J. Nelson
Policy and Assessment 1993

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Alumni News continued

Paul Nelson  
Envr. Science 1995

Greg Olthoff  
Envr. Policy 1996

Paul Pal  
Envr. Science 1995

Doug Peters  
Envr. Planning 1997  
~ Biosolids Coordinator for Oregon State, managing statewide program promoting use of wastewater treatment recycled solids.

Shawn Phelps  
Geography 1990

Minda (Crow) Phillips  
Policy and Assessment 1994

Ruthy Porter  
Envr. Education 1994

Roger Quiggle  
MS Envr. Science 1991

Scott Railton  
Envr. Policy and Assessment 1995

Angela Rapp  
Policy and Assessment 1996  
~ Assistant Planner for the Nashua Regional Planning Commission.

Allison Ray  
Envr. Education 1997

Steve Redman  

Beth Redman  
Envr. Policy and Assessment 1994

Margaret Reinsch  
Envr. Science 1981

Tim Riley  
Social Assessment & Policy

Morgan Roehl  
Geography 1994

Marc Rothmeyer  
Geography 1995

Mark Rupp  
Envr. Policy and Assessment 1995

Maaren Sanderson  
Envr. Policy & Assessment 1996

Elizabeth Sawyer  
Policy and Assessment 1995

Rachel Severson  
Envr. Policy and Assessment 1997

Drew Smiley  
Geography 1998

Eric Smith  
Envr. Science 1992

Richard Smith  
Envr. Education and Interpretation 1990

Amy Spencer  
Urban & Regional Planning 1995  
~ Stay-at-home mom of Luke Martin Spencer, born 11/10/01. spencers@ttc-cmc.net

Karen Stahl  
Envr. Science 1999

Chad Stebbins  
Envr. Policy and Assessment 1996

Richard J. Strophy  
Envr. Education 1992  
~ Lead Writer, Boeing. currently acting as Project Administrator for several technical writing projects within Boeing. Responsible for 15 writers, project, quality assurance, scheduling. rstrophy@attbi.com

Paul Swanson  
Envr. Education 1998  
~ Kayak guide for Outdoor Odysseys, San Jan Island. Traveled to Ecuador.

David Templeton  
Biology 1982 and 1992  
~ Owner of Anchor Environmental, LLC, husband and father of two girls.

Chad Tibbits  
Urban/Regional Planning 1996  
~ Planner II for the King County Department of Development and Environmental Science. (http://www.metrokc.gov)

Kurt Thompson  
Geography 1994  
~ GIS Technician, Snohomish County, GIS Department.

Dean D. Uyeno  
~ Working for the State of Hawaii’s Commission on Water Resource Management, a division of the Department of Land and Natural Resources.

Gary Wade  

Anita Wahler  
Envr. Studies/Biology 1994  
~ Administrative Associate for the Division of Natural Sciences at Pacific Lutheran University.

Elaine E. Waller  
Envr. Studies 1991

Brandon Weathermon  
Envr. Science/Economics 1996  
~ Hill Safety Manager/Patrol

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Director at Mt. Baker Ski Area and Park Ranger for Olympic National Park.

Nancy West
Geography 1997
~ Employed by the Washington State House Democratic Caucus, working on re-apportionment for State Legislative and Congressional Boundaries as required by the 2000 Census.

Rob White
Urban & Regional Planning 1997
~ Associate Planner, Planning and Building Services Department, City of Gig Harbor. white4@lesa.net

Lorraine Wilde
Envr. Science 1995

Russell D. Wilkinson
Envr. Education 1992
~ Sales, Wilson Learning Corporation. russ68@msn.com

Ryan Windish
Urban Planning 1993

Eric Wingerter
Policy and Planning 1997
~ National Field Director for the Public Employees for Environmental Responsibility (PEEK).

Christine Woodward
Envr. Science 1991

Elizabeth Zebold
Applied Human Ecology 1992
~ Building a permaculture landscape and sustainable community to act as an educational and functional model for sustainable living.

1980-1989 Graduates

Jessica Abel (Feld)
Envr. Studies 1985

J. Alvin Arkills
Envr. Studies 1987

Greg Baden
Envr. Studies 1984

Cindy Bailey (Kahn)
Envr. Education 1988

Joseph Baller
Envr. Education 1980

Brett Barnes
Envr. Studies 1989

Katy Beck
Ecosystems Analysis 1982

Erik Berg
Envr. Studies 1983

Athena Bradley
Social Assessment and Policy 1983

Theodore R. Brandt
MS in Geography and Regional Planning 1982

Tracy Brown
Envr. Design and Planning 1986

Todd Carlson
Social Assessment 1983

James Conner & Denise Atwood
H.E. 1985 - BA, 1984

James E. Cowan, Jr.
Envr. Studies 1985

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Rebecca Cummings (Wynsome)  
Envr. Education 1980  
~ Physician at a Naturopathic Medicine Clinic. Graduated from medical school in 1990 and established her own clinic, specializing in metabolic detoxification, natural hormone balancing, and anti-aging. Writing a book on Correcting Hormone Imbalances.

Lori E. Rathbun DePaulis  
Envr. Studies 1987

Ginger (Lee) First  
Envr. Studies/Health 1987  
~ Lake Management Technician, Skagit County Surface Water Management. Interested in wetland and riparian restoration.

Dave Fletcher  
1980  
~ Strategic Outsourcing Project Manager, IBM. Was 2002 Survey Biologist for New Mexico Breeding Bird Atlas Project and member of the Wildland Restoration Team. Interests are native plant gardening, birding, hiking.
dave.fletcher@att.net

George R. Johnston  
Envr. Planning 1982  
~ Self-employed planner and designer.

Gene Kemp  
Geography 1988

Jim Lafley  
Envr. Education 1983

Chuck Lenox  
Envr. Education 1983

Joe Lyles  
Human Ecology 1979  
~ Partner in law firm, Howard, Howard, Francis & Reid. Working pro bono environmental law cases. Have three children and 20-acre farm with many pets, watercraft. jslyles@aol.com

Dan Mahur  
Ecosystems Analysis 1983 & MBA 1993  
~ Employed with Northwest Air Pollution Authority, working on completing a Professional Environmental Engineering License. Communications Chair for Pacific NW Int’l Section of Air and Waste Management Association, regional conference, Bellingham, 2005. wsurfl@attbi.com www.nwair.org

David McFadden  
Social Assessment and Policy 1984

Patrick McGraner  
Geography 1983

Ken McHugh  
Marine Resources 1980  
~ Working at a fish processing plant in the Aleutian Islands of Alaska, in charge of safety and environmental health. Volunteer emergency medical technician.

Jim McKenney  
Geography 1981

Kathy McLeod  
Social Assessment and Policy 1981  
~ Assistant Attorney General and works with the Washington State Department of Fish and Wildlife.

Paul Mernaugh  
Envr. Science/Freshwater Studies 1983

Darce Nielsen  
Urban Planning 1982  

Al Nixon  
Geography Education 1982

Mike Normand  
Urban Planning 1987

Donald Norman  
Envr. Science 1989

Rita Ordonez  
Geography 1989

Jane L. Osborne  
Urban and Regional Planning/ Geography 1984

George Pomeroy  
Geography 1988

Mike Poutiatine  
Envr. Education 1985

Kenneth Reister  
Geography 1982  
~ Data Architect/Analyst for WSDNR. ken.reister@wadnr.gov

Roberta Riley  
Envr. Science 1982  
~ Legal Counsel, Planned Parenthood of Western Washington. roberta.riley@ppfa.org www.ppww.org

Carl Root  
Geography/Regional Planning 1984

Deb Scrivens  
Envr. Education 1981

Janet Senior  
Envr. Science/Ecosystem Assessment and Management 1982

Jeffery Showman  
Human Ecology 1981

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Alumni News continued

William Stump
BA Urban & Regional Planning, MS Geography and Regional Planning 1984
~ Navy Region Northwest Logistics Manager, U.S. Navy, developing business-to-business and supply trains for inventory and resource management.

David Templeton
Biology 1982 and 1992
~ Owner of Anchor Environmental, LLC, husband and father of two girls.

Eric Thompson
Urban and Regional Planning 1988
~ Program Engineer, supervising the Land Development Sections of the City’s Engineering Department.

Mike Town
Terrestrial Ecosystem Analysis 1984
~ A.P. Environmental Science Teacher, Redmond High School, Lake Washington School District. Active Sierra Club volunteer and hike leader. mtown01@msn.com

Michael Tucker
Envr. Policy and Assessment 1993
~ Environmental Director, Fleet and Industrial Supply Center Puget Sound (U.S. Navy). Does committee and board work for Group Health Cooperative. tuckmics@altavista.com

John P. Vodopich
Geography/Urban and Regional Planning, with extended minor in Cartography 1987
~ Community Development Director, City of Gig Harbor. jvodopic@krl.org

Peggy Vogue
Envr. Science 1984
~ Project Manager for Pesticide Use Reporting Program at the Oregon Department of Agriculture in Salem.

Brian Wake
Geography 1984
~ Farming 2500 acres of wheat a year and enjoying life.

Kathy Walker (Bylenok)
Geography 1980

Glenn Walter
Geography 1987
~ Apartment manager and studying for the LSAT (law school).

Gerald R. Webster
MS in Geography 1980
~ Chair and Professor for Department of Geography at the University of Alabama. Has been a consultant/expert witness for voting rights/districting cases for ACLU, NAACP, and various state governments. (http://www.as.ua.edu/geography/gw.htm)

Kim Weil Spens
Freshwater Ecology 1987
~ Working with Bellingham Planning and Community Development Department since 1992, first as Water Resource Specialist, then as Environmental Planner.

Frederick Yee
MS Geography/Regional Planning 1983
~ Senior Health Program Analyst with Health Care Financing Administration, an agency within the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services.

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Alumni News continued

1970-1979 Graduates

Fred Abel  
Geography  
~ Worked in hydraulic industry for 27 years (14 years in marine hydraulics).

Barbara Aberle  
Wildlife 1977  
~ Biologist, Washington State Department of Transportation, working mostly with wetlands.

Bill Adams  
Envr. Planning 1975  
~ Working for the State of Oregon’s Transportation and Growth Management Program in Portland.

John V. Adams  
Biosystems Analysis 1978  
~ Married 17 years, raises wheat and barley, and enjoys his kids, hunting, fishing, and gardening.

Rob Baur  
Envr. Health 1976

James Bergsma  
Geography 1970

Julie Bessler  
Geography 1976

Janet and Ric Boge  
Marine Resources and Envr. Education 1974 and 1975

Marcy Fenton Bornemann  
Envr. Health & Nutrition 1977  
~ Nutritionist, AIOS Project, Los Angeles, working with HIV nutrition. bornemann@msn.com

Dean Briggs  
Human Ecology 1977

Steve Boyarsky  
Envr. Science 1972

Curt Bradford  
Envr. Education/Human Ecology 1973

Christine Bresser (Colson)  
Envr. Studies

Carlos Buhler  
Envr. Education/Human Ecology 1978

Darryl Bullington  
Ecosystems Analysis 1975

Teresa Burt  
Envr. Studies 1975

Stephanie Burchfield  
Ecosystems Analysis 1978

Mike Bussel  
Envr. Education 1974

Brad Carlquist  
Envr. Education 1979

Joseph Clough  
Pre-Law 1978

Millie H. Conklin  
Envr. Planning 1975  
~ Science Teacher/College Counselor, St. Margaret’s School, Tappahannock, Vermont. Interested in hiking, water sports, reading and cooking. Conklin@starbird.net

Gary Gidley  
Planning 1977

Bob Gilliom  
Envr. Systems Simulation 1976  
~ Directs national study by U.S. Geological Survey of pesticides in streams and ground water.

David Given-Seymour  
1978

David Goldsmith  
Envr. Planning 1975  
~ Deputy County Administrator for Risk Management and Insurance, Human Resource Management, Public Safety and Community Services, Jefferson County for 16 years.

Jane Howard  
Envr. Education & Art Education 1976  
MS Science Education 1989  
~ Owner, Island Bound Yacht Charters and Island Institute: both companies lead people in marine and sailing adventures (since 1989). junglejane0@worldnet.att.net www.islandboundyachtcharters.com

Sue Kaeskos  
Population Dynamics and Social Values 1973

Bob Kelly  
Envr. Education 1974

William Kinney  
Marine Resources 1976  
~ Regional Date Manager, Pacific States Marine Fisheries Commission.

Lindsey Kurt-Mason  
Envr. Studies/Education 1975

Christine Entis Lagod  
Land Use Planning 1974

Joseph Lyles  
Human Ecology 1979

Jackie Lynch  
Planning 1976

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Sue Marshall  
Envr. Health 1977

Roxanne (Mills) Michael  
Human Ecology 1976  
~ Director of Development Services, City of Mt. Vernon, Washington. Still married and living on Lake Whatcom (two children). garfield64@msn.com

Steven W. Morrison  
Planning 1974  
~ Senior Planner, Thurston Regional Planning Council, Olympia, Washington. MPA, Evergreen State College, 1985. Taught as adjunct faculty for 7 years in Masters of Envr. Studies program.

Jack Myer  
Urban & Regional Planning 1978

Don Neff  
City and Regional Planning 1977

Ken Patterson  
Marine Resources 1978  
~ Navy Environmental Scientist, working with wastewater treatment and compliance.

Doug Peters  
Envr. Planning 1977

Larry Preszler  
Human Ecology 1974

Robert Rice  
M.Ed. Geography 1971

Susan Ridgley  
Ecosystems Analysis 1977  
~ Environmental and Land Use Attorney, Port of Seattle. Professional interests include ESA, water quality, brownfield cleanup. Personally interested in telemark skiing, sailing, hiking, birding, kayaking and other outdoor pursuits.

Carl Rotter  
Human Ecology 1975

Timothy Sample  
Marine Resources 1977

Wendy (Wollam) Scherrer  
Envr. Planning 1976  
~ Executive Director, Nooksack Salmon Enhancement Association, Whatcom County.

Dennis Smith  
Human Ecology 1976, MA Public Policy, WWU 1994  
~ Self-employed safety consultant for small business.

Roger Stenbak  
Envr. Planning 1973  
~ President of Jensen Stenbak Architecture and Interiors, Londonderry, New Hampshire, specializing in human animal architecture, including animal shelters, veterinary hospitals, emergency animal clinics and related work.

Pat Stevenson  
Envr. Science 1979  
~ Environmental Coordinator, Stillaguamish Tribe. Oversees Tribe’s water quality program.

Dennis Swanson  
Human Ecology 1976  
~ Vice President, Retail and Delivery Systems, Implementation and Connectivity Concentrex, Inc.

Dave Tucker  
Envr. Science 1973

Joann (Greenwood) Vesper  
Marine Resources 1977  
~ Social worker specializing in adoptions and still loves the beach.

Michael Vorce  
Envr. Education 1974

Jeff Wallace  
1979  
~ Built a commercial property firm in Boston (has lived in Boston since 1984).

Susan Walls McGregor  
Ecosystems Analysis 1978, MS Fisheries Biology, University of Alaska.  
~ Owns a pet store.

Rosemary Wareham  
Envr. Health 1975  
~ Nurse Practitioner for a biotech company and for Planned Parenthood.

Shann Weston  
Envr. Education 1975  
~ Independent contractor/writer.

Woody Wheeler  
Envr. Studies/Geography 1976  
~ Director of Audubon Centers for Audubon Washington. Involved in developing five nature centers across the state including serving urban and underserved populations.

Linda Whitcher  
Planning 1971

Jennifer Wilkins  
Envr. Studies 1978  
~ Senior Extension Associate, Division of Nutritional Sciences, Cornell University.

Paul Woodcock  
Envr. Education 1975

Jill Zarnowitz  
Envr. Studies 1976

Craig Zora  
Marine Resources 1979  
~ Aquatic Land Manager, WADNR, Grays Harbor.
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