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# WINDOW ON WESTERN

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Michael Seal



Todd Donovan



George Kriz with biology majors Emily Spitzer (center) and Sara Pattinson



Bellingham Herald photo  
Mark Bussell (right) with a student researcher

## Faculty members are WWU stars

### Media magnets

During its Centennial year, Western enjoyed a wealth of media attention, from articles about new additions to our Outdoor Sculpture Collection in national art magazines to historical retrospectives by *The Seattle Times*, *The Seattle Post-Intelligencer* and *The Bellingham Herald*.

But it's not just every 100 years that WWU is in the media spotlight. The university works with reporters on a daily basis, most often to connect them with faculty experts.

Among Western's media magnets are political science professor Todd Donovan and Michael Seal, founder and director of the university's Vehicle Research Institute since 1971.

Reporters frequently call upon Donovan, a well-known expert on voting behavior and citizen's initiatives.

For eight years, he has studied the factors involved in voters' decisions to support or oppose ballot issues. Through his research, he has come to conclusions that are at variance with the "conventional wisdom" that voters' choices are

often uninformed and therefore, misguided. On the contrary, he asserts that voters are able to deal with political choices even when they have limited information.

Donovan's research became a hot commodity last fall when the controversial I-695 car license fee initiative was on Washington's ballot. He was quoted on the subject by many, including the *Associated Press*, *Seattle P-I*, *The Vancouver Columbian* and *The Tacoma News Tribune*. More recently, he appeared on MSNBC to discuss the Iowa caucus and on talk shows for National Public Radio and Michigan Public Radio.

Seal is also accustomed to being on camera, as the VRI and its cutting-edge automotive technology have attracted national and international media attention for decades. Robert Cumberland, automotive design editor of *Automobile* magazine, refers to the VRI as "very possibly the best school in the country for total car design."

Last October, a British Broadcast-

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### Four win campus awards for teaching, research, diversity



William Ortega



Joseph Garcia

Two chemistry professors and two faculty members from the College of Business and Economics are this year's faculty honorees for excellence in teaching, research and diversity achievement.

The awards to George Kriz, Mark Bussell, William Ortega and **Joseph Garcia ('75)** exemplify Western's commitment to a student-centered education and its reputation as an outstanding community of scholars.

The four were cited as the best of more than 500 full- and part-time faculty at Western who make undergraduate education their primary mission while also engaging in scholarly research throughout the year.

Other newsmaking and award-winning faculty members, who have authored books and won prestigious fellowships, awards and other distinctions, are featured in this issue of *Window on Western*.

Kriz, who has taught organic chemistry at Western since 1967, is the 1999-2000 Peter J. Elich Excellence in Teaching Award recipient. Accounting professor William Ortega, who arrived in 1997, received the Excellence in Teaching Award.

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## Seattle Alumni Chapter has music for all tastes

The largest concentration of WWU alumni in the nation (19,233) live in King County, so the Seattle Alumni Chapter steering committee has its work cut out for it in organizing chapter activities. The committee has certainly met its challenge for the upcoming year with its presentation of *A Year of Music ... for ALL Tastes!*

A fall event, spearheaded by **Bart Shilvoek ('76)**, chapter liaison, will be a gala alumni party Sept. 6 at the newly opened Experience Music Project.

WWU alumni will be the first group to use the museum for a private function.

The EMP <www.emplive.com>, built as a rock and roll music museum by entrepreneur/philanthropist Paul Allen, was designed by internationally acclaimed architect Frank Gehry and is easily the most striking addition to the Seattle skyline since the Space Needle. The gala will be held in the grand entry, the awe-inspiring Sky Church of the museum.

The Seattle chapter's winter event

will be a Champagne & Chocolate reception held in the Green Room of Benaroya Hall (also a beautiful addition to the Seattle music scene) in conjunction with a Seattle Symphony Applause Series concert on Saturday, Nov. 18. It's the brainchild of **Rick Reichert ('94)**, a Seattle chapter steering committee member and assistant director of the symphony's annual fund.

Capping off an exciting year, the chapter's spring function will be held Sunday, March 4. A gourmet brunch in the Opera Room at the

Seattle Opera House will precede a matinee performance of *Tosca* by the Seattle Opera Company. WWU President Karen Morse and Seattle chapter steering committee member (and WWU Alumni Association president) **Larry Taylor ('72)** are the "angels" behind this event.

Invitations to each of these spectacular events will be mailed approximately six weeks before each happening. Organizers anticipate selling out all three events, so make your reservations quickly after receiving your invitations.

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## Briefly

### WESTERN IS ONE OF "100 MOST WIRED UNIVERSITIES"

Western was recently recognized by *Yahoo* as one of the "100 Most Wired Universities." Western was rated 86. Carnegie Mellon University in Pittsburgh, Pa., was first. *Yahoo* Internet Life and Peterson's, a provider of education information, conducted the ratings, based on access and infrastructure, administrative services, general resources and student services. WWU was rated particularly high in several categories and was recognized for having 95 percent of its classrooms wired for high-speed net access and 75 percent of its residence halls with computer labs.

### RESIDENCE HALLS EARN "SCHOOL OF YEAR" AWARD

The Pacific Affiliate of College and University Residence Halls named Western "School of the Year" in March, the highest honor a school can receive. The organization brings together student leaders from residence hall associations in Washington, Oregon, California, Nevada, Hawaii and British Columbia. Western was recognized for the many educational and social programs put on by student leaders and staff in the residence halls; contributions the residence halls made to students and the Bellingham community; and the exceptional leadership talents of students.

### NOBEL PRIZE WINNER LECTURES ON CURRENCY

The College of Business and Economics' long-running Alcoa-Intalco lecture series brought Nobel Prize winning economist Robert Mundell to campus in June. Mundell, a professor at Columbia University, talked about the advantages and disadvantages of a common currency in North America. Mundell won the Nobel Prize in economics last year for his work in currency markets.

### CLASSES WILL BE CANCELED FOR VETERANS DAY

Western will cancel classes on Veterans Day beginning this year, after an agreement was reached with University staff who will work normal hours on the holiday. In addition, the president's office will continue to co-sponsor the annual Veterans Day ceremony with the Veterans' Outreach Center. Veterans Day will be a normal workday for classified and exempt professional staff who will continue to receive the last working day before Christmas as a state holiday, in lieu of Veterans Day.

### KRISTINA MILES OF TACOMA NAMED STUDENT TRUSTEE

Gov. Gary Locke appointed Kristina Miles, 21, daughter of Steven and Patricia Miles of Tacoma, to the Board of Trustees in May. Miles, a junior majoring in political science and environmental studies, succeeds Natalie A. Quick on the governing board.

### CIGARETTE SALES BANNED ON CAMPUS

The Viking Union information center stopped selling tobacco products July 1, after a campus policy was reviewed.

### HILL, CLAMPITT AND WELTY ARE ATHLETES OF YEAR

Three athletes who earned first-team All-America honors and led their teams to national playoff appearances in Western's second year in NCAA Division II were named the Marina Restaurant and Bayside Cafe/WWU Athletes of the year for 1999-2000. Basketball forward Celeste Hill took the female honor for the second straight year. Sharing the male award were football wide receiver Ben Clampitt, who signed with the Seattle Seahawks in August, and golfer Craig Welty.

### HISS AND JUERGENS NAMED TOP SCHOLAR-ATHLETES

Women's track and field heptathlete Sarah Hiss and football strong safety Marty Juergens were named WWU Female and Male Scholar-Athletes of the Year, respectively, for 1999-2000.

### FLICK BECOMES HEAD VOLLEYBALL COACH

Diane Flick, top assistant at University of Washington, is the new head volleyball coach at Western. Flick, 28, was at UW four years. A 1993 UW graduate, Flick earned four letters as a setter in volleyball, served as team captain and was named most valuable player for two seasons.

### CORRECTIONS

*Window on Western* printed the wrong photo in its spring issue of the university's all-time scoring leader in men's basketball, Jared Stevenson. The correct photo is at right. Stevenson broke Manny Kimmie's record on Feb. 9, and ended the season with 1,728 points.

We also failed to credit *The Bellingham Herald* for a photo on page 3 in the same issue.



Jared Stevenson

# Campus Connections

## Vikings set for another great year

The Western football team has plenty of reasons for optimism as it enters the 2000 season.

The Vikings established themselves as a force in 1999, posting an 8-3 record, making their first appearance in the NCAA Division II national playoffs and winning the Columbia Football Association championship with a 4-0 mark.

The season was the ninth straight with a .500 or better record. It also came after a pair of 5-5 seasons during the move from NAIA Division II to NCAA II.

"We know that the playoffs are a possibility," said Western head coach Rob Smith.

The Vikings, who are ranked No. 10 in the *Preview Sports Magazine* Top 10 this year, won eight straight games at one point last season, propelling them into the

NCAA II national rankings. Western was ranked 11th in the final poll, and No.2 regionally. The regional rating put the Vikings into the playoffs, where they suffered a 27-24 overtime loss to Northeastern State, Okla.

Much of the talent from that squad returns, although there are holes to be filled. Graduation took seven starters from the defense and All-America wide receiver Ben Clampitt from the offense. Eight offensive starters and four defensive starters are part of a group of 31 returning lettermen.

Leading the way are five first-team all-league selections, headlined by junior quarterback Scott Mitchell (Kennewick/Kamiakin), who some publications have listed as a candidate for the Harlon Hill Trophy annually awarded to the top player in NCAA II.

Other first-team all-league picks returning are senior Nick McClain (Kirkland/Juanita), who moves to tight end after being an all-CFA offensive lineman the last two years; junior center Nick Giralmo (Maple Valley/Tahoma), a second-team all-West Region selection; senior running back Giorgio Usai (Spokane/Central Valley); and senior linebacker Lance Gustafson (Tumwater). Giralmo and Gustafson were unanimous selections.

Western has some intangibles working in its favor, most notably a school-record seven home games. Civic Stadium, where the Vikings were 5-0 last year, has a new Fieldturf surface, an artificial surface that looks and plays very much like grass.



Jon Brunk photo

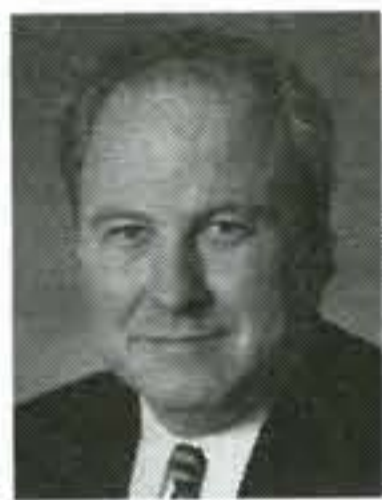
Senior running back Giorgio Usai returns this year.

"I'm excited about the new field because we know the conditions will be good throughout the season," Smith said. "We need to take advantage of that by winning at home."

The team has also added eight transfers to its roster, three of them from the University of Washington.

## Bob Edie appointed vice president

Robert G. Edie, former director of legislative affairs for Gov. Gary Locke, has been named vice president for External Affairs at Western.



Bob Edie

Selected following a national search, Edie succeeds Albert Froderberg who was in the position 12 years. He is responsible for legislative relations, public information and publications, and alumni affairs.

"We are very fortunate to have a person of Bob Edie's dedication to quality higher education in this key position," said Western president Karen W. Morse. "He brings to Western 25 years experience in legislative affairs during which he has earned respect on both sides of the aisle and throughout the higher education community."

Edie said he welcomed the opportunity to work with "outstanding faculty, staff and students.

"Western already is recognized as one of the best public regional universities in the nation," he said. "My new colleagues and I will do everything in our power to assure that Western continues to have the resources to maintain and enhance that well-deserved reputation."

Edie was also appointed interim executive director of The Western Foundation, following the resignation of Jean Rahn. He has a wealth of political and government expertise. After nearly 14 years in legislative affairs at the University of Washington, Edie went to Olympia in August 1999 as a senior budget adviser in the Office of Financial Management. He joined the governor's office in January.

He was vice president for university relations at UW from January

1996 to July 1999 and UW director of government relations from 1986 to 1996. Edie worked in the state Senate for 10 years (1975 to 1985) during which time he was a research analyst for the Senate Labor Committee (1975-81), a senior research analyst for the Senate Democratic Caucus (1981-82) and senior staff coordinator for the Ways and Means committee (1983-85).

A native of Minnesota, Edie received his master's degree in public affairs from the Hubert H. Humphrey Institute at the University of Minnesota. He received his bachelor's degree in history from Stanford University in 1969.

Froderberg, who has been a faculty member and administrator since 1968, will be a senior adviser to Morse and director of planned giving as the university prepares for its second capital campaign.

### Western at



**CENTENNIAL SALE:**  
books, banners

The blue and white banners that graced the campus and surrounding area last year, celebrating Western's Centennial, are being offered for sale.

The 30-by-60-inch canvas flags cost \$29.95 and are available from Alumni House. Call (360) 650-3353 or (800) 676-6885 to order yours.

A well-researched collection of essays about Western's history has also been published and is now for sale. *Perspectives on Excellence: A Century of Teaching and Learning at Western Washington University*, is available from Alumni House for \$19.95 plus shipping costs.

Information on ordering the Centennial photo album is on the back page.

## Point of View: Focus on quality *by President Karen W. Morse*

"Western Washington University is on a roll," wrote *Seattle Times* business columnist Stephen Dunphy after a recent visit to campus. Students are attracted by "a handsome campus, good teaching and what one national magazine called one of the best values in higher education today."

While these are welcome words, we will not rest on our laurels. We will continue to work to become even better.

Following up the visioning process which began last year, we have initiated a dialogue,

under the leadership of Provost Andy Bodman, to examine the quality of undergraduate education at Western: what should be the knowledge, skills, attitudes, values and experiences of a Western graduate.

Ultimately, we hope to learn more about what distinguishes "the Western experience" from that at other quality institutions in order to provide the best and most accessible education for our students while engaging them fully in the learning process.

With the help of a Carnegie Academy for the Scholarship of Teaching and Learning grant, we have also

been involved in unique "campus conversations" among faculty and students about how to further the scholarship of teaching and learning at Western. Western is one of only two schools out of 150 participating colleges and universities that involved students in the discussions.

With our emphasis on student involvement, we are at the forefront of a national conversation about the changing nature of teaching and learning.

Being at the forefront is exciting and challenging, and it presents many opportunities. As we conclude our Centennial celebration

and move into our next century of teaching and learning, I invite you, as alumni, to participate in our dialogue, too. While the definition of a quality education may change over time, excellence has been the hallmark of Western for over 100 years.

Please send us your thoughts as we continue the commitment to excellence and to our students.



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# Accent on Alumni

## Alumni Chapters are growing strong ...

The 1999/2000 year was not only Western's Centennial year, but also one of intense focus on the development of Alumni Chapters. Mary Ann Harrington, associate director of Alumni Relations, recruited volunteers, formed Chapter steering committees and formally established Chapters. The Chapters hosted Centennial events in 13 areas in Washington and across the nation.

There are also seven more informal regions serving our far-flung alumni, and five areas which are being explored for possible future Chapter establishment.

In the **Alaska Region**, regional liaison Kelly Follis worked diligently with her steering committee to present two events in Juneau and one in Anchorage. The Alaska Region steering committee includes Kris Wright, Lisa Pusich and Paul Dick of the Juneau area, and Crystal Nygard, Rod and Donelle Bain and Dalene Perrigo of the Anchorage area. The Anchorage event was a January dinner held in conjunction with a Vikings basketball game at the University of Alaska. The first Juneau event was held in September 1999 on the day that the annual WWU Alumni cruise ship docked in town, so both "Juneauites" and "cruisers" could get together for a lively reception at a local bistro. They followed up in January with a dinner gathering.

**Arizona Chapter** liaison Kristine Worland is collaborating with steering committee members Virginia Boylan, Bill Schmitt, Earl Wille and Kathleen DeCoite to hold a fall or winter alumni event in the Phoenix area in addition to their annual Phoenix March event. This annual weekend includes a tailgate lunch and attendance at a Mariner's Spring Training game, evening barbecue dinner and alumni golf tournament. This year's weekend was very well attended by alumni from Washington, California and Nevada as well as from Arizona. This Chapter also provides a Web-based listserv for Arizona alumni.

The **British Columbia Region** is ably led by regional liaison Mel Blackman, who is also a member of the Alumni Association board of directors. Steering Committee members working with him are Don Greenwood, James Bruzzese, Patrick Byrne, Hollis Kelly, Lorrie

### Goodrich recognized for volunteering

The Western Foundation board named Athletic Director **Lynda Goodrich** ('66, '73) as the campus volunteer of the year.

Goodrich was recognized for her outstanding fund-raising efforts on behalf of Viking athletics, including the establishment of endowed scholarships and increased program support.



Kristie Lundstrom photos

Williams and Bob York. They are looking forward to establishing formal Alumni Chapter status and to holding their first Chapter event in 2001.

The **Chicago/Mid-West Region** was inactive this year, but regional liaison Pam Smith-Large anticipates establishing a formal Alumni Chapter next year.

The **Colorado Chapter** feels brand new. The Alumni Association had never held an event in Colorado until chapter liaison Tom Keeney and his excellent steering committee brought a very boisterous group of Colorado alumni to a well-attended dinner at the Denver Chop House in February. The steering committee includes Marla Broussard, Meagan and Scott Dawson, Al Dong, Natalie Littrell, Ed and Lucinda Pearson, Jill Stokes, Sue Wolf and Carole Anderson (whom the Chapter has proclaimed an 'Honorary WWU Alum').

**Idaho Region** steering committee members Christy Babcock, Jean Norquist, Bron Roberts and Timothy Spencer are working with their fearless leader, regional liaison Denny Freeburn, to put on their first official event in the coming year and to organize for formal Alumni Chapter status.

The **Los Angeles Basin Region** has just acquired a new go-getter as liaison. Philip Hatfield will be organizing his steering committee this fall, which will likely include the great golfer Bill Wright. Once organized, and with steering committee meetings under way, this region will be converted to a formal Alumni Chapter.

The **New England Chapter** steering committee is one of our most active. Members meet on a regular basis and are in constant e-mail contact. Chapter liaison Angie Rapp is supported by committee members Steve Arnold, Cherie Rivers, Greg Sobel, Soren Ryherd and Steven Millman. Their Centennial event in April was a reception at the Boston Museum of Science and viewing of the beautiful OMNI film, *Dolphins*.

In the **New York Chapter**, Kari Zimmerman, the Chapter liaison, leads a steering committee of dynamic, forward-thinking young

At left, Jim Ford, right, joins Emerson and Catherin Nordmark in a Skagit Valley Chapter event last fall.

At right, a group of Portland area alumni in September 1999.



women. Steering committee members Charity Curley, Sally James, Kathleen Rhodes and Katy Dobbs worked with Zimmerman to present an April reception in a private room at Windows on the World, a fabulous restaurant at the top of the World Trade Center (What a view!). The room was packed with New York alumni who are definitely party people.

One of the most active Chapters, the **Oregon/Southern Washington Chapter**, is guided by Chapter liaison Patricia Swenson. The Chapter steering committee is composed of Duane Anderson, Dawn Bittner, Lynne Curtis, Dan and Kay McMurry, Art and Peggy Mottet, Dean Takko, and David and Mary Alice Wallis. This Chapter hosted three events this past year and has discussions under way for a WWU Scholarship fund-raising project and a WWU student recruitment/mentoring program. The Chapter started its year with a Willamette River dinner-cruise on the Sternwheeler *Rose*, continued with a luncheon and tour of the spectacular Stroganoff Collection exhibit at the Portland Art Museum, and finished the year with an Oregon wine country tour and tasting, which ended with a luncheon at the beautiful Erath Vineyards Winery.

**Pierce County Chapter** liaison

Reed Zulauf is also a member of the Alumni Association board of directors. The Chapter steering committee for Pierce County includes Bonnie Cline, Ron Crowe, Ron Kahle, Pat and Molly Keaton, Darlene McCallum and Tammy Zulauf. Their outstanding Centennial celebration was held in conjunction with the Daffodil Days Festival in Tacoma. It included a festive brunch and front-window viewing of the Daffodil Days Boat Parade - in which there was an official WWU yacht-entry, suitably decorated with 2,000 daffodils and flying huge WWU banners for all festival-goers to see!

Our model **San Diego Chapter** is the most active, with four events this year, ongoing steering committee meetings, a Chapter newsletter and plans to sponsor a WWU scholarship. Chapter liaisons Sam Porter and Signe Beck work very well with steering committee members Tim Michel, Eric Blase, Luis Bowden, Debbie Blad Molina and Will McNeill. Their events included a Centennial birthday party held in the lovely Faculty Club at the University of San Diego, a very well-attended dinner at Miramar MCAS Officers' Club and two summer activities: a tailgate party before the Mariners/Padres game at Qualcomm Stadium and a beach picnic at La Jolla Cove.

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### Memorial to honor all war veterans

**Ted Gary** ('49) of Seattle and **Mel Lindbloom** ('50), of Auburn are leading a special project to honor veterans of all wars on the Western campus.

They are recruiting a committee of several former classmates and veterans to help raise \$40,000 to establish the Veterans Memorial Endowment.

Funds will be used to dedicate a pipe organ in the Performing Arts Center's Concert Hall, provide for its maintenance and support an annual scholarship for a student majoring in music performance.

The organ, to be named the Veterans Memorial Pipe Organ, replaces an older pipe organ that

was dedicated more than 50 years ago to alumni who lost their lives in World War II. The older organ was dismantled during a major renovation of the Mainstage in the 1970s and was never reinstalled because of its poor condition.

The University plans to dedicate the Veterans Memorial Pipe Organ to honor veterans of all wars during a special program Nov. 11, which will include a performance on the organ and presentation of the first scholarship award.

Contributions to the Veterans Memorial Endowment can be mailed to the Western Foundation, Old Main 445, Western Washington University, Bellingham, WA 98225-9034.

# ... and having fun!

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The **San Francisco Bay Area Chapter** is led by Chapter liaisons Gene Langille and June Hartstra, along with steering committee members Jennifer Lincoln and Meg and Mark Sundseth. At a recent event, several alumni guests indicated that they were very interested in becoming more active in their Chapter – so the SF steering committee will be growing soon! This Chapter hosted a luncheon in conjunction with the Vikings vs. UC-Davis football game on the UC-Davis campus; and, most recently held a 'Sausalito Sunset Supper' at a restaurant with a spectacular view over San Francisco Bay toward the city.



The **Seattle Chapter** has great things in store for Seattle area alumni in the next year. (See the story on page one.)

Chapter liaison Bart Shilvock, an executive-at-large member of the Alumni Association board of directors, is assisted by steering committee members Rick Reichert, Tulin Baydar Idemen, Larry Taylor (Alumni Association president), Gail Gautestad, Howard Higgin and Richard Rosa. **East King County Region** liaisons Marv Toland and Stephen Barrett will be collaborating with the Seattle Chapter next year before forming a separate East King County Chapter the following year.

The **Skagit Valley Chapter** is most efficiently led by Chapter liaison Catherin Nordmark and steering committee members Rich and Ferryll Blanc, Matt Evich, Denise and Ron Runyan, Chuck Scott and Lynn Chapman. They are an extremely active, involved group who hosted a "Bites & Brew w/ WWU" at a local microbrewery/restaurant in fall 1999 and a day-cruise on the *Viking Star* through the San Juan Islands just recently. Their events attract hordes of alumni.

**Snohomish County Chapter** liaison Bunny Cummins (Alumni Association board member) is very ably assisted by the Chapter's steering committee members who are: Ron Cummins, Kay Hovde (also an Alumni Association board member), Al Hovde, Joanne Klouzal and Dan and Carolyn Robertson. This Chapter invited Snohomish County alumni to a VIP barbecue dinner at the famous Evergreen State Fair in August.

**South Puget Sound Region** liaisons Brad and Lisa McGarvie are looking forward to organizing their steering committee and establish-

ing the South Puget Sound Chapter this fall. Good luck to this dynamic duo!

In eastern Washington, the **Spokane Area Chapter** is covering all the bases. Chapter liaison Tim Mackin and his steering committee of Kathleen Taft, Susan Rielly, Sally Colwell and Scott Lewis presented a lovely dinner at the exclusive Spokane Club last spring. The event was very well attended, and the steering committee will be doubling its ranks with alumni from the Spokane area who are excited about being active in their Chapter's activities.

Our nation's capital is well-represented by the **Washington, D.C. Area Chapter**. Chapter liaisons Chuck Odell and Angela Brittingham have organized an exceptional steering committee composed of Megan Farr, Carrie Merkel, Karl Schipper, Greg Sullivan and Dirk Zipf. This chapter hosted a salmon barbecue/picnic on the grounds of the Bethesda Naval Hospital in April. Despite an unfortunate brisk wind that day, this event was wonderfully well-attended. WWU president Karen Morse, who attended this event, is still commenting on "those very plucky D.C. alumni" who will come out to party no matter what!

Our **Whatcom County Chapter** is in transition this fall. New Chapter liaison, Mike Perry and current steering committee members Maureen Christman, Ellen Kramer and Tony Larson are busily recruiting new committee members. They will resume regular Chapter meetings soon. The Chapter hosted a Champagne and Chocolate reception at the grand opening of a WWU Centennial photo exhibit last fall at the Whatcom Museum of History and Art.

Regions being explored for possible future WWU Alumni Chapter establishment include the Yakima and Tri-Cities areas in Washington, the Santa Barbara, Calif., area, Hawaii, and the southern United States. Watch in your next *Window on Western* for news of these brand new ventures!

## Larry Taylor elected new president of Alumni Association

Larry Taylor ('72) of Seattle, has been elected president of the WWU Alumni Association.

Taylor, president and owner of Larry Taylor Auctioneer, Inc. and a former Western trustee, succeeds **Tony Larson ('88)** of Bellingham.


**Cheryl Dickerson ('80)** of Bellingham was named president-elect and also serves as secretary-treasurer.

The new posts are for two-year terms ending in May 2002.

Taylor, who was recently appointed to the Washington State Lottery Commission, is a former

## Grist of Goldsmith

By Chris Goldsmith, Alumni Director



When fall quarter classes get under way at Western this year, three current students will be very thankful that Western alumni like to tell as many others as possible where they went to college.

Each of those three students is attending Western with the assistance of a four-year \$10,000 scholarship made possible by the simple (and now relatively inexpensive) act of Western alumni and other WWU supporters renewing their vehicle license tabs or through others purchasing a WWU Collegiate License Plate for the first time.

As both President Karen Morse and I are fond of noting at the many Western alumni events held across the state each year, the Collegiate License Plate program is quite possibly the lowest-overhead program ever developed by the state of Washington.

And, the benefits to Western students are enormous.

Consider that purchasing a WWU Collegiate License Plate for your vehicle costs only \$40 initially, in addition to the annual \$30 tab fee. Of that extra \$40, a full \$28 comes back to Western to be used for scholarships. Once a plate has been purchased, the extra renewal fee is only \$30. Again, \$28 of that fee comes back to Western for scholarships.

As is evidenced by three \$10,000 awards (\$2,500 per year for four years) that have already been made, many of your fellow alumni have already made this wise decision to brag about their alma mater and help current and future students attend Western.

So, if you live in Washington and own a vehicle, or even know others that do, you too can participate. In March of this year, every vehicle licensing outlet in the state was sent a color illustrated mini-poster of a WWU Collegiate License Plate. Most of those outlets have this poster on display.

But even if it's not visible when you are about to renew your tabs, ask about it. Both current and future Western students will be glad you did.

## Nominate a distinguished graduate

Nominations are now being accepted for Western's Distinguished Alumnus Award for 2001.

The award is based on a life time of achievement in the recipient's chosen field or a record of contribution to humanity in general.

Nominees must have actually graduated from Western Washington University or one of its predecessor institutions. Nominations should include a letter of nomination, at least three additional let-

ters of support, and as much supporting material as possible, including newspaper and/or magazine articles, etc.

A banquet honoring the 2001 recipient will be held on campus in the spring of 2001.

All nominations must be post-marked no later than Dec. 31, 2000 and mailed to: Distinguished Alumnus Award, Alumni House, Western Washington University, Bellingham, WA 98225-9199.

deputy director of Seattle's Department of Housing and Human Services. His auctioneering company has become one of Seattle's most successful charity auctioneering companies.

Three board members completed six-year terms: **Russ Wilson ('79)**, **Karen Hulford ('69)** and **Jim Ferguson ('84)**.

Eight new board



Larry Taylor

members were elected to their first three-year terms: **Martin Chorba ('66)** from Bellingham; **John Garrett ('95)** from Renton; **Joseph Henry ('68)** from Federal Way; **Richard Hovde ('68)** from Bellingham; **Angelique Robertson ('95)** from Seattle; **Bob Rohwer ('85)** from Snohomish; **Walter Smith ('72)** from Renton; and **Yvonne Kinoshita Ward ('86)** from Auburn.

# Class Notes

**1950** – Don and Sue Cannard will celebrate their 50<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary on Sept. 16.

**1952** – Paul Gillie was honored by the state Executive Ethics Board in Olympia for his years of service as an advocate for principled government.

**1966** – Graeme Sackrison is mayor of Lacey.

**1967** – Larry Petry is the dean of education and psychology at Heritage College in Seattle. ... Sheila Wilson Murray retired from the Highline School District in 1999 and is looking forward to traveling with her new spouse, Don.

**1968** – Nola Ayres retired from Sehome High School. Ayres was the gymnastics coach and guided the Mariners to 22 state titles and a 384-1 record. ... Peter Gray co-authored *The Math-Science Adventure Series* with retired WWU professor, Neil Gray. ... Lee Keown ('72) is a history teacher at Delta High School in Delta Junction, Alaska.

**1969** – Bill Giller ('76) is the principal of Meridian High School. ... Karen Hamilton Reinhardsen (M. Ed. 1988) retired after 31 years teaching for Bellevue, Northshore and Issaquah school districts. Reinhardsen is also an adjunct instructor for Antioch, City University and WWU. ... Don Harney was honored as the state's history teacher of the year by the Seattle Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution. Harney teaches at Lake Washington High School. ... Donna and John Mollan are adjunct professors for Seattle's Heritage Institute and teach graduate-level travel-study and local history courses. Donna Mollan has retired after 31 years of teaching elementary and middle school grades in the Evergreen School District. Mollan's plans include traveling with her husband as well as sociological research for a future book on alternative lifestyles.

**1970** – Steve Boyer was promoted to senior vice president of The Rockey Company in Seattle.

**1972** – John Bond was named executive director of elementary education for the

Northshore School District. ... Kathy (Timlick) Compton and Larry Compton celebrated their 32<sup>nd</sup> wedding anniversary. The Comptons met while attending WWU. ... Cheryl DeHaan was named the first administrative services manager for Farm Friends, a new Whatcom County organization aimed at increasing public awareness of the challenges facing today's local farmers. ... Jim Hansen was recognized by the Washington Community Economic Revitalization Team for his contributions to local employment, watershed partnerships and habitat restoration in the Nooksack River Watershed. Hansen is a restoration specialist for the Lummi Natural Resources Department.

**1973** – Kirie Pedersen ('82) was recently appointed executive editor at InstantKnowledge, Inc., an Internet startup headquartered in Los Angeles. Pedersen supervised graduate students, scholars and professors from throughout the world to research and write scholarly material for the [www.instantknowledge.com](http://www.instantknowledge.com) launch in March 2000. ... Bill Quehrn joined the sales force of the Cascade Radio Group in Bellingham. Quehrn has been the morning news announcer for the last 15 years on KGMI. ... Mary Walker is the principal at Sedro-Woolley High School.

**1974** – Sonja Brown Nelson is editor of the journal of the American Rhododendron Society. Nelson's new book is *Rhododendrons in the Landscape* and is available through Timber Press. ... Cathy Foster Workman lives in New Jersey and does free-lance work from her home. Contact her at: [NEONARCHEOS@aol.com](mailto:NEONARCHEOS@aol.com).

**1975** – Jim Hays is the manager of operations and facilities at the athletic department for the University of Victoria in British Columbia. ... Catharine Herbold is the general manager for Avista Communications in Bellingham. Herbold heads a local sales team and office staff and serves as the primary representative for Avista Communications in the Bellingham region.

**1976** – Phil Cummins was promoted to senior account executive with Northwest Washington Medical Bureau. ... Steve Michel is a web developer at [www.alibris.com](http://www.alibris.com).

**1977** – Doug Asbjornsen is the principal at

Skyline Elementary School in Ferndale. ... Rich Benson is the head ranger at Lake Sammamish State Park.

**1978** – Jerry Galloway was named to the International Diamond Society by Coldwell Banker Bain. ... Bob McMullen was named high school principal of the year by the Washington Association of Secondary School Principals. McMullen is principal at Kamiakin High School. ... Eileen Trentman is the volunteer services coordinator for the city of Kirkland.

**1979** – Gerald Jenkins is the superintendent for Northwest Educational Services District 189. Jenkins leaves as the superintendent of the Selah School District to assume this job. ... Terry Martin was named Central Washington University's distinguished teaching professor for 2000. Martin has been at Central since 1986. ... Sue (Bacon) Rinney is product manager for InterWest Bank and the executive director of The Whidbey Playhouse. Rinney can be reached via e-mail at [rineys@iwbk.com](mailto:rineys@iwbk.com).

**1980** – Maryann Laush-Willis works at Lydia Hawk Elementary in the North Thurston School District in the Detention/Intervention Services Department. Laush-Willis was nominated for the public television station KCTS' Golden Apple Award in 1999 for excellence in education from the Griffin School District in Olympia. ... Rich Samore is the event production manager of Studio Instrument Rentals (SIR) in Hollywood, Calif.

**1981** – Ralph Braseth is director of the Student Media Center and professor of journalism at the University of Mississippi. Braseth won College Media Adviser of the Year and was named Southeast Journalism's Educator of the Year. E-mail Braseth at [jnrbb@olemiss.edu](mailto:jnrbb@olemiss.edu). ... Kiera (Kristin) Koester accepted a position as reference librarian for the Beaverton (Ore.) City Library. ... Nina O'Dell was named the director of government and community relations for Puget Sound Energy. Odell is also the chair of the King County Economic Development Council and is on the board of the Renton Chamber of Commerce, the University of Washington Business & Economic Development Council and the Snohomish/King County YWCA. ... Robin Russell joined US Bank as vice president of private financial services group. ... Steve Wharton is the principal of Woodmoor Elementary School in Woodinville.



Robin Russell

**1982** – Evan Kaplan co-founded Aventa Corp. in Seattle. Kaplan's business won the business product of the year with Washington Software Alliance's Industry. ... Karen Thomas ('89) is an investment executive at Dain Rauscher's Bellingham office. ... Patricia Wasley was appointed dean of the College of Education at the UW. ... David Wilson joined PR.COM as co-

## Madison wins honors

Sports information director Paul Madison ('71) was named the college division representative for the West Region on the College Sports Information Directors of America Board of Directors at the annual CoSIDA national convention.

Madison will serve the final year of a three-year term for Doug Dull, who moved from UC-Davis to Kansas State.

Madison's 1999-2000 women's basketball media guide was awarded second in the nation among 47 entries in Division B, which includes NCAA II and NAIA schools. It was his 41st NAIA and CoSIDA publication award. Eight earned Best in the Nation honors.

owner and CFO. Wilson's agency specializes in wireless and telecommunications clients. E-mail: [dwilson@prdot.com](mailto:dwilson@prdot.com).

**1983** – Shawn Mathee is the meal program manager at Pike Market Senior Center. ... Robert Sinclair was promoted to lieutenant colonel in the Marine Corps. ... Greg Young is the owner/president of a branch office for American General Securities in Lynden.

**1984** – Craig Burley is the director for the Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife in Vancouver. ... Leanne Lyon is the owner/president of a private-practice clinic in Jacksonville, N.C., and recently built a 5,100-square-foot outpatient physical therapy clinic.

**1985** – Anna (Berry) Nelson is participating in the Alaska AIDS Vaccine Ride, a 510-mile bike ride from Fairbanks to Anchorage in August. Nelson works with people living with HIV/AIDS in Fairbanks and can be reached at [annanelson@netscape.net](mailto:annanelson@netscape.net).

**1986** – Donna Le Blonde was named Northwest Runner of the Month in April. Le Blonde is the mentor/coach of the Bellingham area Team in Training program for the Leukemia Society.

**1987** – Charles Atwood is the conductor of the Mukilteo community orchestra. Atwood is a faculty member at the Gene Natri School and Northwest School of Music on Mercer Island. ... Jeffrey Driscoll (M.A. '89) received the master of divinity degree from Luther Seminary on May 21 at Central Lutheran Church in Minneapolis. ... Allen James was appointed by New York Gov. George E. Pataki in October 1999 deputy public information officer for the New York state Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation. James can be reached at [altda@juno.com](mailto:altda@juno.com).

**1988** – David Blair is Trillium's chief agricultural officer for South America, working out of Bellingham.

**1989** – Drue Robinson, who founded the Bellingham Children's Theatre in 1993, wrote *Once Upon the End*, a play using 36 fairy tale and nursery rhyme characters with some unlikely twists and turns as they face the possibility of a disastrous turn-of-the-century computer breakdown. ... Kevin Stottlemire, a Centralia-based employee of Harbor Financial Services, has been selected as the company's financial services representative of the year.

**1990** – Donis Ruf-Bradbury continues to write and facilitate workshops, encouraging writing for self-expression. Ruf-Bradbury teaches from her home in Nanose Bay, B.C., and through continuing education classes. ... Terri Griffith has been accepted in the graduate program at the School of Art Institute of Chicago. ... Brinton Scott is with the British-based law firm of Denton Wilde Sapte in Beijing, China. Scott can be reached at [Bscottesq@hotmail.com](mailto:Bscottesq@hotmail.com).

**1992** – Roblin Davis created and directed *Fry Tales*, a production on stage at Juneau's Perseverance Theatre. ... Shannon Fowler is an Internet specialist with The Boeing Company. Fowler attended the Ninth International World Wide Web Conference in Amsterdam and presented a paper with two co-workers detailing their experiences building a manufacturing Web site for the Wing Responsibility Center.

**1993** – Mike McQuaide is the editor of [Kulshan.com](http://Kulshan.com), a Fourth Corner community Web site operated by Sign Me Up Marketing in Bellingham. ... Stephen Moore received his M.A. in organizational development from City University and is a career transition consultant with Drake Beam Morin in San Diego, Calif. ... Andy Perdue was promoted to assistant managing editor of the *Tri-City Herald*. ... Kristian Strinsky is the co-owner of Northern Sights, a company providing guided tours to Mendenhall Glacier, whale watching and wildlife-viewing trips in Alaska. Strinsky's Web site is <http://www.northernsights.com>. ... Cheryl Weiland

## Weddings

**1967** – Sheila Wilson and Don Murray, May 13.

**1975** – Deborah Matlock and Randy Woodward, Nov. 6, 1999.

**1988** – Cynthia Chandler and Anthony Bacetich, Jan. 7. ... Jack Kolze and Gwen Cobb, June 12, 1999. ... Craig Scott and Emily Lambert ('99), Nov. 13, 1999.

**1989** – Melissa Elgin and Joseph Lindberg, Oct. 23, 1999.

**1991** – Tony Brown and Sharon Johnson, April 15.

**1993** – Brian Steel and Cheryl Baker, Oct. 16, 1999.

**1994** – Megan Loe and Derek Watt on Sept. 4, 1999. ... John Nelson and Natalee Harm on March 20. ... Jennifer Sanders and Michael Hammar ('95) on Sept. 4, 1999. ... Walter Pritchard and Lori Martindale on March 18. ... Greg Robertson and Kelly Paetz, March 18.

**1995** – Sara Compton and Neal McCulloch ('97), Sept. 2, 1999. ... Brenda Fague and Richard Randall, Aug. 28, 1999. ... Matthew Jarmin and Marjory Winter, May 21. ... Gregory Peterson and Leslie Christman, Oct. 10, 1999.

**1996** – Kimberly Clardy and Randy Larkin on Nov. 27, 1999. ... Alice Crawley and Craig Skipton ('98) on July 29, 1999. ... Lisa Gray

and David Fritz on July 10, 1999. ... Rebecca Huzy and Michael Klein on Aug. 24, 1999. ... Laura Piscofski and Richard Gordon on June 19, 1999. ... Sherry Vincent and Darin Nelson on Nov. 28, 1999. ... Merina Warnstadt and Kurt Hanson ('98) on May 27, 1999.

**1997** – Jessica Casbere and Antonio Manjarrez ('97) on Feb. 20. ... Douglas Greaves and Jennifer Gower on March 4. ... Ryan Lakin and Kimberly Clardy on Nov. 27, 1999. ... Megan Hill MacDonald and Paul Rogers on Aug. 24, 1999. ... Amy Moen and Bryon Surace on June 19. ... Neal McCulloch and Sara Compton ('95) on Sept. 2, 1999. ... Christina Schmidt and Ric Hallock on Feb. 26. ... Amy Scribner and Michael Blondin, June 19.

**1998** – Jim Barth and Robynn Noll, Aug. 14, 1999. ... Teresa L. Clayton and Randy Bowers, July 23, 1999. ... Rosanne Gile and Eric Wiesen, Dec. 11. ... Kurt Hanson and Merina Warnstadt ('96), May 27. ... Katie Klan and Josh Saylor, July 24, 1999. ... Phillip Smetheram and Carol Lopez, Feb. 12. ... Marcus Yoder and Sarah Imhof ('99), April 15.

**1999** – Sarah Imhof and Marcus Yoder ('98), April 15. ... Emily Lambert and Craig Scott ('88), Nov. 13, 1999. ... Claire Martin and Cheol Kang, Dec. 18, 1999. ... Robyn Noll and Jim Barth, Aug. 14, 1999. ... John McBride and Carrie Johnson, July 24, 1999. ... Jennifer Ware and Aaron Apps, Aug. 15, 1999.

Send short items of interest, address changes and other news to [alumni@wwu.edu](mailto:alumni@wwu.edu) or:

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# Class Notes

## Memoriams

is pursuing a Ph.D. in industrial/organizational psychology at California School of Professional Psychology.

**1994** – **Wayne Berry** created Kulshan.com, a Web site that offers information about Whatcom County's schools, government, churches, organization and real-estate companies. ... **Robb Myhre** is the football coach at Nooksack Valley High School. ... **Kelli Polyak** received her MBA in finance from La Salle University and is now an investment analyst with Bryn Mawr Capital Management, Inc. in Haverford, Penna. ... **Rick Reichert** has been promoted to assistant director of the annual fund at the Seattle Symphony. Reichert will be responsible for all individuals giving below \$10,000 and for the Board of Trustees campaign. ... **Dan Stober** joined Financial Security Group in Bellevue as co-adviser. ... **Kim Sutherland** teaches first grade at Acme Elementary School in the Mount Baker School District.

**1995** – **Sara Compton** graduated from Boston College Law School in May and is working as a deputy prosecuting attorney for King County. ... **Cheryl Fure** is an exercise physiologist with the SportsClub. ... **Elissa Kalla** works for Geographical Information Services (map making). ... **Joshua McBee ('97)** received a three-year, \$50,000 National Institute of Health vision training grant. McBee is a Ph.D. candidate in organic chemistry at the University of Washington and is researching the biochemistry of vision and its role in human visual disorders and their treatment.

**1996** – **Amalia Camacho** is studying to be a nun at the sisters of St. Joseph of Peace in Bellevue. ... **Alice Crowley** graduated from Penn State University with a M.F.A. in creative non-fiction writing. ... **Benjamin Dow** is teaching in an international school in Ghana. ... **Alissa Haslam** was accepted into the graduate program at UCLA in African studies. ... **Michael Gibbs Hill** was awarded a Blakemore Foundation fellowship for training at the International Chinese Language program in Taipei for the 2000-2001 school year, and a Fulbright fellowship for additional study and research in Chinese literature at National Taiwan University in 2001. Hill can be reached at [mghill@eden.rutgers.edu](mailto:mghill@eden.rutgers.edu). ... **Angela Rapp** was accepted for graduate study at Antioch New England Graduate School in Keene, N.H. Rapp will pursue a master of science degree in resource management and administration in the department of environmental studies. ... **Jason T. Short** received his M.D. from the Medical College of Wisconsin in May and was to begin his family medicine residence in the Inland Empire Hospital Services Association program in Spokane. ... **August Wegener** works for the Swinomish tribe as a grant writer.

**1997** – **Brittany Baskin** has been promoted to senior in the business owner succession services group of Moss Adams. ... **Michael Callaghan-McCann** is a drill sergeant at Fort Benning in Columbus, Ga. ... **Larry Campbell** serves on the North Cascade Institute board of directors with **Bill Dietrich ('73)**. ... **Victor Hanzeli** is principal at Stanwood Elementary School. ... **James Rush Murphy** received the master of divinity degree from Princeton Theological Seminary in May 2000. ... **Joel Runnels** returned from a three-year Peace Corps trip to Kenya. Runnels will pursue his master's of arts education degree at Lewis and Clark College in Portland. ... **Elizabeth Smith** is a legislative aide/district representative for California State Sen. Liz Figueroa. Smith can be reached at [elizabeth21@netscape.net](mailto:elizabeth21@netscape.net).

**1998** – **Jim Barth** is co-owner of Jebco Horticultural Services. ... **Ross Beckley** is a land-use planner with Reid Middleton, Inc. in Seattle. ... **Rebecca Earl** was promoted to senior account manager in the business assurance department of Moss Adams. ... **Meghan Slining** will be in Honduras until April 2001 working in 13 villages on issues of diarrhea and pneumonia prevention as well as growth monitoring and nutrition. Slining can be reached at [mslining@hotmail.com](mailto:mslining@hotmail.com). ... **Krista Van Soest** is a customer service representative in commer-

cial insurance at Snapper Shuler Kenner Insurance in Lynden. ... **Jenny Zappala** is a reporter for *The Daily World* in Aberdeen.

**1999** – **Angie Baker** is a belly dancer at Mykonos Greek restaurant in Bellingham. Baker has her own costume-making business, Belly Dance Customers, LLC. ... **Robynn Noll Barth** teaches eighth grade at North Lake Middle School in Lake Stevens. ... **Kristal Bartelds** joined the tax planning group as staff accountant with Moss Adams in Bellingham. ... **Danielle Danielson** is an exercise physiologist at The SportsClub. ... **Tim Dorian** is the distributor of the Breathscan Detectors, which are used to measure a person's alcohol consumption. ... **Sheri Emerson** is the public relations coordinator for the Opportunity Council in Bellingham. ... **Rachelle Libey** received her CPA certification. Libey is employed by Moss-Adams in Seattle. ... **Staci MacCorkle** is serving as an agro-forestry extensionist in the Dominican Republic with the Peace Corps. ... **Brynn McInturff** is the staff accountant in the business assurance department in the office of Moss Adams LLP in Spokane. ... **Ryan Wasserman** was named one of 10 Pew Younger Graduate Fellows for 2000. Wasserman received \$26,000 fellowship in humanities and social sciences.

**2000** – **Tim Reid** is the assistant director of government affairs for the Building Industry Association of Whatcom County.

## Five grads earn Woodring awards

Five alumni were among 24 public educators, principals, teachers, parent volunteers and school staff across the state to receive Professional Excellence Awards from Woodring College of Education.

Woodring established the awards in 1985 to recognize outstanding professionals and to raise awareness of the positive contributions in the fields of education and human services.

The Western alumni included:

**Don Bauthues ('61, '66)** who retired as Meridian superintendent after 39 years as a teacher and administrator in Washington.

**William Giller ('68, '75)**, Concrete High School principal and the district's curriculum director.

**Harold Hansberry ('59, '78)**, a math teacher at Mount Baker High School for more than 30 years who coached the successful Mount Baker math team and coordinated state conferences for new math teachers. For the last five years, he has been part of the WWU community as coordinator of its math education lab.

**Eric Molver ('61)**, who has served as Clover Park School District principal at Greenwood Elementary on the Ft. Lewis army base for three years. He received the Washington State Professional Excellence Award in 1991.

**Daryl Smiley ('69)** of Deming, who retired in June after working as a counselor at Mount Baker High School for 26 years. For 22 of those years, he was also assistant football coach. He coached girls softball for nine years and was a founder of the Mount Baker Scholarship Foundation, which provided \$20,000 in scholarships to graduating seniors last year.

**1917** – **Josephine Waldo**, 103, a retired teacher, died in February.

**1922** – **Mildred Trunkey**, 97, a retired teacher, died March 3.

**1924** – **Clara M. Syre Anderson**, 99, who taught in rural Whatcom County schools, died April 6.

**1925** – **Thomas Tucker**, 94, a retired teacher, died Feb. 28.

**1926** – **Narcissa Habersetzer Green**, 93, a retired teacher, died June 10.

**1930** – **E. Mabel Hickson**, a retired educator, died April 27.

**1935** – **Betty Plumas Willison**, 86, a retired teacher, died Jan. 27.

**1936** – **LaVeta Prater**, 91, a retired teacher, died Feb. 6.

**1938** – **Jane Rogers**, 84, a retired teacher, died on Feb. 5.

**1941** – **Esther Browne**, 88, a retired teacher, died May 23.

**1948** – **Phyllis Adele Teshera ('51 & '53)**, 72, a retired teacher, died Jan. 4.

**1949** – **Mary Ellen Anderson**, 92, a retired teacher, died on May 15. ... **Elsie Cecotti**, 72, a retired teacher and volunteer tutor, died Jan. 28.

**1951** – **Norman Hash**, 73, a retired teacher, died April 2

**1957** – **Clarence Pangle**, 70, a retired teacher, died Feb. 7.

**1958** – **Sandra Brown**, 60, a teacher and counselor at Nanaimo District Secondary School, died Oct. 8, 1999 after a brief battle with leukemia. ... **Willard Brown ('64)**, 69, a retired teacher for the Port Townsend School District, died Dec. 31, 1999.

**1960** – **Theodore Pumphrey**, 75, a retired teacher, died April 24.

**1961** – **G. Anthony Whitefield, Jr.**, 62, a retired educator, died June 2.

**1966** – **Cedric Michael Lien**, 59, an employee of Twin City Foods, died April 26.

**1968** – **Diane Mueller**, 53, a member of the Seattle Philharmonic Orchestra, died June 8. ... **Margaret Blodgett Swenson**, 55, a teacher at Benson Hill Elementary in the Renton School

District, died April 28.

**1970** – **Frank Rightmire, Jr.**, 58, a teacher at Moses Lake, died on April 7. ... **Wallace Sigma**, 53, president of Peninsula College in Port Angeles, died June 20.

**1971** – **William Herschel**, 57, died on March 7. ... **William Parkin**, Oct. 16, 1998.

**1975** – **Richard Van Zandt**, 55, a teacher, died March 31.

**1976** – **Everett Parsons**, 72, a retired auditor, died April 9.

**1980** – **Steve Kerola**, 50, a teacher at Gervaid High School, died March 1.

**1978** – **Dick Rightmire**, 53, a retired agricultural teacher and vocational director for the Ferndale School District, died Jan. 10.

**1981** – **Sally Jo Jones**, 42, a special education teacher at Meany Middle School in Seattle, died Feb. 23.

**1994** – **Robert Polk**, 48, a former Roosevelt High School journalism adviser, died Jan. 25 from heart failure.

**1998** – **Aran Bold**, 25, died Feb. 15.

**2000** – **Patrick Lau**, 25, died March 28.

## Faculty, Staff, Friends

**Thomas C.R. Horn**, 67, associate professor of history who specialized in the Renaissance and the Reformation, April 1.

**Blanche M. Lund**, 77, an administrative assistant at Western, on March 26.

**Dennis Quimby**, 48, a custodian at Western for 25 years, on May 30.

**Stella Rauch**, 85, who worked at Wilson Library for many years, April 21.

**Betty D. Ross**, 77, wife of former Western president G. Robert Ross, April 15.

**David B. Schaub**, 83, professor emeritus of music, on April 21. Schaub joined the faculty in 1953 and retired in 1982. He continued to teach part-time until fall 1988.

**John J. Wuest**, 80, retired professor of political science, Jan. 19. He served on Western's faculty from September 1960 until August 1985.

## Remembering David Schaub

Everyone has a favorite professor who made the education process a little richer. David Schaub was mine.

In 1981, during my freshman year as a music major, Schaub came out of retirement to teach music theory. His demeanor was quiet and he could have been a stand-in for Alfred in the TV series *Batman*.

Yet he was very stern and grilled us with pop quizzes every day (or so it seemed).

You either knew your homework or you didn't, and we quickly learned his version of music theory. (He was taught in Harvard during the 1930s.) I managed to squeak by with a B- and felt fortunate to have done that well.

He went back into retirement shortly afterwards, but was always at student recitals and occasionally gave recitals of his own on the pipe organ. He was friendly and showed up for receptions. I always got a laugh out of him reminiscing about some of my embarrassing moments in his class.

By 1984 he had rented out a spare room at his house on Highland Drive overlooking the bay to a friend of mine. I ended up over there often. He barely charged any rent and always had a gin and tonic available around 6 p.m.

Often, we'd talk him into playing some Bach on his grand piano. Those are fond memories.

Dr. Schaub often played *Pomp and Circumstance* at Commencement as professor emeritus. I was honored to perform with him in 1985 when I was chosen to sing the national anthem.

After graduation, we exchanged holiday cards for a number of years until his health started failing him and he moved to Wisconsin to be with his family.

It's with great regret that I learned of his passing.

My classmates and I remember him for his generosity, kindness, profound musical skills and mostly for being a great human being.

- Tim Michel ('85)



# Faculty Notes

Don Alper, director of the Center for Canadian-American Studies, was elected president of the Association for Canadian Studies in the United States for 1999-2001.

Jeanne Armstrong (Western Libraries) wrote *Demythologizing the Romance of Conquest*, published in June by Greenwood Press. It examines the impact of colonization on the lives of four different postcolonial cultural contexts.

Bruce Beasley (English) won a Pushcart Prize for his poem, *Errata Mystagogia*, which will appear in the 1999 volume of the Pushcart Prize: Best of the Small Press. His new book, *Signs and Abominations*, will be published in the fall of 2000 by Wesleyan University Press. In October 1999, he was awarded one of seven statewide Artist's Fellowships by the Artist Trust of Washington state.

Jim Bertolino (English) had a volume of poems, *Making Space for Our Living* (Copper Canyon Press, 1975) reprinted online by Connecticut College's Contemporary American Poetry Archive. His collection of 26 poems from *Snail River* was published in a limited edition by Egress Studio Press of Bellingham.

Dennis Caine of the department of physical education, health and recreation will serve a second term as a member of the editorial board for the *Clinical Journal of Sport Medicine*.

David Engebretson ('76) (geology and geophysics) was inducted into the Olympic College Hall of Fame for his outstanding academic and professional achievements. Engebretson studied math science at Olympic College in Bremerton.

Woodring's Bill Demmert has been closely involved in the school reform movement in Greenland. He hosted a colloquium at Western in fall 1998 to initiate "The Project." Legislation to improve the current system of education in Greenland is expected in 2001.

Moheb Ghali, dean of the Graduate School, was elected president of the Western Association of Graduate Schools for 2001-2002.

Shaw Gynan (modern and classical languages) received the Award for Innovative Excellence in Teaching, Learning and Technology in April at the annual international conference on College Teaching and Learning.

Madge Gleeson's art Web site, *MeMart*, was included in the ARTsite part of the technOasis at Siggraph 99 in Los Angeles.

Pamela Hall (finance, marketing and decision sciences) wrote *Effective Use of a Financial Calculator*. (Harcourt College Publishers).

Robert Keller, professor emeritus of history, co-authored with former student Michael F. Turek *American Indians and National Parks*.

Woodring's Robert Kim published two books and a journal article during a recent sabbatical in Korea. *Naui Sarang Hyeryon Ege (To Helen, My Beloved)* is a collection of letters written by the esteemed Korean patriot, Ahn Ch'ang-ho to his wife and is intended to be a companion to the biography of Ahn Ch'ang-ho that Kim authored in 1996. His text, *Distinguished Asian Americans*, features biographical sketches of 166 Asian-Americans who made significant contributions to Asian-American culture from 1860 to present. The text was named the *Library Journal's* Best Reference Source for 1999.

Jean Melious of Huxley is the new editor of *Planning & Law*, the quarterly newsletter of the American Planning Association's Planning and Law Division.

Brenda Miller (English) received a 1999 Pushcart Prize for her personal essay *Basha Leah*, which originally appeared in *Prairie Schooner*. The essay was also named a Notable Essay of 1998.

Robert Monahan, professor emeritus of geography and environmental social sciences and a former director of the Center for Canadian-American Studies, was awarded the 1999 Donner Medal for outstanding contributions to Canadian studies in the United States.

Woodring's Victor Nolet co-authored *Accessing the General Curriculum: Making Schools Work for Students with Disabilities*. (Corwin Press, June 2000)

Frank Nugent, professor emeritus of psychology, wrote *Introduction to the Profession of Counseling, 3rd edition* (Prentice Hall, 2000).

Suzanne Paola's book of poems, *Bardo*, was declared one of the Best Books of 1998 by Bookman News, Library BookNotes and the A List. Her nonfiction work, *Body Toxic: An Environmental Memoir*, will be published in the fall of 2000 by Counterpoint/Perseus.

John Reay, professor of mathematics, shared the Carl B. Allendoerfer Award for co-authoring *Surprising but Easily Proved Geometric Decomposition Theorem*, which was published in *Mathematics Magazine* in February 1998.

Henry Schwarz, professor emeritus of East Asian Studies, has been re-elected president of the Mongolia Society of the United States.

Brad Smith, dean of Huxley, published the 7th edition of *Field and Laboratory Activities in Environmental Science*.

# Faculty award winners

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Bussell, who has brought the excitement of research to his undergraduate chemistry students, culminating in the first annual Scholars Week on campus last May, earned this year's Olscamp Faculty Research Award.

Management professor Joseph Garcia, a pioneer in bringing multicultural understanding to the forefront of his undergraduate and graduate classes, received the Diversity Achievement Award.

The teaching and diversity awards include a \$1,500 stipend to use for research, teaching equipment/supplies or professional enhancement. Bussell received a \$1,000 check as the research award recipient.

# More win Fulbright grants

John Purdy, chair of the English department, and Dana Jack of Fairhaven College have won Fulbright grants to teach and conduct research abroad during the 2000-2001 academic year.

Purdy is headed for Mannheim, Germany, on his third exchange as a Fulbright Scholar. Jack will be at Tribhuvan University in Kathmandu, Nepal, from January to July 2001 teaching and conducting research on women's depression across cultures.

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"It really does enrich our teaching," Jack said. "That's the thing that benefits Western and Western students."

Since 1982, Western faculty members have been selected for a Fulbright exchange nearly 30 times, and five scholars have selected Western as their exchange destination.



Continuing the Legacy of Learning



During our Centennial year, we celebrated convocation, exemplary alumni, family weekends, homecoming, lots of reunions and the Mystical Arts of Tibet.

## William Ortega

Since joining the accounting faculty in 1997, assistant professor William Ortega has consistently received glowing evaluations from his students who highly rate his knowledge of his subject matter, enthusiasm and effectiveness in teaching.

The 2000 winner of the Excellence in Teaching Award has worked to span the gap between accounting coursework and real work experience in cost management. In 1998, he participated in a Boeing faculty internship program, designed to provide insight into current management accounting practice and to assist faculty in maintaining contemporary curricula.

## George Kriz

George Kriz, winner of the 1999-2000 Peter J. Elich Excellence in Teaching Award, says the secret to good teaching is spending one-on-one time with students between classes. "It's very rare that I close the door because I think the interaction with students is my number one responsibility," he says.

teaching

As co-author of a widely used textbook, Kriz has influenced how organic and spectroscopy labs are taught everywhere in the country—not just at Western.

His students commend him for respecting them as individuals capable of learning. He instills in them confidence in their academic abilities.

## Mark Bussell

Mark Bussell, winner of the Paul J. Olscamp Award, is a leader in the research for a significantly improved catalytic converter for use in the nation's vehicles. He has drawn his students into that quest, generating great excitement for research in their undergraduate experience. He is equally successful in the pursuit of grants to support their research.

research diversity

"Bussell showed our students what science was about, how it worked and why they should choose him as their mentor," a colleague noted.

## Joseph Garcia

A professor for Western's College of Business and Economics, Joseph Garcia ('75) is a leader of awareness about the issues of diversity and multicultural understanding in the modern workplace. He writes, lectures and organizes workshops to promote diversity management, going beyond understanding to emphasize the skills required to work with people who are different. Referring to Garcia's Managing Cultural Diversity course, one of his students noted: "This class is highly beneficial to all business majors..."

## 15 faculty members retire

The following faculty members retired during the 1999-2000 year:

Leslie Blackwell, instructional technology; Stephen Carmean, psychology; Lee Dallas, secondary education; Roland De Lorme, history, provost and vice president for academic affairs; Peter Elich, psychology, dean of the College of Arts and Sciences; Constance Faulkner,

Fairhaven College; Maurice Foisy, political science; H. Victor Leverett, theatre arts; J. Richard Mayer, Center for Environmental Science; John McClendon, Fairhaven College; Larry Menninga, computer science; Ralph Miner, political science; Ronald Savey, accounting; Ronald Shaffer, psychology; and John Towner, elementary education.

## Media Magnets

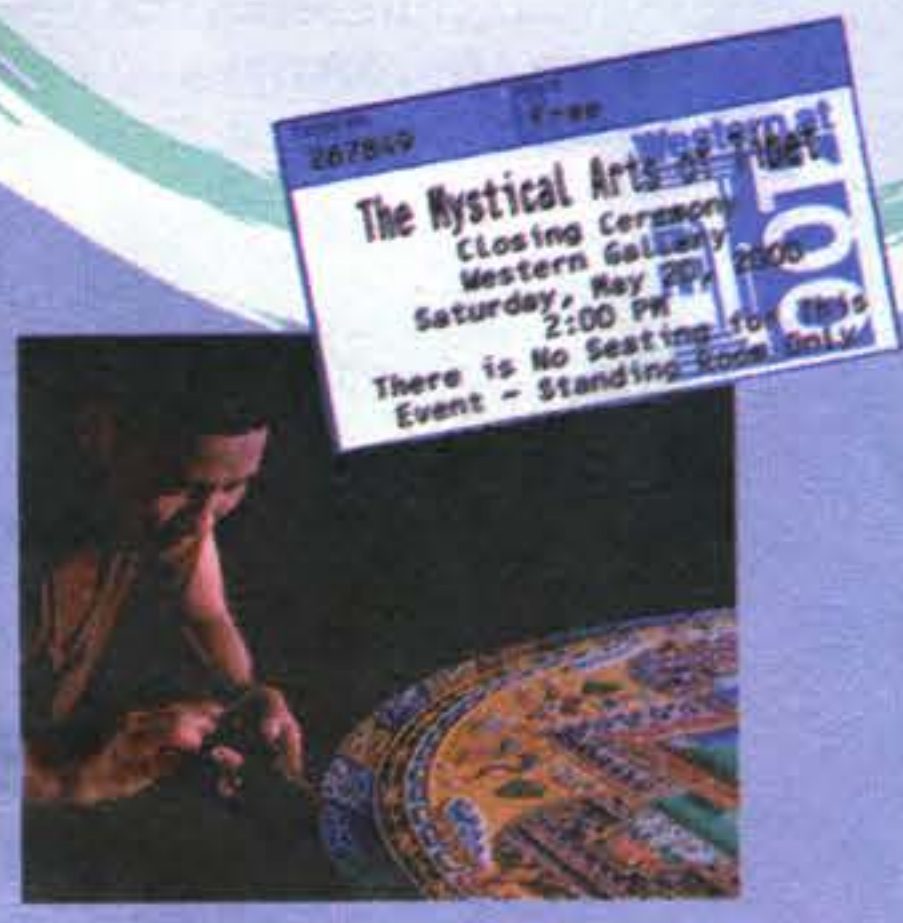
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ing Company film crew traveled to WWU to tape a segment about the VRI's alternative fuel vehicles for its science program, *Tomorrow's World*. More than six million viewers watched the broadcast and the VRI received many letters and e-mail inquiries from people across Europe.

In April, Seal gave *The Newshour with Jim Lehrer* television crew a tour of the VRI. He also test drove the 2000 Honda Insight, the first

gasoline-electric hybrid sold in the United States, with *The Bellingham Herald's* business reporter and gave the car his much-respected nod of approval.

Seal, his students and staff are recognized for building hybrids known for their safety and fuel economy and have designed experimental engines for leading automakers such as Chrysler and Subaru. Their latest endeavor is to create an earth-friendly sport utility vehicle.



# Campus Calendar/Connections

SEPTEMBER

OCTOBER

NOVEMBER

DECEMBER

- 11 Wilson Library Exhibit: *Kennewick Man On Trial*. Through Oct. 9 during regular library hours
- 16 Football: WWU vs. West Texas A&M, 1 p.m. Civic Stadium
- 16 Women's Soccer: WWU vs. Humboldt State, 1 p.m. Viking Field
- 16 Volleyball: WWU vs. Northwest Nazarene, 7 p.m. Carver Gym
- 17 Women's Soccer: WWU vs. Western Oregon, 1 p.m. Viking Field
- 18 Volleyball: WWU vs. Seattle University, 7 p.m. Carver Gym
- 22 Alumni Association at Safeco Field for annual Seattle Mariners' game and evening barbecue.
- 23 Football: WWU vs. Western Montana, 1 p.m. Civic Stadium
- 23 Women's Soccer: WWU at Central Washington
- 23 Viking Volleyball: WWU at Humboldt State
- 25 Women's Soccer: WWU at Northwest Nazarene
- 27 Classes begin
- 29 Volleyball: WWU vs. St. Martin's, 7 p.m. Carver Gym
- 30 Football: WWU vs. Central Washington, 1 p.m. Civic Stadium
- 30 Volleyball: WWU at Central Washington

- 1-6 ElderHostel: *Marine Life & Geology of Bellingham Bay*
- 1 Women's Soccer: WWU at Idaho
- 5-6 Trustees meet
- 6 Volleyball: WWU vs. Montana State-Billings, 7 p.m. Carver Gym
- 7 Homecoming: See back page.
- 7 Football: WWU vs. Western New Mexico, 1 p.m. Civic Stadium. Also Volleyball vs. Western New Mexico, 7 p.m. Carver Gym
- 8 Women's Soccer: WWU vs. Evergreen, 1 p.m. Viking Field
- 8-13 ElderHostel: *Birds & Other Wildlife of the Pacific Northwest*
- 9 Western Gallery: Opening of recent sculpture and woodblock prints by John Buck. Through Dec. 2.
- 10 Volleyball: WWU vs. Simon Fraser, 7 p.m. Carver Gym
- 12 Wilson Library Exhibit: *The Many Realms of King Arthur*, during regular library hours
- 14 Women's Soccer: WWU at Seattle. Also WWU volleyball at Alaska-Anchorage
- 15 Volleyball: WWU at Alaska-Fairbanks
- 17 Turning Points lecture: Professor Todd Donovan answers the question: *Can ballot initiatives improve our civic life?* 5 p.m. SMATE 150
- 20 Viking Volleyball: WWU vs. Humboldt State, 7 p.m. Carver Gym
- 21 PAC Series presents Repertory Dance Theatre, 7:30 p.m. PAC Mainstage Theatre. \$15-22.
- 21 Alumni Association: Board of directors meet on campus
- 21 Football: WWU at Western Oregon
- 21 Volleyball: WWU vs. Western Oregon, 7 p.m. Carver Gym
- 21 Women's Soccer: WWU vs. Northwest Nazarene, 1 p.m., Viking Field
- 24 Volleyball: WWU at Seattle Pacific
- 25 Women's Soccer: WWU vs. Central Washington, 2 p.m., Viking Field
- 25-28 Theatre Arts presents *Getting Out* by Marsha Norman, directed by Kelly Lovall. 7:30 p.m. at PAC 199. \$4.
- 26 Volleyball: WWU at Northwest Nazarene
- 27 Women's Soccer: WWU at Simon Fraser
- 27 Distinguished Lecture Series: Ira Glass on *Lies, Sissies and Fiascoes: Notes on Making a New Kind of Radio*. 6:30 p.m. PAC Mainstage. Free admission, but tickets required. See story at left.
- 28 Football (Hall of Fame): WWU vs. Simon Fraser, 1 p.m. Civic Stadium
- 28 Volleyball: WWU at Seattle University
- 30 Women's Soccer: WWU vs. Montana State-Billings, 3 p.m. Civic Stadium
- 31 Volleyball: WWU vs. Seattle Pacific, 7 p.m. Carver Gym

- 2-5 Theatre Arts presents *Getting Out* by Marsha Norman, directed by Kelly Lovall. 7:30 p.m. Nov. 2-4 and 2 p.m. on Nov. 5. PAC 199. \$4.
- 3-5 Fall Family Open House
- 3 Women's Soccer: WWU at Humboldt State
- 3 Volleyball: WWU vs. Central Washington, 7 p.m. Carver Gym
- 4 Volleyball: WWU at St. Martin's in Lacey
- 4 Football: WWU vs. Humboldt State, 1 p.m. Civic Stadium
- 4 Women's Soccer: WWU at Western Oregon
- 5 Veterans' Day (No Classes; Western Gallery closed)
- 11 Football: WWU vs. UC-Davis, 1 p.m. Civic Stadium
- 11 Men's Basketball: Northwest All-Stars exhibition, 7 p.m. Carver Gym.
- 11 PAC Series: Regina Carter Quintet, 7:30 p.m. PAC Concert Hall. \$12-18.
- 14 Turning Points lecture: Professor Ed Rutschman explores the question, *When composers borrow, who gets the payback?* 5 p.m. SMATE 150
- 16-30 Theatre Arts presents *Angels in America II: Perestroika* by Tony Kushner, directed by James Lortz. 7:30 p.m. on Nov. 16-18, 30 and at 2 p.m. Nov. 19. PAC Mainstage. \$6.
- 17-18 Lynda Goodrich Women's Basketball Tournament at Carver Gym.
- 18 Alumni Seattle Chapter reception and Seattle Symphony concert at Benaroya Hall.
- 20 Men's Basketball: WWU vs. Northwest College, 7 p.m., Carver Gym.
- 22-24 Thanksgiving Holiday (Campus closed noon Wednesday)
- 24 Women's Basketball: WWU at Cal State-Los Angeles.
- 24-25 Chuck Randall Thanksgiving Classic, Men's Basketball, Carver Gym
- 25 Women's Basketball: WWU vs. Cal State in Dominguez Hills Carson, Calif.
- 30 Women's Basketball: WWU at Northwest Nazarene
- 30 Men's Basketball: WWU vs. Seattle Pacific, 7 p.m., Carver Gym

- 1-3 Theatre Arts presents *Angels in America II: Perestroika* by Tony Kushner, directed by James Lortz. 7:30 p.m. on Dec. 1-2 and at 2 p.m. Dec. 3. PAC Mainstage. \$6.
- 2 Western Gallery: Last day for John Buck sculpture and woodblock prints
- 2 Women's Basketball: WWU at Seattle University
- 2 Men's Basketball: WWU at Cal State-Bakersfield
- 7 Men's Basketball: WWU vs. Cascade College, 7 p.m. Carver Gym
- 9 Women's Basketball: WWU vs. Seattle Pacific, 7 p.m. Carver Gym
- 10 Men's Basketball: WWU vs. Simon Fraser (Exhibition), 3 p.m. Carver Gym
- 11 Finals Week begins
- 15-16 Board of Trustees meet
- 16 Women's Basketball: WWU at Seattle Pacific
- 16 Commencement
- 19 Women's Basketball: WWU vs. Cal Poly-Pomona, 7 p.m. Carver Gym.
- 20 Men's Basketball: WWU vs. Warner Pacific College, 7 p.m., Carver Gym
- 22-25 Christmas (Campus offices closed)
- 30 Men's Basketball: WWU vs. Mesa State, 7 p.m. Carver Gym

## NPR host will be distinguished lecturer Oct. 27

Ira Glass, host and producer of *This American Life* on National Public Radio, will open the Distinguished Lecture Series this year with a talk on *Lies, Sissies and Fiascoes: Notes on Making a New Kind of Radio*.

Since fall 1995, Glass has created a unique radio show that's part journalism and part arts. *This American Life* blends mini-documentaries, short fiction and unusual music to explore themes that are chosen each week.

He will speak at 6:30 p.m. Friday, Oct. 27 on the PAC Mainstage. Free tickets, which are required, will be available to Western staff, faculty and students with ID on Sept. 25 and to alumni and the general public Oct. 2.

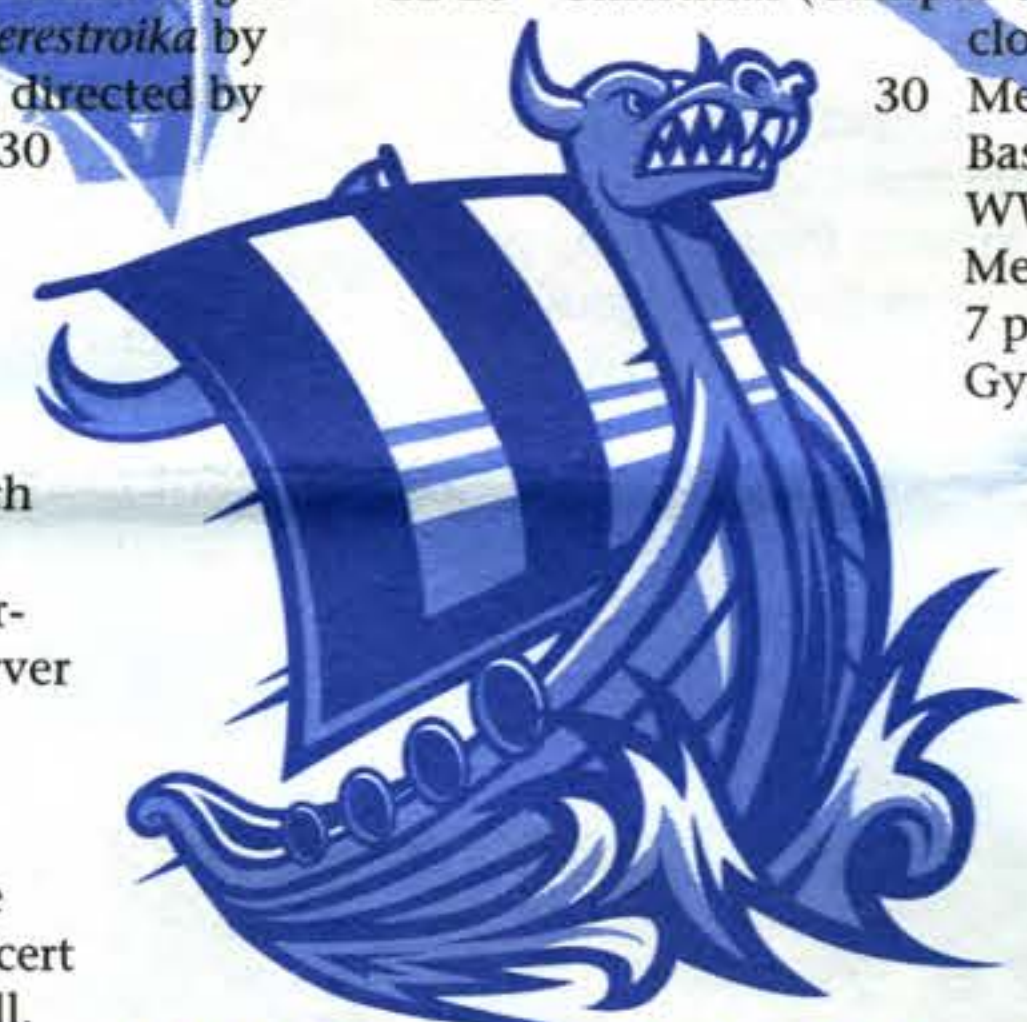
Two tickets per person will be distributed at the PAC Box Office and at Village Books in Fairhaven. By mail, send a self-addressed, stamped envelope to WWU, PAC Box Office, Bellingham, WA 98225-9109BX.

For disability accommodations, call (360) 650-6825 or TTY (800) 833-6388.

To make a donation to support this free series, contact The Western Foundation at (360) 650-3027.



Lou Russo photo  
Ira Glass



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## JANUARY

- 24 Distinguished Lecture Series presents Oliver Sacks, *Neurology and the Soul*, PAC Mainstage, 6:30 p.m. Free admission, but tickets required. See box.
- 27 PAC Series: Hesperus with Rosa Lamoreaux, 7:30 p.m., PAC Concert Hall, \$10-16

## Tickets & Info

Alumni events .....	(800) 676-6885
Athletics .....	(360) 650-3109
Box Office, Performing Arts/Theatre Arts .....	(360) 650-6146
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Fall Family Open House events .....	(360) 650-3847
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For the latest calendar updates and additions, visit:

<http://www.wwu.edu/events/eventview>

# Investments in Excellence

## Private contributions impact student programs

The Western Foundation closed another successful fund-raising year on June 30, 2000, securing \$4.57 million in private support for Western.

WWU alumni made a significant impact, with 5,108 graduates contributing more than \$1 million in

1999-2000, a 13 percent increase in gifts from the previous year. Overall, 8,871 alumni, parents, friends, businesses and corporations made charitable gifts to benefit virtually every campus department and program.

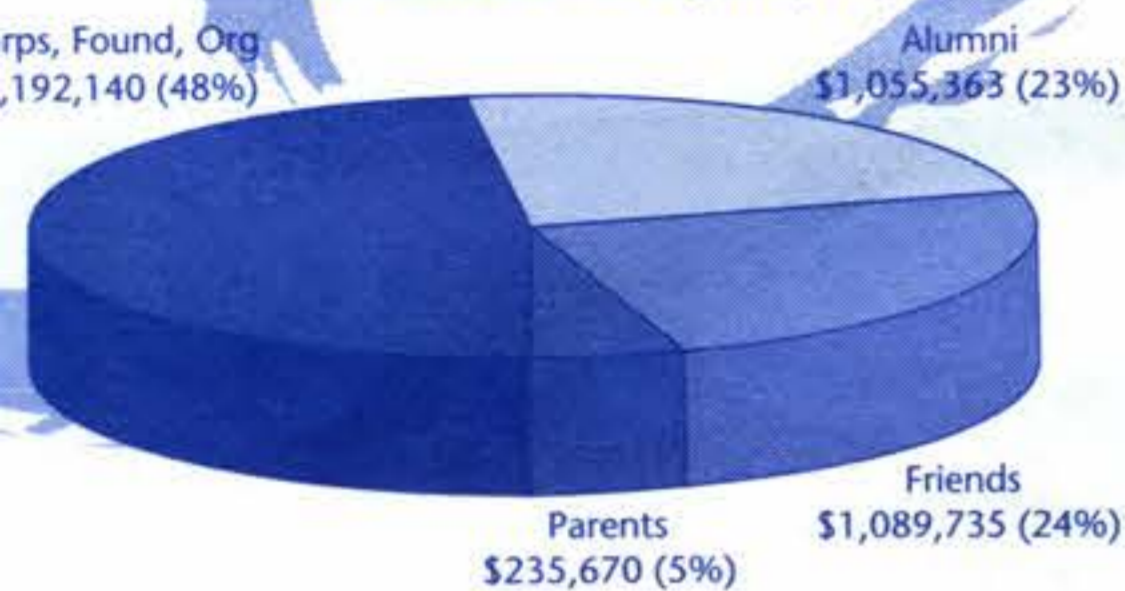
Membership in the President's

Club, which recognizes Western's most generous donors, reached 780. Contributing to this all-time high in membership was the recruitment of 205 new members last year, the most successful member drive to date. Foundation board members Sam Baker of Seattle and Peggy Zoro of Belling-

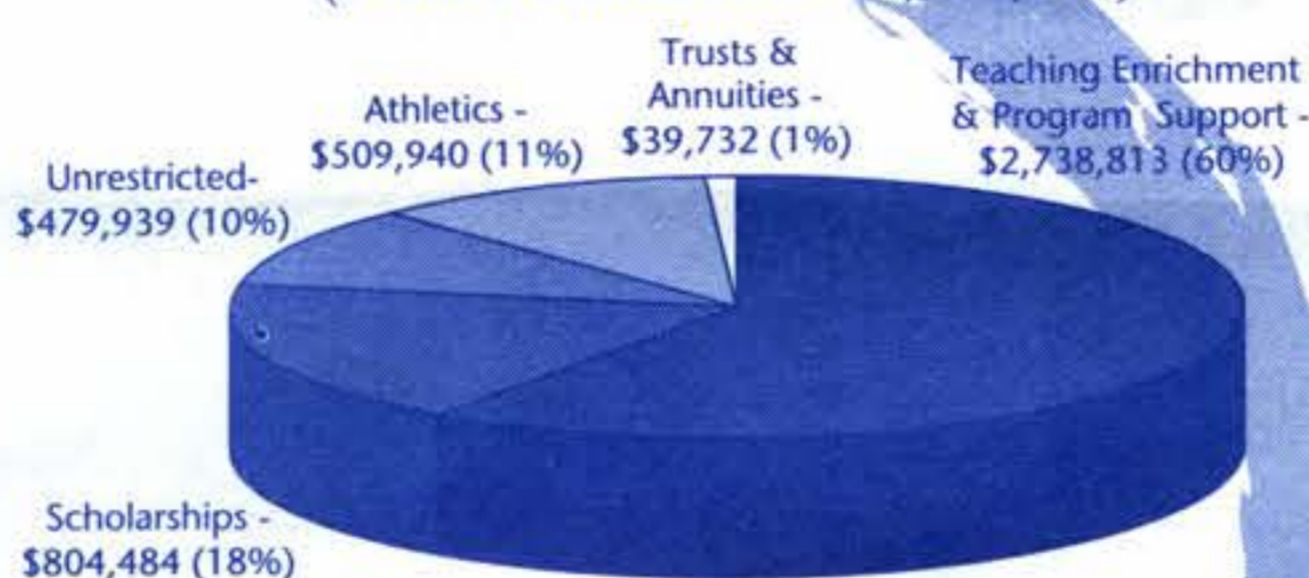
ham co-chaired the drive.

The Western Foundation sincerely thanks all those who made a gift to Western last year. A list of those who made a contribution of \$100 or more appears in the Honor Roll of Private Support beginning on the next page.

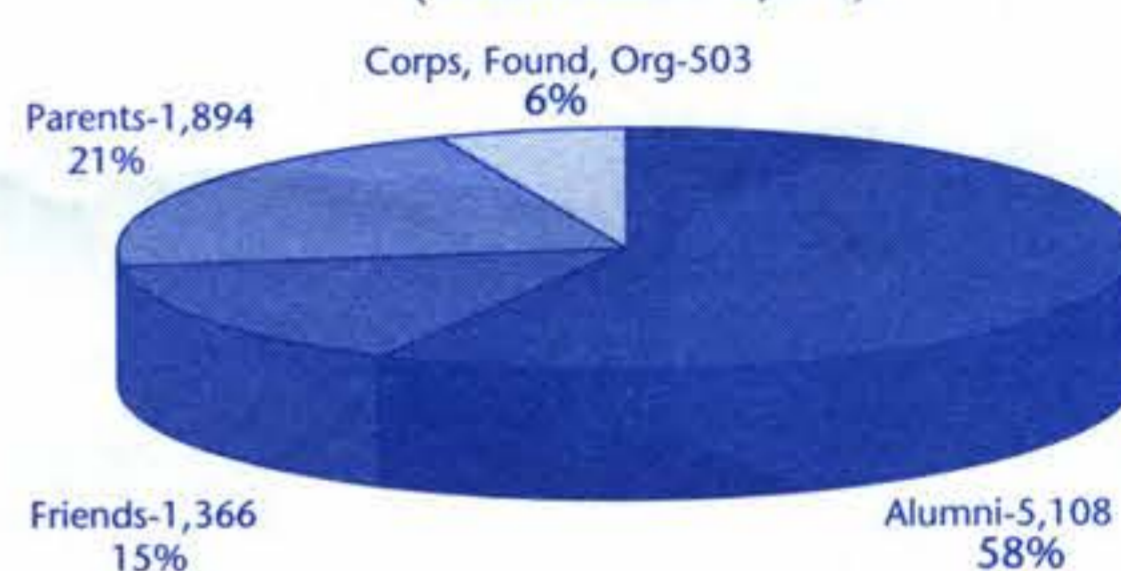
**1999-2000 Gifts by Constituents**  
(Dollars Contributed: \$4,572,908)



**1999-2000 Support by Distribution**  
(Dollars Contributed: \$4,572,908)



**1999-2000 Number of Donors**  
(Total Donors: 8,871)



## \$750,000 grant sparks evolution of chemistry department

The M.J. Murdock Charitable Trust of Vancouver, Wash., and Research Corporation of

Tucson, Ariz., jointly awarded a \$745,967 grant over six years to Western's chemistry department. Recognized for its strong instructional program in chemistry, Western was invited to apply for the grant last year by the two organizations.

"An award of this magnitude is evidence that Western's academic reputation for excellence is nationally recognized," said President Karen W. Morse. "This grant has sparked an evolution of Western's chemistry department."

Combined with approximately \$1.6 million in university funds, the grant will be used to recruit 10 faculty (nine to replace retiring faculty and one new position) and equip them with state-of-the-art instrumentation for instruction and research. The funds will also allow the department to hire

two new instructional lab coordinators, create new research laboratory space and generate a culture of undergraduate research in chemistry and biochemistry.

"We expect that we will be able to recruit top-notch faculty," said Mark Wicholas, chemistry department chair. "We want to attract the most talented and capable science students to Western by developing a chemistry department that is recognized as one of the best nationwide for its quality undergraduate curriculum."

This means a wealth of undergraduate research and mentoring opportunities, including funding for students to travel to present research at regional and national

meetings; a year-end research colloquium; and an active seminar and summer research program.

The grant will also allow the department to create a one-year honors course in general chemistry.

Phonathon



Alumni, parents and friends answered the call of the WWU Phonathon Team (pictured above) in 1999-2000, contributing more than \$390,000 to Western programs. Nearly 6,900 individuals made gifts to Western through the Phonathon. Gifts made to Western via this program are instrumental in the continued success of WWU. Calling will begin for 2000-01 in October and continue throughout the academic year.

## Jean Rahn accepts Colorado position

Jean Rahn, executive director of The Western Foundation, has accepted a position as executive director of the Colorado State University Foundation in Fort Collins. Her tenure at Western began in 1989.

"My 11 years at Western have been among the most personally satisfying and professionally rewarding years of my life," said Rahn. "The commitment and dedication of President Morse, the faculty and staff and hundreds of volunteers have produced a fund-raising program that I feel honored to be part of."

Rahn led the first capital campaign in Western's history, which ran from 1993 through 1997. The campaign raised \$23.6 million, exceeding its original goal by \$5.6 million.

"Jean Rahn has helped Western through an important stage in its development," said University President Karen W. Morse. "We are proud that her experience at Western gave her the expertise needed to take on her new responsibilities. As we begin the process to search for her successor, it is evident that her work has provided a firm foundation for our future efforts."

Under Rahn's leadership, the university's endowment has grown from \$730,000 in 1990 to more than \$14 million in 1999, while total assets have grown from \$4.4 million to more than \$25 million during the same period. Gift income increased from an annual level of \$1.3 million at the start of Rahn's tenure to more than \$5 million today.

## New directors join Foundation board

The Western Foundation board of directors welcomed five new members at its spring meeting. They include: J. Donald Anderson, vice president of Northwest Eye Clinic, Inc., Bellingham; Douglas Bain, vice president and general counsel of The Boeing Company, Seattle; Warren Johnson, president, Alpha Technologies, Bellingham; Mark Pierson, physician, St. Joseph Hospital, Bellingham; and Lisa Woo, real estate executive, Bellingham.

Amy Finkbonner, new president of the Associated Students

board, and Larry Taylor, president of the Alumni Association, joined the board as ex-officio members.

Ann Mix, retired senior vice president of Bank of America's wholesale division, was appointed to the board's executive committee as member-at-large.

The Foundation board, comprised of 31 voting members and 5 ex-officio members, meets four times annually. All members volunteer their expertise and time to the work of the board for the benefit of the University.



# The Western Foundation

## 1999-2000 Honor Roll of Private Support

The Western Foundation and Western Washington University are pleased to recognize the generous private financial support received during the 1999-2000 giving year. Gifts to enhance Western Washington University programs totaled \$4.5 million from 8,871 donors. This Honor Roll of Private Support recognizes donors who made gifts of \$100 or more to The Western Foundation between July 1, 1999 and June 30, 2000.

Gifts from alumni, parents, friends, businesses, corporations and foundations ensure Western's success. Private support enables Western to continue to be recognized as one of the top regional universities in the nation. Every dollar makes a difference and provides greater academic opportunities for Western students and improved teaching resources for faculty.

Donors listed in this year's Honor Roll made contributions of \$100 or greater during the past fiscal year. Although this publication's limited size prevents printing the names of all donors, The Western Foundation gratefully acknowledges the impact and important difference made with gifts of all amounts. Thank you.

## The President's Club

### Creating Opportunities for Western

Since 1985, the President's Club has served Western Washington University as the most generous source of annual private support. Gifts from President's Club members are necessary to further create a learning environment rich in diverse thought and brimming with energy, creativity and insight. These private funds are essential to helping create learning opportunities for students, opportunities that may not be available through state funding alone.

With membership reaching an all-time high of 780 members last year, the President's Club is Western's most prestigious annual giving club. President's Club members continually answer the call for Western, creating exciting opportunities and fulfilling many of the University's greatest needs. We salute those who make so much more possible for WWU faculty and students and thank them for their continued support. To learn about the advantages of becoming a President's Club member, contact The Western Foundation at 360-650-3612.

### President's Club Levels of Participation

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Recognizes donors whose cumulative commitments total \$100,000 or more. Listing is carried in perpetuity.

#### Life

Recognizes donors whose commitments total \$25,000 or more. Listing is carried for life.

#### Honor Council

Recognizes donors for an annual contribution of \$5,000 or more.

#### Annual

Recognizes donors for an annual contribution of \$1,000 to \$4,999.

#### Young Associate

Recognizes donors 39 years or younger for an annual contribution of \$500 to \$999.

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## HOMECOMING CALENDAR 2000

### Friday, October 6

Phase 1 of the Homecoming 2000

7 p.m. Field D, across from Fairhaven College

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1 p.m. Game Time Civic Field: Tickets at the gate for WWU vs. Western New Mexico University. Homecoming 2000 offers an afternoon of football. Join hundreds of alumni who have taken advantage of this opportunity of owning the Homecoming 2000.

4:30-7 p.m.: Former Varsity athletes celebrate Homecoming at the VU Lounge after the football game. Call (360) 650-3616 or e-mail Jennifer.Rick@wwu.edu for more information.

4:30 - 6:30 p.m.: Canada House Alumni Reunion: Department of Physical Education, Health and Recreation will host an Alumni reunion for Physical Education/Exercise and Sport Science. Pizza and beverages. \$3 per person or \$5 per couple. Pay at the door. RSVP to Linda Pirscher, 360-650-7227.

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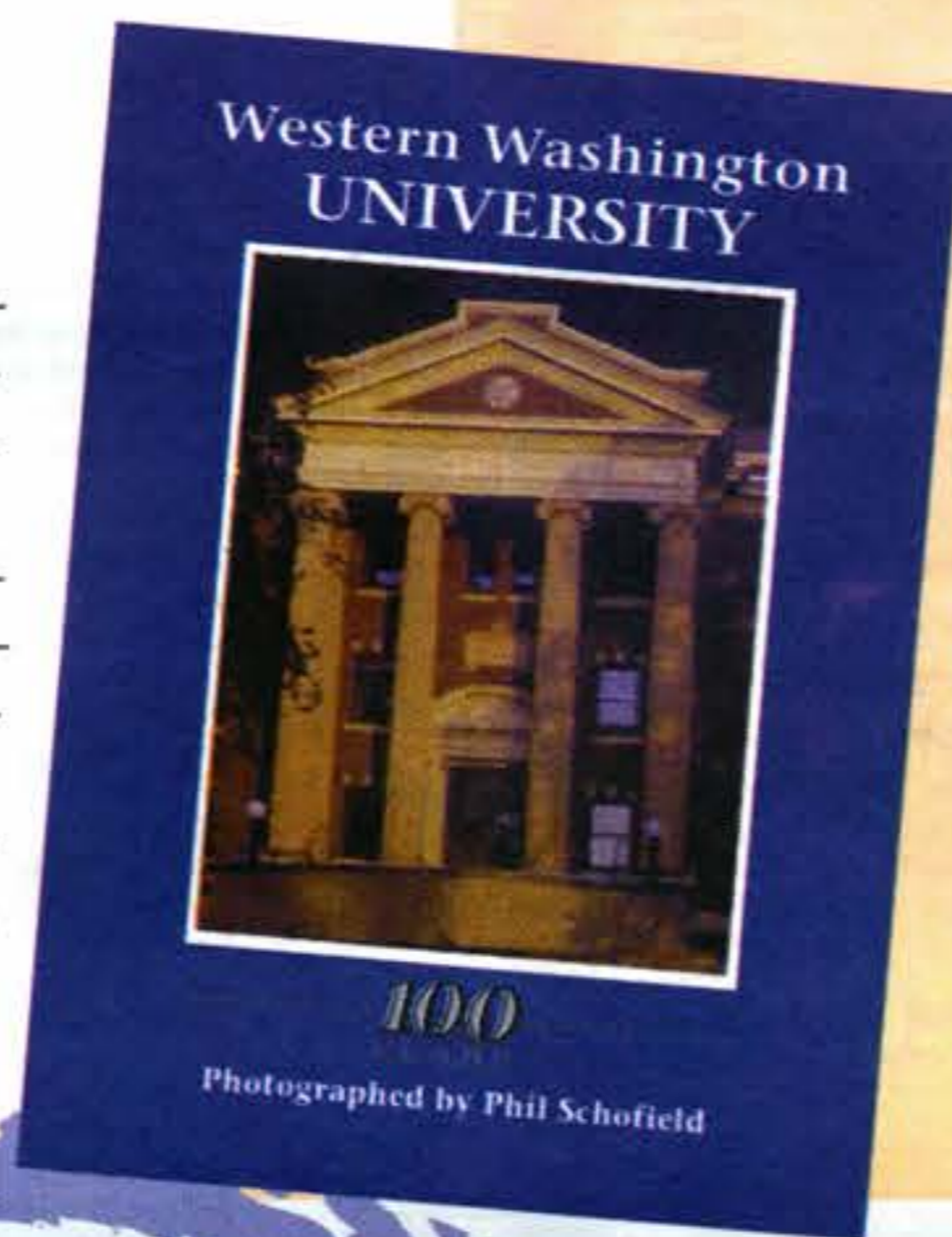
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