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NORTHWEST COLLEGE

## A Fond Farewell

**T**his has been an extremely interesting decade in which I have been privileged to serve as the fourth President of Northwest College. The decade began with the transition of presidents and is now, after eight years, in a transition once again as we look forward to President-elect Don Argue assuming this position in the summer of 1998. This writing represents my final article in Imprint as President of Northwest College. It is my desire to highlight a few of the developments that have occurred during this decade, and it is my prayer that God will continue His work through this college to accomplish His purposes in the future.

The historic mission of the college remains constant through 64 years of ministry and training. Our college mission statement reads: "The mission of Northwest College is to provide, in a distinctly evangelical Christian environment, quality education to prepare students for service and leadership." I am continually encouraged when I realize that this statement isn't just an ideal on the campus of Northwest College, it is also a strong reality. I have observed in my tenure as President of this great institution students with the call of God on their lives. These students want to reach our world with the timeless message of Jesus Christ. They have been educated in an environment which fosters the development of hearts and minds with a burning desire to change the world for God whether they will serve in a full-time vocational ministry capacity or in the marketplace. The theme for the College this year was "Approved by God - in purpose, in preparation, in proclamation" (II Timothy 2:15,16). We were reminded of this theme daily as we enter Butterfield chapel. We are, and will always continue to be, a people with purpose.

My heart is filled with gratitude to all of you for your support of my presidency and of the College during these past eight years. The Board of Directors was kind in giving me the wonderful opportunity to serve as President. I am convinced that they could have done better in their choice at that time, but I have given the best I have in fulfilling the task. I believe this college is a work of God and has been blessed by God since its inception.

I have stated that when the Davis era comes to a close, a historical link in leadership the College has known through the years will be severed. Realizing that my sister is married to the son of Henry Ness, the college's founding president; that Dr.



**Dennis A. Davis**  
President



As we are **IMPRINTED** with God's Spirit, we in turn, **IMPRINT** the lives of students and people around us.

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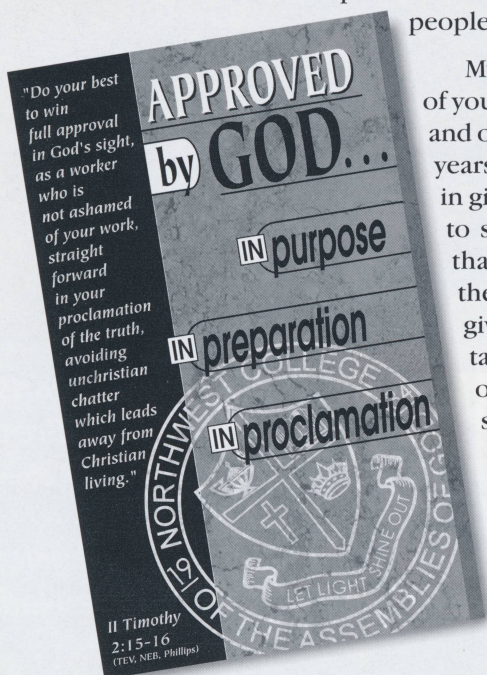
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President Denny and Nancy Davis on the campus of Northwest College

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C.E. Butterfield who followed was president while I was here as a student; that the third president, Dr. D.V. Hurst, has been my friend, and that I was privileged to serve on the Board of Directors with Dr. Hurst for eight years before assuming this position - I understand and value my link to the history of Northwest College. Then after hearing of the Board selection of Dr. Don Argue to serve as the fifth president, I realized that the link to the past will continue. Dr. Argue was an eight year-old-boy when his father became pastor of Calvary Temple in Seattle. He has recollection of Henry Ness and has had a long personal relationship with the Ness family. My three predecessors each made their own distinguishing marks on the development of the College. They were all mighty men of God and of faith which have brought the college to where it is today.

Through these years I have been privileged to serve as an evangelist, to pastor some of the greatest people in the world, to serve as a district superintendent, to preach on nearly every continent, and in the past eight years, to have served as President of your College.

At the time of this writing, I am not sure what the future holds for Nancy and me. We have not concerned ourselves with our post-summer plans since I have

chosen to remain focused on college responsibilities this final year. Retirement is a rather abhorrent word to both of us. God has blessed us with good health and energy and a strong desire to give our lives in service wherever he leads.

I am extremely excited about the future of Northwest College. There is a strong, dedicated and committed faculty in place... programs designed to meet the needs of our young people... students emerging today like never before who are committed to the cause of Christ... and a campus that is beautiful in appearance and strategically located in a growing, exciting part of the country.

Northwest College will always be in my heart. My love and respect for this college has grown through the years. I pledge my wholehearted support to Dr. Argue to assist him in any way possible, not only in these days of transition, but also in the future. I honestly believe the best days of Northwest College are the days still ahead. And now my prayer for all of you is, "That the God of peace, through the everlasting covenant, keep us (you, me, the Church, and Northwest College) perfect in every way, fulfilling that which is well pleasing in His sight through Jesus Christ to whom be glory forever and ever. Amen." 




## financial aid

### New Tax Bill Makes Education More Affordable

by Dale Sorensen

**R**ecently Congress passed a bill called the Hope Scholarship Credit to help students pay for college. It allows parents of students to reduce their income tax by the payment of tuition and course-related fees for college. Subsequent to Congress passing this bill, I attended a conference in Chicago held by the U.S. Treasury Department and the Internal Revenue Service. This was a symposium that included college business officers from around the United States to give input and opinion on the subject of the new bill.

I learned that this Hope credit is available for students in the first two years of college. It is effective for semesters beginning after January 1, 1998. The credit will reduce the parents' income tax or the students' income tax, if the parents don't claim the student as a dependent. The tax credit is equal to 100% of the first \$1000 of tuition and academic fees paid and 50% of the next \$1000 of tuition and fees paid during the year. Therefore, if a student or his/her parents pay at least \$2000 of tuition/fees in 1998, and the student is in the first two years of college, the parents would be eligible for a tax credit of \$1500 for 1998. To be eligible for the credit, a student must be in school at least half time one semester of the year. If parents have more than one dependent in college that qualifies, they could receive this tax credit for each.

Additionally, Congress created a Lifetime Learning Tax Credit. This credit begins July 1, 1998, and it provides a tax credit equal to 20% of the first \$5000 paid for tuition and fees for all higher education up to the doctoral level of study. We suggest you consult your tax advisors for specific details on these tax credits. 

## Dr. Don Argue Completes Religious Bridge-Building Mission to China

by Jeff Lockhart




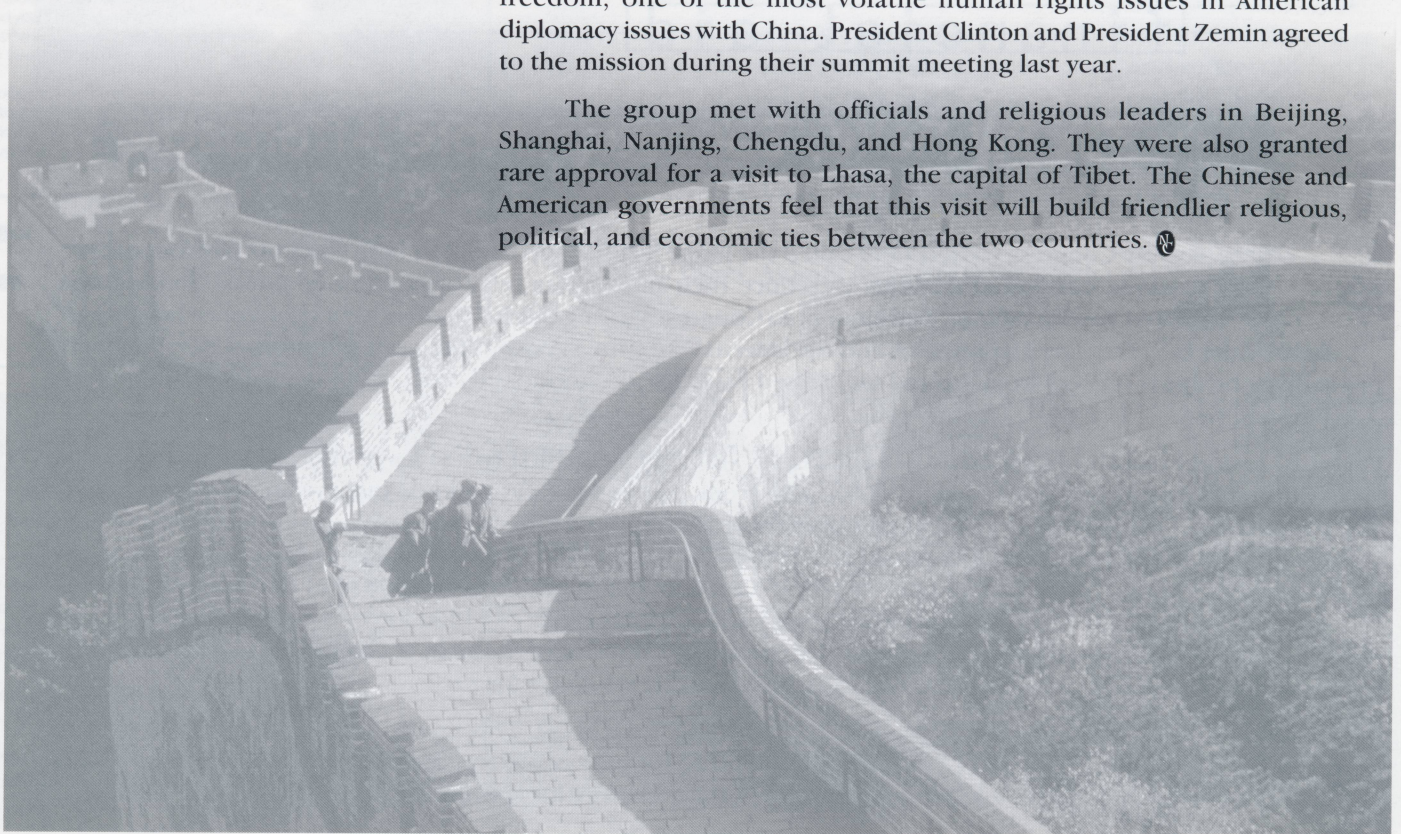
*Dr. Don Argue  
President-elect*

Recently, Northwest College president-elect Dr. Don Argue completed an 18 day fact-finding mission on religious freedom in China that grew out of Chinese President Jiang Zemin's visit to Washington D.C. last October. Dr. Argue was hand-picked by President Clinton as part of a high profile, three member team of delegates to represent the U.S. government in China on matters of religious freedom. The delegation also included the Most Rev. Theodore McCarrick, Roman Catholic archbishop of Newark, N.J. and Rabbi Arthur Schneier, president of the Appeal of Conscience Foundation.

After a one hour meeting with the Chinese President, the three American clerics said that their visit had opened the door to better contacts with the Chinese leadership on religious issues. Dr. Argue feels that the delegate's visit succeeded in that it gained them access to impress senior Chinese officials with the importance of religious freedom to the American public.

The teams' main objective was to examine the state of religious freedom, one of the most volatile human rights issues in American diplomacy issues with China. President Clinton and President Zemin agreed to the mission during their summit meeting last year.

The group met with officials and religious leaders in Beijing, Shanghai, Nanjing, Chengdu, and Hong Kong. They were also granted rare approval for a visit to Lhasa, the capital of Tibet. The Chinese and American governments feel that this visit will build friendlier religious, political, and economic ties between the two countries. 



## Counseling and Career Development Center Opens at Northwest College

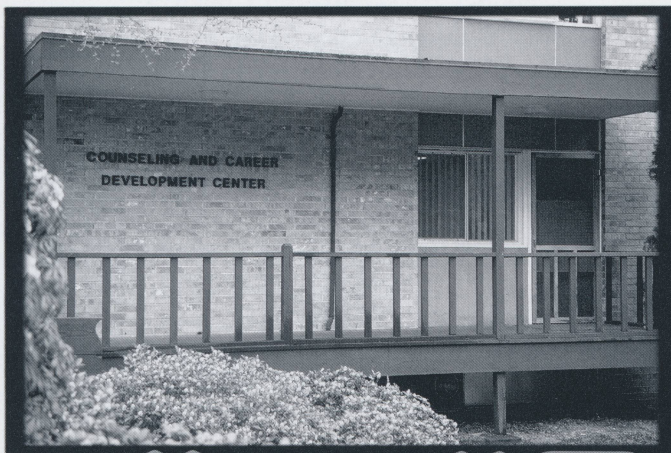
By Geri Gray

This past fall, Northwest College's own Counseling and Career Development Center opened its doors to serve students and employees. Adding to our growing co-curricular program, the Counseling and Career Development Center meets needs in two distinct areas: general counseling services provide individual, marital, pre-marital, and group counseling; and the center also provides crisis intervention and counseling support to NC's Resident Life Staff.


In the Career Development area, services provided include: access to educational material resources, career and vocational testing, assistance with resume' writing and interviewing skills, assistance in job placement, and access to the SIGI-Plus interactive career development software program. The Counseling and Career Development Center also provides consultation and referrals to services in the community for NC employees.

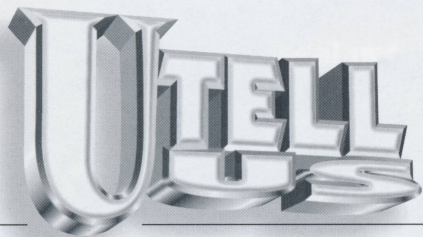
Funded by donors, the center is located in the Perks' residence hall, providing easy access for students. The remodel from dormitory space to office space was completed last summer.

Teresa Regan is director of the center, after first having worked with NC students on a part time basis. Teresa completed her graduate work at Seattle Pacific University, has been an educator in the public school system, has spent eleven years in Asia in missions work, and has been on the pastoral staff of a Federal Way church. In addition to her duties at NC, Teresa maintains a small private counseling practice. She and her staff welcome the opportunity to be involved in the lives of students at NC.



Recently, the Counseling and Career Development Center hosted its first Northwest College Career Fair. The Career Fair included more than forty exhibitors and eight workshops. At the fair, NC

students interacted with local employers to learn about ministry and vocational career opportunities. Students also had the opportunity to fine-tune their resumes, explore internship possibilities, and make connections that may lead to short-term, summer, or long-term employment. 



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## Giving Tribute and Honor to a Pioneer at NC

by LeRoy Johnson

**W**hen Kristi Brodin came to Northwest College, most schools did not have women's athletic teams. But times have changed and so has Northwest College. Coach Brodin is responsible for beginning and guiding women's sports at Northwest for the last 25 years, beginning with the volleyball program in 1973 and women's basketball in 1977.


Literally around the world, there are women who hold Kristi Brodin in the highest regard. On Saturday, February 21st at halftime of the last women's basketball home game, a number of former players returned to honor Kristi in her final regular season game as the NC women's coach. Others, who were unable to make it to the game, sent their expressions of love and appreciation for all that Coach Brodin meant to them in their lives. The 1997-98 team presented Kristi with flowers, and Vice President Marshall Flowers gave her a plaque expressing

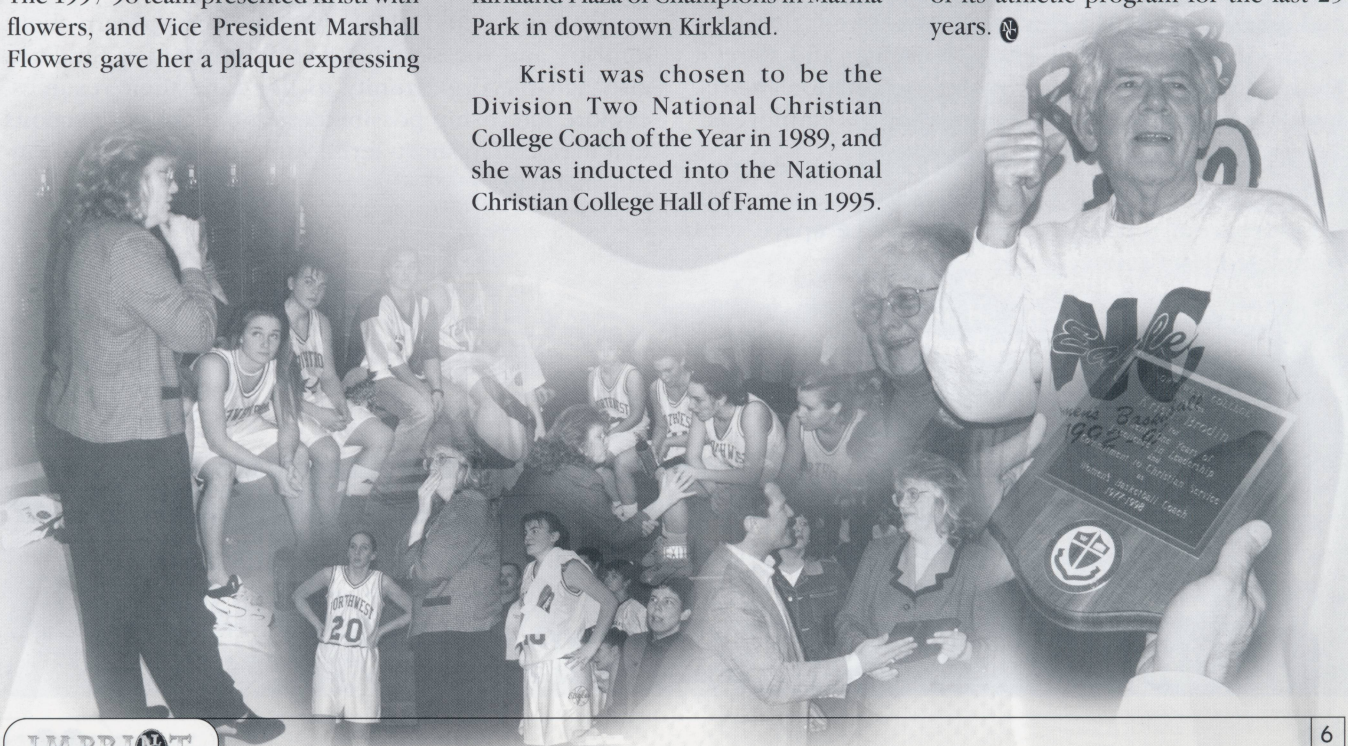
the College's appreciation for her commitment to excellence in coaching. An additional highlight was to recognize Kristi's parents, Buel and LaVerne Brodin, who have followed the teams so closely, and who are beloved by so many of the players.

Coach Brodin and her early teams endured some long seasons, but have many great memories and have remained close friends all these years. In the 1980's, Northwest joined the National Christian College Athletic Association and began playing for opportunities to go to national tournaments. The teams of the late 80's and early 90's distinguished themselves, winning five national championships, once with only six players! In recognition for these accomplishments, the Northwest College Women's Basketball Teams have had their pictures placed in the Kirkland Plaza of Champions in Marina Park in downtown Kirkland.

Kristi was chosen to be the Division Two National Christian College Coach of the Year in 1989, and she was inducted into the National Christian College Hall of Fame in 1995.

It will be hard for many alums, fans, and members of the Northwest family to imagine Women's Basketball at NC without Kristi encouraging her players from the coach's spot. Northwest College has been blessed to have a woman with Coach Brodin's Christian commitment, her commitment to young women, her commitment to Northwest College, and her commitment to sportsmanship.

Coach Brodin has coached an incredible number of basketball and volleyball games, and she has distinguished herself by the behavior and attitude she and her teams have demonstrated in the stress of collegiate competition that has become increasingly intense. She has earned the respect and love of her colleagues and players, all proud to be associated with her. Northwest is privileged to have had such a great example as a mainstay of its athletic program for the last 25 years. 



## Missions Emphasis Week

Jesus is Coming... Let's Tell Everybody

By Dave Gerig


Spring semester's Missions Emphasis Week featured NC alumni Missionaries and Reverend John Wilkie, who is completing a two-year assignment as NC's Missionary in Residence, and his wife, Mary Ann.

Our theme came alive as John Wilkie proclaimed, "Jesus is Coming... Let's Tell Everybody," then asked, "Who will take the gospel of Jesus Christ to Italy?" Terry and Marsha Peretti stood in the crowd, gave their names and said, "We will!" They then moved to the platform. "How about Germany?" John asked. Steve and Karen Pecota stood and followed in the Peretti's footsteps. John continued to call out various countries, and Dave Harrison, Terry Hall & Chris Ness responded. Retired missionaries Ruby Wilkie and Morris and Joyce Devin challenged students to take their places

on the field, and many NC students with a heart for missions responded. As they gathered around the platform, Northwest District Assistant Superintendent Les Welk prayed over them and asked for a mighty move of God's Spirit during the week. It was a powerful beginning to a great week!

The Peretti's shared about how God has been working in Southern Europe. The Pecota's spoke on "The Make-up of a Missionary" from Romans 15:14-33. Miguel Perry (Spain) challenged us to consider "why [we should] go to a foreign field when there are so many needs here at home?" Mark Flattery delivered an inspiring report of the spiritual breakthroughs in Tanzania. After displaying his 30' snake skin, John Wilkie gave the concluding message regarding the need for us to consider evangelizing every country of the world.

We reached our project goal of \$3,000 for a copier and TV monitor for the International Church in Rome, Italy. Faith Promise pledges for February through April totaled over \$6,000. This year, we will exceed \$10,000 in missions giving toward student missions' trip scholarships and foreign/home missions' projects.

Jesus Is Coming! This Missions' Emphasis Week served to motivate us to accept the challenge of telling everyone about Jesus. With God's help, the NC community is making a difference through our individual and combined praying, going and giving. The time is short... the harvest is ripe... let's tell everybody! 

### My Prayer Faith Promise

Our missionaries must have prayer support if they are to tell our world that Jesus is coming. Please adopt a missionary family and intercede each day that God will bless their efforts to tell the world

## JESUS IS COMING!

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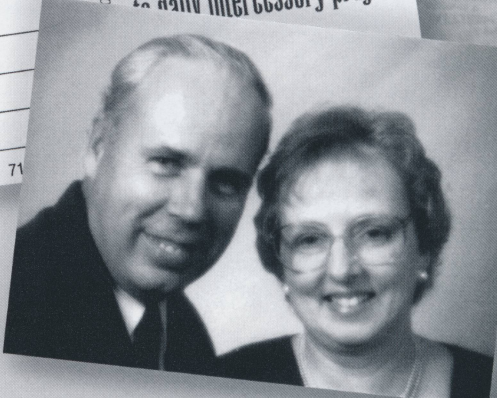
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### JESUS IS COMING!

I have made a commitment to daily intercessory prayer



*John & Mary Ann Wilkie,  
NC's Missionaries in  
Residence, 1997-1998.*

# a Tribute to a friend

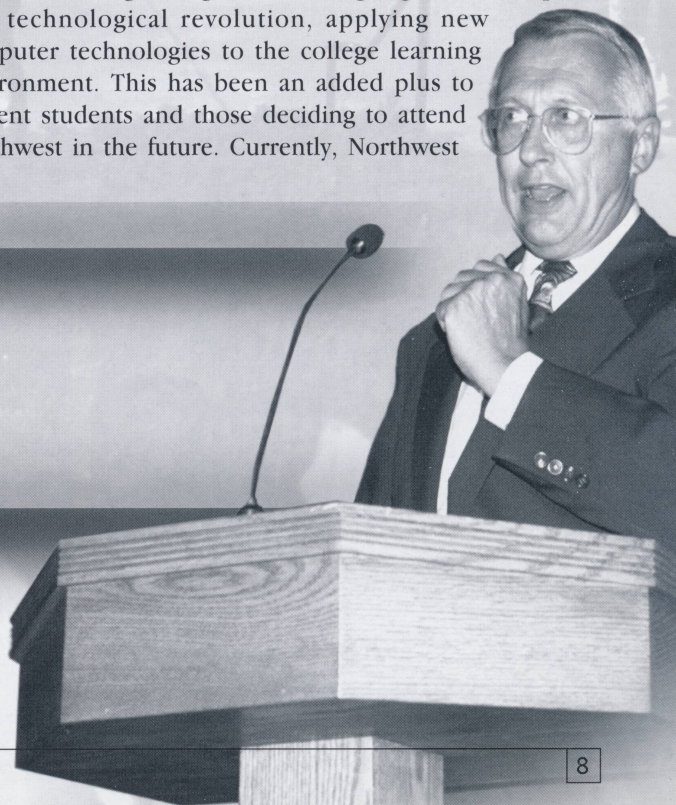
President Davis' commitment to the Northwest College vision for Christian higher education and ministry training took place over the course of five decades and culminated in the opportunity he had to serve as Northwest's fourth president. Throughout the tenure of his ministry career President Davis has played a vital part in supporting Northwest in its direction and future.

As a young man, Denny Davis felt Northwest was a place he could attend to prepare and discover direction for God's calling on his life. As a student, he traveled on ministry teams and choirs, and played a leadership role amongst his peers and fellow students. Upon graduation in 1956, he never lost the sense that Northwest College was a unique institution to

prepare individuals for God's work in church ministry and the marketplace. As a senior pastor, Superintendent of the Oregon District Council of the Assemblies of God, Northwest College Alumni Association President, member of the Board of Northwest College, Alumnus of the Year for 1975, and finally as President, Northwest College has consistently felt the influence and passion Denny Davis has had for the campus.

Throughout President Davis' tenure at Northwest College, he has built upon the foundation of excellence that was begun in the past as a central concept of leadership. Northwest College is uniquely positioned for the opportunities in the coming millennium. Significant advancements have been made in academic programming including the additions of Secondary Education, Business Administration, Eco-Intensive Biology, and Biology for Secondary Education. Northwest College has also been proud to introduce L.E.A.P. (Leadership Education for Adult Professionals), an adult degree completion program.

Along with these educational advancements, President Davis' administration has had the foresight to envision Northwest College being on the cutting edge of the computer and technological revolution, applying new computer technologies to the college learning environment. This has been an added plus to current students and those deciding to attend Northwest in the future. Currently, Northwest



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college enjoys a fully automated library, an advanced computer lab, a campus wide intranet network, campus wide access to the internet via T-1 connections, and the completion of fiber optic computer cable system.

Today's current Northwest College student is enjoying the full renovation of the college campus completed by the Davis administration. These improvements include the purchase of the former Northwest District Council of the Assemblies of God headquarter offices and the relocation of the college administration to that building; Ness/Rice hall remodel; out door basketball court; new sand pit volleyball court; remodel of the Perks dorm; campus wide telephone upgrade including the Firs; remodel of the cafeteria; addition of air conditioning and classrooms in the library; upgraded security; remodeling of the Pecota Student Center and renovation of all residence hall units.

Students will remember President Davis' tenure by the conviction he had for Northwest students to be people who excel in their field of study and preparation, and know God intimately. Many students will remember President Davis' Wednesday morning prayer meetings where they were challenged to make a difference in the world for Christ.

President Davis will be leaving an enduring legacy of excellence that will be felt by generations of students to come. The investment of his life into the campus and the people at Northwest College is profound. Our prayers are with President and Nancy Davis as they prepare for what lies ahead for them in the years to come. ☺



*President Davis  
while attending  
Northwest College  
in 1954*

*As we look back over life, there is a deep sense of gratitude and humility to God for bringing special individuals into our lives who have modeled attributes of a successful Christian leader. In my life, one of those individuals is Dennis A. Davis, President of Northwest College.*

*For seventeen years, I have had the privilege of working with Denny Davis in a pastoral setting, and in an administrative role at Northwest College. He has modeled to me a person of the highest integrity, striving for excellence in all that he does. His strong work ethic demonstrated purpose and productivity with a great sensitivity to God's direction in his own life and in the lives of others. His excitement for life generated energy in those around him to tackle new challenges, and dare to dream for the future.*

*As Dean of Students at Northwest College there were many challenges involving student life. I want to personally express my appreciation to you President Davis, for your many words of wisdom and counsel. To those students who had the privilege of attending Northwest College under the leadership of President Davis, I want you to know that he carried a deep sense of interest and concern for you. He was committed to your success as a Christian leader in whatever God would ask of you. He believed that you, the students of Northwest College could change the world.*

*As I look back on the last eight years at Northwest College, I see advancements in technology, upgrades in residential housing, and new academic programs. Many of these changes required the willingness of the leadership to dream these dreams into reality. Your ability to inspire, challenge and dream has been instrumental in these developments.*

*President Davis, I want to express my deepest appreciation to you personally for the many times of sharing together our dreams and goals, the good times and the tough times, and for your sense of humor that seemed to lighten the day. You have been a blessing to me, to Northwest College, and to the many students who attended Northwest under your leadership. As God has always done in the past, He will guide you in the future.*

*Your faithful friend, Steve Emerson*

Editors Note: Steve Emerson was the Dean of Students at Northwest College for nine years. He was also on staff with President Davis as an associate pastor at Peoples' Church in Salem, Oregon while President Davis was senior pastor.

## 1998 Summer Ministry Teams on the Move!

by Jeff Lockhart

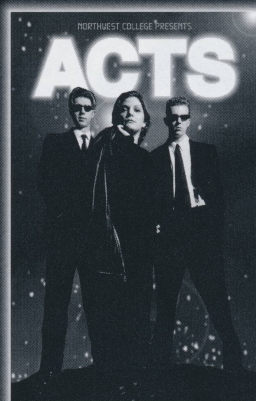
Summer is here and Northwest College is proud to introduce its 1998 line-up of Summer Ministry Teams. This unique group of individuals represents a core value of integrity in ministry that is a key to all of our programs at Northwest. A key element in our teams' effectiveness each summer is their commitment to preparation. We had eight teams audition before a panel of twenty judges during our Summer Ministry Team audition concert. Four teams were nominated to complete our T.O.P. Gun (training orientation preparation for summer ministry) program.

T.O.P. Gun is a semester long "Boot Camp" focusing on developing servant hearts and equipping students with ministerial ethics and a code of conduct. The main focus for the training is on the student's life-style and attitude. It is our desire to develop in our team members an attitude of excellence and professionalism in our ministry and recruiting efforts. We feel that a commitment to excellence in performance, backed with an attitude that is in right perspective before God, is a powerful combination in ministering in the camps and churches of our region.

Each of our teams participate in a weekly accountability program covering daily spiritual, physical, social, and academic disciplines. Then teaching and study assignments come in areas covering a wide variety of topics including: effective ministry to teenagers, drama in ministry, altar work training, ministerial etiquette and ethics, and spiritual warfare.

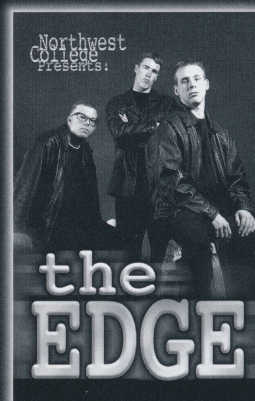
Our four teams include: A.C.T.S. (drama), The Edge (drama), Reality (music/worship), and Peanut Butter and Jesus (children's ministry). Each performance

ministry is augmented with a repertoire of skits, songs, and games. Each team must complete all T.O.P. Gun training assignments throughout the academic year and complete 8-10 ministry engagements before being approved to travel in the summer. In addition, all team members are CPR and First Aid certified. We're looking forward to a full summer of ministry in the months ahead!



"On behalf of our church, I want to thank your ministry team. The students and staff enjoyed both your performances and your company. I am grateful for your ministry and for the hearts and spirit of the students involved. I appreciate your team's commitment to professional appearance and attitude, balanced by humility and willingness to interact with the audience. Your ministry team consistently provides high quality, funny skits, and relevant messages. I look forward to working with you in the near future."

Cory Kirkham, Youth Pastor  
Calvary Chapel, Silverdale, Wa.



"Your ministry teams communicate in a very relevant manner to students. They grabbed our teenagers' attention with excellent dramatic presentation, and presented the gospel without compromise."

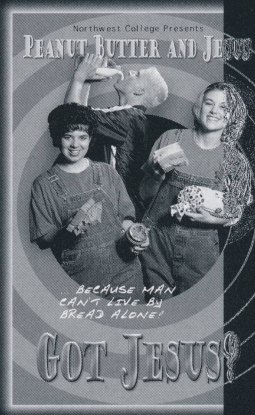
Delvin Chittim, Youth Pastor  
Bethel Church, Chehalis, Wa.

"Awesome! The team did a fantastic job. Their presentation was very effective. I appreciate the extra mile each one of them went for my youth group. Their love and commitment to the Lord was unmistakable in the eyes of our teens. I look forward to future outreaches with your teams."

Bryan Jormo, Youth Pastor  
Forest Grove Assembly, Forest Grove, Oregon

"We appreciate the A.C.T.S. team's visit to Snohomish County Royal Family Kids Camp. I sincerely express our thanks for an excellent job. We were very impressed by the impact you had on our children. On behalf of the kids who benefited and were touched by your ministry we say THANK YOU!"

Jonathan Ward, Director  
Royal Family Kids Camp



## Campus Days • March 98

Campus Days '98... "Road to the future 4" was a great success. Over 320 prospective students visited for the three-day event.



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# CAMPUS IMPACT

News Briefs by Rose-mary Kim

**A Tribute to Evelyn Woods** – After serving NC in the accounting department for over 20 years, Evelyn Woods retired at the end of fall semester. The college will miss Evelyn as well as her hard work and dedication. Faculty and staff members will recall her end-of-the-month calls for time sheets. She always began the call with, "This is Evelyn. It's that time again...." We all wish her happy times in her retirement.

**NC Says Thank you to Gary and Joy Cannon** – Gary Cannon has been with NC for eleven years, first as Plant Manager and then as Special Projects Manager. During this time, he took significant part in planning and procuring a variety of improvements on campus and other NC properties. Joy also served NC in the administrative offices. Recently Gary and Joy accepted positions with the Assemblies of God Foundation in Springfield, MO. The college thanks the Cannons and wishes them well in their new callings.

**Third Straight Debate Win** – The debate team of Troy Anderson and James Stewart won second place at the Pacific Cup debate tournament held at the University of British Columbia, Canada. In this, their third tournament win in a row, Anderson and Stewart competed with twenty other teams from eleven colleges and universities.

**What an Opportunity!** – At the beginning of Spring semester, President Davis led a group of ministry students to Robert Schuller's Church Growth Institute at the Crystal Cathedral in Garden Grove, CA. Students gained valuable insight into leadership and church growth principles as they sat in seminars conducted by some of America's top Christian leaders, including Bill Hybels, Rick Warren, and John Maxwell.

**Far and Away** – During Spring break, a twenty-three student impact missions team led by Professor-Missionary John Wilkie and Dr. Dwayne Turner went to Ecuador for a missions tour. The week was powerful as our NC students ministered and were challenged by God's opportunities in the world.

**Break Out** – Over Spring break a ministry team of thirty-three students from NC, led by students Joe Bridger and Lisa Knotts, assisted Pastor James Boyd of Portland Metro Assembly of God. Their week included community outreach, children's ministry and discipleship opportunities. This annual ministry project continually blesses this inter-city church.

**Royalty at NC?** – Drum roll please... the 1998 Homecoming

King and Queen are seniors Jeff Duchemin and Tiffany Ruska. Tiffany hails from Grants Pass, OR, and is a Behavioral Science major with a minor in Youth Ministries. Jeff, from Poulsbo, WA, is a Church Ministries major with an emphasis in Pastoral Ministries. Both graduated with the class of 1998.



**Java Tunes** – The Music Department performed "The Coffee Cantata." This witty musical satire is about a domineering father bent on curing his daughter of her shameful coffee addiction and her turning the tables on him to marry the man of her dreams. The cast featured NC's Peter Blue, Troy Brinkman, Becky Hoppins, and Mike Roberts.

**History Makers** – NC Men's Basketball has made another mark in NC's athletic history. Under the leadership of Coach Wayne Mendezona, the 1997-98 Men's team competed for the first time in the NAIA Cascade Conference post season play-offs in Nampa, ID.

**Ready or Not, Here We Come** – The NC Women's Basketball team beat Christian Heritage from California to take the NCCAA Div. 1 regional title. This win qualified them to go to Nationals in Cleveland, TN, providing a great finish for retiring head coach Kristi Brodin.

## Northwest College Named One Of The Best College Buys In The U.S. for the Second Year In a Row

Northwest College has again been named one of the one hundred best college buys in the United States by a publication that rates America's colleges and universities. The prestigious "Student Guide to America's 100 Best College Buys" profiles the schools that are the highest rated academically but have the lowest total cost for the college year.

Compiled by Institutional Research and Evaluation in Gainesville, Georgia, the guide not only lists the one hundred best college buys, it also gives complete information on each one, listing cost, sources of financial aid, majors offered and information on campus life at each school.

"The company researched almost 1,800 colleges," said John Culler, publisher. He added, "Our research has shown that a prospective student could save thirty to fifty thousand dollars or more on a quality college education," if he or she chooses one of the selected "best college buys."

Showing a geographic diversity from New Jersey to Hawaii, schools from forty states are represented. The smallest school listed is Lyon College, in Arkansas, with fewer than 500 students, and the largest is Texas A&M, with more than 29,000 students.

To be considered for America's 100 Best College Buys, a college must meet very specific requirements. It must be an accredited, four year institution; offer opportunities to qualified students for need-based, academic-based, and athletic-based financial aid; have an entering freshman class with a high school grade point average and SAT or ACT score above the national average; and maintain a cost of attendance below that of the national average.



## Northwest Students Challenge the World

(Sixth -ranked US Debate Team Does Well at International Meet)

By Gary Gillespie

From December 30 to January 6, four Northwest College students attended an international debate and speech competition held in Athens, Greece – the cradle of debate and public speaking for the western world. The students were matched against others from some of the world's best known colleges and universities including 292 teams from 155 schools and eighteen countries, all attending this year's World Universities Debating Championships – the eighteenth to date. Topics concerned political philosophy and current events and were assigned fifteen minutes before each round. Some of the topics debated included: European economic union, smoker's rights, a ban on land mines, and Microsoft's domination of the computer industry. At the end of the nine preliminary rounds, the team of Troy Anderson and James Stewart ranked 75th and the team of Jacob Witt and Joshua Brittingham ranked 106th. These rankings put Northwest above some teams from Harvard, Yale, Princeton, Rhodes, Oxford and Cambridge. Only thirty-two schools had high enough scores to reach finals. After four finals' rounds, London's Grays Inn law school won first place.

In addition to the debates, a more light hearted public speaking event was held. A total of 180 students competed in impromptu speaking in which students were given words or situations and asked to make a seven minute speech on the spot. Winners of this event are considered some of the finest public speakers in the world. James

Stewart – a twenty-year-old Northwest College English major – was named one of five finalists – the highest placing American. He was asked to give a speech at the tournament's banquet.

The World tournament marked a high point in the debate season, which began in September at the Air Force Academy and ended with nationals at Texas Tech University in March. Two hundred teams competed at nationals at which Northwest students were asked to host chapel for the tournament participants on Sunday morning. Northwest currently ranks sixth in the nation in the National Parliamentary Debate Association, an organization with more than 200 participating schools.

After returning from victories at the World Tournament, the students took top honors at four regional tournaments:

- Two Quarter Finalist Awards at Oregon State University, Corvallis, Feb 20 - 21. Seven schools, twenty-eight teams.
- Second Place, University of British Columbia, Vancouver, Canada, February 13 - 15. Twenty teams from eleven colleges and universities, coming from as far away as Toronto, Louisiana and Los Angeles.
- Second Place, Western Washington University, Bellingham, February 6-8. Twenty teams from seventeen west coast schools. Jacob Witt, rated Second Best Debate Speaker out of forty.
- Third Place and an Octo-Finalist (top sixteen) award, Willamette University, Salem, Oregon, January 24-25. Thirty-two teams from nineteen colleges and universities. Jacob Witt, First Place Best Speaker (167 points, the highest of the sixty-four debaters at the tournament).

The tournament held just before World's in November was one of the most memorable for the twelve students who make up the debate program. Linfield College's sixty-fourth annual tournament – one of the nation's largest – attracted 210 debaters from thirty-three schools. Northwest led the tournament's Sunday morning chapel, and more than forty students attended. Josh led worship, Jacob prayed and Troy preached on glorifying God. With a 9 wins to 1 loss record, Jacob and Josh won first place in senior debate. Then Troy and James, with an 8 to 2 record, won first place in junior division. To win first place in both divisions is a rare achievement for a single school – especially when it is a small Christian liberal arts institution with only 860 students.

Next year promises to be an exciting year, with trips planned to Colorado, Los Angeles and Washington, DC. However, budget shortfalls this spring mean that funding is limited. The program welcomes tax deductible gifts to provide the means for students to experience debating the best schools from across the nation. To help ensure more victories, send gifts to the Long Distance Debate Educational Scholarship Fund in care of Northwest College, PO Box 579, Kirkland, WA. ☺

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## ALUMNI HOMECOMING '98

**September 24-26, 1998**

**Thursday**

- Alumni Chapel
- Alumni interact with students in classes

**Friday**

- Inauguration of Northwest College's fifth president, Dr. Don H. Argue
- Alumni Banquet

**Saturday**

- Alumni activities and class reunions

**Save the dates and plan to join other Northwest College alumni on September 24-26.**

### ALUMNI ASSOCIATION MEMBERSHIP

You are a regular member of the Northwest College Alumni Association with voting privileges if:

- You are a Northwest College graduate, or have attended NC at least one year and your class has graduated;
- You have served as a faculty or staff member for two years or longer.

As an alumnus of Northwest College, you will have an opportunity this year to vote for alumni association secretary and treasurer. A detailed invitation, ballot and reservation form will be mailed to you in August.

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future students

**Tony** ('90) and **Lori** ('89) (**Chittim**) **Cloud** announce the adoption of **Patrick Anthony** and **Shae Lynn** born February 5, 1996. The twins came to the Cloud home in Puyallup, Washington on December 5, 1997.

**Macy Lee**, born September 19, 1997, to **Jon** ('94) and **Tasha** ('94) (**Bullock**) **Martinez**. Her big brother is **Micah**. **Gavin Jeffrey**, born October 27, 1997, to **Jeff** ('92) and **Tawni Bullock**. Macy's and Gavin's proud grandparents are **Warren** ('64) and **Judi** ('65) (**Versolenko**) **Bullock**.

**Caleb Lee**, born October 24, 1997, to **Dareld** ('87) and **Brenda** ('89) (**Lentz**) **Chittim**.

**Toni Lynn**, born October 29, 1997, to **Rob** ('92) and **Erin** (**Emerson**) **Malcolm**. Proud grandparents are **Larry** (NC Faculty) and **Mary** (NC Staff) **Malcolm**.

Twins, **Ian James** and **Ileisa India Amana**, were born November 28, 1997, to **Steve** and **Jamie** ('92) (**Lowell**) **Oleson**. The twins have a big sister, **Ixchelle**. Proud grandparents are **Jim** ('71) and **Jeanne** ('92) **Lowell** and Missionaries **Dave** and **Patti** ('89) **Oleson**.

**Adriana Cristina**, born December 17, 1997, to **Sergio** and **Melody** ('87) (**Russell**) **Carlos**. **Adriana** has a big sister, **Selina**. Proud grandmother is **Darlene** ('63) (**Miller**) **Danner**.

**Nicholas Craig**, born December 30, 1997, to **Daren** ('90) and **Dianna** ('90) (**Wellner**) **Strong**. He has an older sister, **Arianna Joy** who is 2 1/2.

*Patrick Anthony & Shae Lynn Cloud*



### A letter from the Alumni Association President...

Dear NC Alumni,

This month the college community is bidding farewell to President Davis. Denny Davis, a 1956 graduate, has served the college with distinction and vision during his tenure as president and will be missed. I know that all alumni join me in expressing our appreciation to him for his fine leadership and committed service to Northwest College.

As we approach the new millennium, Northwest College continues to fulfill its mission to "provide, in a distinctly evangelical Christian environment, quality education to prepare students for service and leadership." Through your generous contributions, the Alumni Association has been able to award scholarships to three deserving students this year. Please consider making regular donations to the Alumni Scholarship Fund and/or the Endowed Alumni Scholarship Fund.

The annual Alumni Weekend is a wonderful time to visit the campus, visit your professors, meet the new ones, and renew old friendships. A highlight of this year's Alumni Weekend will be the inauguration of Northwest College's fifth president, Dr. Don Argue. Please accept my personal invitation to attend this year's alumni events, September 24-26. I look forward to seeing you there.

Sincerely,

Sallee J. Conn, Alumni Association President

### 40's & 50's

**Douglas ('45) Ruthford** passed away on January 9, 1998. He had been the senior pastor at Christ the Rock Fellowship in Lynnwood, Washington.

**Paul ('50) C. Monroe** passed away on October 4, 1997, at Branson, Missouri.

### 80's

**Danny ('80) Stone** is the senior pastor at New Life Christian Center in Addy, Washington. He and his wife **Sandy** have three children, Kenny (15), Kaylee (13) and Allen (10). In recent years they have ministered with Youth With A Mission and traveled as a family to Ukraine for YWAM ministry outreach. Danny says, "I have rich memories of NC. The friends and faculty that so impacted my life are still doing so as I continue to mature in life and ministry."

**Dave ('82) Albanese** is the new senior pastor at Lincoln City Assembly of God, Lincoln City, Oregon. He and his wife **Elizabeth ('81) (Howard)** are the parents of two sons, Andrew David (10) and David Michael (8).

**John ('85) Martin** serves as Administrative Assistant to the Superintendent of the Northwest District Assemblies of God. He and his wife **Ronda** are the parents of two children, Rachel and Joshua.

**Mike ('86) and Joni ('89) (Brothers) Teixeira** contacted the alumni office recently to update and to let their NC friends know that they have two sons, Tyler Michael (3 1/2) and Joshua Samuel (1 1/2). Mike is the senior pastor at Harvest Church of South Las Vegas, and Joni leads the Women's Ministries and is on the Worship Team. Their congregation has moved to a new facility and is progressing well since the Teixeira's were involved in planting this ministry four years ago. The family lives in Henderson, Nevada.

**Tim ('86) Zentz** is the pastor at Family Worship Center (Assembly of God) in Randle, Washington. He and his wife **Tonya** have one daughter, Tarah

(10) and two sons, Tyler (9) and TJ (5). "We'd love to hear from our NC friends! Email us at tzentz@myhome.net."

**John and Andrea ('88) (Cawfield) Hartman** were married August 16, 1997, in Butterfield Chapel at Northwest College. They are making their home in Redmond, Washington. Andrea is the executive assistant at Pro Athletes Outreach in Issaquah.

**Troy ('89) Jones** has been appointed to serve as the Northwest District Assemblies of God Youth Ministries Director. He and his wife, **Jana**, have two daughters, Kaylee and Chelsey.

### 90's

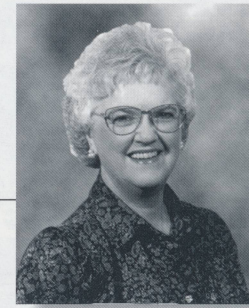
**Jerry ('90) Earl** teaches on Soboba Indian Reservation in Southern California. He teaches history at Noli Indian High School.

**Dawn ('90) (Tienhaara) Hachenev**, wife of **Nick ('92) Hachenev** passed away on December 26, 1997, as the result of a fire in their home in Poulsbo, Washington. The memorial service for Dawn was at Christ Memorial Church in Poulsbo on December 30.

**Daren ('90) and Dianna ('90) (Wellner) Strong** reside in Swisshome, Oregon. Daren is the pastor at Central Lane Assembly of God in Swisshome.

**Mark ('91) Balts** received the Selected Marine Corps Reserve Medal while assigned with Inspector and Instructor Staff, 4th Reconnaissance Battalion, 4th Marine Division, Elmendorf Air Force Base, Alaska. Mark received the medal for honest and faithful service while actively participating in the Reserve Program for a three-year period.

**Stanley ('91) Cecil** serves at Central Bible Evangelical Free Church in Tacoma, Washington, as the director of outreach and evangelism. Stanley states, "I know for sure that when I was at Northwest College I did have the very best time and thank our



**Thora Jean Bulger**  
Alumni Coordinator

dear Lord for all the rich blessings I received while there. Thank you for making my stay at NC so nice and memorable."

**Troy ('88) and Valerie ('91) (Watson) Baxter** live in Omaha, Nebraska. Troy is working on a Master's Degree in International Relations at Creighton University. Valerie is a full-time mother to their two daughters, Stephanie and Alyssa. Their e-mail address is vbaxter1@juno.com.

**Fred ('91) Darbonne** is the pastor at Sedan Assembly of God Church in Sedan, Kansas.

**Chris ('91) and Heidi Ness** are appointed as Assemblies of God missionaries to Zambia. They will be involved in children's ministry and AIDS prevention. They have a daughter, Larissa.

**Darrell and Murlene ('92) Hiatt** have moved to Tulsa, Oklahoma, after his retirement from the State of Washington Prison system at Monroe. They are working together in a Christian Counseling ministry and are developing a counseling program for the state legal system.

**Mark ('93) Newell and Stacy ('97) Gudmundson** were married on August 24, 1997, at Renton Assembly of God. Mark is the junior high pastor at Renton Assembly.

**Mary Jo ('94) Keller** has a teaching position in the Issaquah School District. She is team teaching in a 4/5 Science Technology Multi-Age Program.

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How about sharing your news!

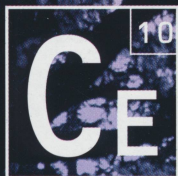
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Phone: 425-889-5206



Be sure to include your name, spouse name or maiden name, graduation year or the years attended, your full address including phone, fax and email address along with your news.

Visit the alumni web page at <http://www.nwcollege.edu>



## calendar of events

**'98 Summer Ministry Team Travel • June, July, August**

**New Student Early Registration • June 19, July 10, August 7**

**Summer College • May 11 - June 5**

**TESL Institute • August 3-21**

**Student Leadership Orientation • August 23-25**

**New Student Orientation & Registration • August 26-28**

**First Day of Class • August 31**

**Spiritual Emphasis Week • September 8-11**

**Northwest Friday • September 18**

**Alumni Weekend • September 24-26**

**Inauguration of NC's Fifth President • September 25**

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