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Getting the Word Out

This marks the final issue of *Colleague* in this form. In September, President **Robin Baker** will introduce a new e-mail newsletter called *The Bridge*. This e-newsletter will include significant achievements, events, and initiatives in our community. All employees will receive *The Bridge* automatically.

Two other new channels for sharing internal communication include *E-announcements* and *E-Colleague*. *E-announcements*, segmented by site and sent out once a day, will feature university business news, HR information, campus events, IT news, information on special guests and speakers, and employee meeting news. *E-Colleague*, sent biweekly, will feature professional accomplishments, new hires, news from the Bruin family, and birthdays.

To receive *E-announcements* and *E-Colleague*, you must subscribe. To do so, log on to blogs.georgefox.edu/enounce. If you have news to share for either *E-announcements* or *E-Colleague*, fill out the form at georgefox.edu/online_community/e-announcement_request.

Serve Day '07

About 1,300 volunteers are expected to visit more than 60 sites for the university's ninth annual Serve Day, scheduled for Wednesday, Sept. 5. Teams of students, faculty, and staff will work on a variety of projects – including painting, weeding, cleaning, and visitation – for nonprofits, public agencies, churches, retirement homes, and individual citizens in Yamhill, Washington, Multnomah, and Clackamas counties. The theme for this year's event is "Imagine," based on Ephesians 3:20. The day begins with a continental breakfast from 7:45 to 8:30 a.m. An event kickoff is set for 8:30 a.m., after which teams will depart for locations at 9 a.m. The day concludes with a dinner near the amphitheater beginning at 5 p.m.

Drivers are still needed to transport serve team members to and from their sites. If you can drive, contact Serve Day student coordinator Kayin Griffith at serveday@georgefox.edu with the number of individuals you can transport. Those who volunteer to drive will be reimbursed for gas.

Labor Day

Employees in Portland, Boise, Salem, and Redmond will get a day off on Monday, Sept. 3, in recognition of the Labor Day holiday. The Newberg campus will stay with its traditional schedule, remaining open on Labor Day and closing for a mid-semester holiday on Friday, Oct. 12. Portland, Boise, Salem, and Redmond will not take a mid-semester holiday.

'Uncovering Joy'

The university will host its fourth annual Selah women's conference from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 29, in Bauman Auditorium. "Uncovering Joy" is the theme for the event, which will encourage women to recognize themselves as the beloved of Jesus Christ. The conference features speakers Pam Vredevelt, **MaryKate Morse** (Seminary),

and **Sarah Baldwin** (Campus Ministries). Bonnie Knopf will lead worship, Georgene Rice returns as emcee, and Mark Demel, a Willow Creek artist, will present sand art. To register or get more information, visit selah.georgefox.edu.

COMINGS AND GOINGS



Keith Dempsey joins the counseling department as an assistant professor. He has been the program supervisor of the African American Health Coalition in Portland for the past three years. Prior to that, he was a program coordinator with that organization for two years and worked as a social worker in Portland for three and a half years. He is currently a PhD candidate in Oregon State University's counselor education and supervision program. Keith lives in Portland with his wife Tiffany and two sons, Tearale and Emmanuel. He is a member of Mt. Olivet Baptist Church.



Robin Ashford was hired to work as a reference and distance services librarian at the Portland Center. She has more than nine years experience in academic libraries and over the past year worked as the assistant library director at the Newberg Public Library. The year prior, she was a reference and instruction librarian at Lewis & Clark College. She also worked at George Fox's Portland Center library from 2003 to 2005. She lives in Portland and attends the First Presbyterian Church in Portland.



Melissa Croteau was hired as an assistant professor in the writing/literature department. She arrives from Geneva College in Pennsylvania, where she was an assistant professor in the English depart-

ment since 2005. Before that, she taught English at several southern California schools, lecturing at San Diego State University, Point Loma Nazarene University, and Biola, among others. Melissa earned a doctorate in English from Claremont Graduate University in 2004 and a master's degree in Shakespeare studies in Stratford-upon-Avon at The Shakespeare Institute (a graduate school of the University of Birmingham, England) in 1994. A native of San Diego, she recently moved to Lake Oswego.



Residence Life hired **Megan Marsh** as an administrative assistant. She has worked at George Fox as an office assistant in the student life office for the past two years. She also was a family support team volunteer at Juliette's House in McMinnville this past year, providing crisis intervention and support to children who have been victims of abuse. Megan graduated from George Fox with a bachelor's degree in psychology in the spring. She lives in Newberg with husband Jason and attends Hillsboro Nazarene Church.



Biology/Chemistry hired **Jim Smart** as visiting assistant professor on a one-year interim basis. Since 2003, Jim has been a research instructor at Oregon Health & Science University in Portland. Before that, he was a graduate research assistant at the Vollum Institute at OHSU. He earned a doctorate of philosophy in neuroscience from OHSU in 2003. He lives in Tualatin with wife Kari and children Madeleine, Isabelle, and Nathan. The family attends Portland Christian Center, where Jim serves on the missions committee.



Engineering hired **Michael Foster** as an assistant professor of mechanical engineering. He arrives from Drexel University, where he assisted in conducting classes in fluid mechanics, aerodynamics, and in the thermal/fluid science lab. He was also a research fellow at Drexel for the past four years. He earned a doctor of philosophy in mechanical engineering from Drexel in 2007 and a master of science in mechanical engineering from the same school last year. He lives in Newberg with his wife Luann.



The library welcomes **Tiffany Tangen** to work as a library assistant. She has been a circulation assistant in the Portland Center's library and, before that, was an interlibrary loan work-study student in the Murdock Learning Resource Center for four years. Tiffany graduated from George Fox with a bachelor's degree in writing/literature and history in the spring. She lives in Beaverton and attends Imago Dei Community Church.



Marketing and Communications hired **Audrey Williamson** as an administrative assistant. She has been an intern in the university's undergraduate admissions office the past year and was the 2006 student Serve Day coordinator. She has also worked in George Fox's University Ambassadors program, was a peer advisor for incoming freshmen, and served as a resident assistant for residence life. Audrey earned a bachelor's degree in organizational communications from George Fox in the spring and recently married Trevor. They live in Tigard and attend Solid Rock Fellowship.



Janeen Dillow will work as a library assistant at the Portland Center on a half-time basis. For the past year and a half, she has been an office manager at Brevis Internet Technologies in Eugene and, before that, was an office administrator for Consult-Net of San Diego. Janeen attended Lane Community College in Eugene and is in the process of moving from Springfield, Ore., with her husband Mike. Her twins, Nate and David, will start attending George Fox this fall. Her son Ben is finishing at George Fox this spring, and sons Joshua and Jesse are graduates of the university.



Dave Cuny was hired as a systems administrator in IT on a half-time basis. He arrives from Kansas City, where he worked for the State Street Corporation as a senior Unix system administrator for the past year. Before that, he was a system administrator at Nazarene Theological Seminary in Kansas City. Dave earned a bachelor's degree in psychology from Wheaton College in 1998 and a master's degree in theological studies from Nazarene Theological Seminary in 2005. He lives in Newberg.

Emily Christensen (Student Life) left George Fox on Aug. 15. She and her husband are moving to Egypt, where she will be a graduate fellow at the American University in Cairo.

MOVERS & QUAKERS

Amber Russell (Management) is the new director of the MBA program's professional track after serving as an admissions counselor in the School of Management the past six years.

Mary Olson (School of Professional Studies) is now the graduate business program coordinator and an assistant professor of management at the Boise Center. She had been the interim director of the SPS program in Boise.

ABOUT OUR PEOPLE

Kathy Heininge (Writing/Literature) had an article, "The Irish Renaissance," appear in a book called *Other Renaissances*, published by Palgrave. She also presented a paper, entitled "Police Are People Too: Sebastian Barry's Representations of Authority," at the International Association for the Study of Irish Literature conference at University College Dublin.

Lisa McMinn (Sociology) completed a revision of *Growing Strong Daughters* (Baker Books) last year, and this new updated edition (2nd) was released in July.

Paul Otto (History) was one of eight professors from CCCU institutions who traveled to South Africa in June to study the country's history and work of justice and reconciliation. Over the course of the 10-day visit, participants listened to South African academics discussing the history of apartheid and the contemporary challenges facing South Africans.

Paul Anderson's (Religious Studies) essay on George Fox was included in a new book, *Founded by Friends* (Scarecrow Press), about the 15 Quaker colleges and universities founded by Quakers in America. Also, Paul served as a discussion-group moderator at the ecumenical conference celebrating the 50th anniversary of the launching of the Faith and Order Commission, held at Oberlin College July 19-23. Paul also presented on the proceedings of the last eight years of the "Full Communion" working group within the Commission and delivered a presentation on full communion from a Quaker perspective.

Merrill Johnson (Library) coordinated the university's hosting of the annual Snezek Library Leadership Institute July 19-21. The institute is an annual seminar for library directors at institutions affiliated with the Council for Christian Colleges & Universities.

Kay Winters (Library) assisted in hosting the event.

Rick Muthiah (Center for Teaching and Learning) attended the International Institute for New Faculty Developers in Ottawa, Canada, in June. Rick also attended the Association for Higher Education and Disability national conference July 17-21 in Charlotte, N.C. Rick, current president of the Oregon Association for Higher Education and Disability, and two past ORAHEAD presidents presented a concurrent session, "Passion for Collaboration: One Affiliate's Perspective on How to Make it Work."

Craig Johnson (Management) participated in a professional development workshop at the Academy of Management meeting in Philadelphia Aug. 3-7. The name of the panel was "Practicing what we preach: Effectively teaching 'doing well by doing good' by role modeling it."

Ed Higgins (Writing/Literature) published two poems, "Getting Used to Life" and "Illusion is Reality," in the August issue of the Canadian online literary magazine *Ascent Aspirations*. Also, his poem "Found in a Used Paperback" appeared in *The BlueRoad Reader: Stardust and Fate* (New Writings, 2007).

Irv Brendlinger (Religious Studies) had an excerpt from his book *Social Justice Through the Eyes of Wesley* printed in the July/August issue of *Good News*, a magazine dedicated to reform and renewal within the United Methodist Church.

Tom Head (Economics & International Studies) presented a paper, "A Fair and Just Economy," and also served as a plenary session panelist at the Friends Association for Higher Education's 2007 Scholars for Peace, Justice, and Sustainability Conference at Earlham College June 14-17. Also, in mid-July, Tom traveled to Geneva, Switzerland, to serve as part of a team formulating proposals for the future work of the Quaker United Nations Office at The World Trade Organization.

IN THE FAMILY

Mary Louise Bauman-Mirhady, honored in the name of the university's William and Mary Bauman Chapel/Auditorium, died in Newport Beach, Calif., on July 16. She was 77. After selling their three lumber mills to Willamette Industries in 1974, Mary and her husband William made a large donation toward construction of a new auditorium on the George Fox campus, finished in 1982.

BIRTHDAYS

Aug. 20	Dee Small
Aug. 21	Creagh Schoen Mary Olson
Aug. 24	Mark Selid
Aug. 26	Sheila Bartlett
Aug. 27	Karlynn Fleming
Aug. 28	John Natzke Andy Dunn
Aug. 31	Sondra Creason
Sept. 1	Ginger Hoover

CALENDAR

Wednesday, Aug. 22
New Faculty Lunch
Executive Dining Room, Noon

Thursday, Aug. 23-Sunday, Aug. 26
Undergraduate Orientation

Monday, Aug. 27
First Day of Undergraduate Classes
Newberg Chapel
Robin Baker, 10:40 a.m.

Tuesday, Aug. 28
Faculty Lunch, Noon

Wednesday, Aug. 29
Newberg Chapel
Honors Convocation, 10:40 a.m.