

# Dr. Jack Rozell named dean for new School of Ministry

**Dr. Jack Rozell** has been named Dean of the new School of Ministry, which was established by the Northwest College Board of Directors at their spring meetings.

All vocational ministry majors will be organized within the new school, as well as the faculty who are dedicated to these programs.

There will be a continued emphasis on the use of guest lecturers and adjunct faculty, ensuring that students study with those actively engaged in ministry leadership.

The School of Ministry also will focus on strategic partnerships with local churches, districts, and missions.

Dr. Rozell brings a breadth of ministry experience that encompasses leadership in churches, missions, and higher education.

"Northwest has played a significant role in training ministers for more than 65 years," stated Dr. Don Argue, Northwest's President.

"Now is the time to bring that commitment to an even higher level."

# Northwest Passages

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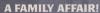


# 219 Earn Degrees!

Kena Peay (left) was one of the 219. Northwest College students who received degrees on May 6, joining the 5873 who have graduated since the first class in 1937.

A commitment to excellence was evident, as 45% graduated with Academic Honors.

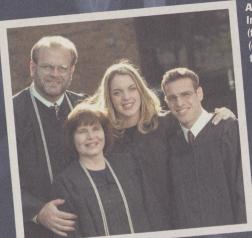
Seven international students represented the countries of Bulgaria, Canada, Japan, South Korea, and Zambia. Graduates also represented 14 states, including Alaska, Idaho, Montana, Oregon, Washington, Arizona, California, Hawaii, Illinois, Minnesota, North Dakota, South Dakota, Ohio, and Wyoming.



In the Crandall family (left) Stephen (father), Rebekah (mother), Annie (daughter) and Josh (son) graduated together!

At right are third generation graduates Daniel and David Dormaier and their cousin Nathan Oliver. In the back row (from left) are their grandparents: George ('44) and Mercedes ('45) (Berk) Dormaier; Daniel and David Dormaier's family: dad David, mom Kathy, brother Dawson, and sister Katie; and Nathan Oliver's family: sister Amy, dad David ('79), sister Karen, mom Diane (Dormaier), and aunt Ellen Oliver Williams.





## The best graduation I've ever seen!

By Dr. Don Argue

As a student, teacher, administrator, speaker, and guest, I have attended at least 50 college commencements.

This year's graduation for Northwest College was the best I've ever seen!

For lots of reasons.

To begin with, we had a wonderful facility at Overlake Christian Center, just a few miles from our campus. There was plenty of room, so every proud relative and friend who wanted to attend was able to get a comfortable seat.

#### **Bishop George D. McKinney**

gave our commencement address. He is pastor of St. Stephen's Church of God in Christ in San Diego and Bishop of the Southern California Second Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction Church of God in Christ.

His eloquent message was based on Philippians 1:6, "being confident of this, that he who began a good work in you will carry it on to completion until the day of Christ Jesus."

I am convinced that his words of encouragement will be remembered by our graduates for the rest of their lives.

#### **Honorary Degrees**

We awarded doctoral degrees to three men who have made significant contributions to the Kingdom.

**Rev. Datuk Dr. Prince Guneratnam** has served as the Senior Pastor of Calvary Church in Kuala Lumpur since 1972. This congregation of 5,630 – including 22 satellite



Dr. David Burdine, Dr. Prince Guneratnam, Dr. Khoo Peng

churches—reaches a broad spectrum of the Malaysian society. He serves as Chairman of Calvary Sunshine Home, a convalescent home for the elderly, and of Calvaryland, a facility for socially displaced persons. He is currently General Superintendent of the Assemblies of God of Malaysia and Chairman of the National Evangelical Christian Fellowship of Malaysia.

**Dr. Khoo Kay Peng** is an industrialist and serves several companies as Chairman, CEO, or Director in Malaysia, Hong Kong and the United Kingdom. In 1985 he received the "Manager of the Year"

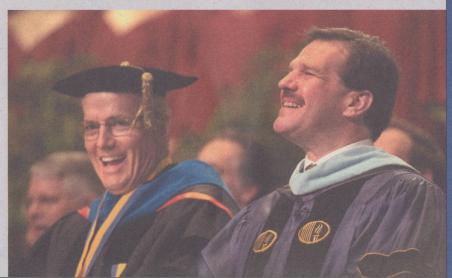
Award from the Harvard Business School.

He received the Justice of the Peace of Johor by His Royal Highness the Sultan of Johor, and was named "Malaysian Entrepreneur" by the Asian Institute of Management Graduates' Association. He has also served as honorary adviser for the Full Gospel Businessmen's

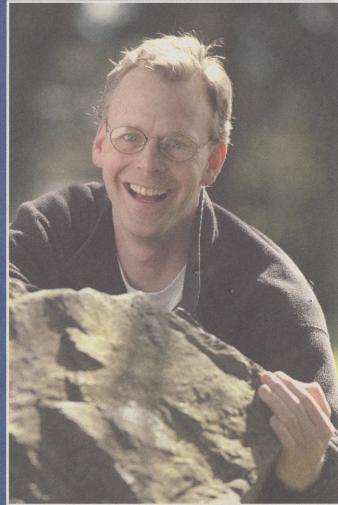
Fellowship of Malaysia.

Dr. David Burdine is President of Bethesda Associates. Bethesda's affiliated companies have contributed more than \$50 million during the last 25 years to projects in India, Cambodia, Laos and Vietnam, Bangladesh, and Romania. He is Chairman of the Board of Directors of Mission of Mercy and serves on several other boards.

Since that Graduation Day, I have had the opportunity to visit with many pastors, parents, and alumni who were there. They all agree: it was an extraordinary event!



#### **Faculty Focus**



### **Eric Steinkamp**

ASSISTANT PROFESSOR of ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE

This is going to be a great summer! From June 1 - July 5 I'm at Au Sable (a Christian Environmental Institute) on Whidbey Island. I'll be teaching a class on Alpine Ecology. On July 7-8 I'll be climbing Mt. Ranier with a student and a couple friends. In late July I'll be taking ten students from Northwest College to Mt. St. Helens for two weeks. We'll study caves and lava tubes. Then in August I'll be guiding backpacking trips for Chi Alpha and youth groups in the Enchanted Valley of the Olympic Mountains.

#### THE MARK & HULDAH BUNTAIN SCHOOL OF NURSING

# It's exciting to see a dream become a reality



Huldah Buntain and her husband Mark are the inspiration for the new school of nursing at Northwest College.

Just a few short months ago, the School of Nursing at Northwest College was only a dream and a vision.

Today, in a series of miracles, it is rapidly becoming a reality.

The college received financial gifts from Mission of Mercy and Lloyd & Inez Martin. Alumni like Dale & Phyllis Larson have added their support.

Dr. Carl Christensen, a Fulbright Scholar, Ph.D., and Registered Nurse, has been named Dean. State approval and academic accreditation have even been secured.

Students are already enrolled, and classes begin this fall!



Lloyd & Inez Martin are friends of the college who made a generous financial contribution.



Phyllis & Dale Larson are alumni who like the chance to give something back.



Joel Green feels called to a career in medical missions and now can prepare at Northwest.



Heather Yang wants to become a nurse and return to her home in China.

# JUST ANNOUNCED: Anonymous Donors Pledge \$1,000,000 and \$50,000

Dr. Don Argue, Northwest College President, has received word of two significant pledges of support toward the new building that will house the Mark & Huldah Buntain School of Nursing and other programs. "These gifts underscore what has been proven in my life over and over again," says Dr. Argue: "Where God guides, He provides!"

## Letting one dream inspire another

Tracie Sofie was only 13 years old when she was diagnosed with a rare and deadly form of cancer. After months of difficult and sickening radiation treatments and chemotherapy, the cancer was brought under control and went into remission.

When she was in college, the cancer returned. Tracie never wavered in her faith and devotion.

She kept living life to the fullest, planning to become a missionary nurse. But she died before her dreams were realized. In their grief, Tracie's parents, Harold and June Sofie, wrote the story of her life. "We hope it will bring comfort

and understanding to parents in similar

circumstances," said Harold Sofie.





The book is also an inspiration to those with the dream Tracie had – to become a missionary nurse. If you send a contribution (of any size) to the Mark & Huldah Buntain School of Nursing at Northwest College, we'll send you a copy of this inspiring book.

#### Video Available.

To find out how you can be a part of the exciting miracles at the **Mark & Huldah Buntain School** of **Nursing** – as either a student or supporter – get a copy of our new video.

Just call 800.669.3781 or visit www.nwcollege.edu.

#### **Alumni News**

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#### 1990's

James and Tammy ('91) (Andrus)
Ludlow live in Puyallup, Wash., with their
two sons, Caleb (5) and Hayden (3). James
is an associate pastor at Church For All
Nations in Tacoma, Wash.

Patricia ('92) Lyons lives in Pullman, Wash., and is pursuing a degree as a Doctor of Veterinary Medicine at Washington State University. She also is working in the Clinical Pathology laboratory at WSU's Veterinary Teaching Hospital. Patricia is in Africa this summer to do some work with Christian Veterinary Mission.

E-mail: lyonpeak@vetmed.wsu.edu

**Gil** ('95) **Lenger** is a recent graduate of Basic Law Enforcement Academy and is assigned as a King County Sheriff in the city of Kenmore, Wash.

**Aimee** ('96) (**Kruger**) has a secretarial position with Renton Assembly of God. They live in Renton.

Gil's E-mail: gglenger@yahoo.com Aimee's E-mail: aimee.lenger@juno.com **Justin** ('95-'96) **Scott** is in ministry training for *Youth With A Mission*, which involves short term mission projects in countries all over the world.

**Melinda** ('96) (**Allerdings**) and her husband **Matt Langrehr** live in Chester, Calif. Melinda teaches English and is the head track coach at Chester High School.

E-mail: mattster@thegrid.net

Kirsten ('96) Erickson has joined the ministry team of Creative Communications, lead by Monty ('84) Hipp. Her responsibilities are overseeing the drama department with workshops, coordinating themes and schedules, and writing new drama material. E-mail: specialkke@hotmail.com

**Scott** ('97) and **Jennifer** ('98) (**Carlson**) **Vantrease** and their daughter Rachel live in Healy, Alaska, where Scott is the senior pastor at Valley Chapel. Healy is located 15 miles north of the gate to Mt. McKinley.

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**Chad** ('97) **Kruger** attends the University of Wisconsin-Madison studying for a MS in Land Resources/Management. E-mail: chadkruger@earthlink.net

**Oleg** ('97) **Brudnyy** married **Oksana Mazurets** on Oct. 18, 1998, at Ukrainian Christian Center in Kent, Wash.

**Maka** ('98) **Horinouchi** is studying for a Masters Degree in translation and interpretation at the Monterey Institute

for International Studies in Monterrey, Calif. This summer she is doing an internship with Universal Studios in Florida as an interpreter and cultural advisor to Japanese guests visiting the area.

**Zach** ('98) **Lucas** married **Kristi** ('98) **Guenther** on Sept. 11, 1999. Zach is the youth pastor at Life in Christ Center in The Dalles, Ore. Kristi is working part time as a nurse in a doctor's office in The Dalles.

E-mail: zdlucas@hotmail.com

**Laurie** ('98) **Tiffany** is a fourth grade teacher for the Issaquah School District. She lives in Redmond, Wash. E-mail: tiffany@issaquah.wednet.edu

**Devorah** ('98) **Williams** recently graduated from Regent University with a MA degree in Acting and Directing. She plans to begin a Ph.D. program in the fall semester and has been awarded a fellowship to teach as a doctoral professor in the Theatre Department. E-mail: devgrace@qte.net

John ('98) and Ellen ('98) (Jackson) Menaker live in Gresham, Ore. John has earned his personal fitness training certification and is employed at a fitness club in Gresham. Ellen works for an insurance agency as a commercial assistant. They are both on youth staff at Living Word Fellowship in Boring, Ore. E-mail: ellenmenaker@hotmail.com

**Cara** ('98) **Walz** lives in Tacoma, Wash., and teaches a class of fourth grade students at Life Christian School. E-mail: *Cara\_Walz@life-christian.org*  **Heather** ('99) **Seely** has been substitute teaching during the past year at Life Christian School, Tacoma, Wash. E-mail: hseely@juno.com

#### 1980's

Rob ('81) and Susie (Wall) Angerman live in Albany, Ore., with their children Coraly (18), Derek (16), Trebor (8) and Alexis (4). Rob is the senior pastor of Plainview Mennonite Church in Albany. "God has done amazing things," Rob reports. "The church has grown from 25 to over 500. It is quite a miracle story. Thanks, Northwest, for preparing me for the new things God had in store!" E-mail: pastorrob@integrityonline.com

**Randal** ('82) and **Solveig Frivold** are in Kathmandu, Nepal, serving students at the International Study Center.

**Gary** ('82) and **Juliann** ('83) (**Taylor**) **Senff** live in Springfield, Mo. Gary serves as Dean of Men at Central Bible College in Springfield.

**Alan** ('80) and **Linda** ('81) (**Ham**) **Deardorff** have been in Taiwan teaching at a Christian College for three years.

E-mail: Sioux@ms17.hinet.net

**John** ('86) **Hass** has served in youth ministry and family ministry in the American Baptist, Reformed, and currently in the United Methodist Church. He is currently studying in the M.Div. program at the Seattle extension of Fuller Seminary. John and his wife

**Linda** live in Oak Harbor, Wash., with their children Rachel (9), Ana (7) and Micah (2).

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#### 1970's

**Don** ('71) **Wallace** is the Director of the Counseling Resource Center at Walla Walla College and lives in College Place, Wash.

**Darrell** ('73) **Elliott** is the new senior pastor at Neighborhood Church, Bellevue, Wash. He and his wife **Leah** (**Olson**) began their ministry there on Easter Sunday, April 23, 2000.

Gregory ('74) and Cheryl ('74) (McCuistion) Hedrick want their friends to know of a correction for their e-mail address: E-mail: ghedrick@netcommander.com Their home web page can be viewed at http://www.mynvo.com/ghedrick

Rob ('74) and Karen Barrans live in Renton, Wash., with their two sons. Rob serves in the Assemblies of God Royal Ranger program at Renton Assembly of God Church. He is a sectional commander and Lt. Deputy Commander, Northwest Region Training Coordinator for the Northwest District, Assemblies of God, and serves on a national Straight Arrow/Buckaroo committee (Royal Ranger) for rewriting curriculum.

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#### Alumni Scholarship Recipients

These Alumni Scholarship Winners were honored at Northwest College's Awards & Honors Convocation Ceremony.
They will receive a total of \$40,000 in scholarships for the Year 2000-2001. Contributors to the \$200,000 by 2000 Campaign made these scholarships possible. Thanks, alumni, for your giving!



#### **Alumni News** (continued from reverse side)

Bill ('76) and Gwenda (Goodwin) Stewart live in Ketchikan, Alaska where he is employed as a commission painter and free-lance artist. They have two daughters, Caitlin (13) and Kelly (8). Bill serves on the board at their church. First Assembly in Ketchikan. "I cannot think of my two years at Northwest College without a wellspring of fond emotion and deep gratitude towards those who mentored, modeled and ministered, shaping my life in service to the Master. I cannot think of Northwest College without seeing faces as I recount the selfless counsel and love that I benefited from. Names like DV Hurst, Dean Bridgeman, Orville Clark, Dr. Dan Pecota, Bill Randolph and Carl Kinney to me recall the tremendous impact these gentle giants had on my life - and continue to have. Undoubtedly, the successive generations of leaders are leaving an ongoing legacy of love and leadership to the students who are under their care."

E-mail: bgckstewart@worldnet.att.net

**Dave** ('77) and **Diane Gerig** of Jefferson, Ore., can be reached by e-mail: E-mail: *drgeri40@home.com* 

Cam ('78) and Deborah Burron moved from Saskatoon, Saskatchewan, Canada and are currently living in Gilbert, Ariz. Cam works for Century 21 Distinguished Properties in Scottsdale. He was recently awarded a Masters Council Designation from the Century 21 Realtors organization. Cam writes, "I'd love to hear from my old classmates any time they are visiting Arizona." E-mail: camsellsarizona@earthlink.net

#### 1950's

**Eugene** ('54) **Senff** of Mount Vernon, Wash., has retired from teaching at Everett Community College.

#### 1940's

**Karl** ('44) **Dick** of Alamo, Texas, passed away on March 11, 2000.

**Ed** ('45) **Maser** of Bothell, Wash., passed away on March 24, 2000.

He was a lifetime Assembly of God minister who served mostly in the Northwest District.

**Myron** ('46) **Lindgren** of Yakima, Wash., passed away in Sept. 1999. He is survived by his wife **Vera** ('43) **Gwen** (**Phillips**).

Palmer ('49) Olson of Tucson, Ariz., passed away on Feb. 3, 2000. He was a retired Real Estate Broker and one of the longest serving active members of the Gideon Organization. In 1968 he was presented the Alumnus of the Year award, and he attended the Ambassadors fiftieth year class reunion during Alumni Weekend 1999. Palmer is survived by his wife Phyllis of Tucson and four daughters.

#### 1930's

**Hazel** ('37) (**Park**) **Anderson** of Grants Pass, Ore., passed away on Dec. 6, 1999.

**Ruth** ('38) (**McCracken**) **Pierson** of Auburn, Wash., passed away on July 11, 1999 after a lengthy illness.

## Friends OF NORTHWEST COLLEGE

**John Christman**, a former and long-time member of the Northwest College Board of Directors, went to be with the Lord Jan. 3, 2000, in Spokane, Wash. He is survived by his wife of 63 years and three daughters. A memorial fund has been established in his memory at Northwest College.

Al Perry, a long-time employee of Northwest College, passed away May 10, 2000, after a prolonged illness of cancer. Al had retired only a few months earlier from Northwest College. He was a great gift to the college with his expertise in computer programming. He will be remembered for his long hours of work, his professional ability, and his willingness to assist his coworkers with their computer needs. Al is survived by his wife Laurie and four sons.

#### **Future Alumni**

**Drew Austin**, born Dec. 8, 1998, to **Corey** and **Kim** ('95) (**Murray**) **Thomas** of Spokane, Wash. E-mail: kthomas@headstart.spokane.cc.wa.us

**Savannah Grace**, born Feb. 20, 1999 to **Adam** and **Lisa** ('96) (**Lagerquist**) **Hopp** of Kent, Wash. Lisa is employed by the Kent School District as a third grade teacher.

E-mail: alhopp@onebox.com

Bryce Christopher, born on his mother's birthday, July 23, 1999, to Ron ('86) and Michelle ('84) (Ross) Anderson of Everett, Wash. His brother is Ross Evan (4). Ron is the customer service manager at SOG Speciality Knives in Lynnwood and Michelle is a junior high school teacher. E-mail: MrsA@nwlink.com

**Brittany Jane**, born Aug. 9, 1999, to **Kyle** ('96) and **Jill** ('94) (**Llafet**) **Riley** of Billings, Mont. She has a sister Emily (4) and a brother Alexander (2). E-mail: *kje@wtp.net* 

Cameron Douglas, born Aug. 12, 1999, to Doug ('83) and Beth Anderson of Marysville, Wash. His siblings are Jennifer (19) and Bryan (15). E-mail: d.anderson1@juno.com

**Alyssa Nicole**, born Sept. 4, 1999, to **Jim** and **Judy** ('94) **(Fowler) Gerhard** of Kirkland, Wash. Siblings Ansley (5) and Cressler (3) enjoy their new sister.

**Grant Christian**, born Sept. 8, 1999, to **Dan** ('94) and **Kristi** ('92) (**Davis**) **McEvoy**. Dan is an associate pastor at First Assembly in Pocatello, Idaho. E-mail: *mcdanny@integrityonline.com* 

Katelyn Rebecca Danielle, born Sept. 10, 1999, to Dan and Bobbi ('89)
Orcutt of Santaquin, Utah. Karissa (6) is her sister. Katelyn was dedicated to the Lord by her grandfather and former NC employee Rev. Murray Kemper. E-mail: B1280rcutt@aol.com

**Ian Wyatt**, born Sept. 30, 1999, to **Shaun** and **Kerri** ('88) (**Smith**)

**Foreman** of Renton, Wash. His older brother is Noah Aric (3). Both Shaun and Kerri are employed at Microsoft. E-mail: Kerrifo@Microsoft.com

**Karsen Bradley**, born Oct. 19, 1999, to **Brad** ('88) and **Chris Kelly** of Billings, Mont. He joins two older brothers Kramer (9) and Kooper (7). Brad is the associate pastor at Parkhill Assembly of God in Billings, Mont.

Brandon Tyler, born Oct. 22, 1999, to Dale and Heidi ('90) (Ulrich)
Jones of Edgewood, Wash. Heidi is an elementary school teacher in Bonney Lake, Wash. Brandon's grandparents are Herbert ('50) and Roxy ('51) (McCombs) Ulrich who also live in Edgewood.

**Elise Naomi**, born Jan. 13, 2000, to **Gabe** ('87) and **Trish Moya** of Greeley, Colo. Her big brother is Seth (3). The Moyas are nationally appointed Chi Alpha Home Missionaries at the University of Northern Colorado in Greeley.

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**Mikaela Nathene**, born Jan. 15, 2000, to **Scott** ('98) and **JoAnn Kuhn** of Tacoma, Wash.

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Caleb Reagan, born Feb. 1, 2000, to **Kris** and **Misti** (95) **Birdwell** of Clarksville, Tenn.
E-mail: kbirdwell@juno.com

Joshua and Aaron, Identical twin boys, born Feb. 1, 2000, to Scott L. ('90) and Jennifer (Vonderahe) Nazarino. Their sister is Megan (2). Scott is the owner of Secure Financial Services as a stockbroker and insurance/retirement planning specialist.

Evan Tracy, born Feb. 4, 2000, (two months prematurely) to James and Lisa ('95) (Long) Porter of Moses Lake, Wash. His two brothers are Cameron (8) and Blake (4). Little Evan is doing fine now after having a one-month stay in the hospital. Friends can see pictures on his grandfather's web page: www.atnet. net/~dlong and click on Evan Tracy Porter. E-mail: ljporter@atnet.net

**Austin John**, born Feb. 5, 2000, to **John** ('83) and **Susan** ('86) (**Beck**) **Fox** of Bothell, Wash. His older sisters are Alyssa (6) and Amanda (4).

Justin Matthew, born one month early on Feb. 11, 2000, to Rick ('87) and Sara Rudquist of Provo, Utah. He is doing well now, enjoying his two brothers, Eric and Brian.
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#### **ALUMNI HONORED AT GRADUATION**

#### 1960 Rev. Roland Peretti

After graduating with a B.A., Rev. Peretti pursued graduate studies at the University of Alaska. A minister for 37 years, he has been a member of the Alaska District of the Assemblies of God for 35 years and served as District Superintendent from 1992-2000. He and his wife **Alma** have four grown children.

#### 1970 Dr. Darrell Hobson

He received a Master of Arts in Theology from Fuller Seminary in 1981 and the Doctor of Ministry from Gordon-Conwell in 1993. He began teaching full-time at Northwest College in 1977 and has served as a Division Dean since 1997. He and his wife **Gigi** have two children.

#### 1980 Mrs. Marilyn Dorsing

She earned her Master of Arts in Christian Education from AGTS in 1985. She served in several capacities at Northwest College over the years. Since 1996 she has served as a Missionary in South Korea and personal secretary to Dr. David Yonggi Cho. She and her husband **Duane** have three adult children.

#### ALUMNI WEEKEND

# Mark your calendars!

The fall Alumni Weekend will be Thursday, Sept. 28, through Saturday, Sept. 30. There will be special combined reunions for the classes of 1940, 1945, 1950, 1955, 1960, 1965, 1970, 1980, 1990, and 1995. Here are some events to look forward to:

#### **THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 28**

**8:00 a.m.** Alumni Classroom Teaching and Visit. Take this opportunity to be involved with current students.

#### **FRIDAY. SEPTEMBER 29**

10:00, a.m. Alumni Chapel. Dedication of the *Mark & Huldah Buntain School of Nursing*.

**11:20 a.m.** Dedication of the future site of the School of Nursing classrooms.

**12:00 Noon** Lunch at the Northwest Dining Hall. §4 each. Go through the Buffet Line just as the students do! Bring back memories!

#### **Alumni & Friends Banquet**

**5:30 p.m.** Combined Reunions.

**6:30 p.m.** Social Time.

**7:00 p.m.** Dinner and Program.

9:00 p.m. Combined Reunions.

#### **SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 30**

9:00 a.m. Prayer Breakfast.

Free Time Take the afternoon to enjoy everything this area has to offer!
Don't miss the new EMP (Paul Allen's Experience Music Project) at the base of the Space Needle!

**5:30 p.m.** Alumni & Friends Cruise on beautiful Lake Washington.

#### For more information...

Call the Alumni Office.........425.889.5206 E-mail the Alumni Office.....alumni@ncag.edu Visit our Web Site.....www.nwcollege.edu

## Northwest students in England & Egypt

Three Northwest College students had the opportunity to study overseas this spring. **Kristen Swafford** and **Melissa Flatau** studied at the Centre for Medieval and Renaissance Studies in Oxford, England. This was part of the Council for Christian Colleges and Universities' (CCCU) study abroad program. Kristen and Melissa were among only 30 students accepted into the program from more than 95 institutions. **Brook McLachian** studied in Cairo, Egypt, as part of the CCCU student exchange program.

Here are some of their comments:

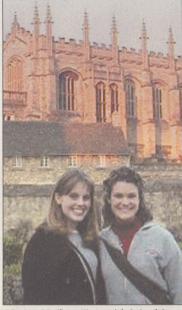
It is interesting – I haven't really found the work here (at Oxford) to be a lot harder than what I am accustomed to – it is just different, with more writing and researching. But I really like the system. It will be strange to go back to a classroom!

I love everything about Oxford. Once spring arrived, all the trees and plants started to bloom, making the city much prettier.

#### - Kristen Swafford

Oxford completely blew my expectations out of the water! This is a city that has so much history and culture. The old gothic buildings go on forever and seem to rise from the ground and shoot into the sky. Plus, you have these little gargoyle faces following you wherever you go!

My studies are challenging. I meet with two



Above, Melissa Flatau (right) with her Oxford roommate Kim at Christ Church in England. Below, Brook McLachlan at the pyramids of Egypt.



tutors once a week for my courses – Romanticism and 19th Century Literature. I read a novel a week and turn in an essay. It can be a little intimidating sitting one-on-one with a tutor who has a doctoral degree and has written a few books on the subject you're discussing! I am really being stretched.

I've made it to London three times. I've seen London Tower, the Tower Bridge, Westminster Abbey, the National Art Gallery, and attended a symphony at St. Martins of the Fields.

I'm also on the women's rugby team. I'm having a blast, but I'm acquiring many bruises. I just got my cleats and a mouth guard. In England, that's "studs and a gum guard"!

- Melissa Flatau

Believe it or not, I've been freezing. Our flat (I live with seven girls) has been quite cold.

We heard a Shi'i Muslim from Iran speak yesterday. Today I think we hear a Sunni Muslim. Every day my horizons are expanding. We got to hear the world-renowned author Thomas Friedman, who wrote "The Lexus and the Olive Tree." He was the foreign correspondent for the New York Times.

Recently I ran in a "fun run" around the pyramids! Couldn't believe I was actually running in a race in Egypt, and so close to the huge pyramids. Then I got to ride a camel. It was crazy. The camel is a weird animal, but oh so fun to ride!

- Brook McLachlan

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