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GEORGE FOX UNIVERSITY



#### **Embracing Faith and Science**



Often, in this space, I try to convey to you the unique aspects of George Fox University that make it such a special place. Rather than provide my own views this time I thought you might like to hear the thoughts of Dr. Tim Schroeder, a pastor in Kelowna, British Columbia, and a parent of a 2010 graduate. I too am a father

of a George Fox student and these words encapsulate what I hope my son will receive from a George Fox University education. Dr. Schroeder graciously allowed me to share excerpts with you.

The selection of a university, made jointly by parents and their young adult children, is unquestionably one of the most impactful decisions they make together. Students enter university at a critical stage of formation and exit with the choice they made having significant impact on their future. The choice for Christian parents and students adds complexity due to the goal that a quality and recognized education be achieved simultaneous with the development of deeply held Christian values.

This letter is written to express our gratitude that in the life of our son, Travis Schroeder, that goal was not only met, but exceeded. Particular credit needs to be given to the science faculty. It may seem unusual to connect the dots between scientific integrity and spiritual growth because often the influence of science is portrayed as moving students in the opposite direction. However, the department of science at George Fox was able to embrace the highest level of scientific and academic honesty while simultaneously embracing the highest level of faith. They masterfully exemplify the goal Elton Trueblood describes of possessing a faith that meets the tests of intellectual validity and social relevance. To see one's son emerge with a keen mind, high level of scientific training AND an unshakable faith is every Christian parent's dream.

I commend you and the George Fox science faculty for an ability to navigate and accomplish a goal of such complexity.

God bless you as you continue to build a school with high academic standards and high kingdom impact.

I very much appreciate Dr. Schroeder's words as well as the outstanding work of our faculty and staff in every field who do so much to create an environment where students can receive this type of transformational experience. We are blessed indeed.

Robin Baker President

#### WHERE I'M GOING:

July 18-26: Oxford University, England. A CCCU board member and I will be assessing both the academic and student life programs of the CCCU's Oxford Studies program. Many of our students participate in this program.

July 4: Mountain Park Church, Lake Oswego, Ore. I will speak on America's founding.

Sept. 12: Oriental Mission Church, Los Angeles. Rev. Joshua Kang spoke at our seminary in February, and now I will be speaking at his church, which has about 7,000 members.

#### WHAT I'M READING:

The Lost History of Christianity: The Thousand-Year Golden Age of the Church in the MIddle East, Africa, and Asia – and How It Died, Philip Jenkins

I have read Jenkins' work on global Christianity, and his historical analysis rarely disappoints. In this book, Jenkins argues that many of us have ignored a significant part of church history by failing to understand the impact of the church outside of Western Europe. Too often, historians and others assume that the Christian church died out quickly in the Middle East and that it developed primarily in Europe. Jenkins suggests that the church outside of Europe was



strong and influential into the Middle Ages. He suggests that a study of the diversity of the church outside Europe can help us better understand the variety of orthodox responses to the Scripture and message of Jesus.

*The Feeling Intellect Reading the Bible with C. S. Lewis*, Roger J. Newell

Roger serves in our religion department and has written a very fine work providing insight into C. S. Lewis' understanding



of Scripture. Roger's work is engaging, and in addition to a unique look into the life of Lewis, he provides the reader a window into his own soul. The book was simply excellent and served as a devotional work for me. BRUIN NOTES



#### **George Fox Makes Prestigious List**

#### Forbes ranks university alongside Notre Dame and Boston College as one of the nation's best

A year after *Forbes* listed George Fox as the highest-ranked Christian college in the nation, the university has now been placed on what President Robin Baker is calling "our most important" ranking ever.

George Fox earned a spot among the top 10 in Forbes Media's 2010 ranking of "The Best Religiously Affiliated Colleges," placing No. 8 on the list that *Forbes* said was comprised of "20 schools that offer quality education and connection to faith." The rankings include Boston College (No. 2), Kenyon College (No. 3) and the University of Notre Dame (No. 5). George Fox was the only college in the 109-member Council for Christian Colleges & Universities to earn a spot on the list.

Last year in a separate ranking, George Fox was ranked No. 58 overall in *Forbes*' 2009 America's Best Colleges report. The university was the top CCCU member on that list, making it the top-ranked Christian college in the nation.

*Forbes* re-sorted its 2009 rankings of "America's Best Colleges" to look at only those schools with formal (even if they're mainly historic) affiliations to a particular faith, according to the *Forbes* website.

Of George Fox, *Forbes* stated, "Although many colleges and universities featured on this list boast mostly historic ties to faith, others, such as George Fox University, feel that spiritual growth is an essential part



of a well-rounded education. The university integrates its Christian faith into its curriculum through a Spiritual Life Program, where students participate in programs like community service and chapel, which hosts popular theologians and facilitates worship."

At George Fox, undergraduate students attend twice-weekly chapel services and engage in service-oriented projects to benefit the local and global communities. George Fox's commitment to service is reflected in the school's mission: "To prepare students spiritually, academically, and professionally to think with clarity, act with integrity, and serve with passion."



#### iPad or MacBook?

George Fox's decision to give incoming freshman a choice between a new MacBook or a new iPad has made national headlines. The decision to offer both devices puts George Fox on the cutting edge of technology in higher education circles, according to Greg Smith, the university's chief information officer.

"With this, we're basically asking students "What computing system will work best for you?" Smith said. "By giving them this option, they can choose between the iPad, a mobile device known for its networking and e-textbook capabilities, or the laptop, which offers more computing horsepower."

For more than 20 years, George Fox has supplied a computer for each incoming undergraduate as part of its Computers Across the Curriculum program, recently renamed Connected Across Campus. The goal of the new direction is to offer the most innovative tools for teaching and learning.

"How the numbers work out will be interesting, but no matter what I think we will see many iPads, iPhones and iTouches throughout the undergraduate population," Smith said.

#### **Record Enrollment Prompts Wait List**

A year after earning a top-100 college ranking from *Forbes*, a record number of undergradu-

ate applicants has put George Fox University in the unprecedented position of having to create a wait list of students who wish to enroll this fall.

By the first week of May, more than 570 incoming students had paid a deposit – a step generally only made by those serious about attending, according to Ryan Dougherty, director of undergraduate admissions. Those translate into attention-getting numbers in comparison to the fall of 2009, when 518 new students enrolled.

And the numbers might get even bigger. The university anticipates adding another 40 international students – most of them from China – and may add 10 to 12 more transfer students. It is possible that the school will welcome 600-plus new undergraduate students in August, breaking the school's previous high of 587 in 2005.



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FACULTY HONORS



Rhett Luedtke, an associate professor of theatre, was one of only three faculty members chosen nationally to receive a National Directing Fellow Award from the John F. Kennedy Center. He is the only representative to receive the award from Region 7, a 10-state region that includes Alaska, Washington, Oregon, Idaho, Montana, Wyoming, Colorado, Northern California and Northern Nevada. The award recognizes and honors the contributions of directors to

teaching and signifies exceptional work in the theatrical field.

#### **Q&A** with Rhett

#### What do you love about doing theatre at George Fox?

My greatest joy is watching our students grow in their craft as servant storytellers. Being part of a collective creative process is inspiring and reminds me of what can be accomplished in life when groups of people work together toward a common goal.

#### Who/what inspired you to get into theatre?

My parents took me to see a production of *The Nutcracker* when I was 6 years old. I enrolled in the local children's dance company for boys four days later, and I've been performing or directing ever since. What keeps me inspired is the power of great stories that deal with the triumph of the human spirit in the face of turmoil and deep struggle.

#### Do you have an ultimate goal or hope with each show?

My prayer is that our students – and the audience members that come to see our shows – grow in their under-

standing of themselves and others by participating in an evening of theatre.

#### What is your most memorable GFU production and why?

Sophie Treadwell's Expressionist show *Machinal* (fall 2005) was the most memorable show for me because it was the one production in which we decided not to worry about how our audience would react.

#### Your all-time favorite play? Actor?

My favorite play of all time is *Pentecost* by David Edgar because it raises great questions about terrorism, art and world economics in the 21st century. I have three favorite actors: It's a tie between Phillip Seymour Hoffman for his great contemporary work, Patrick Stewart for his classical work, and Meryl Streep for her deep heart, compassion and intelligence.

#### One surprising fact about you:

I am the child of two wonderful Lutheran missionaries. Dale Isaak, the university's head athletic trainer and a professor in the school's athletic training major, earned the Northwest Athletic Trainers' Association's Educator of the Year honor for 2010. The award goes to the best trainer-educator in the collegiate, high school and clinical sectors



for NWATA District 10, which encompasses more than 1,200 athletic trainers in Oregon, Washington, Idaho, Montana and Alaska.

"This validates the work we're doing here as a university," Isaak said. "I believe we received this because of the quality of our alumni working throughout the Northwest."



Biology professor John Schmitt has earned a life sciences grant that will fund breast cancer research on campus for the next two years. The M.J. Murdock Charitable Trust approved the grant for the project "Vitamin D Regulation in Breast Cancer Cells." The proposed research will use contemporary cellular and molecular biology techniques, as well as biochemical approaches, to explore the

ability of vitamin D to block breast cancer cell growth.

"We appreciate the faith Murdock has shown us as we explore ways to prevent cancer – the second-leading cause of non-infectious deaths worldwide – and specifically, breast cancer, the most common form of cancer among women in the U.S.," Schmitt said.

#### **George Fox Professor Awards**

#### GRADUATE

*Teaching:* **Amy Dee**, assistant professor of education and director of curriculum and assessment for the Master of Arts in Teaching program

*Research and Scholarship:* **Mark McMinn**, professor of psychology, author and speaker (see page 8)

#### UNDERGRADUATE

*Teaching:* **Rhett Luedtke**, associate professor of theatre *Research and Scholarship:* **Paul Otto**, professor of history



#### **New Academic Additions**

A part-time MBA program begins this fall in downtown Portland. The master of business program, already offered at the school's Portland Center near Tigard and in Boise, Idaho, will begin classes at the Portland World Trade Center's Building Two in September.

The 26-month, 42-credit-hour program, offered through the university's School of Business, begins new cohorts in September. The course includes an optional weeklong international study trip and a community consulting project. → **bit.ly/dDbE5**u

■ George Fox Evangelical Seminary will offer a new concentration, **Christian Earthkeeping**, to its curriculum beginning in the fall of 2010. The concentration, a 12-credit regimen of four courses taken over a two-year period, is designed to develop evangelical leaders who cultivate the care of creation in their communities. Course organizers cite Genesis 2:15 – a biblical reference in which God commands humankind to "take care of the Earth" – as the program's scriptural foundation.

 The undergraduate school of business, which is the largest program at George Fox, now offers bachelor's degrees in entrepreneurship, finance, global business, marketing and management.
"We've found there is a demand for majors that specialize in these areas of business," said Dirk Barram, interim dean of the School of Business.
"We believe this will give them an even greater opportunity to succeed once they graduate."

#### SERVICE BEYOND BORDERS



#### **Caring for Swaziland**

A team of 17 George Fox students spent nearly four weeks in Swaziland this May serving orphans and people suffering from AIDS. Three teams of students rotated through nine separate locations called "care points" that took care of the children during the week. The groups also cleaned up areas, performed basic labor and hauled water to the care points.

In the afternoons, the students held soccer and women's ministries. One day, they even gave Swaziland women manicures and pedicures. It was a lighthearted moment in an area ravaged by AIDS and poverty.

The trip was part of the university's May Serve Christian service program. The students worked with AIM Ministries, an interdenominational missions organization that focuses on discipleship, prayer and developing relationships by helping the world's poor.  $\rightarrow$  bit.ly/919SPY



#### \$18,000 for Haiti

"Empty Bowls: A Night for Haiti" raised in excess of \$15,000 in April for victims still recovering from the January earthquake that devastated the island country.

An additional \$3,000 was raised at the university's Mr. Bruin Pageant, a charity talent show that same evening, bringing the total raised for Haiti relief to more than \$18,000.

At Empty Bowls, more than 800 turned out to the university's Klages Dining Room to purchase ceramic bowls created by students, faculty members and guest professional artists. Some 1,600 bowls were thrown during a 12-hour span in early February. They were filled with soup and sold for \$12 each at the April dinner, with all proceeds going toward the Mennonite Central Committee, a worldwide ministry of Anabaptist churches that works to provide disaster relief, build stronger communities and encourage peace.



#### Free Help for Children

The university's Behavioral Health Clinic, thanks to grants totaling more than \$270,000, will offer pediatric behavioral health services to low-income children and families throughout Yamhill County and surrounding areas this fall.

The Swindells Charitable Trust, an organization that supports educational, cultural and scientific causes in Oregon, provided capital funding for the project, while Providence Health & Services, which gave \$25,000 a year ago to open the clinic, is providing additional funds.

Bilingual pediatric programs to be offered will include the Pediatric Call-In Hour (a parenting hotline), a diagnostic program that will provide assessments and evaluations, an Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder program, a pediatric obesity program, and parenting classes and groups.



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#### **Professor Discovers Rare Book**



knows a good book when he sees it. As the founder and director of the Ethiopian Manuscript Imaging Project,

he's tracked

down more

**Steve Delamarter** 

than 900 rare books. Delamarter, professor of Old Testament at George Fox Evangelical Seminary, recently made a remarkable find: a Psalter that originally belonged to Emperor Menilek II (1844-1913), the king who united the separate kingdoms of modern Ethiopia in 1889 and modernized his country at the turn of the century.

The Psalter, owned by manuscript collector Gerald Weiner, is estimated to be worth \$18,000. Weiner entrusted it to Delamarter for digitalization, and Delamater, at the request of colleague Getatchew Haile, proposed to Weiner that the book be donated to an Ethiopian museum dedicated to Menilek.

Weiner agreed to the request, and in May Delamarter traveled to Ethiopia to deliver the precious discovery.

*The Oregonian* profiled Delamarter's impressive find: → **bit.ly/aiaFBa** 

#### In Memoriam



Lee M. Nash, a professor and administrator instrumental in a number of the university's academic initiatives of the 1980s and 1990s, died at his Friendsview Retirement Communi-He was 82 Nash

ty residence on May 15. He was 82. Nash arrived at George Fox in 1975 and served as a professor of history and chairman of the Division of Social Science until 1984, when he was named vice president for academic affairs and associate dean of the school. He served in that capacity until the end of the 1991-92 academic year, when he was designated the university's first Herbert Hoover Professor of History.



John Bowman, longtime music professor, passed away May 6 while traveling in Europe. He and his wife, Shari, were in Germany, waiting for a train. He collapsed

and could not be revived. He was 67. Bowman taught vocal music and directed the university's vocal groups from 1980 until his retirement in 2007. He became chair of the Division of Music in 1986. Bowman started the annual fall Ye Olde Royal Feaste programs and led students on annual tours of Europe through the Juniors Abroad program, with participants visiting castles, churches, palaces, museums and concert halls.

#### **Bruins Drive into National Spotlight**

#### **Golfers Eighth at Nationals**

The women's golf team is only four years old, but it's already contending at the national level. The team finished eighth out of 20 teams during this spring's NCAA Division III national championships at the Mission Inn Resort Golf Course in Howey in the Hills, Fla.

The Bruins finished tied

with the University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire for the best score of the final round and completed the tournament with a total score of 1,352. Methodist University won its 13th straight national championship with a 1,282.

"We would have loved to have finished at least fourth and brought home one of the trophies," Bruins head coach MaryJo McCloskey said. "But, hey, eighth place in your first national tournament appearance? Not bad. We'll take it."

#### Women Reach NCAA Elite 8

The women's basketball team, after last year's undefeated run to the national title, advanced to the Elite 8 of the NCAA Division III tournament this year before falling 59-52 to Washington University of St. Louis on its home floor.

The Bruins finished the season 28-3 and posted a 24-game winning streak, the second-longest in school history. D3hoops. com named Bruins' head coach Scott Rueck West Region Coach of the Year, Keisha Gordon and Hannah Munger to the All-West Region Second Team, and Munger the West Region Rookie of the Year.



# Science of the Soul

Psychology professor Mark McMinn marvels at grace, finds fulfillment in mentoring – and relishes the sweet swish of a three-pointer

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By Sean Patterson

o some, he's the guy with the answers – the man with the sharp clinical mind, kind heart and listening ear ... the deep thinker, author and mentor who's spent countless hours tending to the brokenness of people's souls.

To others, he is the farmer, beekeeper, avid sportsman and carpenter – the lover of life who relishes a construction project, a home-grown meal, a shot to win a noon basketball game, a riveting mystery novel or a quiet, contemplative evening with his wife of 31 years, Lisa, on their five-acre farm.

As he sees it, though, McMinn – clinical psychologist, father of three, mentor to students and clergy, national speaker – is, at his core, a man who marvels at the grace of God and the power of forgiveness and redemption.

In some ways, he's still the simple kid from Forest Grove, Ore. – the one with the inquisitive mind who was torn between pursuing the mysteries of the physical and the mental. In the end, he compromised, choosing to major in both chemistry and psychology in college.

"I like to tell people I'm the psychologist who grew up on a nut farm," he quips. "I'm only a year and a half into my 50s, but I'm thinking this is going to be my best decade. I love my work, my students, my life. I feel like I'm living a fairytale – or, at least as close to that as it can get outside of Eden."

#### What differentiates George Fox's PsyD program from other schools'?

There's something unique about our integration of faith and spirituality into the program. In fact, it's quite rare – we're one of only six Christian institutions nationwide with an APA (Association Psychological Association) approved doctoral program in psychology. Our faith is at the core of our identity and mission, but at the same time, our APA designation indicates we hold to the highest standards of all doctor of psychology programs.

#### What are you most passionate about in your position at George Fox?

I absolutely love research mentoring. To watch students go from asking the questions to collecting data to finally getting published in journals gives me the most satisfaction. Our students have published on some compelling issues including topics like the ethical implications of emerging technology in practice ("Do you keep patients' vital info on your iPhone?") and the role prayer plays in forgiveness.

#### What is the most fascinating discovery you've made in your field?

About 12 years back, I was walking across a hospital parking lot and this realization came to me: In many of the psychological reports I had recently filed, my comment was "needs a better social support system." Then I asked the question: "What is the ultimate support system available?" My conclusion was the church. Since then, I've dedicated my career to psychology in service to the church.

#### Elaborate on how Christianity and psychology intertwine.

The Christian narrative can be summed up like this: We were God's perfect creation, we fell, and he is redeeming us. Ultimately, psychology in the purest sense tries to do the very work of God – taking that which is broken and making it beautiful again.

#### What is the biggest misconception about psychologists?

Whenever you're at a party and someone asks you what you do for a living, and you say "psychologist," the conversation immediately shuts down. For some reason they think you can read their minds. That's why, if anyone asks, I simply say, "I teach."

Mark McMinn is professor of psychology and director of integration in George Fox's Graduate Department of Clinical Psychology. He is the author or coauthor of 10 books and more than 100 journal articles. He taught at George Fox from 1984 to 1993 before leaving to help start the PsyD program at Wheaton College, where he later assumed an endowed chair position. He returned to George Fox in 2006. He was recently named recipient of the university's Faculty Achievement Award for Graduate Research and Scholarship.

# FIELDS DE DREAMS

**HE POSSIBILITIES ARE IMMENSE.** At nearly 23 acres, George Fox University's Austin Sports Complex is huge, and it's starting to take shape. The facility will feature state-of-the-art playing fields for football, lacrosse and soccer, house a stadium and an athletic center, expand learning and leadership opportunities, and share space with the Newberg community.

#### By Lynn Otto

Located a half-mile north of the Newberg campus at the corner of North Villa Road and East Crestview Drive, the acreage is being transformed into a multi-use athletic facility. It will include two synthetic turf fields, an athletic center building, three grass fields and a walking/ jogging path.

Newberg philanthropists Ken and Joan Austin donated the land, worth more than \$5 million,

which makes it the most generous gift the university has ever received. The Austins are the owners and founders of A-dec, the world's largest dental manufacturing company. Ken is also a member of the George Fox Board of Trustees.

By fall 2010, a competition-size soccer/ lacrosse field will be completed, with grandstands, lights, and AstroTurf. "It can drain 20 inches of rain per hour," says Mike Goins, vice

Pictured left to right: Tim Hyatt, Melissa Leighty, Manfred Tschan, Robin Baker, Tim Tsohantaridis, Andrew Hetherington, Connor Campbell, Joan Austin, Ken Austin.

president for financial affairs. "We'll have a playable field on rainy days – that's kind of important in Oregon."

The men's and women's soccer teams attended the groundbreaking for their new field, and they can't wait to use it next fall. "No more ankle deep water on the sidelines," said Bruins' captain Melissa Leighty, a junior nursing major from Canby, Ore. "With the new field, we'll be prepared to take on the conference and show them that George Fox is a force to be reckoned with."

In March, the university's board of trustees approved the return of

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A Boost to Oregon's Economy Building the Austin Sports Complex Trademark Landscape

will put many people in the hard-hit

companies:

engineering

design

construction industry to work. Most of

the project budget is contracted to local

W & H Pacific, Beaverton: preliminary

The Saunders Company, Dundee/Newberg:

project/construction management; civil

R & W Engineering, Beaverton: electrical

engineering/entitlements; excavation

Trademark Landscapes, Oregon City: landscape planning

**Concrete Solutions**, McMinnville: flat concrete

Pacific Fence & Wire, Clackamas: fencing

**Powell Built Homes**, Newberg: restroom/ concessions/training building

Dennis 7 Dees, Portland: landscaping

Atlas Track, Tualatin: rubberized surfaces

North Star Electrical Contractors, Tualatin: electrical

#### AUSTIN SPORTS COMPLEX DEVELOPMENT

#### The development of the Austin Sports Complex will be tackled in two phases:

PHASE 1 Development of 11 of the 23 acres of land through construction of the synthetic turf soccer/lacrosse field, the multi-use stadium with synthetic turf field, and the athletic center building.

A Soccer/lacrosse game field B Stoffer Family Stadium C Multi-use field building

PHASE 2 Development of the remaining 12 acres, which will include the installation of the three grass fields.

D Grass practice field E Soccer fields

FOOTBALL AT FO



#### WHAT BRUIN SOCCER PLAYERS ARE SAYING:

"The new fields are going to be a smash hit. I think that they're going to give fans a greater desire to attend sporting events and cheer on their favorite Fox teams. With greater support, the teams' morale will go way up" - Katelyn Peer, forward, junior psychology major, Chelan, Wash.

"I'm stoked about what the complex will bring to the program. I'll actually have a good field to defend. We'll have one of the best fields in the league and more clout with the other teams.'

– Kristopher Brown, defender, junior mechanical engineering major, Monmouth, Ore.

"The new complex will help bring high school players interested in a program that has beautiful and state of the art facilities. It will also provide the perfect atmosphere for families to bring their kids and enjoy

a sporting event." – Sean Jany, midfielder, sophomore

"They are incredible. What a gift to all of us!" – Mikayla Todd, outside midfield, sophomore biology major, Boise, Idaho

#### FIELDS OF DREAMS continued

football to George Fox after a more than 40-year hiatus from the sport. The Bruins will kick off their Division III football program in the fall of 2013. The university hopes to add women's lacrosse by the spring of 2012.

Both programs will attract students, something university President Robin Baker understands well. "Basketball is what brought me to college," he says. But Baker says sports do more than increase enrollment: "There's something about athletics that's vital to the experience of education. You gain lessons that add to what's in the classroom, so the fields are important to us."

The first major donation for the property's development came from Brad and Katherine Stoffer and the Boedecker Foundation. The \$1.2

million gift, announced in July 2009, will fund much of the construction of the Stoffer Family Stadium, which will include a synthetic turf field for football, soccer and lacrosse.

In October 2009 an anonymous Newberg family offered to match every dollar raised in individual gifts of \$25,000 or less, up to a total of \$250,000, by June 30, 2010.

In April 2010 the project received \$300,000 from Pacific Fibre Products of Longview, Wash. The donation represents the latest gift from a longtime benefactor: the Lemmons family, who began supporting the university financially when Pacific Fibre's founder and former president, John Lemmons, served on the George Fox Board of Trustees during the late 1980s. His son Larry is now the company's president.

Tim Hyatt (G89), a Bruin soccer player from

1985 to 1988, represented George Fox University alumni at the groundbreaking ceremony. He said one of the lessons he learned on the playing field was "Working together leads to greater success than individual efforts."

Estimated cost for phase one of the complex is \$6.5 million, and \$2.1 million has been raised so far. Eleven acres of the site will be developed through construction of the two synthetic turf fields, the Stoffer Family Stadium, and the athletic center building. The university is working on a cooperative arrangement with the local parks district to fund development of the remaining 12 acres in phase two of the project, which will include three grass fields.

If you'd like to contribute, contact Shari Scales, vice president for advancement, at sscales@ georgefox.edu or 503-554-2112.



↑ Pete McHugh poses in the field that will become the new playing ground for the 2013 Bruin football team. He still has his cleats and football as mementos from his playing days more than 40 years ago.

 $\downarrow$  McHugh breaks through the line of scrimmage and prepares to stiff-arm his opponent from Concordia during a preseason game in 1965.



# **'I CAN'T WAIT'**

#### Former quarterback Pete McHugh relives his football days and plans to root for the new Bruin team in 2013

Choosing a favorite football moment is easy for Peter (Pete) McHugh (G67):

"Homecoming 1966," the former George Fox College quarterback says. "It was a great day by Oregon standards because it wasn't raining, and it was our first game in the newly constructed football stadium, where the track is today. We were playing the Seattle Cavaliers, a semipro team that played a lot of small colleges in the Northwest. Fortunately, I played a pretty good game. Bruce Ankeny, a blue-chip frosh from Idaho, made a long run for a touchdown, and I threw a touchdown pass to Mike Livingston. We won 14-0. The best part: at halftime it was the tradition for the football captain to give flowers to the homecoming queen. The football captain was me, and the queen was Debbie Stewart (n69), my soon-to-be fiancé."

The former captain and homecoming queen have been married 42 years and have kept close ties with their alma mater. They have two children, Matt (n92) and Brittany (G96), and a son-in-law, Jason Gardner (G97, MBA05), a former Bruin soccer player, and three granddaughters.

Recruited in 1963, McHugh lettered in football all four years and played basketball and competed in track.

Long retired from his quarterbacking days, McHugh now looks forward to being a Bruins football fan. "I can't wait," he says about the university's plans to reinstate its football program in 2013. "I think there will be a lot of old timers in the stands, cheering for the Quakers – oops, I mean the Bruins – and wearing the old gold and navy blue colors."

Playing football at a Christian college had "a huge and positive impact" on his life, says McHugh. He found a mentor and role model in head coach Earl Craven, who had played football at George Fox when it was called Pacific College. "He was old fashioned but knew his football," McHugh recalls. "He was interested in me as a person as well as a player."

McHugh says the gridiron was his character classroom. "From Coach Craven I learned the importance of being consistent, organized and levelheaded even when things aren't working out the way you'd like them to. He didn't like losing, but it never changed the way he or his assistants treated us – always with respect, never belittled, even with a 10-game losing streak on the line. We learned to bounce back and stick with it."

Those lessons served McHugh well. He became a role model to both teachers and students during his career as a school administrator, first in Beavercreek, Ore., and then in the Scappoose School District, northwest of Portland. He was named Columbia County Educator of the Year in 1984 and Northwest Oregon Elementary Principal of the Year in 1989. In 2001, the St. Helens-Scappoose Chamber of Commerce recognized him as the South County Citizen of the Year.

"So often people influence others even when they don't realize it," says McHugh. "I think that was also the case with Earl Craven. His influence was by example. He showed confidence in me even when I didn't have much confidence in myself. He was fair. He was diligent. It was football, but it was also preparation for life. I'm glad I learned these lessons within a Christian context — if you're a believer, every day is game day."

#### FOOTBALL AT GEORGE FOX - the past



FOOTBALL AT FOX

**Nov. 17, 1894** George Fox University, then Pacific College, plays its first intercollegiate football game against Willamette University. The steamboat trip to Salem takes about seven hours.

**Dec. 1, 1894** First football game in Newberg. The Quakers lose to Willamette University 16-0.

**1914** *The Crescent* summarizes the season with words that were likely heard quite often in the previous 20 years: "The men played hard even in the face of crushing defeat, and earned a reputation for good, clean sportsmanship."

1916 Football takes a time out for World War I.

**1922** Football is revived by a unanimous vote of the athletic association, reports *The Crescent*. Coach Chester Jones anticipates a season of at least four games.

**1926** Football is shelved again, and a soccer team is started the next year.

**1931** Soccer is discontinued and football reinstated, coached by Hubert Armstrong. *The Crescent* commends the team's leading rusher, Carol Sandoz, quarterback Denny McGuire, right halfback Chet Weed, left halfback Gene Coffin, and Jim Haworth, who "was so tough he never wore a helmet."

1943-44 Football takes a time out for World War II.

**1945** Football is resumed with a six-man version. Only two games are played; both are lost to Reed College.

**1948** Alum George Bales returns to coach George Fox College football team for six years of success.

**1950** Fullback Harold "Spud" Ankeny scores 56 points and gains 712 yards on 122 carries.

**1963** Football field is improved with grading, drainage and portable bleachers.

**1969** The last year football is played at George Fox. The team has no wins, but four players make the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics (NAIA) all-conference team: Bob Hadlock, Larry Craven, Herald Fodge and Byron Debban. Hadlock, one of the most successful football players in George Fox history, is drafted by the Detroit Lions.



#### Background photo: Pacific College's 1905 football team

**Bob Hadlock** 

**2002** Ken and Joan Austin pledge 23 acres for the expansion of George Fox athletics.

**2002** The university's board of trustees begins considering the reinstatement of football.

August 2007 George Fox spends \$1.5 million on street and site improvements around the Austin Sports Complex site.

**2009** The board of trustees requests a feasibility study on reintroducing football.

**2009** The university and Chehalem Park and Recreation District draft initial plans for the Austin Sports Complex.

**July 9, 2009** Phase one is launched with the announcement of a \$1.2 million donation from Brad and Katherine Stoffer and their Boedecker Foundation.

October 2009 Matching grant of \$250,000 is offered by anonymous donor.

March 13, 2010 Board of trustees decides to reinstate football.

**April 13, 2010** Groundbreaking ceremony is enhanced by the announcement of a \$300,000 donation from Pacific Fibre Products of Longview, Wash.

**Fall 2010** The first synthetic field and multi-use building will be completed, and Bruin soccer teams will have a new home.

**Spring 2012** George Fox's women's lacrosse hopes to play its first season.

**Fall 2013** Kick off! University to sponsor an NCAA Division III football team in the new Stoffer Family Stadium.





### FOOTBALL AT GEORGE FOX - the future





**T FIRST GLANCE**, Rusty St. Cyr seems like a typical, laid-back surfer type from Southern California. His speech is calm, informal – almost like you're having a conversation on the beach. He's easy to be around, and he's the kind of guy who makes you want to go from saying hello to pouring out the details of your life in a matter of minutes.

But then he begins to speak, and the content of his words – rather than their informal tone – grabs a hold of you. The thing about Rusty is that he's a great listener, but he's a man with something to say, and he's worth listening to.

Rusty just completed his first full year at George Fox as the director of spiritual formation in the Office of Spiritual Life, and I spent the better part of two weeks following him around. During that time, he spoke in chapel, class and various other small-group settings, and not once did he fail to make me think, "Huh, I've never thought of it that way."

The difference between Sherlock Holmes and the average detective was that Holmes always had a way of finding the right connections to paint a complete picture. He could see things that others didn't or couldn't. That's how I think of Rusty. He thinks in sweeping biblical themes, combines them with the human experience, and communicates an ancient truth in a way that resonates with the modern heart.



 $\uparrow$  Top: Occasionally, Rusty fills in for a professor and teaches. This day, he was leading a class in discussion about interracial relationships, something he dealt with often while growing up in Louisiana.

Above: Rusty is in charge of chapel programming, retreats and student leadership, but some of the most fun comes from small-group meetings. "I invest most of my time with key student leaders," he said. "We do life together. We have lots of meals at my house or Sarah's house. (Sarah Baldwin is the campus pastor.) We're getting to know the people God has created them to be. I'm someone for them to journey with."





 $\uparrow$  Rusty says the journey isn't new; the cross isn't new. "I don't like reinventing the wheel, but the wheel needs to be dusted off and repackaged sometimes."

 $\rightarrow$  "SPIL (Spiritual Life) for us signifies this life with Christ. It does spill out into our everyday lives and living areas and our vocations. We can do things to put ourselves and put others in the path of growth that God, by his Spirit, is sending us on. I have to partner with God, not just for my own growth, but for other people's growth, too."

 $\uparrow$  Rusty and his wife, Stephanie, walk with their daughter, Ella, near their house in Newberg. The couple's college ministry work began about 10 years ago. "We used to get together and hash out our frustrations because we had vision," Rusty said. "We were like, 'things could be a certain way. People could really be inspired by the Word of God.'"





 $\uparrow$  Rusty, in a hint to his mixture of the old and the new, reads from the Book of Common Prayer while translating it to modern language: No "thees," "thys" or "thous."

"Our ultimate model of what we're trying to do is follow Jesus," Rusty says. "He did all this in community. He was known by disciples. If Jesus did it, how much more so do we need to be known as we're knowing others. By being in community, maybe we're starting heaven now, and we're getting ourselves ready for heaven starting on Earth. The model of Jesus' life wasn't just 'Hey, believe these statements, and you get to heaven.' He was like, 'Believe and follow me.'"



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 $\uparrow$  "Everyone I've worked with, I love it that you can't really tell how amazing these people are because there's such a humility and an honesty," Rusty says. "When I see that, that inspires me. That leads me."

 $\leftarrow$  Rusty and Stephanie both grew up in a home with ministers. Now their daughter, Ella – and Woody the terrier – gets to grow up in that legacy of service.

Since working with college students, a quote Rusty once read has stuck with him: "The college environment is a fulcrum, a leverage point to move the world," he says. "Think of how many people you can help send on the trajectory of Christ and how that can bring about the kingdom on a large scale."



*Journal* managing editor Michael Richeson interviewed Rusty about his mission at George Fox and the joys and challenges of his first year here. Listen to the discussion online at georgefox.edu/podcast

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**ABOUT MARCELO:** 

Hometown: San Pedro de Jujuy, Argentina Family: Wife, two sons ages 14, 17 Hobbies: tennis, spending time with family outside, traveling all over the world, reading in English and Spanish Favorite writers: Carlos Castaneda, Julio Cortazar, Jorge Luis Borges

# Call to Do More

#### Marcelo Peralta wanted more than a paycheck. He wanted a purpose. He found it in an Oregon classroom.

By Sara Kelm

HILE 25 SIXTH-GRADERS MEANDER INTO CLASS, Marcelo Peralta cheerfully greets them in Spanish: "Buenos días, señioritas y señores." They sleepily answer, "Buenos días, maestro Peralta."

This is not where Peralta expected to be, even after spending time in his mother's classroom as a young boy in San Pedro de Jujuy, Argentina. He took a winding path to his career as a teacher, working on his grandfather's farm and attending a technical high school to become a mechanic technician before studying civil engineering at the Universidad Nacional de Cordoba in Argentina.

Peralta moved to the United States with his wife and two young boys in 1997 to find better job

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opportunities. He continued his education at the University of Portland, where he became licensed as a civil engineer. He worked in the field for a few years, but eventually felt something lacking in his life.

The money was good, but Peralta felt his job was "cold," with little human interaction and impact. "I was solving problems, not helping problems," he says. He saw the Hispanic community lacking role models and felt the call to do something about it. "I woke up one day and said, 'You know, I want to be a teacher."

Peralta researched different Masters of Arts in Teaching programs in the Pacific Northwest, looking for a smaller university where he would be "a person, not a number," and chose George Fox, which was, as he says, "the

best experience of my life."

The mentorship Peralta received inspires him to be a mentor to his students. Valor Middle School's student population is from rural Woodburn, Ore., and most of his students' parents work on farms in the area. Most are also immigrants from Mexico and Central America.

For these students, Valor has a bilingual program, in which half of students' classes are taught in English, half in Spanish. Peralta teaches in the Spanish program, where he not only teaches in the students' native tongue but can also "speak the same language" in a cultural sense.

Peralta also teaches an advisory class that includes English-, Spanish- and Russian-speaking students, the latter also a large immigrant population in the area. He laughs when he mentions that he is learning Russian from his students, and proudly rattles off a phrase.

Peralta's goal for his students – attend a university. He believes all his charges have the aptitude to succeed in higher education, and he's doing his part to give them the opportunity. He brings professionals into the classroom and makes home visits after school. Peralta also tries to stay in contact with students long after they leave his classroom so he can continue urging them forward.

Peralta does not limit his influence to middle school. He also teaches a class in English and, three nights a week, college algebra at Chemeketa Community College. The extra load means Peralta often works 12-hour days, not to mention the grading that happens at home. But the pride in his voice is evident when he talks about how his teacher's aide at Chemeketa is one of his former students.

He values the success of his students far more than the salary he makes. "Being a teacher is not something I am doing for the money," he says. "We are not making a fortune here, but you know, we have another kind of motivation: seeing the kids performing well and going to university."

# Fostering Hope By Kimberly Felton

George Fox grad plans to return to the system that raised her - this time to help others

I f she was alarmed, Tabitha Jenner (G10) did not show it. She was at court with Nicole Morton, the caseworker supervising her internship at the Department of Human Services (DHS), and Jenner had a child – the youngest of three siblings – by her side. Morton had the two older siblings preparing to testify at a hearing.

No one expected the mother, whom the children had not seen in months, to show up. Their older brother, who was under a restraining order, also made a surprise appearance. Kids ran different directions; some toward their mother, others away from her.

"It freaked everyone out, including the attorneys," Morton said. Before the situation could spiral completely out of control, Morton told Jenner to get the kids out of the courtroom.

Easier said than done, but Jenner calmed the three siblings and convinced them to go with her to another part of the building. "It was all unexpected, and that happens all the time on this job," Morton said.

Jenner may have the inside edge

on handling the unexpected. A new graduate who majored in social work at George Fox, Jenner is a foster child herself. Having experienced a government system trying to right the wrongs of parents, she remembers all too well the trauma of being torn from her mother and the ache to care for younger siblings placed in other homes.

"I had this idea of case workers that they didn't follow through – weren't reliable," Jenner said. "I never thought this was somewhere I'd end up."

But then, Jenner never intended to enter social work at all. She began studying psychology, but after speaking to a sociology class about her experience as a foster child, Jenner had coffee with a professor who pointed Jenner to the school's social work department. Staff there explained that the degree prepares students for careers in everything from adoptions to school interventions specialists, mental health to hospice, drug and alcohol treatment to social justice and policy change.

"As soon as switched, I knew this was where I was

supposed to be," Jenner said. "Way more hands-on and interacting with people, which is more my personality."

The university's accredited social work program began in 1976. Jenner is one of 140 graduates since 1998. Approximately 60 percent of them now serve in social work, and some have served overseas in Guatemala, Ethiopia, Ecuador, Germany, India and Thailand.

During her senior year placement with DHS child welfare, Jenner discovered the complexities and limitations caseworkers face – as well as their love for the kids they try to help. She also found she

had something unique to offer.

She remembers the trauma of being torn from her mother and the ache to care for younger siblings placed in other homes

"In social work, when we can show understanding ... we have a unique opportunity to come alongside in their particular struggle," Debra Penkin, an adjunct professor at George Fox, said. "Tabitha's experience enables her to do that intuitively and with the skills she developed as a social worker."

One day Jenner sat at the courthouse with a teenage client who

talked about being the oldest, that it is hard because you want to be there for your siblings and set a good example. No one really understands.

"I'm the oldest," Jenner told her. "I grew up in foster care." The conversation turned as the teen realized someone "gets it."

"They were interested in how I got to the point I was at, going to college," Jenner said. "I shared a little but not too much. I want to keep it about them – how to stay strong and keep pushing forward. And you have to allow people to help you do that."

"Sometimes there's not anything you can say," she admits. "The one thing I said repeatedly is that you have to find a hope within yourself.

"There are moments, days, or months where you feel alone and confused, but ultimately remember the choice is yours. That does not mean it will always be easy, but that is why we work at things in life and all of it makes us stronger in the end."

> Tabitha Jenner, right, graduated from George Fox this spring and plans to make a career out of helping teens caught in difficult situations.





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#### 1950 - 59

Carol (Parrett) Morter (n58) retired last spring after working at Friendsview Retirement Community, Newberg, as receptionist for the last seven and a half years.

#### 1960 - 69

Sherrill (Hull) Comfort (G63) and Duane Comfort (G64), after volunteering two years at Twin Rocks Friends Camp on the Oregon Coast as caretakers of the Harbor Villa Retreat Center, have returned to Newberg and live at Friendsview Retirement Community.

Garyanna (Schmoe) Stalick (G67) is the author of Cocoa's Collar: Tools to help children who have special needs deal with death, published in March 2010 by PublishAmerica. The goal of the book is to combine simple speech strategies with grief-coping methods to assist a child functioning at or below the developmental age of 3 years. Garyanna is a retired early childhood specialist living in Albany, Ore., where she is vice chair of the Linn County Commission on Children and Families.

#### 1970 - 79

Stuart Willcuts (G72) has been named Kosovo team leader for World Vision, overseeing the agency's work in Kosovo, Albania, and Montenegro. Based in Tirana, Albania, he is spending much of his time in Prizren, southern Kosovo. 18 miles from the Albanian border. Willcuts has worked in disaster relief situations for more than 25 years and has traveled extensively in Latin America and Africa in positions with World Vision, Northwest Medical Teams International, the U.S. Agency for International Development, and other agencies. His last assignment was as director of World Vision's work in Azerbaijan.

**Jeff Rickev** (G76) has been elected chair of the finance committee for the National Association for College Admission Counseling. He is vice president and dean of admissions and financial aid for Earlham College, Richmond, Ind., a role he has served since 1998 after 12 years in admissions at George Fox.

#### 1980 - 89

Mark Reynolds (G81), in April, was inducted into the Cottage Grove (Ore.) High School Athletic Hall of Fame, one of five athletes at the school to have held school or conference records in two sports. His sports were football and track, in which his high and intermediate hurdles records still stand after 33 years. He has taught math and physical education at the middle school level for 24 years - 21 in Newberg, where he and his wife, Vickie, live. For 16 years he was Newberg High varsity track coach while also coaching middle and high school football. He also is a member of the George Fox Athletic Hall of Fame, inducted as a member



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of both the 1979 and 1980 men's track and field teams.

Frank Engle (G82) was named Newberg Kiwanian of the Year at the 2010 Chehalem Valley Chamber of Commerce awards banquet in April. He is vice president for marketing for Friendsview Retirement Community, is a former president of the Kiwanis Club and Newberg Toastmasters, is chair of the Newberg Faith in Action advisory board, and is a member of the George Fox alumni board. Two years ago, he received the Edward Stevens Distinguished Person of the Year Award at the banquet.

Suzanne (Porter) Kaulius (G84) in August was named senior civilian of the first and second quarter of 2009 for her performance as a civilian licensed clinical social worker employed at the Naval Medical Center in San Diego. She has been in that position for 10 years and was recognized for volunteering to absorb the Comprehensive Combat and Complex Casualty Care inpatient caseload, totaling 408 hours of additional coverage. This doubled her average monthly patient contact to 45 new patients.

**Brenda (Riemer) Winslow** (n84), after 11 years as a children's ministry director, has founded Better Children's Ministries, for which she speaks in training workshops and consults with children's ministry teams in small- and middle-sized churches. She and her husband live in Sweet Home. Ore.

Marion (Hull) Reynolds (G87) was one of 20 individuals recognized by Oregon Governor Ted Kulongoski at the annual Oregon Governor's Volunteer Awards Luncheon in Salem last October. Awards are sponsored by the Oregon Volunteers Commission for Voluntary Action and Service. "These volunteers and volunteer programs are making a difference every day, and it's important that we acknowledge and applaud their



contributions to strengthening Oregon's communities," said Jack Lorts, co-chair of the commission. Reynolds was cited for her work as co-founder of the Salem (Ore.) Free Medical Clinic. She previously practiced at the Salem Clinic and at Virginia Garcia Memorial Health Center in McMinnville, Ore., where she now is a family physician at Willamette Valley Medical Center.

John Marvin (G89) is a lay minister at Family Life Church, Newberg, and director of advancement for Western Mennonite School, Salem, Ore., but the former missionary in the Caribbean left those positions temporarily to travel to Haiti to help with relief work following the devastating Jan. 12 earthquake. He helped unload supplies, collect blood and urine samples at a medical facility, and, in the evenings, minister in a Jimani, Dominican Republic, compound located a few miles from Port-au-Prince."I encourage people. I pray with people and then we have a mini-service where we sing and have a brief gospel message. This routine is repeated three times each evening within the three distinct areas of the compound," he wrote in a dispatch to friends printed on the front page of the Newberg Graphic.

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#### **Realty Royalty**

With three years to spare, **Kim Dittler** (G04) earned *Realtor* magazine's "30 Under 30" honor, which annually recognizes the nation's top young realtors. Dittler, 27, was selected from a final field of 50 from the 700 originally considered and was invited to Chicago for a photo shoot for the magazine, published by the National Association of Realtors.

Dittler has worked at Prudential Northwest Properties' Lake Oswego, Ore., office for a year and a half. Last year, she had 40 residential sales totaling \$10 million, ranking her in the top 10 of 650 Prudential agents in the Portland area and in the top 3 percent of 62,000 agents nationwide. In addition to business

success, selection for the magazine honor includes consideration of innovation, professional leadership and community involvement.

Dittler is active in Adopt-A-Class, a nationwide volunteer organization that partners with schools in underprivileged locations to provide each child with an adult "buddy" who acts as a friend and role model. She also helps plan outreach events and children's programs for her SouthLake Foursquare Church in West Linn, Ore. She is also a frequent speaker, giving talks to business and leadership classes on various topics.

"In a very difficult economic market, Kim is flourishing," said Jason Waugh, chief operating officer at her firm. "Her dedication and ethics make her a role model for other young professionals."

Dittler, now living in Tualatin, Ore., majored in business at George Fox. She studied female entrepreneurs and that triggered her interest in real estate. In her first job, for four years with another real estate firm, she heard about the "30 Under 30" award and set her goal. "I've been very blessed and honored," Dittler said.

#### 1990-99

**Gary Marks** (SPS90) is city administrator of Ketchum, Idaho, a city of 3,200 near Sun Valley. He also is president of Cayo Ministries, a non-denominational, nonprofit evangelical Christian missions organization that ministers to people of the Cayo District of Belize, Central America, through shortterm missions teams.

**Gina (Withnell) Ochsner** (G92) has had her first novel published by Houghton-Mifflin-Harcourt. *The Russian Dreambook of Color and Flight* was released in February. It follows her collection of short stories, *The Necessary Grace to Fall*, and *People I Wanted to Be*. Both received the Oregon Book Award. She was featured in a life/arts/ book section article in the Sunday, May 9, *Oregonian*, which stated she "has established herself as a talented, imaginative, driven writer who balances a calm suburban life in Keizer with a restless curiosity about the world and the people in it."

Jason Stanley (n95) in February was named baseball coach at Rex Putnam High School, Milwaukie, Ore. The former George Fox pitcher was a three-sport athlete at Putnam and was selected to the Three Rivers League first-team in baseball his senior year.

Janet Weber (G95) has been named to a national committee of the Association for Library Service to Children, a division of the American Library Association. She is one of 10 serving on the Special Collections and Bechtel Fellowship Committee. She is a children's librarian for Tigard (Ore.) Public Library.



**Aaron Rauch** (G96) was the speaker for the annual Mayor's Prayer Breakfast in Newberg May 15. He is director of the Young Life program in Yamhill County and was selected because this year's theme focused on bringing generations together.

Elliot Groeneveld (G97) is a CPA with the certified public accounting firm Windedahl Rangitsch Groeneveld & Norton, Salem, Ore. The firm was founded in 1951 and in December 2009 changed to the current name to reflect new partners, with Groeneveld becoming a partner the previous year.

**Christina McMahan** (SPS97) is director of the Douglas County, Oregon, Juvenile Department. She has served in that position since June 2005, after four years directing the Deschutes County, Ore, juvenile prosecution team.

Jamie Ridley-Klucken (G98) was awarded the 2010 Outstanding Student Achievement Award for the College of Pharmacy by the Idaho State University Alumni Association and led the college in the commencement processional May 8 in Pocatello. She received an MBA and a Doctor of Pharmacy degree with honors and now will complete a post-graduate residency at the Veterans Affairs Medical Center in Boise, Idaho.

Andrew Stave (G98) is athletic director and interim alumni director for LCC University (formerly Lithuania Christian Fund College), in Klaipeda, Lithuania. Founded in 1991 as a joint venture of Lithuanian, Canadian and American foundations, it grants four-year degrees in four majors and has about 650 students, including 40 percent international students.

#### 2000 - 09

Annie (Wendel) Droullard (G00) and Joshua Droullard (G01) live in Medford, Ore., where she is a math professor at Rogue Community College and he is branch manager/assistant vice president for Bank of America's Medford branch. They moved to Medford two years ago from Florida, where she taught at Polk State College and he was a Bank of America branch manager. He is pursuing an MBA through distance learning at Mississippi State University.

Timothy Ewest (MBA00, DMgt09) is assistant professor of business administration at Wartburg College, Waverly, Iowa, and is a visiting research collaborator for the

#### **Running the Race**



A George Fox graduate won't be the next governor of Oregon. But for a while this spring, there was a chance.

The state's May primary election featured six individuals vying to be the Republican gubernatorial candidate in the November general election. The race included two George Fox alumni: **William Ames Curtright** (G71), left, and **John Lim** (MDiv70), below.

Curtright, a former teacher, research scientist and manufacturer who pioneered five patents that he still owns, lives in Salem, Ore.

Lim, an international investment consultant and former Oregon state representative and senator for 12 years, lives in Gresham, Ore. He received an honorary doctorate from Western (now George Fox) Evangelical Seminary in 1996 and previously was a member of the George Fox Board of Trustees.

Winning the political nomination was former Portland Trail Blazer Chris Dudley, a partner in a wealth design and management firm in Lake Oswego, Ore.



Princeton University Faith and Work Initiative, focusing on spirituality at work integration. Previously, for four years until 2006, he was at the University of Alaska Southeast, Ketchikan.

Timothy Williams (G02), along with a team of three doctors at Harvard School of Public Health, traveled to Haiti January 24-31 to conduct a rapid situational analysis of the impact on children following the devastating earthquake. The Child Protection Assessment Team was part of the Francois-Xavier Bagnoud Center for Health and Humanities, with emphasis on meeting with key stakeholders in Haiti to understand concerns and options for future plans and needs. Their work was published in the Feb. 17 issue of New England Journal of Medicine, and the center now is working with UNICEF and USAID to provide strategy in local efforts. Williams, named George Fox's 2009 Outstanding Recent Alumnus, is project coordinator with the Harvard School of Public Health.

Joshua Hunter (G04) has been promoted to program manager with Blach Construction Company, Santa Clara, Calif. It has 130 employees and serves industries in northern and central California. With the firm since 2001, Hunter now oversees a \$180 million construction program for a local public school district client, coordinating architects, engineers, state and local oversight entities, district and campus staffs, and construction teams to provide new and modernized school facilities as part of a voter-approved master facilities plan.

Jeffery Nelson (G04) graduated in May from Western University of Health Sciences College of Osteopathic Medicine of the Pacific with a Doctor of Osteopathy degree. He and Lynette Nelson (G05) live in Orlando, Fla, where he begins family medicine residency at Florida Hospital East Orlando in June.

**Colin Saxton** (DMin04), superintendent of the Northwest Yearly Meeting of Friends for the

#### Tim Weaver Named Top Cop

Drivers stopped for suspected impaired driving in Western Oregon hope it's not **Tim Weaver** (G76) that they face. He's been named the best in Oregon at what he does.

Weaver's ability to recognize drugs and their effects on people earned him the honor as the top city police officer in the field this spring. Officially he's a certified Drug Recognition Expert, one of only about 200 in Oregon. Weaver, however, is not just one of them. Since 1997, he's been the instructor for many of them.

A Newberg-Dundee Police Department member for 31 years, Weaver is called upon by other law enforcement agencies in four counties when they need an expert to determine if someone is on a drug – and what drug(s). In 2009, he was called out 19 times for a Drug Recognition Expert (DRE) evaluation and had a 100 percent accuracy rate.

Weaver trains other city, county and state officers through periodic DRE courses in Salem, Ore. It's all part of the Oregon Drug Evaluation and Classification Program, coordinated by the Oregon State Police Department, part of a national program directed by the International Association of Chiefs of Police and supported by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration. He receives some compensation, but much of his time is voluntary – what he calls "love time." The official recognition credits him with voluntarily giving "hundreds of hours" to impaired driving enforcement, community education, instructing standardized field sobriety testing certification, and helping with events associated with Mothers Against Drunk Driving.

Even with opportunities to advance or go elsewhere, he stays with what he enjoys. "I just think that he has a deep interest in this



field of law enforcement," said Newberg Police Chief **Brian Casey** (G98). "We're very fortunate to have (him) here."

Weaver stays motivated by participating with others in addressing impaired driving – from arrest to treatment – and by two personal losses: a best friend from high school, also a police officer, who was murdered by a man under the influence of amphetamines, and by the death of his only nephew, killed by a drunk driver. "Impaired driving is a big deal for me," Weaver said.

Of the award, Weaver said, "It's really humbling; I'm one of many; I'm with a good team - I'd be a fool to think it was just me."

This isn't Weaver's first honor. In 2004, he was presented the city of Newberg's George Layman Award as the city's top employee. That same year, George Fox inducted him into its sports hall of fame, recognizing him with a meritorious service award for volunteering as a starter at all Bruin home track meets since 1978.

last six years, has assumed the role of interim director of George Fox's Friends Center, a joint venture between the church organization and the George Fox Evangelical Seminary. The center offers classes with a specific Quaker focus and equips Friends leaders for service. He also has taught as an adjunct instructor in George Fox's religion department for seven years.

Matt Tibbs (G04) has been named resident sound designer at Pioneer Theatre Company, Salt Lake City, beginning Aug. 16. He also will become a clinical adjunct faculty member at the University of Utah, teaching sound design and supervising or designing all sound plans for the university's theater department. The Pioneer Theater Company is a major regional theater, a member of the League of Resident Theaters, comprised of the largest and most significant theaters in the U.S. He and **Beth (Cates)** (G03) have been living in Oregon, where he has been a freelance sound designer for theater and film and teaching after earning an MFA in theatrical sound design in 2007 from the University of Cincinnati's College-Conservatory of Music.

Shane Rivers (MAT05) is an English teacher at Centralia (Wash.) High School.

**Cory Ann (Crooks) Imhoff** (G06) graduated Dec. 15, 2009, from Western States Chiropractic

College, Portland, and is on staff at A Renaissance Health Center for Natural Medicine in Gresham, Ore.

Lora Johnson (MA06) in October became an affiliate instructor in the Department of Family Medicine/ School of Medicine at Oregon Health and Science University, Portland. This is in addition to serving as hospice chaplain at Odyssey Health Care, Portland, since 2007. Previously she was chaplain at Oregon State Hospital and at Legacy Emanuel Hospital, Portland.

Vincent Aleccia (EdD07) is assistant professor of education at Eastern Washington University, Cheney, Wash., in that position



since 2006 after previously serving as curriculum director at North Medford (Ore.) High School.

**Rebecca Rhuman** (G07) has moved to Hokkaido, Japan, where she is an assistant language teacher, teaching English with the Japan Exchange and Teaching program.

Travis Wesley (G08) has been hired by the Canada Revenue Agency as collections contact/compliance officer. He lives in Penticton, British Columbia, where he is co-leader of the high school youth program at the Penticton Vineyard Church and leads worship. Previously, he was an account manager with the HSBC Bank Canada.

Sara Kelm (G09) in January became an enrollment specialist for the School of Professional Studies at George Fox's Portland Center. Previously, she had workstudy positions in the Academic Resources Center, the Office of Student Life, and the Office of the President. Kristen Shielee (G09) in January was named Oregon Small College Female Athlete of the Year at the Oregon Sports Awards banquet on the Nike World Campus, Beaverton. She led the George Fox women's basketball team to the 2009 NCAA D-III national basketball championship and was named most outstanding player in the D-III Final Four. She was second nationally in field goal percentage (.626) and sixth in blocked shots (3.81 per game), leading the Northwest Conference and setting George Fox records in both categories. She now is a teacher and professional basketball player in Pamplona, Spain.

#### JUST MARRIED

Susanna Morse (G96) and Darren Billard, Jan. 23, 2010, in Portland.

Katie Green (G03) and Chris Coffel, Sept. 18, 2009, in Las Vegas.

#### **Presidential Recognition**

When President Barack Obama this spring signed one of six national awards for commitment to servicelearning in the United States, the recognition cited a program directed by George Fox University graduate **Roberto Casarez** (SPS99, MBA05).

And, Casarez passes along the credit to his alma mater: "It is the education that I received at GFU that prepared me to lead this organization. The program is housed at another university, but it is the credit of the GFU education," he says.

Casarez spent the last three years as executive director of Willamette Academy, a college access program to inspire and encourage students of disadvantaged backgrounds in the Salem-Keizer (Ore.) School District to graduate from high school and become the first in their families to attend college. He recently stepped down to become the community development officer at MaPS Credit Union.

The President's Higher Education Community Service Honor Roll Award went to Willamette



University, which established the academy in 2001 and is one of three institutions recognized for focus on helping area youth from disadvan-taged circumstances.

Under Casarez's leadership, the academy this spring also was recognized by the College Board publication "Resources for Increasing Latino Participation and Success in Higher

Education," the only Pacific Northwest-based program highlighted in profiles of successful programs nationwide. And, a January 30, 2010, "Beacons of Achievement" feature in *The Oregonian* newspaper listed Willamette Academy when it asked 50 of the best minds in Oregon to think about "success stories" they've seen around the state in the past 20 years.

The academy program is an after-school and summer program with 25-30 students chosen each year after they complete seventh grade. They receive 117 additional classroom days over five years with 93 percent completing high school and more than 90 percent going on to colleges. Jessica Lebold (G03) and Espeirance Kouka, Oct. 24, 2009, in Brazzaville, Republic of Congo.

**Melinda Sockolov** (G06) and Ryan Malone, Aug. 7, 2009, in Portland.

**Amaris Tronson** (G07) and Nick Longmire, Oct. 10, 2009, in Cle Elum, Wash.

**Nicole Clement** (G08) and **Ryan Weldon** (G09), July 11, 2009, in Newberg.

**Erik Hakkinen** (G08) and Karen Templeton, Nov. 7, 2009, in Suttle Lake, Ore.

**Kari Hegland** (MEd09) and Stephen Custer, Aug. 1, 2009, in Seabeck, Wash.

**Kenny Turk** (SPS09) and Melony Aspinwall, Sept. 26, 2009, in Salem, Ore.

#### **BABY BRUINS**

Jeanine (Myers) Le Shana (G81) and Jim Le Shana (G81), a girl, Sasha Joy, born Aug. 15, 1998, in Chernivtsi, Ukraine, adopted Dec. 21, 2009, in Kitsman, Ukraine.

**Mark Pothoff** (G93) and **Olivia (Fromdahl) Pothoff** (G00), a girl, Aubrey Jasmine, March 21, 2010, in Newberg.

**Yvonna (Bones) Groeneveld** (G94) and **Elliott Groeneveld** (G97), a girl, April Marie, born July 24, 2006, adopted Feb. 17, 2010, in Keizer, Ore.

**Heidi (Drahn) Banaag (**G95) and Aris Banaag, a girl, Faith Margaret, July 6, 2009, in Wailuku, Hawaii.

**Lisa (Abbey) Harris (**G95) and Rob Harris, a girl, Sophia Anne, Dec. 8, 2009, in Blaine, Minn.

**Brian Kerth** (n95) and Breahna Kerth, a girl, Ellyn Lois, April 23, 2010, in Portland.

**Cheryl (Matney) Nilluka** (G96) and Chris Nilluka, a girl, Ava Colette, April 14, 2010, in Portland.

**Ben Spotts** (G96) and Libby Spotts, a girl, Asha Judith, Feb. 13, 2010, in Hyderabad, India.

Jacob Coleman (G97) and Dawn (Napier) Coleman (G98), a boy, Gabe Daniel, April 13, 2010, in Laguna Hills, Calif.

Jesica (Parnell) Hanson (G97) and Joseph Hanson, a boy, Garrett Joseph, Aug. 24, 2009, in Bakersfield, Calif.

Michelle (Migneault) Shipley (G97) and James Shipley, a boy, Elijah James, July 1, 2009, in Portland.

Heidi (Bergman) Adams (G98) and Nicholas Adams, a boy, Timothy Jonathan, Dec. 29, 2009, in Cambridge, England.

Andrew Stave (G98) and Kim Stave, a boy, Isak Andrius, June 4, 2009, in Vilnius, Lithuania.

Stephanie (Jones) Teahn (G98) and Munty Teahn, a girl, April 14, 2010, in McMinnville, Ore.

Carolyn (Wadlow) Wood (G98) and David Wood (G98, MEd05), a girl, Eloise Jane Marie, Feb. 18, 2010, in Silverton, Ore.

**Tara (Herrmann) Hebert (**G99) and Tyler Hebert, a girl, Jolie Lyn, Dec. 30, 2009, in Fairview, Ore.

Eric Beasley (G00, Med04) and Kareen (Combs) Beasley (G02), a girl, Anna Rebecca, April 25, 2010, in Newberg.

Annie (Wendel) Droullard (G00) and Joshua Droullard (G01), a girl, Abigail Rose, May 29, 2009, in Medford, Ore.

Brian Herling (G00, MAT05) and Krista-Lynn (Bibby) Herling (G03, MAT05), a boy, Noah Eugene, March 17, 2010, in Wenatchee, Wash.

**Debra (Ross) Taylor** (G00) and Seth Taylor, a girl, Sarah Elizabeth, Dec. 2, 2009, in Madras, Ore.

Amy (Forbes) Arnold (G01, MA03) and Forrest Arnold (G01), a girl, Selah Ruth, March 16, 2010, in Renton, Wash.

Rachel (DeYoung) Davidson (G01, MAT02) and Zachary Davidson (G02, MAT03), a boy, Elijah James, April 4, 2009, in Clackamas, Ore.

Megan (Luginbill) Fisher (G01) and Troy Fisher, a boy, Axel Philip, Dec. 9, 2009, in Boise, Idaho.

Melissa (Burns) Lisenbey (G01) and Edward Lisenbey, a boy, Edward Charles, Aug. 17, 2009, in Walla Walla, Wash.

Nathan Moody (G01) and Ramie (Boyd) Moody (G01), a boy, Judson James, Oct. 24, 2009, in Silverton, Ore.

Heidi (Hardenburger) Courtney (G02) and Trevor Courtney, a girl, Cairlin Laine, May 2, 2010, in Salem, Ore.

Betsy (Walker) Dixon (G02) and Kyle Dixon (G02), a girl, Sydney Grace, June 2, 2009, in Eugene, Ore.

Nathan Paisley (G02) and Melissa (McKenzie) Paisley (G03), a girl, Anna Carolina, Jan. 18, 2010, in Colorado Springs, Colo.

Christine (Shaw) Robinson (G02) and Michael Robinson, a boy, Kellan Michael, Sept. 8, 2009, in Glendale, Ariz.

Darla (Imhausen) Slaughter (n02) and Ben Slaughter, a boy, Sterling Aaron James, Nov. 16, 2009, in Atlanta.

Norma Alley (G03) and Clinton Alley, a girl, Jenevieve Amelia, May 1, 2010, in Newberg.

John Coburn (G03) and Melissa (Leichty) Coburn (G03), a boy, Archer Josiah, July 24, 2009, in Hayden, Idaho.

**Richard McClatchey** (MBA03) and Sarah McClatchey, a girl, Paisley Perrilyn, Dec. 4, 2009, in Portland.

Jared Meidal (G03) and Kimberly Meidal, a boy, Joseph William, Dec. 23, 2009, in Valencia, Calif.

Robin (Green) Spangler (G03) and Derek Spangler, a boy, Blake Wesley, July 7, 2009, in Grass Valley, Calif.

Silas Towne (G03) and Sara Towne, a girl, Ella Marie, Nov. 4, 2009, in Richland, Wash.

Stephen Keck (G04) and Vanessa (Thurston) Keck (G04), a girl, Elizabeth Jane, March 6, 2010, in Bremerton, Wash.

Joshua Sargent (G04) and Sarah (Camp) Sargent (G04), a girl, Lillian Hannah, Feb. 4, 2010, in Portland.

Adam-Ross Branch (G05) and Sarah Branch, a girl, Abriel Terrah, Feb. 24, 2010, in Portland.

Suzanne (Pinkerton) Galvin (G05) and Ben Galvin, twin girls, Andrea Mary and Samantha Jean, Dec. 1, 2009, in Portland,

Shane Rivers (MAT05) and Danielle Rivers, a girl, Emerson Joy, Sept. 9, 2009, in Olympia, Wash.

Dana (Smith) Grover (G06) and Jonathan Grover (G06), a girl, Ella Kadence, March 13, 2010, in Newberg.

#### IN MEMORY

Mary (McClintick) Hadley (G49), Feb. 18, 2010, in Stanton. Calif.

Verna Kellar (G49), Jan. 15, 2010, in Portland.

Alice (Kippenhan) Tish (n49), April 3, 2010, in Bakersfield, Calif.

Jeanne (Woodward) Ralston (n50), Oct. 15, 2009, in Bellevue, Wash.

Richard "Bud" Tusant (MDiv54), April 22, 2010, in Salem, Ore.

Larry Brown (n63), Oct. 12, 2009, in Dundee, Ore.

Janet Gathright (G66), Jan. 31, 2010, in Hillsboro. Ore.

Vance Taylor (G68), Nov. 7, 2009, in Greenleaf, Idaho.

Steven Forney (G81), March 8, 2010, in Portland.

Royal Reynolds (SPS06), Feb. 8, 2010, in Portland

#### George Fox University Golf Tournament July 15

George Fox will host its annual golf tournament on both courses of The Reserve Vineyards and



Golf Club in Aloha on Thursday, July 15. We are seeking sponsors and players for the tournament, which supports student scholarships and the Bruin Athletic Association. Many sponsorship levels are available. For more information, visit golf.georgefox.edu.

#### Motorcycle Rally August 14

This summer marks the return of the George Fox Motorcycle Rally!



Alumni, parents and friends of the university are invited to cruise with fellow riders from the George Fox community on the fourth installment of this favorite event. This year's event will include new routes and a biker's barbecue dinner on the Newberg campus. If you are interested in helping plan this event or would like more information, contact alumni relations at 503-554-2131 or *alumni@ georgefox.edu*.

#### Auxilliary Centennial Celebration August 20

This year marks a century of existence for one longrunning organization on campus: the George Fox University Auxiliary. Amanda Woodward and



Evangeline Martin – two pioneering women who are the namesakes of the historic Wood-Mar Hall – founded the auxiliary on Oct. 15, 1910. The mission, which has remained unchanged these 100 years, is to "enlist a larger constituency in the promotion of the interests of the college socially, and to aid in its better equipment for work, along such lines as may be found to be effective."

The primary instigation for the organization's founding was to support students in the college's dormitory. The group has done everything from painting stairways to canning hundreds of quarts of fruit to feed students.

#### Retirees: A rock-solid return in uncertain economic times

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#### Selah – "It's time to simplify" September 25

Full closets, packed garages, overbooked schedules, demanding relationships, to-do lists, and a constant stream of e-mail messages and paperwork clamor for attention. These trappings of life deplete our spirits because we were created by God to live with simplicity and order. Come to Selah and be encouraged to step into the freedom of a de-cluttered life!

Speakers include Vicki Norris, the president of Restoring Order, radio host Georgene Rice and George Fox University's campus pastor Sarah Baldwin. Olivia Pothoff will be the worship leader. *georgefox.edu/selah* 

#### Family Weekend November 5-7

Students will share the spirit of campus life with their families during a full weekend



of events, including musical and theatrical performances, faculty lectures, and worship with the George Fox community on Sunday morning. For more information or to register, contact Amy Lorenz at 503-554-2134.

#### Bruin Preview November 11-12

This two-day campus visit event is designed to help prospective



undergraduate students and families experience George Fox in depth. You'll hear about our financial aid and admissions processes, meet with your admissions counselor, and hear about opportunities outside the classroom. To get an insider's glimpse of campus life here, you can also eat Bon Appetit meals with new friends and spend the night in a residence hall.

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