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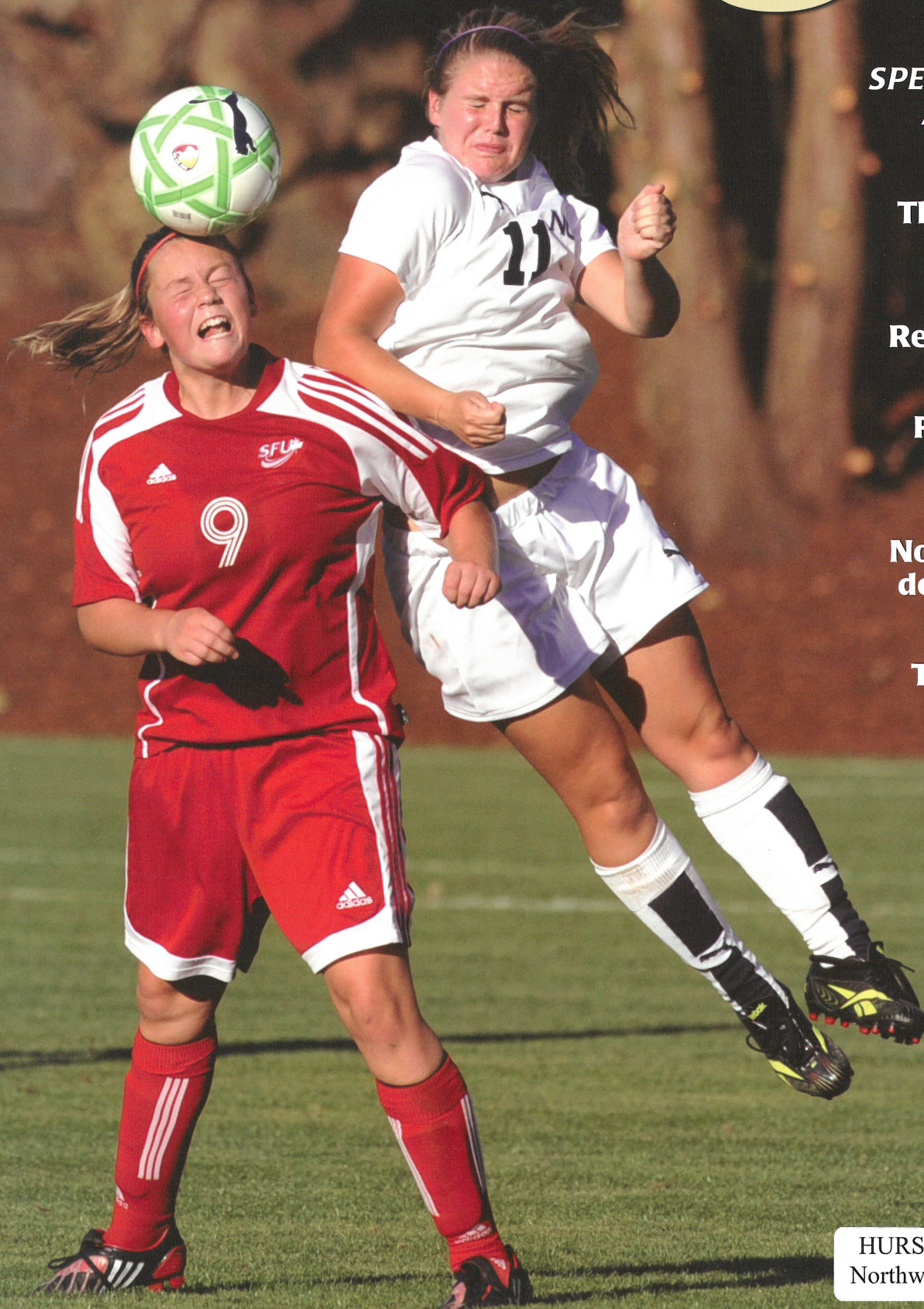
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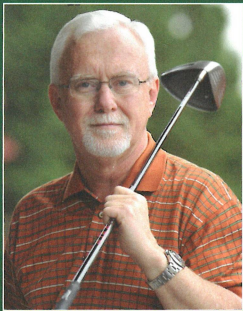
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I've been watching our soccer teams practice almost every day this fall. Not for more than a few seconds at a time, and not as the result of any particular effort on my part.

All I do is glance out the window.

From my new office in the former headquarters of the Seattle Seahawks, I can see practice fields. Green artificial turf, green grass, and white lines.

Well before the school year began, the teams were at work there, with two-a-day practices, early in the morning and again in the afternoon. They not only practiced hard and often, they practiced a variety of drills to develop the skills they would need for games.

And once the season started, and the games began, they kept practicing.

There are lessons here. Athletes and their games can do more than entertain us. They can educate us in ways we might not expect.

In his article on the following pages, President Joseph Castleberry addresses the myth of the "dumb jock."

Also in this issue is a "faculty focus" on Dr. Kari Brodin, whose doctoral thesis was on athletic imagery in the New Testament.

Meanwhile, I not only watched practice, I started to read about it. Two books, in fact, during one long

weekend that was too rainy for golf.

The first book, *Outliers: The Story of Success*, is by Malcolm Gladwell, the author of *The Tipping Point* and *Blink*.

The second, *Talent Is Overrated*, is by Geoff Colvin, Senior Editor at Large for *Fortune* magazine.

Both books take aim at the same target: talent. And both books marshal strong arguments that talent, as people tend to perceive it, simply doesn't exist.

What researchers are finding, and what these books report, is that some sort of genetic predisposition – some raw talent – towards playing golf like Tiger or violin like Itzhak simply does not exist.

What does exist is practice. Hard, disciplined, regular practice. Hours and hours of it. The more you practice, the better you get.

Those who reach the top in any field didn't get there because of some talent that made it easy for them, they got there because they worked the hardest.

It's true for Mozart, the authors claim, and it's true for Bill Gates.

The benchmark for excellence, the authors claim, is 10,000 hours of practice. That's a lot of scales or chip shots.

Or concerts.

In 1960, the Beatles were just a

struggling high school rock band, when they were invited to play in Hamburg, Germany. There was nothing special about Hamburg, Gladwell reports. It was just the sheer amount of time the band was forced to play: eight hours a day, seven days a week.

The Beatles went to Hamburg five times between 1960 and 1962 and played for 270 hard days and nights.

"By the time they had their first burst of success in 1964, they had performed live an estimated 1,200 times," states Gladwell. "Do you know how extraordinary that is? Most bands don't perform 1,200 times in their entire careers."

According to Philip Norman, who wrote the Beatles biography *Shout*, "When they came back [from Hamburg] they sounded like no one else. It was the making of them."

We used to say, "Practice makes perfect." That was then modified to "Perfect practice makes perfect."

After reading Gladwell and Colvin, I'm more inclined to say, "Practice makes possible."

Practice, of the right kind and of sufficient quantity, makes it possible to develop the skills that, in turn, make it possible to get the career you want.

But how many of us practice at all? And how many of us practice the way

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Jerry Rice, the greatest receiver in NFL history, did? Colvin points out, "Rice's off-season training regimen was so demanding his coaches wouldn't describe it to the public, for fear they'd injure themselves."

But we make sales presentations without practicing and preach sermons off the cuff. It's hard to imagine any kind of athletic team running a play they haven't practiced, and practiced dozens or hundreds of times.

But there is good news in all of this. You may not have a great talent, but neither does anyone else. If you do the work, you will get the rewards. "All hard work leads to profit..." – Proverbs 14:23.

And practice not only opens doors, it can keep them open. As Colvin says, "continued deliberate practice enables top performers to maintain skills that would otherwise decline with age, and to develop other skills... to compensate."

So while Chelsi Pennington (right), a forward from Kent, Wash., practiced her soccer skills, I practiced my camera skills. (I started shooting sports in high school, and I've shot Big Ten basketball, NHL hockey, and NFL football. But until this year, I hadn't shot much soccer.) I'm not sure, but with the practices and games this fall, I think I must be getting close to 10,000 hours behind a lens.

on the cover

Jordyn Wilson (#11), a Northwest University freshman midfielder from Snoqualmie, Washington, went head to head with defender Marti Dumas (#9) of Simon Fraser University in a non-conference game in September. Simon Fraser is an NCAA Division II school in Burnaby, BC, with an enrollment of 35,000. They won, 2-0.

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There is no such thing as a “dumb jock.”

At Northwest University, we take athletic scholarship very seriously. As president, I often tell our athletes that the term “athletic scholarship” does not properly refer to a monetary award they get to play on one of our inter-collegiate sports teams. We do better to call that kind of “grant-in-aid” an “athletic scholarship award.”

Athletic scholarship is the reason our athletes get a monetary award. It's what they demonstrate on the courts and tracks and other fields of competition. As a matter of fact, there are no “non-scholarship” athletes at Northwest, even though some of our athletes don't get a monetary award for competing.

Athletic intelligence constitutes an area of scholarship that is important

to the overall learning environment at our school. Behind this view of athletics are two important pieces of educational theory.

Multiple Intelligences

The first one is Howard Gardner's Theory of Multiple Intelligences, which posits at least eight kinds of human intelligence.

While colleges and universities often tend to focus primarily on logico-mathematical and verbal intelligences, they do not always equally acknowledge and investigate the other types: interpersonal (social), intrapersonal (self-knowledge), musical, spatial, and naturalist intelligences (the famous “green-thumb” know-how).

Another way of knowing—bodily-kinesthetic intelligence—is sometimes treated as the very opposite of intelligence.

The truth is that there is no such thing as a “dumb jock.” Success in any sport requires a remarkable degree of a kind of intelligence the Lord chose not to give this overly verbal university president.

Still, though I may not have a lot of athletic smarts, I do recognize and admire them when I see them.

The Banking Model

A second piece of educational theory is Paulo Freire's rejection of “the banking model” of education.

In the infamous banking model, teachers with master's and doctoral

VARSITY SPORTS AT NORTHWEST UNIVERSITY



SOCCER
Gary McIntosh
Head Coach
Men
Athletic Director

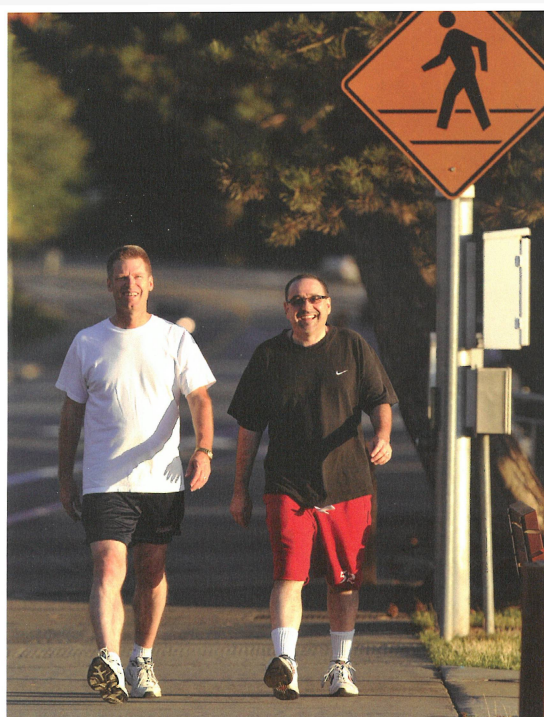


SOCCER
Erin Redwine
Head Coach
Women



VOLLEYBALL
Jessie Dietrich
Head Coach
Women

“Success in any sport requires a remarkable degree of a certain intelligence the Lord chose not to give this overly verbal university president.”



An evening walk along Lake Washington is great exercise and a chance to spend time with Dr. Joe Saggio, a colleague and long-time friend. (I'm the Joe in the white shirt, and he's the Joe in the black.)

degrees are seen as full of wisdom and learning, pouring their exalted knowledge into the empty brains of the well-meaning but hapless ignoramuses that sit before them in their rows of seats.

In place of the banking model, contemporary educational theory sees the university as a community of learners, each of whom knows something important and has something of value to contribute to the life and work of the university.

While the masters and doctors undoubtedly know things their students don't, the students also know things the teachers don't.

Recognizing that intelligence comes in many forms and that we learn best when everyone is learning

from everyone else, we become a more respectful community of scholarship, and every place on campus becomes a place of learning.

We also become a more Christian place, where God is at work in the whole Body, distributing the gifts of God's knowledge and wisdom as the Holy Spirit wills.

One of the key insights of the Reformation was the biblical principle of the priesthood of all believers, and the Pentecostal testimony service was a powerful reflection of the truth that everyone has something to offer.

Everyone who has ever played a sport knows that there are lessons about life that can be learned better in team sports and in competitive arenas than anywhere else.

Arthur Wellesley, the First Duke of Wellington, is credited with the famous quote, "The Battle of Waterloo was won on the playing fields of Eton."

It is true that sports teach lessons of character such as teamwork, strategy, stamina, playing through injury, recovery, competition, and other lessons that are not as powerfully communicated in classrooms by talking and working equations.

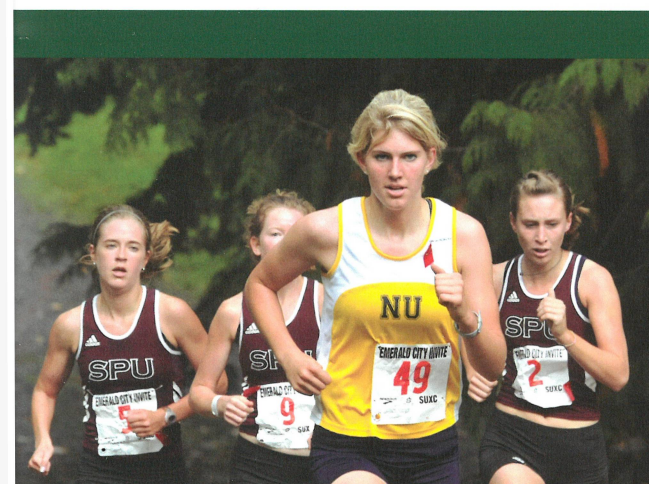
I am not denigrating the classroom or the pulpit, as those have been my own places to serve; but we do well to recognize that athletes, like musicians and artists and gardeners and others, are important teachers of vital wisdom and knowledge.

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from the
president**

**Find out more
about our new
Fitness Center.**

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CROSS COUNTRY / TRACK & FIELD
Mark Mandi
Head Coach
Men/Women



BASKETBALL
John Van Dyke
Head Coach
Men



BASKETBALL
Lori Napier
Head Coach
Women



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INTRAMURAL SPORTS AT NORTHWEST UNIVERSITY

saturday morning quarterbacks

Saturdays are for intramural football games at Northwest University. There are games for men and women, and they feature a variety of quarterbacks: chuckers and bombers and scramblers and even (below) the traditional college favorite, the option quarterback.



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Darrell Hobson, Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences, demonstrated proper use of the Back Extension machine with assistance by Jason Hatcher, an assistant coach for the men's soccer team, at the grand opening of the new Fitness Center. For more photos, visit www.northwestu.edu/photos.

The new Fitness Center:

A place where every student can get in shape.

In our Fitness Center Project this year, we recognize that bodily-kinesthetic intelligence is important for our entire community, not just for our athletes.

The most ardent couch potatoes among us (if such an oxymoronic phrase may be offered) will live longer, think more sharply, feel better, and dream bigger if they exercise regularly.

The reality is that we all need to improve our bodily intelligence if we're going to make the most of our lives. The human brain was designed by God before the invention of the automobile, and it works better if people walk around a bit.

The philosophical school of Aristotle in ancient Greece was called the Peripatetic School because they walked around so much in the course of their thinking and exploration of the nature of things.

More interesting for us, perhaps, is the fact that Jesus and his disciples are constantly portrayed as walking. In the Pacific Northwest, however, it rains too much for us to get in the amount of

exercise we need during many months of the year, and our American love affair with the automobile has allowed us to avoid much of the natural exercise that kept previous generations healthy.

The simple truth is that we have desperately needed an indoor fitness center at Northwest for many, many years. For too long our athletes have had to drive in a car miles away from the campus to lift weights and carry out their exercise regimens. Often the rest of the campus has simply failed to be as dedicated as the athletes.

The Fitness Center Project promises to lift us all as we start trekking up the campus to the old Seahawks weight room.

Though the Seahawks took all of their equipment with them, we have installed a new, first-class set of free weights and weight machines. That is only the first step. We still need to add the cardio machines and remodel the locker rooms to finish our project.

Our athletes aren't waiting for

weights anymore, but the whole campus is still marking time waiting for treadmills, elliptical trainers, and other cardio equipment.

I've heard it from too many alumni—it's time to stop waiting. We're about halfway down the track financially, but we're still \$125,000 from our goal. Will you make a gift today to help us finish our new Eagle Fitness Center?

If you love Northwest University, it's a great way to help all of our athletes, students, and staff to compete better, feel better, and live better!

We have made it convenient to give online. It will only take a minute or two to make a contribution. Just visit www.northwestu.edu and click "Make a Donation" at the top of the home page. Thanks!

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PLEASE GIVE ONLINE TODAY
 "Lift a finger" so our students can lift weights.

In the 75 year history of Northwest University, only two uniform numbers have been retired

Only their numbers



Wes and his wife Kari have been married 14 years. They have three kids: Kali (11), Austin (8), Klara (3). To find out more about *newlife*, visit newlifekitsap.com.

Wes Davis came to Northwest in 1989 and joined a basketball team that lost its first ten games in a row.

As a sophomore, they got over .500, winning more games than they lost.

As a junior, his team won over 25 games and had a number one ranking much of the year, but lost in the Final Four.

But when he was a senior, they won it all.

"There weren't even any close games in the national championships (NCCAA Division II)," Wes recalls. "Nobody came within 20 points."

The team's success was accompanied by individual successes for

Wes. He was a four-year All-American, a four-year Academic All-American, and the *Pistol Pete Maravich National Player of the Year* for NCCAA Division II.

Despite winning an award named for the top scorer in college basketball, Wes claims that he wasn't a big scorer.

His teams won because he made the players around him better. This is a trait that serves him well as the Lead Pastor at *newlife*, a church he started on the Kitsap Peninsula in 2004.

"Where do they tell you to do church like a basketball team," Wes asks. "Our leadership structure is flat. I function as the captain of a team, not as the top executive of a business."

As a result, his church has followed the same trajectory as his basketball teams at Northwest.

"One week before our first public gathering, one of our key leaders (there were only 14 of us, so we were all key) said that he didn't think anyone was going to come," Wes recalls.

Five years later, *newlife* has ten gatherings each week in four locations.

In addition to being lead pastor, Wes

is a primary speaker at the Klahowya campus in Silverdale, where they have five services each Sunday. They also meet Sundays in Port Orchard and in Bainbridge, and there's a youth gathering Wednesday nights at Island Lake.

"When we started, the concept of multiple campuses was not popular," Wes states. By this summer, *newlife* was well over 2,000 strong. His vision is much bigger, though. "I believe God has called *newlife* to the 170,000 in our community who are unchurched."

Wes appreciates Northwest for more than just basketball. "I still remember specific classes with Doc Pecota," he says. "I learned I had to give my best in classes with Darrell Hobson. And my English professor, Marge Stewart, was a huge influence on me. She really pushed me. Because of her, I still write out all my sermons, word for word. I don't read them on Sundays, but that preparation makes all the difference."



for athletic excellence. The players who wore those numbers are still very much in the game.

have been retired.



Aiyanna Curtis decided to attend Northwest because of the influence of Dan and Colleen Hickman, alumni who were her pastors in Douglas, Wyoming. She graduated in 1991 with a B.A. in Behavioral Science.

How was your experience playing basketball at Northwest?
My experience playing basketball at Northwest remains a highlight of my life. It was challenging and competitive, we had great success at the national level, but most importantly it gave me an opportunity to develop relationships with people who I remain close to today.

Kristi Brodin was my coach all four years and is the most influential person in my life to date. She cared so deeply for each player and was such an amazing Christian role model to all of us. I enjoyed the traveling we were able to do with basketball, like the

unforgettable trips to Alaska (we always looked forward to that) into Oregon and many trips back east for nationals.

The teams I played on didn't always have a winning record at the end of the season, but I loved every minute I was on the court. I learned that you can worship God with whatever he places in your hands, so it was a pleasure to realize that a sport I love so much was also a way I could worship God.

How did you feel when you heard your number was being retired?

It was definitely humbling, and at first I thought maybe it was just one of Kristi's jokes, trying to get back at me for teasing her so much all those years!

I just think that God gave me some athletic ability and I wanted to use that gift to its fullest. When it resulted in getting my jersey retired, I just hoped that it really was a reflection on God's handiwork and not on Aiyanna.

What are you doing now?

I live in Wyoming with my husband of 12 years, Mark Curtis. We have four children, Ethan is 10, Emily is 8, Isaac is 5, and Levi is 3.

Mark and I are both involved in our church in a variety of ways, and we co-facilitate a small group during the week.

I am the Executive Director of a business that Mark and I started nine years ago. It is a social service business, so I use the degree I received from Northwest every day.

Besides work, we are busy with soccer and baseball, volleyball, swimming, and, of course, basketball. I still play basketball, but find myself a bit slower (okay, a lot slower) and I am in much more pain the next day!

Aiyanna on the beach with her family during a vacation (above), and with her retired jersey at a summer basketball camp at Northwest (below).



KARI BRODIN

ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR, BIBLE AND BIBLICAL LANGUAGES

She's finished the Boston Marathon three times and has memorized much of the New Testament.

Kari graduated from college when she was 19. Of course, she had a head start, because she skipped first grade. (Her teachers thought she was bored.)

Oh, did we mention that she went to college full-time at two separate institutions? Simultaneously? Seattle Pacific University and Northwest University? Sounds expensive, until you find out that an academic scholarship paid the bills at SPU, and a Bible Quiz Scholarship (she was a national champion, of course) covered the costs at Northwest.

You probably figure she made it through in just three years because she knew exactly what her major would be, did nothing but study, and took just the right classes.

That would miss the fact that she attended Northwest so she could play basketball for her sister, Kristi, who was the head coach. And then volleyball looked like it was fun, so she played that for a year, too.

In the classroom, Kari was studying math and economics, figuring she'd go to law school. She loved competition, and that was one of the reasons she liked Bible Quiz. "A big part of Bible Quiz is contesting points – arguing the case for your answer or against someone else's," recalls Kari. "That drew me toward law. I figured I'd like to debate cases."

But she also realized that the part of Bible Quiz that she liked best was the New Testament, so she took her first Bible class at the collegiate level.

"I just loved it," she states. "It was instant attraction."

She didn't even realize at the time that law school was no longer in the picture, and that someday she would be a professor of New Testament at Northwest University.

"I just realized that I loved to study the New Testament," Kari recounts. "And I said to myself, 'whatever I end up doing with my life, I can't go wrong by spending my undergraduate years studying the Bible. Whatever I end up doing, this will be great.'"

So she studied the New Testament, both at Seattle Pacific and at Northwest.

"I wanted to study at Northwest with Dan Pecota, Darrell Hobson, Dwayne Braddy, and Francis Thee. I knew it would be a nice complement to the theological perspective at SPU. It would be in my own tradition, but with a scholarly, academic depth and perspective.

After graduating, Kari worked as a bookkeeper to pay off school loans and save money for graduate school. She started a master's degree at SPU and also became a Resident Director at Northwest, and assistant coach to her sister.

"This was a growing time," Kari admits. "Being at Northwest, in a community of believers, was a help as I worked through some questions and spiritual issues."

Kari also served as a Teaching Assistant (TA) for Dan Pecota, which spurred her

KARI'S OVERVIEW OF HER DOCTORAL THESIS:

Athletic Exemplars in the New Testament and Early Christian Martyr Literature

Athletic competitions were immensely popular in the Greco-Roman culture at the time when the texts of the New Testament were written. There was also an established literary tradition of using athletics as a metaphor for other types of contests – for example, in political or moral arenas.

Using athletic imagery was a way to illustrate attitudes and actions, to make a claim for what is worthy of honor, and/or to call for the imitation of some worthy model. It's specifically those last two functions in which I was interested, and I found both Paul and the author of Hebrews using what I called the "athletic exemplar" to make a claim for what is worthy of honor and to call for imitation of certain behavior.

Paul, in 1 Cor. 9:24-27, attempts to persuade the Corinthian believers to 1) change their negative opinion of his

self-denying behavior into a positive appreciation, and 2) begin to practice a similar self-denial by acting with love toward one another.

In Philippians 3:12-14, he challenges the Philippians to follow his worthy example in a single-minded and passionate quest to know Christ. And in 2 Timothy 4:7-8 he presents his endurance in suffering for the gospel as honorable and encourages Timothy (and us) to imitate him in this.

Hebrews 12:1-3 presents Jesus himself as an athletic exemplar, the one who ran the race ahead of us. This passage helps its readers re-interpret the shame and disgrace associated with crucifixion in terms of noble, purposeful, and victorious endurance, encouraging them to view the rejection they themselves experience from society as, in fact, an honor, and to continue their "race" in faith.

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With sister Kristi and former quizzers who now attend NU: Michael Smoak, Lauryn Duffy, Hilary Kunnanz, and Brandon Duffy.

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Teaching New Testament Greek at Northwest University.

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Waving to family and friends near the finish line of her first Boston Marathon in 2005.

interest in teaching. She transferred to Fuller Theological Seminary, finished her M.A. in Theology, and returned to Northwest for two years as Dean of Women.

"Then I knew I needed to get a doctorate," Kari notes. "With my master's degree, [then dean] Mel Ming hired me to teach some Bible courses as an adjunct, and I loved it. I knew that teaching was for me, if God would open the doors."

She went to Fuller in 1995 to pursue a Ph.D. She completed the coursework in 1997 and returned to teach at Northwest as Dan Pecota's health was failing. In a sense, she picked up the mantle from her mentor. She finished her dissertation and earned her Ph.D. in 2000.

Credit Fuller with Kari's involvement in marathons.

"My running partner while I was pursuing my doctorate thought I should run a marathon. He took me down to register on a Saturday, and I ran on Sunday. I finished, in one of my better times, actually."

She didn't run another marathon for several years, but has resumed in the past half-dozen years. She's run marathons in Los Angeles, Seattle, Boston (three times), Tucson, and Stockholm, more than a dozen in all.

While she runs, Kari often recites scripture to herself. She has memorized much of the New Testament, beginning as a contestant in Bible Quiz as a high school student who attended Evergreen Christian Community in Olympia. Once she "aged out" as a competitor, she began to coach. She and her sister Kristi now coach at Cedar Park in Bothell, and they have finished in second place in the nationals for the past four years. Kari would love to help her quizzers win the national championship, which she did as a contestant in 1981.

While in many ways her life seems to have been on the fast track, there is one area that hasn't turned out as she expected: "I thought I'd have a husband and four kids by now."

So she teaches her first love, the New Testament.

She tries to be a role model, where there haven't been many. "Maxine Williams at Northwest was an influential Bible teacher. I didn't have any classes with her, but I visited one of her classes once and remember vividly her engaging style. It made an impact on me. And I was blessed to have the support of Dan Pecota when I was beginning to venture into the field. I couldn't have had a better mentor."

She does have her eye on a man these days. An Iron Man. As in triathlon. "The thought has crossed my mind..."

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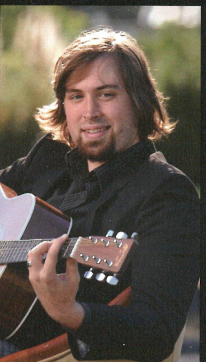
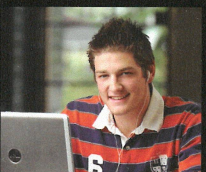
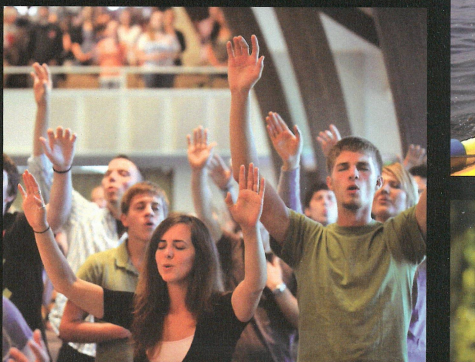
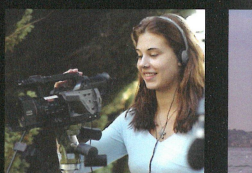
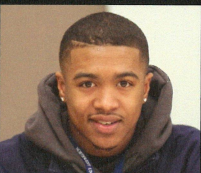
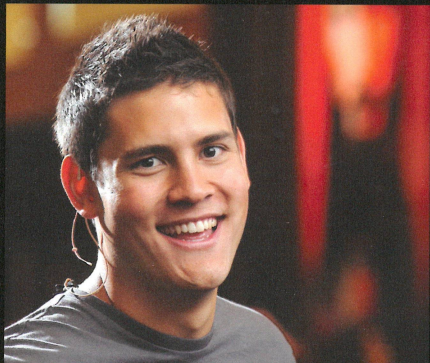
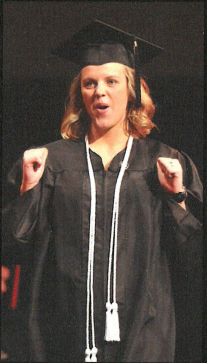
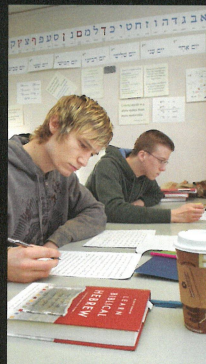
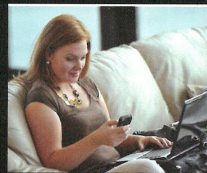
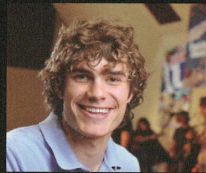
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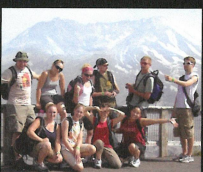
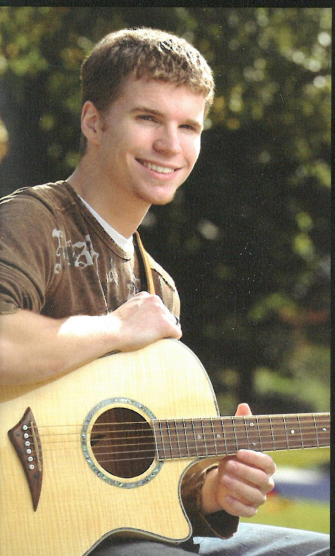
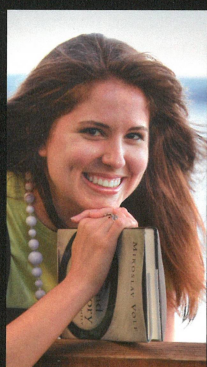


At an intramural football game on a recent Saturday morning.



In Turkey with students. (See page 14 for more.)





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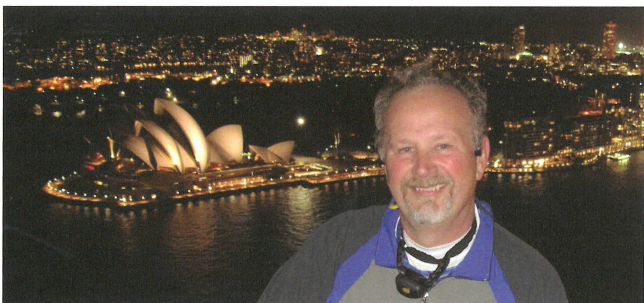
Business Students in Australia

The School of Business & Management took 20 students to Sydney, Australia for 17 days in May to study international business.

They stayed on the campus of Alphacrucis, a sister college of Northwest, which also coordinated their tours. The trip blended lectures on campus with visits to local businesses and cultural sites. Highlights were tours to Second Road (strategy consultants), ING Direct (online banking), Campaign Palace (creative marketing) and Hillsong Church (both a talk about their history and a worship service).

The group also took a dinner cruise on Sydney Harbor, hiked in the Blue Mountains, attended an Aussie "footie" game, watched a parliamentary debate in the capital of Canberra, and saw wild kangaroos in the Australian bush.

Students were able to immerse themselves in the culture as they learned some of the dynamics of doing business internationally. Teresa Gillespie, Dean, and Professor John Bacon led the trip. The course will be offered again next May.



Salem Donors in Australia

Dr. Carley Kendrick, Dean of Salem Bible College, lead a small group of donors to Australia this summer. They traveled to Ayers Rock, Cairns, Brisbane, and Sydney. Carley reported that he climbed to the top of Ayers Rock, walked through several rain forests, explored the Blue Mountains and the Jenolan Caves, and went to a concert in the Sydney Opera House. The highlight of the trip may have been climbing to the top of the Sydney Harbor Bridge at sunset. At 440 feet above the water, the views of Sydney were breathtaking.



Medical Missions in Mexico BY APRIL MORGENROTH

We never would have thought that a journey that began personally for one team member in 1996 would produce such amazing results in 2009.

The journey that began with a trip to Mexicali, Mexico, planted not only a seed, but a dream. This dream, reaching Mexico through medical missions, was lived out in August by Buntain School of Nursing Professor and alumni April Morgenroth, Julie Radford (class of 2007), David Peck, ARNP (father of current student and visiting professor), as well as current students Alexandra Burgess, Sarah Howell, Alexandra McInerney, and Janell Peck.

The journey began in Aldea, where a clinic was set up below a rock quarry to meet the needs of the surrounding community, and also encourage a church nearby. Many needs were met through this first clinic, from stopping a running nose, to prenatal care, to ear infections.

The team learned what it means to be "flexico" in Mexico!

The Cruz Roja Mexicana invited us to serve with them as we put our nursing skill into practice. This venture was part of a pilot program to determine the feasibility of offering such experiences to nursing students as an elective credit.

Dr. Braddy, Dr. Brodin Teach in Turkey

Dr. Dwayne Braddy set up a trip to Turkey for his church (New Life in Renton) and invited the College of Ministry along. Dr. Karl Brodin and five students took him up on it.

"In advance of the trip, we had a class called, *Paul and Early Christianity*," said Dr. Brodin. "In Turkey, we had 12 days to trace Paul's steps as he visited the churches of Galatia and Ephesus."

For more photos from this Turkey trip, please visit www.northwestu.edu.

As the focus was on trauma patients, our team had the opportunity to see life in the streets of Mexico City from a medical perspective. We rode in ambulances, dealt with accident victims, sutured wounds, performed CPR, and saw firsthand the needs of the city, which were not just physical, but also spiritual.

Of all these experiences, one night stands out above the rest. At a church service our team was asked to give personal testimonies.

All the testimonies tied beautifully into each other as God's dreams for us, His people, were shared with those before us.

Carlos Morales preached that night on Acts 1:8, about being witnesses to all the world. (Carlos and his wife Carrie are full-time missionaries in Mexico City and served as our gracious hosts.)

He spoke about how our dreams can go beyond our local community, to other countries and areas; that God's call goes beyond Americans to other nations. His call reaches each of us without regard to our nationality using our gifts and callings for God's kingdom.

Each of us realized individually, as this service unfolded, that God was fulfilling our dreams right before our eyes.

As Carlos concluded with a challenge to dream big and to dream God's dreams for ourselves, we were right in the middle of living that dream, standing in Mexico.

Carlos then asked the young people to step to the front so that our team could pray over them, that they might receive a dream in their heart and have the courage to follow it.

We don't know where God will lead next, but we're excited and ready for wherever God calls.

Our dreams are open wide to whatever He puts in our hearts, and we will look forward to living those dreams wherever they take us.



Fighting Human Trafficking in Greece

Hannah Bryant, a second year graduate student in the International Care and Community Development (ICCD) program, spent a month of her summer in Greece.

While she saw the ancient sites and ruins, her purpose in going wasn't to be an American tourist.

For the last two years, Hannah has been a volunteer with New Horizons, a ministry in Seattle that works with victims of prostitution and domestic trafficking.

Through her involvement as a team leader at New Horizons, Hannah got the opportunity to go to Greece to work with *Nea Zoi*, translated to mean Lost Coin, a ministry that works with victims of prostitution and international trafficking.

Hannah's goal in going to Greece was to learn and get experience with interna-

tional trafficking, a topic she is researching for her thesis.

Her goal was achieved as she worked with *Nea Zoi's* team and assisted them with new techniques in street outreach to trafficked Nigerian women.

Another highlight of her trip was "the opportunity to network with different programs in Bulgaria and Northern Greece that are hoping to open a long-term restoration center for victims rescued from trafficking."

Not only did Hannah network with them, but she was asked to return in a year to assist in developing their program.

Hannah is now back in Seattle, continuing her work at New Horizons and finishing her last semester as an ICCD student.



An Internship in India

Devon Carroll (center, above), a junior at Northwest University, spent her summer serving with Bombay Teen Challenge (BTC) in Mumbai, India. She was selected as an intern through *The Home Foundation*, a non-profit charitable foundation that is dedicated to eradicating human trafficking in the U.S. and abroad, founded in 2005 by singer/songwriter Natalie Grant.

For several years, Northwest University students have been raising money for *The Home Foundation* and joining in the fight against human trafficking. Devon applied for the internship after hearing Natalie Grant speak in a chapel service at Northwest.

"What she said, combined with the missions focus of Northwest, really touched my heart. I knew that it was an organization that I really wanted to get involved with."

Devon had the chance to go to India in the previous summer (2008) with a team of students from Northwest University who served alongside Bombay Teen Challenge. She saw the internship as a great opportunity to return to India and continue to build the relationships she had made on her first trip to India.

One of the highlights of her recent trip was a day spent with BTC's outreach ministry in Mumbai. Devon and a fellow intern joined two of BTC's leaders that sought out drug addicts to tell them about Jesus.

"This was the most tangible act of evangelism that I have ever seen," she reports. "They literally were climbing across train tracks to get to garbage dumps in order to reach these men, and we had the privilege to tag along. I will never forget the moment we prayed with a group of young drug addicts. God became so much more real and personal."

Devon recently started her junior year at Northwest and will continue to be involved in the fight against human trafficking as part of the social justice team on campus.

When asked what she would say to someone considering an internship in India, Devon said, "There is really no way to describe India. It is a tough, hard, broken, and beautiful country where God is moving in powerful ways. Your life will be completely turned upside down, but at the same time miraculously transformed."

If you have a heart for people and a desire to serve God in a new way, you can apply to be an intern with *The Home Foundation*.

Applications and other information are available at www.thehomefoundation.net.



Professor Presents "Peculiar" Paper In Scotland

Darin D. Lenz, a Ph.D. candidate and Assistant Professor of History at Northwest University, reported that he presented a paper in Scotland over the summer.

The paper was entitled: "A Peculiar Charm": The Story of George Müller of Bristol in Mid-Nineteenth Century America."

It was presented at the Fourth International Brethren History Conference, July 9, 2009, at Carberry Tower (left) in Edinburgh, Scotland.



WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 16, 2009

The very first class of the very first **doctoral degree** at Northwest University.

Michelle Harrell (upper right) was one of the students in the very first class session of the very first doctoral degree program offered at Northwest University. The new degree is the Doctor of Psychology (PsyD) in Counseling Psychology.

The first class was taught by Dr. Bill Herkelrath (upper left), who is the Dean of the College of Social and Behavioral Sciences at Northwest University.

The PsyD degree is a five-year post-bachelor's program designed to prepare the doctoral student to serve in diverse community settings as a counseling psychologist. The program will focus on theoretical and applied evidence-based scholarly literature and research.

Emphasis is placed on an international, multicultural, and social justice focus.

Students will build on their critical thinking skills and their understanding of diversity while acquiring, refining, and demonstrating doctorate-level skills as a practitioner, researcher, and academic.

The program is organized as a year-round cohort system, with 119 credits required for graduation.

Classroom instruction is the focus of the first two years, along with opportuni-

ties for cultural immersion experiences abroad. The doctoral practicum, along with instruction on psychological assessments and intervention and prevention practices, are the focus of the third year.

The fourth year includes dissertation work and a pre-internship. The fifth year is a yearlong internship. Overseas experiences are encouraged.

Explaining his purpose for creating this new program, Dr. Herkelrath stated, "My vision is to train psychologists to work in the global community. Poverty, war, disease, displacement, and other traumatic events take place all over the world and affect millions of people – our global neighbors. The globally conscious and socially responsible psychologist of the future should not only help individuals with emotional suffering but should work with both the whole person and the community, impacting and advocating for their quality of life. Psychologists who graduate from this program will have both the desire and knowledge to meet this challenge."

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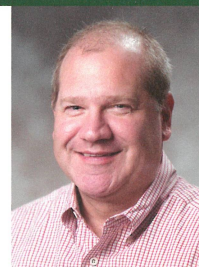
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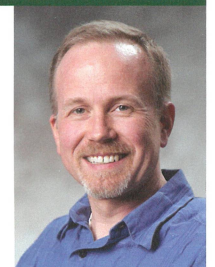
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Dustin Shirley, one of three Northwest University alumni in the band *Creme Tangerine*, during their concert on our campus September 24.

Banners, **Creme Tangerine** concert kick off a year of celebrating our **75**th.

The celebration of the 75th anniversary of Northwest University will last all year, with numerous events.

It started in September (left), with dozens of banners raised around the campus.

The surrounding community was invited to join the celebration for a concert by *Creme Tangerine* on Sept. 24. This concert was held on "The Green" on our campus. Hundreds of people brought blankets and folding chairs to enjoy the music.

Creme Tangerine is a Beatle's tribute band from Seattle. Three of the five members are alumni of Northwest University.

If you missed the concert, *Creme Tangerine's* latest CD is on sale at the Northwest University bookstore, which you can access online at www.northwestu.edu.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

The 75th Celebration will culminate with a banquet on May 6, 2010. Stay tuned for further details!



Dan Neary, NU Executive Vice President, backed up the band.



From left: Dan Grant, alum Chuck Dorsett ('93), Tim Mushen, alum Jeff Lockhart ('89), and alum Dustin Shirley ('96).



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the 75th alumni reunion

BY ROSEMARIE KOWALSKI

The 75th Year Alumni Reunion began with the President's Award Breakfast. Dr. Joseph Castleberry hosted recipients of Alumni of the Year awards in the Caf, our newly remodeled dining hall. In the Butterfield Chapel Foyer, alumni ate a light breakfast while pouring over textbooks from the 1950s and historical *Karisma* yearbooks.

Ruth Remley Cox ('34-36) rang in the 75th Year Alumni Chapel with the Pioneer Bell. The chrome firetruck bell, a family heirloom, was given to Ruth's father upon his retirement after 53 years as fire chief. Ruth donated the bell in honor of Northwest's founding President, Dr. Henry Ness, her classmates from the first class of Pioneers ('37), and Northwest staff she worked with for five years.

Traditionally, at the annual Alumni Chapel, the sophomore class receives an "Undefeated" t-shirt, imprinted with a sport never played at the university.

The t-shirt is a humorous reminder of their place in the long heritage of Northwest students. This year's sophomores were represented by Breanna Miller ('12).

ABOVE:
Mark Sterley
presented 50th
year medals to
Frank Bender and
Arvin Marchel
from the Class
of 1959.

RIGHT:
Ruth Remley Cox
rang the bell she
donated.

FAR RIGHT:
Peter Blue and
Aaron Welk led
worship in the
Alumni Chapel.

RIGHT:
Birdie Faris
enjoyed lunch
and conversation
in the newly
remodeled "Caf".

FAR RIGHT:
Jim Arneson
helped lead
the Hymn Sing.

For more
photos,
please visit
our web site:
www.northwestu.edu/alumni



In a second tradition, last year's Junior Senator hands a bucket of water from the Reaching Arms Fountain to the current Junior Senator. The transaction symbolizes stewardship of the landmark fountain.

Senator Krissa Partridge ('10) was ill, so Jennifer Jensen ('11) stepped in to hand off the bucket to Junior Senator Matthew Moroni ('11). The fountain, donated by the Lay Council in 1969, was moved in 2007 to the central walkway on campus.

Passersby toss coins into its basin to fund the Junior Scholarship, awarded in the next year to a junior student.

Decade medals were awarded to classmates of 1949, 1959, and 1969.

Special recognition was given to family members of Presidents Henry Ness and Charles Butterfield, as well as our 25-year President (Emeritus) D.V. Hurst and current President Joseph Castleberry.

Alumni Association President John Fox ('83) and Alumni Services' Director Rosemarie Kowalski ('78) presented the 2009 awards (see story at right): Alumni of the Year: Donald Ostrom and Karen Keyser, Young Alum of the Year Ty Redinger, and Didaskalos of the Year: David Oleson.

Peter Blue ('99), Aaron Welk ('00), and Tyler Cronk ('08) led in worship before Rev. Ostrom preached. Ostrom emphasized that God leads and prospers those who know the Scriptures, live a life of faith, and are filled with the Holy Spirit. (A podcast is available on the Campus Ministries website at www.northwestu.edu/ministry.)

Alumni then were shuttled from the chapel to "Lunch with the Presidents," hosted by Alumni President Fox.

More than 70 alumni visited with one another and listened to President Castleberry's encouraging report of God's work at Northwest University.

Alums also exclaimed at the variety of meals available in the Caf today, compared to their student menus.

Then it was time to sing together! Alumni Pamela Tutmark Feters ('71), Jim Arneson ('71, remembered as a member of the *Crossroads Quartet*), and Joyce Bender Rice ('81) led the annual Hymn Sing.

Joyce's father, '59 Class President Frank Bender, closed the reunion celebrations in prayer.

alumni of the year



FROM LEFT: Rosemarie Kowalski, Director for Alumni Services; David Oleson, Didaskalos Award; Karen Keyser, Alumni of the Year; Ty Redinger, Young Alumni of the Year; Don Ostrom, Alumni of the Year; John Fox, Alumni Association President; Joseph Castleberry, President of Northwest University.

Rev. Donald Ostrom ('54, Theology) was '54 Student Body President. He married Marlene and they have four sons. After two years pastoring in Mineral, Wash., they pioneered a church for three years in Davao City, Mindanao. That church has multiplied to over 600 churches throughout the Philippines. When Marlene's father died, the couple returned to the States and entered the business world.

Don owns seven Washington convalescent facilities, with 500 employees and 600 residents. Don says, "The best principles for success are in the Bible, *The Success Manual*."

He authored *Millionaire in the Pew*. "Success and prosperity are expected with the purpose of serving people and building the kingdom of God." Don has ministered in 70 countries and serves on several boards, reaching businessmen and pastors around the world. He is an Elder of City Church in Kirkland, Wash., and Chairman of their Marketplace Ministries.

Karen Keyser ('87, Elementary Education) is a second-generation alum. Her parents are Ron ('61) and Shirley ('59) Keyser. Karen initially taught fourth grade but became a high school guidance counselor after earning an M.A. in Counseling & Guidance in Education.

She served as a Chi Alpha missionary at Bel-lingham and Louisiana-Lafayette, and now serves at Georgetown University in Washington, DC.

In 1996, she became a national missionary with the Assemblies of God. She was ordained with the Louisiana District in 2002.

Karen creates resources, trains, and supports staff and volunteers in international ministry as a Chi Alpha Development Specialist for International Student Ministry. She says, "I hope to fulfill my call to make disciples of all nations... reaching students, training leaders, and impacting nations."

Ty Redinger ('01, Psychology) started working for Arena Sports while a college student. He began coaching a Lil' Kickers' class and, according to the company's CEO, "immediately demonstrated an amazing gift with children, strength as a leader, and character as a man."

Ty became President of Lil' Kickers, has written curriculum, coached, and grown the child development organization to over 100 locations that have served over 250,000 children.

Ty continues to mentor and hire Northwest students as instructors and coordinators. He is known to his staff as "MacGyver" because of his "can-do" ability to fix things. His co-workers enjoy Ty's sense of humor and marvel at his ability to remember names and faces.

David Oleson ('98-09, Missions, Math, Intercultural Studies) lives an adventurer's life. This faculty honoree loves to hike, camp, climb, and cycle. Dave married Patti and they have two children.

After earning a B.A. in Math and an M.A. in Secondary School Administration, Dave served in the army and came back to teach math in Spokane. He retired as a Lieutenant Colonel after 30 years of army service.

Dave was called to missions and earned a Doctorate in Missiology. From 1976-80, David served as President of Calvary Bible Institute in the Marshall Islands, seven years as President of Immanuel Bible College, and three as Business Administrator and faculty at Asia Pacific Theological Seminary in the Philippines. He and Patti were pioneer missionaries and teachers for four years in Lhasa, Tibet, China, and North India.

In ten years as a member of the faculty at Northwest University, Dave founded the Intercultural Studies program and taught Missions courses and Math. Dave continues to teach seminars and write about reaching Buddhists.

1940's

Leonard ('46) and **Mary Jane** ('46) **Lanphear** have happily moved from the Retirement Home to the Assisted Living Facility of Fairwood Village.
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Helen McLeran ('46) passed away in Walla Walla, Wash., on June 22, 2009, after a very brief illness. A memorial service was held at 1st Assembly of God on June 29. Helen was actively serving the Lord until her passing at the age of 90.
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1960's

Sharon Wagner-Turner ('67) and her husband share a home in Sun City West, Ariz., with her father, **Jene Wagner** ('46) and mother. Sharon is a piano teacher, substitute school teacher, and realtor, and her husband Layne is an associate pastor for the First Country Baptist Church in Surprise.
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Janie (Fowler) Downing ('68) is now living in the U.S. after spending six years teaching English to university students in Beijing, China. She is in Tacoma and going through a bit of reverse culture shock as she tries to adjust!
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1970's

James Book ('74) is currently serving both the Dean's Advisory Committee and Publications Committee at Global University. He also teaches overseas and is developing new student assignments reflecting the global nature of the church worldwide and issues in missions today.
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Lynn (Dorrell) Eisele ('74) recently retired after serving as a Children's Choir Director for 11 years. She now serves as a Director of Guest Services at Christian Fellowship Church.
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Allen Bachelder ('78) is enjoying his time back in school at the age of 58. He has a wonderful wife who supports him during this experience.
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Lois (Morley) Myers ('79) recently concluded her twelfth season with the San Diego Opera as a core member of the opera chorus. She has been at her present church for over nine years and ministers as the soloist.
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1980's

Pat O'Connor ('80) received his doctoral degree in Psychology.
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Stephen ('81) and **JoLynn (Kroft) Brown** ('81) will celebrate their 21st year pastoring Kenai New Life Assembly of God. Their son, **Scott** ('07) works at NU, and their younger son, **Brad**, is a student at NU ('13).
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Bruce Cole ('81) completed his second year teaching at Mitchell High School in Colorado Springs, Colo. He is also working on his second master's degree in Educational Administration.
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Shirley Hobart ('82) lives in Montana. She is semi-retired and experiencing a new move of God.
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Steve ('82) and **Connie (Reems) Williams** ('78) have enjoyed pastoring New Life in Spokane Valley for the last 11 years. They have two kids. Katelyn is a current student at NU and Brendan is a sophomore at U-High in Spokane.
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Don Conant ('85) works as the General Manager at Valley Nut and Bolt Company, Inc. in Tumwater, Wash.
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Christopher Dolan ('85) recently stepped down from the role of Children's Pastor at Capital City Church in Harrisburg, Pa., where he has been ministering for the past four years. He and his wife Heidie recently went to Israel and celebrated their anniversary there. They also renewed their wedding vows in front of close friends.
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Mark Moder ('87) recently became the Executive Director of Youth Dynamics. Youth Dynamics provides adventure programs for thousands of teens and plants youth workers in rural northwest towns.
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Charles Drury ('88) has been a firefighter now for almost seven years. He feels very blessed with his family and enjoys the occasional visits with friends from NU.
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1990's

Steven Hoskins ('91) is currently working for a small money management company in Colorado Springs, Colo. and attends Hope Church.
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Michele (Wiebe) Mueller ('91) and her husband started Abundant Life Church in Elma, Wash., almost three years ago. Her husband also runs and owns Mueller Insurance in Elma. They have three boys and love their church family and small-town life.
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Rodney Hurst ('92) is the pastor of Grace Episcopal Church in Carlsbad, NM (Episcopal Diocese of the Rio Grande).
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Randall ('92) and **Lori (Millard) Jeremiah** ('92) worked with inner city home missions for about 15 years. Now, Randall has his own insurance practice and God has started to move their family forward in ministry again. Lori stays at home and raises the children; she also teaches two exercise classes at their local club.
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Erin Bailey ('93) is currently living in Las Vegas, Nev., and is a volunteer at Centennial Hills Hospital.
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Tim Ohai ('93) ministered in Israel and the Palestinian West Bank with *Team Xtreme* this past summer, and helped set up an x-ray clinic in the West Bank before joining his wife **Diana (Richards)** ('91) and their kids in South Africa, where they continue to lead the Ubuntu Mission. Aside from graduating the first class of local Christian business mentors, they also distributed grants to start an internet cafe, special events decoration company, and a landscaping business in KwaZulu-Natal. Every grant recipient is a business coach who is committed to sharing Jesus and discipling the next generation of South Africans in the marketplace.
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Jeannette (Eastburn) Jones ('94) and her husband Steve live in beautiful Libby, Mont., where Steve works as a physical therapist and Jeannette stays at home with their 18-month-old girl, Abby.
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Steve Kramer ('94) and his wife are missionaries to the Netherlands. They are currently on furlough for a year.
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Jon Nichols ('95) is a pastor of Worship & Creative Arts at New Life Christian Center in Turlock, Calif. He is married to Tricia and they have four children: Ashtyn, Kaibree, Colby, and Jackson.
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Jeffrey Seeley ('97) has been the Student Ministries Pastor at Pacific Christian Center in Santa Maria, Calif. for the last four years. Jeff and his wife Vickie have been married for 15 years. They have two daughters: Ashley (11) and Abby (6). Vickie teaches preschool at Pacific Christian School, where both girls attend.
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Amy Guenther ('98) still lives in the Seattle area. She is a Technical Writer/Technical Editor and feels fortunate to have found a career she absolutely loves.
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Sabreena (Krake) Adams ('99) and her husband Joel recently became Chi Alpha missionaries at University of Nevada, Las Vegas, and had their second daughter in August.
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Jeffrey Bertain ('99) is a member of The City Church. He loves working with special needs children, as a nanny and mentor.
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Ryan Doughty ('99) recently graduated from Multnomah Biblical Seminary, earning his Masters of Divinity with an emphasis in Spiritual Formation. Following graduation, he and his wife Tamara accepted a position at Bethel Baptist Church in Missoula, Mont.
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2000's

D. M. Carson Perez ('01) graduated with his Master of Divinity from Yale Divinity School. Some of the highlights of attending Yale included: serving as a humanitarian in El Salvador, going on a pilgrimage to Canterbury, England, and serving as a chaplain at Yale-New Haven Hospital. Currently, Carson works at Children's Defense Fund in California.
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Duffy (Williams) Hummel ('03) is getting her Master in Teaching at George Fox University. She and her husband Tim are planning to return to Thailand in a few years.
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Katie Bailey ('04) was back in Arizona after spending two years in Holland. She then moved to Paris, France, to be part of a church-planting team that will plant an international church and ministry center called The Bridge.
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Aaron O'Harra ('04) was accepted to The Bethlehem Institute (TBI) under the leadership of John Piper and recently graduated. While he was there he taught Greek 1, Systematic Theology, Arcing the Word of God, and Inductive Bible study. He recently moved to Eugene, Ore. in hopes of planting a church.
E-mail: oharra.aaron@gmail.com

Lindsay Harkson ('05) is currently on full-time staff with Chi Alpha Christian Fellowship. Lindsay works at the University of Washington, Seattle, and is helping to start a chapter at the University of Washington, Tacoma.
E-mail: LGHark@gmail.com

John ('05) and **Heidi (Stynsberg)** ('03) Quick recently moved to Alaska. John works as the Director of Kenai Peninsula Young Life and as Assistant Director of Development for Alaska Christian College. They live on a lake and have their own canoe, which Heidi loves to take out after Emery (11 months) falls asleep at night.
E-mail: john@quick.younglife.org

David and **Amy (Burtis) Schultz** ('05) were married on August 22, 2009, at Evergreen Christian Community Church in Olympia, Wash. They now live in Los Angeles, Calif.
E-mail: amyschultz83@gmail.com

Brian Steen ('05) graduated from Lake Washington Tech, Kirkland, in 2009 with a Certificate in Graphic Design. He opened his own business called "A Choice Look Designs."
E-mail: rev.brian.steen@gmail.com

Steven ('06) and Jacki Lyn **Potorke** were married on October 17, 2009. They plan to stay in Visalia through the holidays and then move to Los Angeles.
E-mail: spotorke@yahoo.com

Diana Ramirez ('06, '07) was recently approached by StickK.com to do freelance writing for the "Career" section of their website. She wrote her first piece called "Unlocking The Key To A Powerful Resume."
E-mail: ramirezconsulting@yahoo.com

Tyler ('08) and **Krista (Fosse) Cronk** ('07) got married at Krista's old church, Berean Bible Church in Shoreline, Wash. They attend Journey Church in Kirkland and are both involved. They currently live in downtown Kirkland.
E-mail: krista.fosse@gmail.com

Stuart Fox ('07) is a teacher with the Renton School District.
E-mail: rom12.2@juno.com

Luke Kintigh ('07) recently changed careers and moved from Washington, DC, to Lake Oswego, Ore., to work as the Communications and New Media Director for a public affairs firm called the Common Ground Initiative.
E-mail: lukekintigh@yahoo.com

Kortney Thoma ('07) is currently living in Sydney, Australia, and is enjoying the variety of expat life! She arrived in Sydney in March after seven months of backpacking through Central Asia and the Middle East.
E-mail: kortneythoma@hotmail.com

Nathan Hoffman ('08) and **Taylor Jones** ('08) will get married in May in Arizona. After the wedding, Taylor will move to Ft. Meade, Md., where Nathan is stationed in the Navy, and complete her third year of law school.
E-mail: tjones1@asu.edu

Ridge McCoy ('08) works with Jeff's Auto Repair. He also works part-time as a Cutco knives sales person in Seattle.
E-mail: r1d6e@comcast.net

Merrilee (Ogard) Thompson ('08) recently married Drew. She is living in Kirkland, Wash., and working in the income annuities department at Symetra Financial in Bellevue.
E-mail: merrilee.ogard@gmail.com

Future Alumni

Randy ('81) and **Colleen (Dodge) Martin** ('81) announce the birth of their first grandchild, **Olivia Grace**, born Sept. 10, 2009. She weighed 6 lbs. 1 oz. and was 19 inches long.

Her parents are **Chris** ('03) and Micki **Martin**. Olivia was about 13 hours late from being born on Colleen's 50th birthday. In May, Colleen completed her M.A. in Intercultural Studies through Biola University. Randy and Colleen are in the middle of their fourth term of service in Indonesia with the Assemblies of God.
E-mail: buleimport@yahoo.com

Norm Christofferson ('82) and Corlynn are the proud grandparents of a baby girl, **Saphara Christofferson**, born Aug. 28, 2009. Norm and Corlynn pastor Neighborhood Assembly in Helena, Mont.
E-mail: norchris1@juno.com

Scott Kuhn ('98) and his family welcomed **Madelynn Adele** on July 24, 2009. She is the first in Kuhn family born with a head full of dark hair.
E-mail: scott@nwchristiandirectory.com

Dowain ('97) and **Loveta (Veristain) Geesey** ('99) welcomed **Kendra Alexxis** on May 7, 2009. Mom, dad, brother, and sister are all doing great and enjoying the new addition.

Brian ('00) and **Anne (Jones) Hollis** ('03) added twin girls, **Aria** and **Aili**, to their family on June 11, 2009. Aria and Aili's big brothers Joey, Chandler, and Tristan, are very proud. Brian is in his ninth year teaching sixth grade at The Bear Creek School.
E-mail: bhollis@tbcs.org

Jeremy ('01) and **Charissa (Hook) Seaward**'s ('01) second baby, **Megan Joy**, was born Nov. 3, 2008. The Seawards are enjoying their family of four and ministry to the young people of Singapore.
E-mail: charissaseaward@hotmail.com

Brant ('04) and **Heather Bosserman** ('05) welcomed their daughter, **Nicea Zion**, on Jan. 17, 2009. Brant is an adjunct at NU, and Heather is working as a delivery nurse.
E-mail: thebossermans@yahoo.com

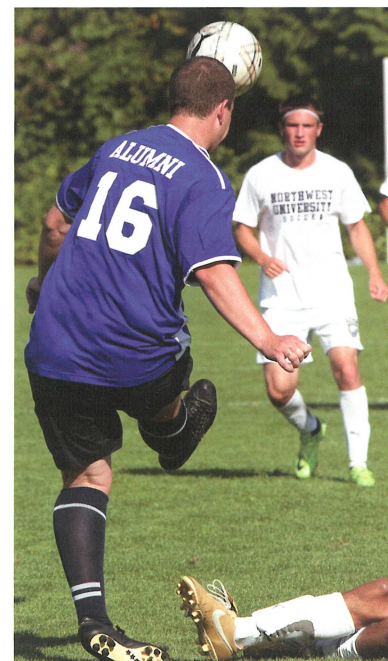
Brian ('05) and **Emilie (Vallerand) McCormack** ('07) welcomed a son, **Boston Cross**, into the world on June 2, 2009. Emilie recently finished recording her debut EP, which should be released in the next few months. Brian is the senior high youth minister at The Woodlands United Methodist Church outside of Houston.
E-mail: mccormack4@gmail.com

Preston and **Kjerstein (Bailey) Brashers** ('07) first son is due Nov. 16, 2009.
E-mail: rebelsparkplug@yahoo.com

Elizabeth Zwicker's ('07) daughter **Shoshana** was born in June 2009.
E-mail: linguisticnurse@gmail.com

Jonathan ('08) and **Kimberly (Stone) Cuzner** ('04) welcomed **Joshua David** on Feb. 14, 2009. Jon is working at Valley Medical Center as an RN and Kimberly is working part-time at Starbucks as a barista. They just bought a house in Maple Valley, Wash.
E-mail: jkcuzner@gmail.com

Allison Nyquist ('08) gave birth to **Colin Benjamin** on June 12, 2009.
E-mail: Rosark51@gmail.com



For more photos of the Alumni Soccer Game (above) and candid photos of the alumni reception at General Council, with cookie eaters like Jodi and Jana Detrick (below), please visit our web site: www.northwestu.edu/alumni





Dale Oquist, the Lead Pastor at Evergreen Christian Community in Olympia, Washington, is pursuing the Master of Arts in Missional Leadership at Northwest University.

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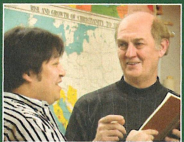
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"This will be a great opportunity for our students to sing in a world-class venue like Benaroya Hall," said Bill Owen, the choir's conductor and chair of the Music Department at Northwest. "Even more, it will be a great chance for alumni and friends of Northwest University to hear a truly wonderful Christmas concert."

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Tickets are \$12-\$34 and are available in person at the Benaroya Hall Ticket Office, by calling 206.215.4747, or online at www.benaroyahall.org. There is an \$8 service fee per order for phone and online orders only.

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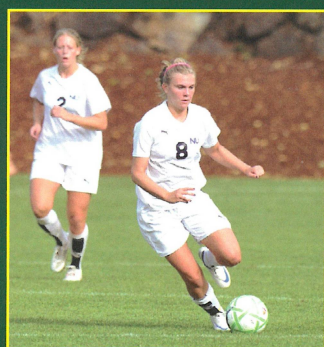
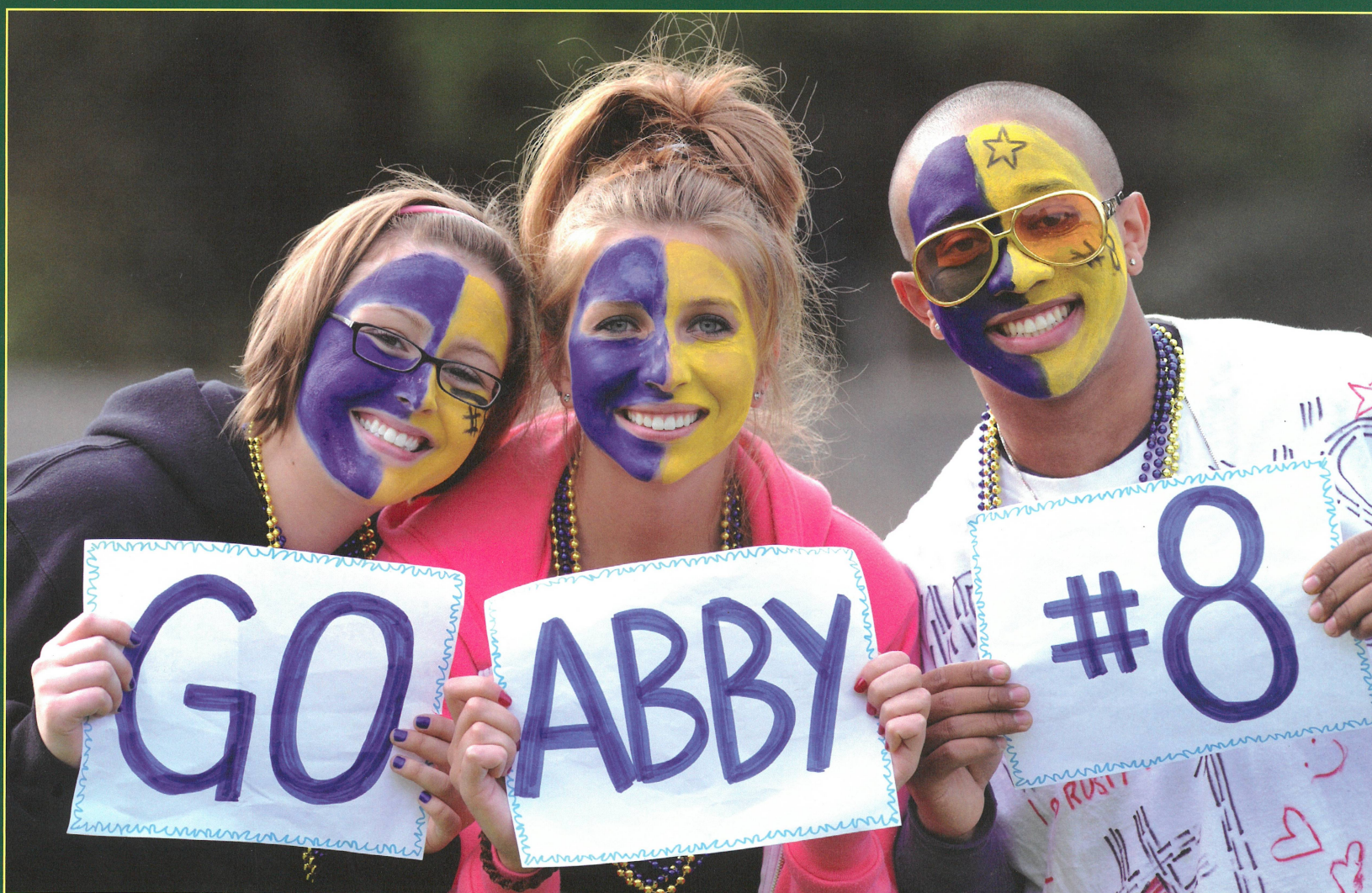
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