

President's Prologue

"It's not about me." I recently found that's what a group of our student leaders have figured out – and in that I found much to celebrate! I met with the group of about 30 of our traditional undergrads who were being recognized for their leadership contributions. They were our C.W. Perry Servant Leaders and students involved in the Student Life Advance program.

As I listened with interest to the leadership these students are providing, I discovered servanthood is integrally imbedded in their character. They already are providing leadership with the resources they already have and in the places they already are. Rick Warren, author of *The Purpose Driven Life*, discussed this concept recently, citing the story of Moses and the burning bush (Exodus 4). God asked Moses the question: "What is in your hand?" What do you already have? When Moses gave God his rod, God empowered it. Warren notes that after God used Moses' rod, it was always called the "rod of God" rather than Moses' shepherd's staff. Our leadership students not only make me proud, but they also teach me about leadership. Too often, I want "more" of something – resources, a better situation, or a preferable past – instead of, like Moses, giving what I already have to God.

Leadership is elusive and there is no commonly accepted definition, but many of our students "get it" as they interact with George Fox employees. I find it interesting that, increasingly, leadership experts (Jim Collins, Max DePree, Peter Drucker, John Maxwell) understand that real leadership is servant leadership. Thank you for the various ways in which you teach and influence our students in becoming leaders.

Our world needs George Fox University graduates. Christ calls us to continue to produce leaders who serve wherever they are.



Pomp and Circumstance

Fred Gregory, a 1966 graduate of George Fox and a program director with relief agency Mercy Corps, will deliver an address entitled "Your World Today" at spring commencement ceremonies on Saturday, April 29. A total of 245 undergraduate students and 364 graduate, seminary, and professional studies students will participate in the ceremony. Undergraduate commencement begins at 2 p.m. in the Wheeler Sports Center, with a live broadcast in Bauman Auditorium. The ceremony for graduate, seminary, and professional studies students starts at 7 p.m. in Wheeler Sports Center.

The day begins with a baccalaureate service at 9:30 a.m. in Bauman Auditorium. In total, the university will award 409 graduate, seminary, and professional studies degrees and 253 undergraduate degrees.

Taking Care of Business

Nonprofit leaders and executives with international and entrepreneurial experience will share their expertise at a symposium in the Greenroom in Bauman Auditorium on Thursday, April 20. The event, hosted by the School of Management, begins at 8:30 a.m. with a continental breakfast. At 9 a.m., a panel of five nonprofit leaders will answer questions about their organizations. **Brad Lau** (Student Life) is among the panelists.

A group of international business leaders will conduct a seminar, "Managing and Leading Critical Social Issues Across Cultures," at 11 a.m. The panel includes a Harvard Law School graduate, a financial expert who worked for 11 years in international business with Microsoft, the founder of Oil Can Henry's, and a professor of sociology. Both seminars are free and open to the public. Visit som.georgefox.edu for more information.

In Search of Servants

Student Life is in need of 30 to 35 faculty, staff, students, and administrators to volunteer for the Serve Day Committee. Those who do so will help plan the Wednesday, Sept. 6, event with student Serve Day coordinator Audrey Higuera. Last year, the university sent out 1,365 individuals for one day of service to 54 churches, community organizations, civic groups, and nonprofits. To volunteer for the committee or find out more, e-mail **Jere Witherspoon** (Student Life) at jwitherspoon@georgefox.edu by April 27.

Best of Show

George Fox University marketing materials earned "Best of Show" designation in a national awards competition. *Admissions Marketing Report*, a newspaper of admissions marketing, selected the university's recruitment package as a "Best of Show" entry in the publication's 21st annual advertising awards contest. George Fox was one of only 16 schools to receive the honor in a competition that drew 2,200 entries from more than 1,000 colleges, universities, and secondary schools representing all 50 states and several foreign countries. The award was one of three George Fox earned in the competition. The university also claimed merit honors for its President's Report and the *George Fox Journal*, its alumni magazine.

Newberg Knights?

An ad-hoc committee is investigating the possibility of the Aloha Knights, an amateur baseball squad of collegiate-level players, moving to Newberg and teaming with George Fox to build a baseball stadium and lease it from the university in the summer months. The facility would be built on 23.8 acres of land Newberg business leaders Ken and Joan Austin have committed to the university. The general manager of the Knights is interested in getting feedback on the potential move. To find out more about the team, visit alohaknights.com. The survey is available at alohaknights.com/survey.

Auxiliary Lunch

Clyde Thomas and **Dan Schutter** (Plant Services) will discuss the university's new construction projects at a George Fox Auxiliary luncheon at noon on Friday, April 21, in the Cap and Gown Room. The cost is \$6.50 and reservations are required. To make a reservation, call Nancy Lamm at 503-537-2321 or Louise Clarkson at 503-538-2850.

Musical Offerings

A piano recital by **Kenn Willson** (Performing Arts) is the first of three concerts on the Newberg campus this week. Kenn will play the university's new Bösendorfer Imperial grand piano at 7:30 p.m. Monday, April 17, in Bauman Auditorium, performing the same program he will present at a Mozart birthday celebration in Vienna, Austria, in May. Admission is free.

On Tuesday, April 18, a jazz dessert featuring the Jazz Band and Vocal Jazz Ensemble is scheduled for 8 p.m. in the Klages Dining Room. It is open to the

public and costs \$5 per person. On Friday, April 21, the university's Concert Choir and Symphonic Band present a free spring concert at 7:30 p.m. in Bauman Auditorium.

COMINGS AND GOINGS



Mona Williams joined the MAT program as an administrative assistant last week. Most recently, she did administrative work for various employers in southern Oregon before moving to the

Portland area in March. She also has done extensive volunteer work with churches and children's ministries. She lives in Portland with her husband, Mark. They have four grown children – Ben, Christy, Susan, and Katie – and three grandchildren. She and Mark attend Solid Rock Fellowship church in Portland.

Sue Weishan's (MAT) final day at the university is Thursday, April 20. She has accepted a part-time position as an instructional assistant at Spring Mountain Elementary School in Portland.

ABOUT OUR PEOPLE

Steve Delamarter (Seminary) took a team of four students to Trinity Western University in Langley, British Columbia, to photograph a collection of four Ethiopian manuscripts in the university library. Over spring break, he photographed 22 codices, 32 magic scrolls, and 39 amulets in a collection in Southern Oregon. In the last three months, Steve also has photographed manuscripts from Denver (16), Salt Lake City (three), New York (one), and New Jersey (one). By June, he will have photographed 170 codices, magic scrolls, and amulets. Later this month, he will take a small team to the Museum of Natural and Cultural History in Eugene, Ore., to photograph its collection of three codices and two magic scrolls. Steve will present his research at the Society of Biblical Literature meeting at Gonzaga University in May and at the same organization's national meeting in Washington, D.C., in November.

Byron Shenk (Health and Human Performance) was selected the Athletic Trainer of the Month in March by the Oregon Athletic Trainers Society (OATS). Byron was chosen for helping an athlete who had lost consciousness and stopped breathing at a high school softball game in March. Byron will be considered for the OATS Athletic Trainer of the Year award at the end of the calendar year.

Greg Smith (IT) will attend the Educause Western Regional Conference April 24-26 in San Francisco. Greg, a member of the conference program committee, will host a roundtable discussion entitled "Campus Video Distribution Strategy." The Educause mission is to advance higher education by promoting the intelligent use of information technology.

Bonnie Jerke, Darren Noble, and **Christee Wise** (Career Services) recently hosted three guest employers on the Newberg campus for a practice interview day. Thirteen students experienced "mock" interviews and received feedback from David Shaw, the human resources director for the city of Albany; Brenda Hampton, an educator from Faulconer-Chapman School in Sheridan, Ore.; and Mark Griffith, director of operations and human resources at Plastic Surgery Aesthetics Inc.

Jeff Duerr (Biology) presented his research on "Pyruvate transport and pyruvate dehydrogenase activity in isolated cardiac mitochondria exhibiting dissimilar oxygen consumption rates from two species of amphibian, *Bufo marinus* and *Rana catesbeiana*" at the experimental biology meeting held in San Francisco April 2-4.

Colleen Richmond's (Writing/Literature) article, "The Preaching of Maria W. Stewart: A Challenge for Harmony and Biblical Justice," appears in the Spring 2006 issue of *Christian Scholar's Review*.

Lee Nash (History) spent two weeks in March working for the U.S. Department of Education as one of 100 reviewers of school district proposals for grants in the Teaching American History Program. Applications are accessed electronically and discussed with panels via teleconferences. This is the fourth year Lee has served as one of the department's national reviewers.

Ed Higgins's (Writing/Literature) poem "Grunion Fishing" was published in the Spring 2006 issue of *The Bathyspheric Review*, a biannual international literary journal devoted to oceanic themes and imagery.

Howard Macy (Religious Studies) has an essay, "Learning to Read the Psalms," in the new book *The Quaker Bible Reader* (2006). He also continues to write regularly for *Quaker Life* magazine, most recently contributing a column, "Stand-Up Jesus," in the March-April issue. He also spoke on "Writing and My Spiritual Journey" at the Emerging Writer's Workshop sponsored by Barclay Press March 17-18.

IN THE FAMILY

From **Beth Molzahn** (Admissions): "Thanks to all of my George Fox friends for extending your love to me and my family during this past month. Losing my dad suddenly was an incredible shock. I so appreciate the many beautiful cards, flowers, and the basket of food from the George Fox community. Your prayers have sustained us in a very real way. Thank you."

Ryan (Admissions) and **Meredith** (Student Life) **Dougherty** welcomed a son, Quinn Jessup, at 10:10 p.m. on March 31. The baby was born at Newberg Hospital and weighed 6 pounds, 11 ounces. He required surgery for an intestinal complication about 24 hours after birth and is still under observation at Providence St. Vincent Hospital in Portland. He is expected to go home later this month. The family wishes to thank the George Fox community for its prayers.

BIRTHDAYS

April 17 Eilene Newman
April 18 Gary Railsback
 Judy Deale
April 20 Tammy O'Doherty
April 22 Jeff Vandenhoeck
April 25 Mark Ocker
April 26 Laura Klaus
April 27 Bill Mulholland
 Pat Vandehey

CALENDAR

Monday, April 17

Newberg Chapel
 Easter Celebration, 10:40 a.m.

Faculty Recital
 Kenn Willson, Bauman Auditorium, 7:30 p.m.

Tuesday, April 18

Faculty Lunch, Noon

Jazz Dessert
 Klages Dining Hall, 8 p.m.

Wednesday, April 19

Newberg Chapel
 Academic Awards Chapel, 10:40 a.m.

Thursday, April 20

School of Management Symposium
 Greenroom, Bauman Auditorium, 8:30 a.m.

Friday, April 21

Faculty Research Forum
 Debra Worden, Hoover 104, 10:40 a.m.

Auxiliary Luncheon
 Cap and Gown Room, Noon

Spring Concert
 Bauman Auditorium, 7:30 p.m.

Shakespeare Under the Stars
 Centennial Tower Lawn, 10 p.m.

Monday, April 24

Faculty Business Meeting
 Hoover 104, 9 a.m. to Noon

Tuesday, April 25

All-Employee Lunch, Noon

Friday, April 28

First Reunion
 Bauman Auditorium and
 Klages Dining Room, 6 p.m.

Saturday, April 29

Classic Bruin Reunion
 Newberg Campus (Multiple Venues)

Baccalaureate
 Bauman Auditorium, 9:30 a.m.

Undergraduate Commencement
 Miller Gymnasium (live broadcast
 in Bauman Auditorium), 2 p.m.

Graduate Commencement
 Miller Gymnasium, 7 p.m. Baseball vs. Pacific