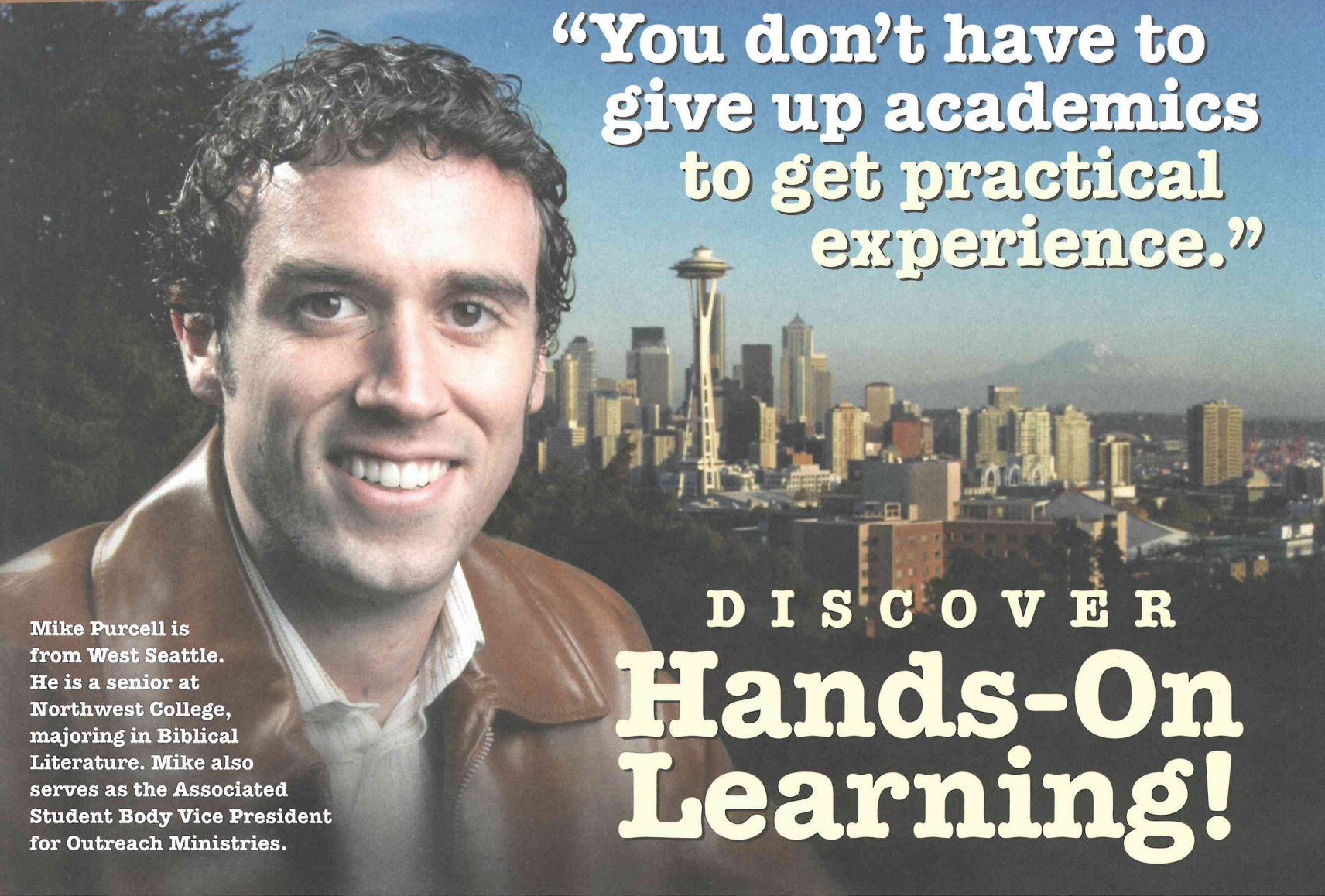


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# Hands-On Learning!

**By Sarah Baker**

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An assignment for her fifth grade class that required her to watch the evening news inspired Jennifer King's career choice. She remembers thinking while she watched the news anchors doing their job, "I can talk, and I could be on TV. I could do that."

Jennifer, a senior Communications major at Northwest College, still believes she would make a good news anchor, and an internship last fall at Seattle's *KING 5* News brought her one step closer to realizing her dream.

She applied to three local stations for internships, and her determination paid off when *KING 5*, Jennifer's first choice, offered her the position. In addition to gaining invaluable experience, Jennifer was able to receive academic credit from Northwest College for her internship.

Once on the job, Jennifer started out doing research over the phone and on the internet. She called the different beats to get leads on stories and answered phone calls with story tips.

"I worked on the news desk, so that was where most of the calls came through," she says.

Later in the internship she was given more responsibilities, and she began going out to cover stories with reporters.

One memorable story that she helped with involved a man who was administering flu shots without a license. Jennifer did the initial undercover research on the story by going to the man and asking him questions about his practice.

"I was the first person there from *KING* or any of the Seattle stations," Jennifer says, explaining that the man's practice was a scam and that he had been caught practicing unlawfully in other states in the past.

Another incident that stands out in Jennifer's mind from her internship is the sentencing of Gary Ridgeway, the "Green River Killer."

Jennifer worked as a runner for the *KING 5* reporters covering the hearing. She says about being at the hearing, where the victims' families confronted Ridgeway, "It was very intense. It is one thing to see the edited version on the news and another thing to be right there."



## Jennifer King @

Jennifer was confronted with the demanding nature of a newscasting career when her boss at *KING 5* told her she would have to be at the station at 6:00 a.m. on the morning of the Ridgeway hearing. This and other experiences during Jennifer's internship gave her a better idea of what it would be like to work as a television reporter.

She says about her internship, "I don't know if it clarified my goals as much as it gave a realistic hue to my goals. It is such a demanding field. You have to be willing to give everything you can to it."

Jennifer also realized that some aspects of newscasting that seem effortless for experienced reporters really take a lot of practice. Sometimes

the reporters would let her go on camera to practice opening and closing a story. She would then try to edit her footage into a story.

"It was so much more difficult than I thought," she remembers.

Jennifer also found it difficult to face the often tragic news that reporters cover every day. She wonders how reporters function who do not share her faith in God.

"I can't imagine not having faith in a newsroom," she says, "because there is a lot of filth that comes through, and it would be really discouraging."

She was sustained by her sense of hope in Christ, and by her desire to demonstrate that hope to others.

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# KING 5

Jennifer sees a career in newscasting as an opportunity to make a difference.

"As cheesy as it sounds, I want a worthy career that can help people. I've always thought that news is more important than people stop to realize, and I think that as a Christian in the area I could do some good," she says.

"If I can tell the kind of news that is doing good in the world, then I would like to do that.

"Another thing I've seen through my internship is that there is a huge need for compassion, and that is what Christians could bring to the industry," Jennifer says.

"If nothing else, a Christian could bring a genuine heart and a sympathetic ear, and that is something."

## Beth Begley @ Crystal Springs Elementary

While student teaching at Crystal Springs Elementary School, Beth Begley has discovered the influence that a caring teacher can have on students' lives. Beth, an Elementary Education major from Lebanon, Ore., says, "Students are from all kinds of family backgrounds and you never know what is going on. You can be a consistent part of their lives, which is something that many students don't have anymore."

Beth feels that the particular classroom that she was placed in as a student teacher has prepared her to meet the needs of any child she will teach in the future. "I feel that because of the diversity of my classroom I will be prepared for whatever walks into my classroom throughout my career," she says. "Because there are students with so many different needs, I have to be ready for anything. My cooperating teacher always tells me, 'If you can handle this class, you can handle anything.'"

Beth says that Mrs. LynnDee Ames, her cooperating teacher, has prepared Beth for her future teaching career by helping her to learn from her mistakes. "She encourages me to be a little self-critical, in a good way, so I can see how I can improve," Beth says. "You need to think about what you would do differently next time so that you are always improving yourself and your lessons."

A favorite success story from her student teaching demonstrates for Beth the impact of a caring teacher. A boy in her third grade class was obviously unhappy when he came to school on his birthday. He was uncooperative in class, and Beth found several notes that he had written, which said things like, "This is the worst day ever."

Beth knew that he had a difficult home life, and she guessed that no one from his family would come to school with a treat for his class, like the other students' parents do for birthdays. Beth tried to encourage him. "I took him aside and told him, 'I think that you are so special,' and had a little heart to heart," she says.

The boy's behavior didn't improve, so Beth talked to some of the other teachers, and they found some Hershey's kisses.

At lunch, all the students sang "Happy Birthday" for this boy, and he got to pass out the kisses. The school's principal bought the student a Happy Meal and invited him to have a special lunch with her.

Later that day, Beth found a note, left out where she would see it, that said, "This was the best day ever..."

Beth says about this boy, "I helped him through something hard. It was really cool to see how he responded positively."

Beth hopes that her career in teaching will provide her with opportunities to meet many more needs for many more students.

"I love to interact with the kids and to be instrumental in their lives. Everybody remembers their favorite teacher from elementary school," Beth says.

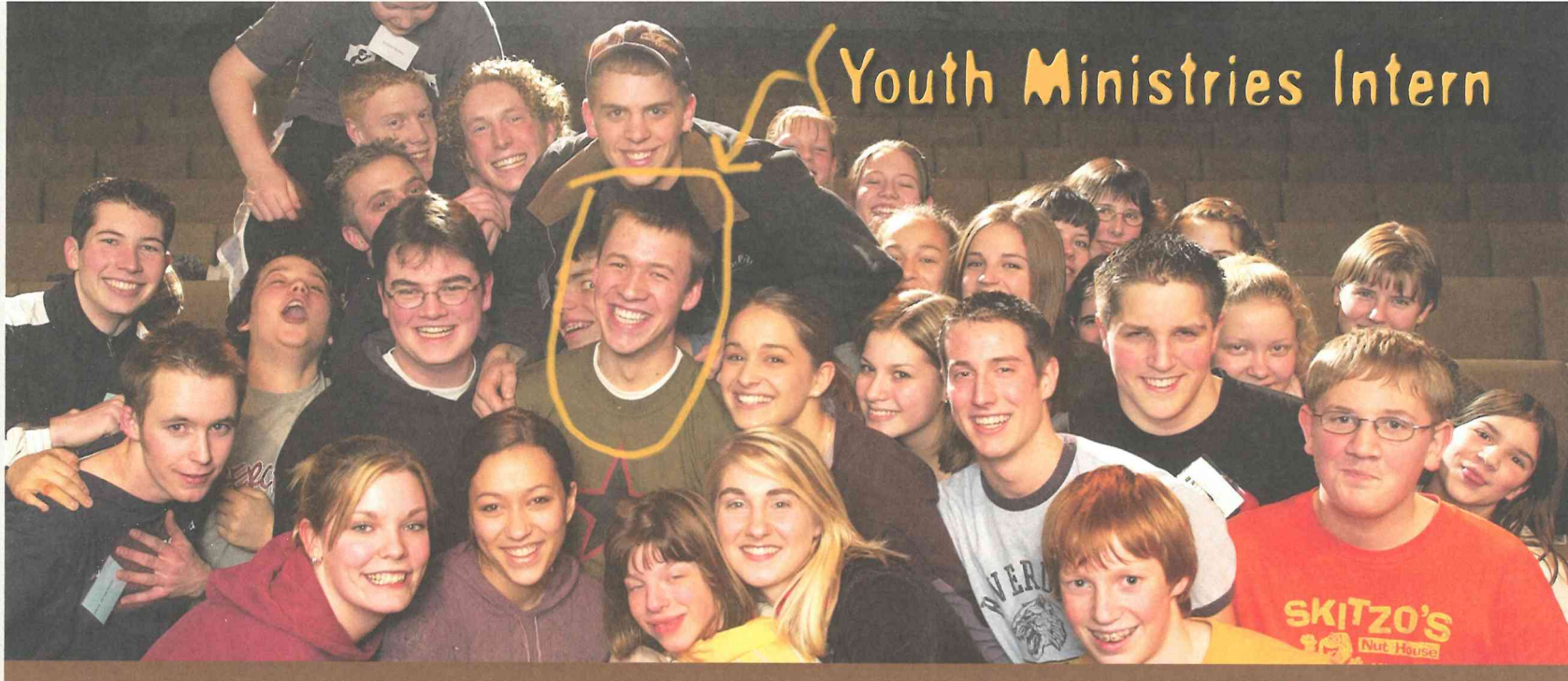
"When they think back on their lives, they are going to remember me."

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# Aron Otremba @ Maltby Assembly

Aron Otremba says that one of the most important lessons he has learned in his internship at Maltby Assembly of God is that youth ministry "isn't all up on stage."

In fact, Aron, a Youth Ministries major at Northwest, found that all the behind-the-scenes work youth pastors do really determines the quality of their leadership.

Throughout Aron's internship, Andy Geer, the Associate Pastor of Students at Maltby Assembly, has given Aron many opportunities to take part in the daily work of a youth pastor.

Aron leads a senior high boy's Bible study, directs the drama team, plays in the worship band, and oversees the security team, to name a few of his duties, and he speaks once a month at the weekly youth service.

Aron has learned that one critical "off-stage" responsibility of a youth pastor is preparing youth to

be leaders. Aron says that Pastor Andy Geer taught him skills for helping others become leaders:

"The value he puts on leaders has really encouraged me and made me see how important it is."

Aron has learned that emerging leaders need encouragement.

"Andy has told me that he wouldn't be able to do certain things if I wasn't there, and it is the same with the people who are doing the things that I don't see. They are all important," Aron says.

"It is important to keep your volunteers feeling encouraged."

As a small-group leader and

drama director, Aron has been able to watch students grow in their ability to lead.

Last summer, the youth of Maltby Assembly held a *Time to Care* outreach, a "home missions" project.

The youth ministered through community service, children's ministries, and drama.

Aron says about one of his projects for *Time to Care*: "I took ten kids and taught them an illustrated message, and they performed it after rehearsing for only four days."

Aron continues to be encouraged by the spiritual growth in these

students, and he believes that their involvement in this drama was a reason for this growth.

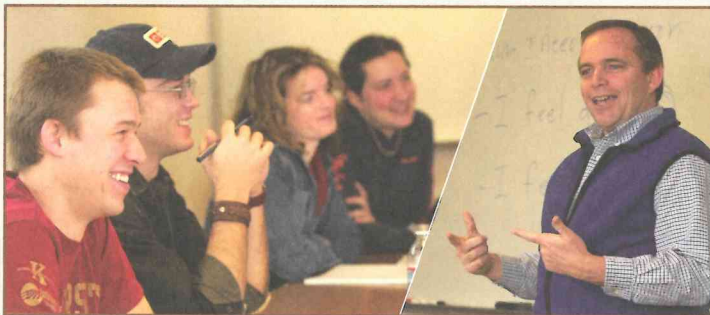
A young man who attends Aron's small group is a particularly noteworthy example for Aron of how the students grew through last

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summer's ministry experience:

"After that [the student] really made a decision to follow God and learn more about him," Aron says.

"It is encouraging for me to keep doing what I am doing when we see the result in even one student."



**Aron Otremba majors in Youth Ministries at Northwest. In class (left) he learns from professors like Dr. Michael Thompson. In his internship at Maltby Assembly of God (right) he learns from Associate Pastor Andy Geer. Above all, Aron is learning to make a difference in the lives entrusted to him (above).**





# Men's, Women's Basketball Teams Get "Hands-On" Experience in Winning



Jenny DeYoung (above), of Redmond, Wash., was Freshman of the Year. She and senior guard Kristin Boyd (below), from South Kitsap, Wash., were both named First Team All-Conference.



## Winning Streaks End In Conference Playoffs

Northwest teams entered the playoffs with six-game winning streaks.

Under Coach Lori Napier, the women hosted the first playoff game in college history, defeating Southern Oregon, 122-88.

They lost in the second round of the conference playoffs, before going on to the NCCAA National Championships in Frankfurt, Ky.

The men went to Idaho for their first-round game, but fell short in their bid for an upset. This season's 14 wins is a record for coach John Van Dyke. With no seniors, the men look for a strong title run next year.



Guard Briana Duerr (14), a senior from Kirkland, Wash., led the Lady Eagles in the first round of the Cascade Conference playoffs. She scored 44 points, including seven three-pointers, as Northwest defeated defending champion Southern Oregon University, 122-88. Briana earned Honorable Mention All-Conference. Also on the break (above) were senior guard Tarah Troutman (11) from Kennewick, Wash., and sophomore forward Kaeley Triller from Gig Harbor, Wash.



Grant Enloe (5) is a sophomore from Gig Harbor, Wash., and Andrew Gard (24), is a junior from Puyallup, Wash.



HAVE YOU ALWAYS WANTED TO ATTEND A UNIVERSITY?

# We've got good news for you!

The Northwest College Board of Directors has voted to change the name of the institution to Northwest University.

"This is a momentous occasion in the life of Northwest, marking the continued growth and success of this great institution," stated Dr. Don Argue, President.

There actually were two aspects to the change: university *status* and a new *name*.

The first part has been unfolding for years. "With the addition of new majors, including nursing, as well as graduate programs in Counseling Psychology and Business, Northwest

College is already what is commonly understood to be a university," stated Dr. Argue.

The second aspect, determining the new name, involved collecting significant input from the public. A task force led interaction with all constituencies of Northwest, including faculty, staff, students, alumni, and donors.

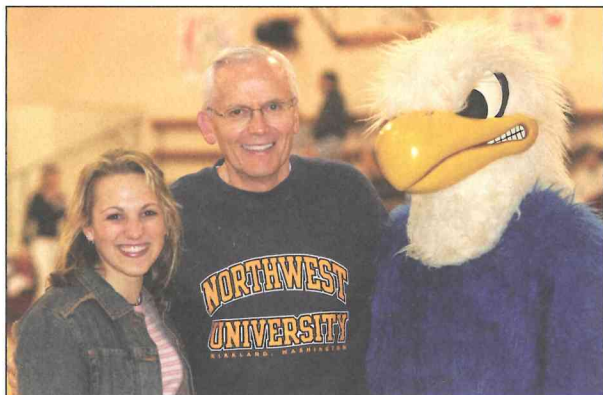
A broad-reaching survey presented several potential names to the public, and the name Northwest University was the leading choice of all categories.

This transition to Northwest University follows along the line of the institution's maturation

over the years from Northwest Bible Institute, to Northwest Bible College, to Northwest College, and now to Northwest University.

"We are committed to becoming a respected university," stated Dr. Argue, "and we have already taken important steps toward that goal."

Northwest has experienced significant growth over the past five years. Total enrollment has increased by over 35%. Fall 2003 enrollment totaled 1,161, with 855 students enrolled in the traditional, residence-based program and the remaining students studying in graduate and adult degree-completion programs.



President Don Argue wore a prototype Northwest University sweatshirt at a recent basketball game. With him is newly elected ASB President, Lindsay Fosner, and the Eagle mascot.

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