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GRADUATING SENIORS LIKE JOY GEBHART, WHO ARE FACING A TOUGH JOB MARKET, PRACTICE THEIR INTERVIEWING SKILLS AT THE SECOND ANNUAL NETWORKING EVENT

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#### FROM THE PRESIDENT

#### Giving Honor To Whom Honor is Due

In early May, the day before Commencement, we held a naming ceremony for the Health and Sciences Center.

We honored Dr. Don Argue, our former president, for the vision and leadership that made this dream a reality. The HSC is now named after him.

We also honored others – donors and friends who have helped in so many ways – by naming classrooms and labs and offices and lounges after them. It was a wonderful day.

In the past weeks, we also dedicated a new greenhouse, and we have begun moving into the former headquarters of the Seattle Seahawks.

As we continue to grow, we realize how the support of our alumni, donors, churches, and friends is vital to help us fulfill the mission God has given us. Enjoy reading this issue!

- Joseph Castleberry, Ed.D.

## THE DONALD H. ARGUE HEALTH AND SCIENCES CENTER Building, rooms named after former president and donors

Friends of Northwest University gathered together for the Naming Ceremony of one of the University's newest buildings, the Donald H. Argue Health and Sciences Center (HSC). The building was named after the former President and current Chancellor of Northwest University.

During the ceremony, alumni, board members, staff and faculty, and friends of Northwest University were recognized for their generous giving. Rooms and areas in the HSC were named after those who had made contributions financially or in other significant ways. Dr. Joseph Castleberry, President of Northwest University, recognized Dr. Argue for his vision that brought the HSC to reality. Dr. Argue received a standing ovation as the sign bearing his name was revealed.

Dr. Argue was the fifth president of Northwest University. During his tenure as president (1998 – 2007), overall enrollment grew 52% and the University added more than a dozen undergraduate programs, including The Mark and Huldah Buntain School of Nursing, which now occupies the Health and Sciences Center. In addition to the undergraduate programs, four graduate programs were added: the Master of Arts in Counseling Psychology, the Master of Business Administration, the Master in Teaching, and the Master of Education.

Dr. Argue led growth that included an increase in the number of faculty and the addition of 14 new buildings, including the acquisition of a 35,000 square foot office building that served as the Center for Graduate and Professional Studies, and the construction of the Health and Sciences Center. When asked about the Health and Sciences Center being named in his honor, Dr. Argue said, "Both Pat and I were deeply humbled by the kindness of the Board of Directors in naming the building. Our years in leadership at Northwest University have been a wonderful experience."

Dr. Argue continues to serve Northwest University as Chancellor and also serves as a Commissioner on the United States Commission on International Religious Freedom (USCIRF), an independent, nonpolitical and non-partisan federal agency.



Dr. Joseph Castleberry (center) and Dr. Donald H. Argue present a memento to Rev. Les Welk of the Northwest Ministry Network.



Donor Dr. Khoo Kay Peng and his wife Pauline outside the Main Lecture Hall named in his honor.



Donors Norma Jean and George Reece outside the Campus View Conference Room named in their honor.



The Health and Sciences Center has become an integral part of academic life at Northwest University.



Dr. Don Argue with his wife, children (and their spouses), and grandchildren.



Retired professor William Randolph, with his wife Jacqualyn, outside the Microbiology Lab named in his honor.



**Donors Inez and Lloyd Martin outside** the Classroom named in their honor.

#### **KEY DONORS AND THE ROOMS** NAMED IN THEIR HONOR

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Dr. Khoo Kay Peng	Dale & Phyllis Larso
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Seattle Seahawks	J. Phillip Gustafson
Science Classroom 102	Classroom
Lloyd & Inez Martin	Burlington Resource
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<b>Friendship Church</b>	Arne & Harriet Filan
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Daniel & Nancy Conti Nursing Faculty Office 216
<b>RWJ Executive Nursing</b> <b>Fellowship Program</b> Nursing Dean's Office
Eastridge Assembly of God Issaquah, Washington Nursing Work Area
Ray & Shirley Clark Arts & Sciences Dean's Office
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For more photographs of the naming ceremony and donors, please visit www.northwestu.edu

Erin Redwine, the Women's Soccer Coach at Northwest University, demonstrates the proper technique for a goal-scoring shot on one of the fields that just a few months ago were the training ground for the Seattle Sawhawks of the NFL.



### WHEN THE SEATTLE SEAHAWKS MOVED, THEY LEFT US A GREAT BUILDING AND GREAT ATHLETIC FIELDS, BUT... They didn't leave the weights.

#### A quick review.

HOTOS

About 25 years ago, the Seattle Seahawks and Northwest University (then Northwest College) came up with a plan. The local NFL football team would take some land that Northwest wasn't using. They'd construct a headquarters/training facility on it, and they'd create great athletic fields. The Seahawks would use the building and the fields for 20 years, without paying rent. After that time, they'd either start paying rent, or leave... and leave the building and the fields to Northwest. Actually, the Seahawks did both. They paid rent for a few years as they constructed a new facility in Renton, and then they left.

They left us a great building, which we're using for classrooms and offices and conference rooms. We're also planning to use their former weight room for the exact same purpose, except for one thing: they didn't leave the weights.

This first-floor space (in the photo of the exterior, it's on the right side) is large enough, at 3,800 square feet, to house a complete training center that will meet the fitness needs of Eagle athletes and the University's student population.

The training center will include free weights, universal gym equipment, and cardio equipment to give our University community the latest and safest equipment to achieve its physical fitness goals and needs.

This fitness center will keep our athletes fit and more injury-free, provide a place for them to teach fitness to the entire NU community, and provide a crucial opportunity for a campus-wide wellness program that will help keep our entire community healthier, happier, and more stress-free.

This fitness facility will be ready to use by the beginning of the fall 2009 semester.

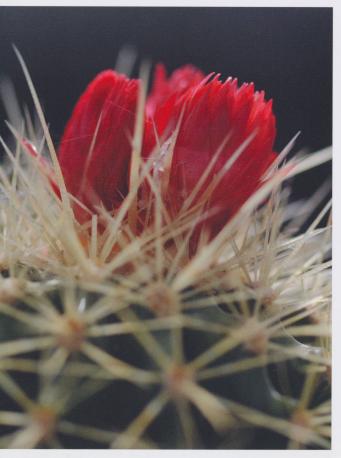
If you would like to find out more about this project, or if you would like to make a contribution to filling it with weights and great workout machines, please call Jeff Lockhart at 425.889.5206 or e-mail him at *jeff.lockhart@northwestu.edu*.

If everyone lifts a little (of the cost), together we can lift a lot!



#### ADVANCEMENT NEW

## GREENHOUSE DEDICATION A place where even a cactus can bloom



Northwest University's newest building, a greenhouse, was dedicated at a recent ceremony on the University campus.

Dr. Eric Steinkamp, professor of Environmental Sciences, conducted a tour of the facilities, highlighted some of the greenhouse features, and fielded questions from students, faculty, and staff.

The greenhouse will benefit the University's environmental studies program in the development of better adapted agricultural methods. The internal climate controller will also allow professors and students the opportunity to recreate climates from other parts of the world in order to study new ways of bringing sustainable agricultural practices to developing nations.

Features of the greenhouse include a series of ventilation fans, a cooling system, automatic sprinklers, a sun shade, and two independently climate controlled rooms. RIGHT: Professor Eric Steinkamp explains features of the new greenhouse as President Joseph Castleberry (far right), faculty, students, and staff listen.

LEFT: A cactus blooms in the greenhouse; Terry Jensen, who built the structure, chats with a student; the exterior of the greenhouse, near the Health and Sciences Center.

PHOTOS BY MERLIN QUIGGLE











# A trek to the top OF MOUNT ST. HELENS

If you want to study the geology of eruption and ecological recovery, a great place to visit would be Mount St. Helens. That's why Professor Eric Steinkamp led a group of Northwest University students on a one-day trek to the summit of the famous mountain, located 96 miles south of Seattle. They were able to observe first-hand the effects of the famous eruption on May 18, 1980, and they also were able to see nearly 30 years of ecological recovery.





**LEFT: Student Joe Smith** and Dr. Eric Steinkamp with the professor's dog, the appropriately named Sherpa.

**CLOCKWISE FROM TOP CENTER:** Student Isaac Hanna demonstrated an enthusiastic descent technique; Joe Smith with tools of the climb; a view of Mt. Adams from the treeline of Mt. St. Helens; a western white trillium bloomed on the site of what was volcanic devastation.

**Photos by John Vicory.** For more, please visit www.northwestu.edu





#### ACADEMIC NEW:

## NETWORKING EVENT It's like speed dating, except to get a job, not a mate

Speed dating originated with a rabbi in the late 1990s as a way to encourage Jewish singles to meet a large number of other singles and find a potential marriage partner.

It soon became popular across the U.S., as many organizations set up events. In each case, a room full of eligible singles participated in a formalized, fast, and fun series of 6-minute "dates" or face-to-face conversations, hoping to meet someone they'd want to see again.

Teresa Regan, the Director of Counseling Services at Northwest University, thought this idea could be successfully modified for those seeking jobs, not mates. So she created a speed networking event for our students.

This spring she hosted the second annual event, with 60 students from different disciplines meeting 60 guest professionals from a variety of career fields.

"I envision this as an opportunity for our students to interact with professionals who have a wealth of career experience and wisdom, so they can be encouraged as they prepare to make the transition from college to career," she explains.

"It's also a night of networking, so both students and professionals alike can make connections, build relationships, and share advice, information, and referrals."

Before the event, students received instruction on the basics of networking, including tips on attire, etiquette, and presenting themselves well.

The evening itself consisted of a pre-dinner networking hour for the guest professionals, followed by a

dinner for students and professionals, during which they all enjoyed table conversation. The dinner was followed by the "speed networking" session, with each student spending six minutes in conversation with each professional... until time ran out. Then it was time for dessert, and a final chance to mingle.

The response has been encouraging. One professional called it "a great experience for all." Another said, "You have a wonderful program and it was encouraging to see your students engage with such passion for the future."

Another said, "I can see this concept is good for the students, and I wish I had a similar experience when I was a university student".

After the first speed networking event, Professor LeRoy Johnson heard from one of the professional participants. "He could not say enough good things about the quality of our students and his association with the University," reported Dr. Johnson. "He predicts that our students will go out and change the world."



Teresa Regan, Director of Counseling Services at Northwest, invented – and now hosts – the speed networking event.



Duane Goehner, Senior Program Manager for Microsoft OEM Global Operations, was the guest speaker after dinner.



J. R. Fells was one of 60 Northwest University students who had the opportunity to network with 60 professionals.

Vice President of Sales Phillips

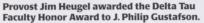
Sheri White, Vice President of Sales at Philips, listened to Northwest student Martin Dawood.

Alissa Farias was awarded the Master of Arts Degree in Counseling Psychology at Northwest University's 73rd Commencement.



For more photographs, including individual photos of each graduate, visit www.northwestu.edu/commencement







President Joseph Castleberry presented Sigma Chi Pi Awards to Bishop Joshua Banda, Dr. Jordan Copeland, and Rev. Darrel Johnsen.

## COMMENCEMENT 2009 A record 333 grads join alumni ranks

A record 333 students received degrees at Northwest University's 73rd Commencement, which was held May 9, 2009, at Overlake Christian Church. The Class of 2009 included 258 baccalaureate degrees and 75 master's degrees.

The Commencement address was given by Mr. Kemper Freeman, Jr., a fourth-generation Washington businessman and the developer of the Bellevue Square Mall and other premier commercial spaces in Bellevue.

In his welcome address, Dr. Joseph Castleberry, the President of Northwest University, stated that "Commencement is a day in which we think again about visions and dreams, celebrating their fulfillment in this odd and paradoxical day that represents the end of the beginning and the beginning of the main event in the lives of our graduates."

The student address was given by Alex Croutworst, a graduate from the School of Business and Management. Alex was chosen by the University faculty and his fellow graduates to speak at Commencement.

Special honors presented during the ceremony included:

The **Sigma Chi Pi Award**, which honored graduates and alumni on the basis of outstanding academic scholarship, approved Christian character, and recognizable achievement in leadership, service, or vocation. Graduates and alumni chosen for this honor society are selected by the faculty.

Graduates honored were: Han-

nah Adams, Trevor Barnes, Kevin Botterbusch, Andrea Cotton, Claude DaCorsi, Ryan Gregg, Nikolina Hatton, Jadon Haynes, Shauna Marshall, Christa Rush, Jordan Rinta, Kyle Severson, Megan Smaaladen, Charity Spears, Stephanie Tell, Heather Thornburg, Jennifer Whitley, and Daniela Zuniga.

Alumni honored were: Dr. Jordan Copeland from the class of 1999, Bishop Joshua H.K. Banda from the class of 1989, and Reverend Darrel Johnsen from the class of 1979.

The **Delta Tau Faculty Honor Award**, voted on by the faculty, was given to Dr. J. Philip Gustafson for his outstanding contribution to the development and work of Northwest University.

The Distinguished Service



The Distinguished Service Award was presented to Arlyn and Sharon Nelson by President Castleberry and Dan Neary, Executive Vice President.



The President's Award was presented to Philippe Vallerand, with his wife Laura, by President Castleberry and Rev. Les Welk, Chairman of the Board of Directors.

Award, given by the Board of Directors, was awarded to Arlyn and Sharon Nelson for their outstanding service to Northwest University, and their significant contributions to the students, colleagues, and the entire University community.

The President's Award, initiated and sponsored by the Office of the President, was given to Philippe Vallerand for his significant and meritorious service to the University, community, and public welfare.

Honorary Doctoral degrees, voted on by the Board of Directors, are one of the most significant recognitions of success available in our society, honoring persons for their success in both their life and career. The two candidates conferred with honorary doctorates

were Pastor Samuel Uchimura, Doctor of Divinity, and Mr. Kemper Freeman, Jr., Doctor of Laws.

The class of 2009, the 73rd and largest graduating class of Northwest University, included: 229 candidates for the Bachelor of Arts degree, one for the Bachelor of Fine Arts degree, 28 for the Bachelor of Science degree, 34 for the Master of Arts degree, 13 for the Master in Business Administration degree, and 28 for the Master in Teaching degree. Of the 333 graduates, there were 214 women and 119 men; 37% graduated with academic honors: and included international students representing the countries of Argentina, Hong Kong, Italy, Japan, Malawi, Puerto Rico, South Korea, and Taiwan.

## easy and effective ways to give

Give a little bit every day with a RECURRING GIFT OF JUST A DOLLAR A DAY, YOU CAN MAKE A CONTRIBUTION YOU'LL HARDLY FEEL BUT THAT COULD HAVE A MAJOR IMPACT ON A STUDENT.

Many of us put off doing a small good deed today and instead dream or even thousands of other alumni about the great good deeds we will do someday. I still remember a poster I saw years ago which said, "The smallest good deed is better than the grandest good intention."

One small good deed that many of us put off is making a regular donation to a place like Northwest University. It's easy to underestimate the impact that a modest monthly contribution can have.

Let's look at this a bit more.

First, if you join with hundreds and friends of Northwest and made a small gift each month, the total would be immense.

Second, this level of participation can influence the trusts and foundations who grant major gifts, because one of the factors they consider is the percentage of alumni who give.

Your gift is important, but even more important is the very fact that you are giving.

For conversational purposes, let's

think in terms of twenty-five dollars a month. Less than a dollar a day.

We can help you set it up so the transaction is simple. This amount, for most budgets, might not even be noticed.

Yet, joined with others, your gifts will make a great contribution to our students, who are preparing to be the Christian leaders of tomorrow.

Feel free to contact me. Or be ready to receive a call from one of our students in the coming weeks. When they call, please say "yes."

By Jeff Lockhart, Assistant VP for Development. To contact Jeff, call 425.889.5206 or e-mail jeff.lockhart@northwestu.edu

#### Give after you're gone with a formalized estate plan, in-cluding a well-executed will, gifts made by your estate after you're GONE CAN BE LARGER AND MORE POWERFUL THAN ANYTHING YOU CAN DO NOW.

What do you care about most? It seems to be a simple question, yet the answer may not be easy.

Why even ask? Because your answer can help you understand the legacy you want to leave to the people and causes you love.

Estate planning is all about making a significant contribution to what you care about most.

Only about one out of three Americans have a formalized plan. If you're in this select group, does your plan support what you care

about most? Will your resources go the way you want to your family,

your church, and your university? We have no guarantee of tomorrow. That's why today is the best time to revisit your existing plan.

If you are among the much larger group, seven out of ten, who do not have an estate plan, you may end up letting outside forces control your estate. Gifts that could go to the people and causes you care about may instead go to estate taxes.

It is within your grasp to make

the most important stewardship decisions of your life, by setting up a plan that will provide for what you care about most.

We can help. We can help you determine what you care about most, and we can help you discover ways to invest in the future, even after you are gone.

To receive your introductory estate planning package today, please contact the Development Office at 425.889.5207, or e-mail estates@northwestu.edu.

#### ALUMNI NEW:

#### Send us your news!

Help us-and the entire University family-keep up-to-date on what's happening in your world.

#### **Online Update Form!**

This is the easiest way. Just log on to the University's web site, **www.northwestu.edu**, and fill out the *Online Update Form*.

You can also send an e-mail to:

*alumni@northwestu.edu.* Or send "snail mail" to this address:

Rosemarie Kowalski Director, Alumni Services Northwest University P.O. Box 579 Kirkland, WA 98083-0579 Phone: 425.889.5352

Fax: 425.827.2807

#### 1940's

John ('44) and Loree (Collins) Will ('43) are retired and live in Southern California with two daughters, three grandchildren, and seven great grandchildren. Loree and John recently celebrated their 66th wedding anniversary. E-mail: *loreewill@yahoo.com* 

Jack Peretti ('46) passed away on October 21, 2008 at age 82. Jack was a 40year employee of the Boeing company. He is survived by his wife, **Eva (Tague)** ('46), daughters Ruth, Cathy, Sharon; son Steve; brothers Gene, Roland, David, Robert; sisters Barbara and Karen; 9 grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren. E-mail: *evajack@juno.com* 

**Star Asimakoupoulos**' (47) husband Edwin went home to be with the Lord on November 4, 2008. Please remember their family in your prayers. E-mail: *EddieSstar@aol.com* 

#### s! 1960's

Jerry Sanders ('63) and his wife Lois recently moved from their old farm house to a new home in Ephrata, Wash. They recently returned from a mission trip to Tanzania.

E-mail: praynpapa@hotmail.com

**Charles "Chuck" Morton** ('66) went to be with the Lord on January 5, 2009 after a very long and painful battle with heart and lung disease. http://ehuston.com/memorial/mortonchuck.html.

**Al Hulten** ('67) recently passed the baton as lead pastor at Valley Assembly to **Dr. Kent Mankins** ('92) after serving for 23 years. He will continue as Associate Pastor, focusing on Pastoral Care and Seniors. Email: hultenal@comcast.net

#### 1970's

**Bill Bresko** ('70) just celebrated his 81st birthday. His wife, **Christel (Decker)** ('70) is now 71. They live near Eastern Washington Bible Camp in Medical Lake, Wash. E-mail: *wilbresko@hotmail.com* 

#### **Steven** ('72) and **Linda (Anderson) Long** ('69) have been missionaries for over 27

years. They are currently in the Northwest itinerating to raise the needed funds to continue as appointed missionaries with Global University. E-mail: Inslong@msn.com

#### Darrell ('72) and Dianne (Milne) Wood

('72) had to leave Indonesia when their visa was revoked after almost 20 years of missionary service. They have spent the last eight years in Brussels, Belgium. They are currently members of PERKI, an Indonesian fellowship. They also teach monthly Bible studies in Rotterdam and are on staff at Continental Theological Seminarv.

E-mail: *dianne\_k\_wood@yahoo.com* 

Debbie (Hobkirk) Douglas' ('77) older daughter Jolie (Douglas) Wall ('06) is now a third grade teacher at Cedar Park Christian School in Bothel, Wash. Her second daughter Megan graduated from NU at the recent commencement ceremony. E-mail: tomdebdouglas@msn.com

Ron Dugone ('77) is the senior pastor at Believers Fellowship in Leander, Texas. His church recently moved to a new 17 acre campus in May. E-mail: *rdugone@austin.rr.com*  **Carol Hearron** ('77) has been a high school teacher in Montana for 20 years. She is passionate about studying and teaching students about the Holocaust. Last year, she was named a Museum Teacher Fellow with the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum in Washington, D.C.

#### **Arlen Royal** (78) and **Wendy** (**Swaffield**) **Woods** (77), of Bellevue, Wash., are active in the ministry of Neighborhood Church. Wendy graduated Spring '07 with an M.Ed. in Literacy from Lesley

borhood Church. Wendy graduated Spring '07 with an M.Ed. in Literacy from Lesley University. Arlen and Wendy have one son, Andrew.

E-mail: mrsroro@comcast.net

**Donald** ('78) and **Brenda (Wetzel) ('79) Ross'** have three married children and are proud grandparents of three grandsons and two granddaughters. Brenda has worked at Northwest University for the last 10 years and currently works in the registrar's office. Donald has pastored at Creekside Church, formerly Northgate Church, for the past 14 years.

E-mail: dross@thecreeksidechurch.org

**Valerie (Gruver) Witt** ('78) earned her Ph.D. in Education in 2004 and has operated a private school in Centralia, Wash. E-mail: *vwittphd@localaccess.com* 

#### Randy ('79) and wife Dana (Nimmons) Rowe ('81) have been Directors of Teen Challenge ministry for 29 years. They love helping others find freedom from their drug and alcohol addiction and come to the realization that having a relationship with locus

ization that having a relationship with Jesus Christ can change their lives forever. E-mail: Drrrrowe@aol.com

**Dan Witt** ('79) went back to college in 2005 to receive an ATA degree in Civil Engineering. He now works as an engineering technician for WHPacific in Olympia, Wash. He has been part of the worship team for 15 years at Calvary Chapel in Centralia, Wash.

#### 1980's

**Doug York** ('80) had brain surgery last August. He and his wife Kay have been ministering on the Swinomish Reservation for the past 17 years. Their daughter Julie is currently attending Northwest University. E-mail: *dougyork@wavecable.com* 

Adam ('83, '94) and Janet (Anderson) Salmon ('83, '04) work in a pediatric hospital and children's boarding schools with the organization they founded, Asiana Education Development. E-mail: *adamlanka@aol.com* 

## **Ron** ('89) and **Joyce (Bender) Rice** ('81) recently celebrated their 10th anniversary. Joyce has been part of the support staff at Shoreline Community Church for over six years where she enjoys leading their choir and worship in a couple of their gatherings. She is also preparing to record a CD this year. Next year is her 50th birthday and it would be wonderful to hear from some of her old school pals! E-mail: *lirc@shorelinecc.com*

Chaplain **Hank Thomas** ('88) has been serving as an Active Duty Military Air Force Chaplain since 2003. He is currently serving as the USCENTCOM HQ Chaplain at MacDill AFB, FL. After this temporary assignment, he will return to California to finish off a four year tour at Edwards AFB. He and wife Christina have been married for 22 years and have three children: Ashley, Alexa Joy, and Joshua.

#### 1990's

**Rodney Hurst** ('92) was ordained as a Deacon in the Episcopal Church last month and will be ordained as a priest in the coming months.. E-mail: *rshurst@wi.rr.com* 

### **Screaming Eagle Alumni**



Alumni proved they could keep up with Northwest University students in the annual Screaming Eagle Week competition.

To see more photos of their efforts, please visit www.northwestu.edu.

On our web site, you can also find more Alumni News, or you can sign-up for Donor, Alumni, Sports, or Parent e-news.





Jennifer (Turner) Samson ('92) is a stavat-home mom of two kids: Kade, 7 and Zoe, 6. She is busy volunteering at school. assisting a women's Bible study, and participating in 10K races. She is also the Administrative Assistant for a non-profit organization, Inspire U Ministries. E-mail: scrappyrunner@thesamsons.net

Tracy (Zook) Skipper ('92) and husband Michael just directed the fifth annual Lake City International Marathon. In five years, they have grown from 11 runners to 203 from all over the world. They are now U.S.A. Track and Field Certified and Sanctioned, and are hoping to become a 50K Championship Course. All proceeds go to the Gift of Warmth to help keep the heat on in lowincome homes during cold winters. E-mail: iiskipper@lakecitymarathon.com

Michael ('93) and Nancy Forney's first daughter, Loree, is attending NU majoring in Elementary Education, Ashley, their second oldest daughter, graduated from high school in June. E-mail: forney.michael@gmail.com

Esther Harmon ('93, '96), faculty administrative assistant in the College of Arts and Sciences at Northwest University and former business faculty, was recognized as one of the top ten Sunday School Teachers in the Assemblies of God recently.

Brad Klippert ('93) recently won the election for Washington State House of Representative, District 8, Position 1. He began work in Olympia in January. E-mail: bkklippert@earthlink.net

Andrea (Newell) Walther and husband Rees live in Virginia. They have 3 children: Faith, 7, Sean, 4, and baby Nate. E-mail: awalther@vahoo.com

Carrie Conklin ('94) recently relocated to Costa Mesa and joined the team at the Southern California District Office of the Assemblies of God as the Executive Assistant to Assistant Superintendent Rich Guerra. E-mail: carriecmalbums@amail.com

Karri Fairfield ('94) has been working in the music industry for several years, booking and managing musicians. StepOut! and Karri announced the newest addition to the roster: The Brandon Scott Band, a Christian. alternative rock band from Tacoma, Wash., whose influences range from David Crowder, Chris Tomlin, and Hillsong United. E-mail: rocknrollkarri@stepoutonline.com

Adrienne (Chacon) Linenberger ('94) works as a junior high teacher for the Northshore School District. She and Don ('94) have two daughters: Isabela, 5 and Gabriela, 4. E-mail: thelindy@comcast.net

Bill Pritchard ('94) resides in Illinois. E-mail: Bill.Pritchard@gmail.com

Kirsten (Erickson) Weigand ('96) is married to the most wonderful man and living in Eastern Washington. She has an incredible job, which is to protect the children of the Spokane Tribe E-mail: specialkke@hotmail.com

Penny (Sjoberg) Cheshier ('98) relocated to Tucson in June 2008. She has had Parkinson's for 10 years and had DBS surgery in November. E-mail: *pjcheshier@juno.com* 

Sheryl (DeLozier) ('98) and husband Dale Llovd live in Wasilla, Alaska, Shervl works at Burchell High School as an English teacher. She was ordained with the Alaska District in 2006. E-mail: dasalloyd@yahoo.com

Sharna (Gregg) Marsh ('98), her husband Robert, and their daughter Olivia. 7. recently moved to Moses Lake, Wash. Robert, works for Microsoft and was transferred to the new Data Center in Quincy. Wash. Sharna continues to be selfemployed as a massage therapist. E-mail: sharna marsh@live.com

Sabreena (Krake) Adams ('99) and husband Joel are in the process of launching Chi Alpha at UNLV for the first time in the campus' history. They are also college pastors at a local church. E-mail: sabreenaadams@hotmail.com

#### 2000′s

#### Art ('01) and Fernanda (Cela) Heckman

('01) are enjoying life in California with their two little ones. Art is currently leading worship full time in the local church and recently released his first worship album, titled "Not Alone." E-mail: claytonccmusic@gmail.com

Troy Anderson ('02) was highlighted on King 5's High School Game Time as Coach of the Week for Eastlake High's Cross Country team: http://www.hsgametime.com/seattle/content/cmad/stories/NW \_101108HSGT\_cmad\_troy\_anderson\_TT.f8 6ff7fa.html E-mail: pagutus@hotmail.com

#### Jeremy ('02) and Hollie (Hawkins)

Frank ('03) are living in Denver, Colo. with their daughters Lottie, who is in first grade, and Evie, who is 3 years old. Jeremy rejoined Trail Ridge Capital as a porfolio manager in late 2008. E-mail: jeremy@jhcf.com

Summer Stewart ('04) became Mrs. Van Oort on October 18, 2008. She is currently teaching Special Education at Glacier High School in Kalispell, Mont. and would love to hear from NU friends E-mail: sunny\_sunshine@hotmail.com

Kylie (Brady) Johnsen ('05) lives in West Richland, Wash. with her husband Brent ('04) and their beautiful daughter Londyn. They love their youth ministry at Faith Assembly, and enjoy hitting up Costco for samples every Friday.

Phillip and Rebecca (Johnson) Mefford ('05) are going to Istanbul, Turkey to start their missions work. E-mail: rebeccamefford@gmail.com

Chris Judd ('06) was hired at Fairwood Church in Renton, Wash., as the worship pastor in January 2009. He previously worked in his hometown as a substitute teacher, painter, and prison guard. Chris still finds time to fly fish, bowhunt, and write. He is hoping to record a worship album by the end of this year. E-mail: judojudd@gmail.com

Crista (Stephens) Olson ('06) married Kris on June 7, 2008. E-mail: cristaolson@amail.com

Tiffany Zulkosky ('06) was elected Mayor of Bethel, Alaska on October 20, 2008, For the complete story: http://www.thenorthernlight.org/home/index.cfm?event=displayArticlePrinterFriendly&uStory\_id=930812 25-8310-4ba6-b8a1-d1dc4c217f40

David Grisham ('07) works in Sales for the f5 Networks.

Janean Ikeda ('07) has moved home to Hawaii where she will begin her studies for nursing after four years in Seattle, a year of working in Egypt, and traveling through surrounding countries. E-mail: janeanki@amail.com

Ryan Jones ('07) is working as a sales associate at Kohl's in Snohomish, Wash. E-mail: ryansjones@hotmail.com

Amy (Robertson) Lyons ('07) recently married Colin. He moved up from Eugene, Ore., where he led Campus Life for the past five years, to join the Youth for Christ staff in Wash. They are now in ministry at different schools, but in the same state. E-mail: amy@YFCsnocounty.com

Cecily (Schulz) Montgomery ('07) and her husband, Matthew live in Moscow, Idaho. Matthew is earning a Masters in Jazz Trumpet at the University of Idaho. Cecily has been working in Intensive Care at Pullman Regional Hospital E-mail: leeleebelle@juno.com

**Deraid Porter** ('08) started a new position in November as a Benefit Eligibility and Leave of Absence Coordinator with Seattle Children's Hospital. Working at the hospital is especially meaningful for Derald because of the care his family has received while his son Robert has been a cardiac/pulmonary patient there.

E-mail: woodway77@hotmail.com

#### **Future Alumni**

Jared and Heidi (Anema) Barton ('90) recently welcomed their son, Luke Anthony. He was born on November 30, 2008 and adopted by the Bartons on December 2, 2008 E-mail: hjbarton@gmail.com

Gary ('90) and Amy Reems had their first child, Emma Loraine, on December 10, 2008 E-mail: garvreems@gmail.com

Jamie (Kruger) Bello ('94) gave birth to her firstborn. Ethan Manuel on March 19, 2009. E-mail: jamie.bello@aqmd.org

Kristina (Kennedy) Davis ('96) had her second baby, Fiona Jane, in April. In October, the Davis' moved to Nashville for training to move to Uganda. Kristina and husband Seth are attending the Institute for Global Outreach Development International, where Kristina will also be teaching childbirth education to future missionaries. E-mail: kristinadavis@gmail.com

Michael ('98) and Coral (McConaghy) Lehman ('02) welcomed baby Bennett Eli into their family August 12, 2008, Big brother Duncan and big sister Maeghan are completely delighted! Mike continues to work as the Media Director for Christ for the Nations. The Lehmans are adjusting to life in Dallas, Texas, and celebrating God's faithfulness with the purchase of their first home

E-mail: mclehman98@netzero.net

Rob ('03) and Sara (Nielsen) Adams ('03) welcomed their first child, a daughter, Grace Elizabeth on May 4, 2008. Rob is working in San Jose, Calif. doing commercial window treatments, and Sara is working in donor management with Teen Challenge in Campbell, Calif. E-mail: sarabethadams@yahoo.com

Caleb ('06) and Jonette (Hagebusch) Bryant ('05) brought into the world Estella Joy on October 30, 2008. E-mail: jonetteb@live.com

#### Upcoming **Events**

#### **Eagle and Alums** Soccer Game and Picnic

2:30 - 6:30 p.m. Sunday, August 30

Kick off a new college year on our new soccer fields. The Seahawks handed over their building and wonderful fields this year, and we are looking forward to celebrating. Picnic after the game. (The Welcome to 2009-2010 Worship **Concert** starts at 7:00 p.m. in the Chapel.)

#### **Traditional Alumni** Chapel – 75th Year

10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. Friday, October 16

Celebrate the Lord's goodness with your alumni peers. \$10/person or \$15/couple includes lunch and an NU alumni T-shirt.

#### **Christmas Concert**

Tuesday, December 15 at Benaroya Hall

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This is your chance to experience college life up close and personal in a Christian environment.



You will be able to visit actual classes, tour our campus, worship in chapel, meet current students, and even chat

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 Nov. 13
 Jan. 22
 March 19
 April 16



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