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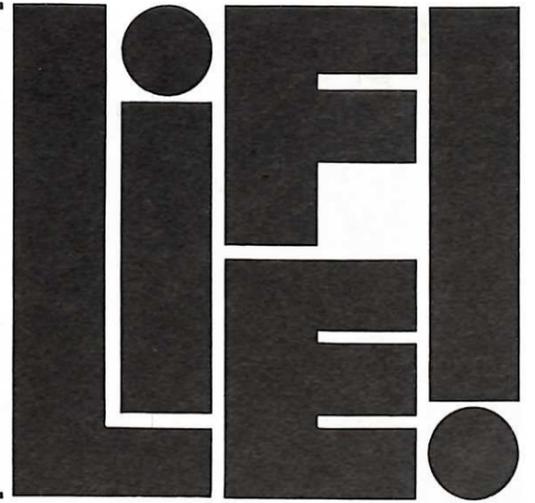
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# GEORGE FOX COLLEGE June '76



New \$2.2 million sports/physical education complex is named Coleman Wheeler Sports Center in ground breaking ceremonies. Wheeler's son Sam acknowledges the honor as Lila and Jim Miller, for whom the gymnasium portion will be named, look on with President David Le Shana.

## Construction Starts As Buildings Named

*"If you have built castles in the air,  
your work need not be lost;  
that is where they should be.  
Now put the foundations under them."*  
—Henry David Thoreau

At George Fox College those foundations are now being placed. And what seemed a distant, almost impossible dream a few years ago is becoming a reality with two major buildings officially started and two more on the drawing boards.

In an unusual move in the life of any college, George Fox broke ground for two buildings in a span of a week. Total costs will be more than \$3 million.

The buildings—a new \$2.2 million sports/physical education complex and a new \$850,000 academic center—both have new names officially revealed in the ceremonies May 22 and May 29, respectively.

It will be the Coleman H. Wheeler Sports Center containing the Jim and Lila Miller Gymnasium, and the Herbert C. Hoover Academic Building containing the Howard E. Kershner Center for Business and Economics.

The new 50,000-square-foot athletic complex got off to a big start with President David Le Shana hopping aboard a huge earth mover, guiding it to take a large scoop of earth on the site. That followed the traditional turning of earth by hand shovels wielded by Board Chairman Eugene Coffin, Architect Pietro Belluschi, Newberg

Mayor Jack Nulsen, Student Body President Ron Mock, Physical Education Professor Marge Weesner, Jim and Lila Miller and Sam Wheeler, son of Coleman Wheeler.

The new Wheeler Sports Center is being named for a long-time Northwest forest products leader. Wheeler, who died in 1973, was chairman of the board of Willamette Industries, one of Oregon's largest lumber companies, until 1971. Wheeler is the grandson of Oregon pioneers. He started in the lumber business in 1920 at the death of his father and was involved in a number of independent logging operations for twenty-six years. For twenty-one years he and two other partners built and expanded Santiam Lumber Co., until its merger with Willamette Industries in 1967.

President Le Shana cited Wheeler for "a lasting mark on Oregon and George Fox College." He called Wheeler "a friend of the college, who gave substantially in funds and leadership, encouraging the administration in steps to be taken to develop and maintain a strong Christian liberal arts college based on the standards of strong fiscal management and a goal of national leadership."

The Miller Gymnasium will honor a Beaverton, Ore., couple who, through a major gift of \$620,000 in 1973, provided funds to start a capital campaign for the new sports center and for a campus master plan. Miller, a member of the college's Board of Trus-

tees, with his brother Robert for 21 years was owner of Cascadia Lumber Co. They sold the firm and its extensive timber holdings in 1973. A Miller son, Paul, is a 1969 GFC graduate.

"It was their inspiration that made this all possible," Le Shana said of the Millers.

The new sports complex, on the campus's east side along Hess Creek canyon, will feature all-wood construction and has been designed by Beluschi to be a showplace for Northwest timber products. The center will have seating for 2,500 to 3,000, three basketball courts, handball courts, multipurpose areas, classrooms and administrative and faculty offices. Completion is expected sometime next spring.

The new 20,000-square-foot Herbert C. Hoover Academic building honors the thirty-first president of the United States. Hoover attended Friends Pacific Academy, the forerunner of George Fox, for three years from 1885 through 1888.

For the college, it is the second building it has named for Hoover. Hoover Hall, a two-story wooden structure constructed in 1885, the second one built on campus, was named for the late former president. Because of deterioration it was razed in 1954.

Young Hoover was a member of the first class of the new school when it opened. He was one of thirty-four students in the class and at the academy. He tended furnace, swept floors and cleaned blackboards, and he registered as H. C. Hoover in a book still kept in the college's museum.

The 6,500-square-foot economics center will be named for the founder and long-time president of Christian Freedom Foundation. For 20 years Kershner edited *Christian Economics*, authoring more than 6,000 editorials and 100 major articles. In 1970 he became editor-in-chief of the publication, now titled *Applied Christianity*. Kershner and his wife Gertrude have given substantially toward the project, including his library, papers, some personal possessions and property.

The economic center will have a large lecture hall, seminar room, lounge, small library, offices and reception area. The overall two-story structure will contain more classrooms and administrative offices of the college's admissions staff, registrar and faculty dean.

Ground-breaking ceremonies were on the south campus near Wood-Mar Hall, where the new building will be located. Participating were Le Shana, Kershner, Board Member Gerald Dillon, Newberg City Administrator Myrland Gilbert, Social Science Division Chairman Lee Nash, Student Body President Ron Mock, Architect Donald Lindgren, College Dean William Green and Business Manager Don Millage.

The academic building, to be completed sometime during winter term, will be of an architectural style similar to present newer buildings on campus. It will complete one corner of a new campus quad being developed. Site preparation is under way with existing landscaping already removed in preparation for the actual construction to start as soon as architectural plans are completed.



President Le Shana, aboard huge earth mover, takes gigantic first scoop of earth at new sports center site.



New water and sewer lines are being placed on the campus in conjunction with building expansion.

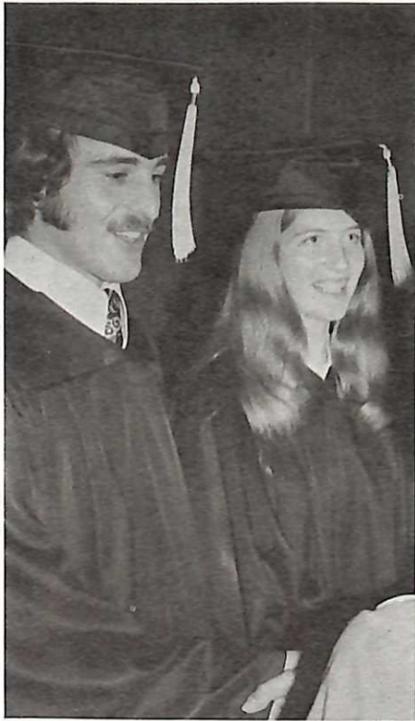


Howard E. Kershner takes the first shovelful of earth as ground is broken for new \$850,000 Herbert C. Hoover Academic Building which will contain the Kershner Center for Business and Economics. President David Le Shana later used shovel (on ground) from Hoover's boyhood home in Newberg to continue the ceremonies.



Students clear Hess Creek Canyon in connection with new sports center construction.

# 1976 Commencement Features Leitch, Honors Beals



Happy graduates Kelly and Christine Champ.

Sacrifice and faith were the key words as noted author-lecturer, Elisabeth Elliot Leitch, addressed the 84th annual George Fox College commencement ceremonies May 29.

Along with degrees to seventy-eight seniors, the college gave special recognition to long-time Quaker leader, Charles Beals, with the awarding of an honorary doctorate.

Earlier in the day President David Le Shana in baccalaureate services warned that Watergate, the CIA and "the conduct of some congressmen" are not the major scandals of our times. He said "the low grade of Christian living with conduct that is substandard" rates that claim.

"Make no mistake about it," Mrs. Leitch told an estimated 1,200 persons, "the kind of work that changes the world, the really transforming work, is done not by a new use of power or by intellectual brilliance or by the mobilization of ever larger and more concerned forces, but in the last analysis by sacrifice."

## Campus Keeps Busy with Five Summer Conferences

More than 3,000 persons are expected to attend 5 conferences on the George Fox College campus this summer. In addition, the college will host the city's annual summer festival.

With classes out for the summer, the college is turning its campus into a conference and convention center. Brought to Newberg will be several regional and West Coast conferences.

The city celebration, "Country Fair," on Aug. 7 will feature display booths for arts and crafts, athletic events, and a community-wide picnic.

Hester Gymnasium on campus has been turned into a convention center with the playing court covered, seating for more than 600 being arranged on the floor in addition to the normal seating, and a temporary raised platform and sound shell backdrop installed. All residence halls are being prepared to serve as temporary "hotels" for campus visitors.

It will be the last year for the gymnasium to be used as a conference center. The college has under construction a new sports complex designed to accommodate conferences and conventions with seating for up to 3,000.

First to be held this summer will be a World Missionary Assistance Plan (World MAP) conference from June 28 through July 5. Up to 1,200 are expected.

Mrs. Leitch is perhaps better known as Betty Elliot, the author of eleven books, including the most noted, *Through Gates of Splendor*. That book tells of her missionary work and the death of her missionary husband Jim twenty years ago at the hands of the



Elisabeth Elliot Leitch

Stone Age Auca Indian tribe, which killed four missionaries trying to take the Gospel to them.

A former missionary to Ecuador to those same Auca Indians, Mrs. Leitch noted the biblical stories of Abel, Noah, Abraham, Moses and Rahab. She said they were all noted for one thing: their faith. She challenged the GFC graduates that the list is not complete and that they could have their names added.

"The faith that bore those heroes down into the depths of darkness and suffering—and I hope you will remember this if you remember nothing else—was not their own thing," Mrs. Leitch said. "They didn't somehow work themselves up to it by getting to know themselves or love themselves or by doing what they felt like doing; it

came from a source outside themselves, outside the sphere of this world's understanding, from the One who said, 'Without me ye can do nothing.'" Mrs. Leitch is currently visiting professor at Gordon-Conwell Theological Seminary in Mass.

In his baccalaureate message, "What Do You Know?" President Le Shana said the church "must speak to this generation, not merely be a part of it; we must dare to be Christian."

A former Friends pastor before becoming the college's ninth president in 1969, Le Shana said the concern must be to know the love, the lowliness and



Charles Beals (left) receives doctorate from President David Le Shana.

the lordship of Christ. "By love we can change the world," Le Shana said. He said he has sensed a mood on college campuses across America ("especially at George Fox for several years") of students wanting to be useful. "They are concerned about the

well-being of others and are more highly motivated than some generations," Le Shana said. "This should be no temporary trend but a way of life," he added.

In the citation to Beals, Dean of the College William Green noted his services as a pastor, educator, church executive, retirement home administrator and archivist. A college board member for twenty-three years, Beals is a 1929 graduate of the college. He retired last fall after seventeen years as administrator of Friendsview Manor retirement center in Newberg. He was president of Friends Bible College for five years and a regional church executive as general superintendent of the Iowa Yearly Meeting of Friends for three years. For sixteen years he was a pastor in Vancouver, Wash., Portland, and Newberg. The doctorate to Beals was the seventeenth awarded by the college in eighty-four years.



David Sherman, Newberg, takes time out in receiving line to tend to his son Michael David, five months.

## Education Programs Are Endorsed, Commended

Complete state approval has been granted to George Fox's teacher education programs.

The approval, for the maximum five-year period running through August, 1981, was granted by the Oregon Teacher Standards and Practices Commission.

All programs reviewed by an accreditation team in January were approved. They include health, language arts, speech, drama, prealgebra and general mathematics, algebra and geometry, and advanced mathematics. Also accepted were music, physical education, biology, integrated science, and social studies.

The ten-member visiting team met with faculty members and administrators, talked with students, examined the library and class syllabi, visited

class sessions, and examined faculty preparation and college facilities.

"The committee wishes to commend the college for the exceptionally high morale that was evident on campus," the commission investigators said. "The small size of George Fox College is conducive to good student-faculty-administration communication," it added. "But in addition to the naturalness of good communications, the administration has made a sincere effort to involve students in college-wide committees as well as the Teacher Education Commission."

The accreditation review committee said it sensed "very good rapport between faculty, students, and administration as well as involvement with alumni and the community . . ."

## Commencement Dinner Draws 250

"Formula for the Future," a progress report on a successful multimillion dollar expansion program, was the theme for the 17th annual George Fox College \$50-a-plate Commencement Dinner.

More than 250 persons attended the reservation-only dinner on campus.

The program, featuring President David Le Shana, included a report on the start of the new sports/physical education center, for which ground breaking was held earlier in the day. It also included information on the start of a new academic center.

The program also featured the 33-voice "GFC Singers," a new ensemble directed by Jerry Friesen, and a multi-

media presentation, "Formula for the Future."

The dinner, one of the city's social highlights of the year, featured a menu ranging from stuffed pork tenderloin to rainbow ice cream cake.

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# George Fox College



Janice Camp, a Hubbard, Ore., freshman being checked here by volunteer nurse Ruth Tilden, was one of the blood donors helping George Fox set a record pace to win regional award.

## GFC Students Set the Pace

George Fox College students lead the way regionally in blood donations. Red Cross officials have cited the college's students for having the highest percentage of participation of any college in Oregon, southwest Washington and part of Idaho. George Fox students had a nearly 20 percent turnout to give blood at each of three blood drawings during the school year.

Students received a "certificate of appreciation" award for "outstanding cooperation" in blood drives.

In three drawings this year students gave 300 pints, averaging 100 pints for each Red Cross visitation. In six years since blood campaigns were started students have given 1,378 pints. It's the second time the college has received an award for its participation.

## Frosh Touch Brushes Day Care Center

Newberg's National Guard Armory is a mighty big place when you're just three years old.

The high ceiling and wide spaces between the concrete walls can be awesome and distracting when you're supposed to be paying attention to something closer at hand.

And it also can be distracting when there's another group of youngsters in the same area working on a different project.

The solution is room dividers to divide off separate classrooms in the armory, which serves as the home for the Casa de Colores Day Care Center for about 40 Newberg area youngsters.

And George Fox College students came to the rescue with an afternoon painting party to complete a project to provide those room divisions.

Nineteen members of the George Fox freshman class took on the task as a class project, forsaking an after-



Deborah Greenidge, Seattle freshman, lends a hand.

## Mock Election for Real

A history major from Hillsboro, Ore., with a government background in Washington, D.C., is the new president of the George Fox student government.

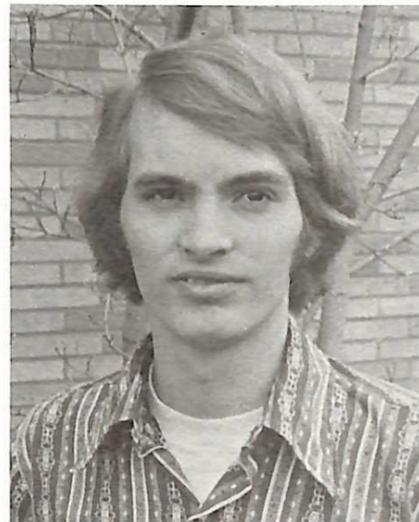
Ron L. Mock, a 20-year-old senior this fall, takes over from Jeff Rickey.

Mock, who served as student body vice-president during the last year, campaigned on a request for more faculty participation on student committees, and more communication and response among students.

Mock previously has served as student supreme court chief justice. He is an Intensified Studies program honors student, and last summer spent an intern learning period on the staff of Oregon Senator Mark Hatfield.

New vice-president is Jon Chandler, a sophomore religion major from Culver, Ore. Nancy Minthorne, a junior from Lake Oswego, is the new secretary and the new treasurer is Jim Friesen, also a Lake Oswego junior. Miss Minthorne is a psychology-sociology major and Friesen is a business major.

Other new officers are Joyce Mardock, a junior from Pleasant Hill, Calif., student director of publicity; Scott Mayfield, a senior from Escondido, Calif., student director of activities; Robert Booth, a Canby junior,



Ron Mock

student court chief justice; and Tom Powers, a sophomore from Portland, Student Union board chairman.

Officers administer a budget of about \$48,000.

## Peggy Is Honored

Peggy Wilson, a business-economics major from Quincy, Wash., is the second recipient of the American Association of University Women (AAUW) recognition award given to a campus senior.

Chosen by the Newberg branch of the AAUW, Miss Wilson is designated as George Fox's Outstanding Senior Woman for 1976.

Miss Wilson maintained a 3.90 grade average while serving as treasurer of the student body, Finance Committee chairperson, communications secretary, junior class vice-president and campus Missions Conference chairperson for two years during her four-year campus career.

Miss Wilson, who earlier was named to *Who's Who Among Students at American Colleges and Universities*, has served as a student secretary in the college's maintenance office for four years and spent the last summer as a secretary-bookkeeper for Columbia-Wards Fisheries in Alitak, Alaska.

The AAUW award is made on the basis of scholarship, character, personality, and contribution to campus and community life.



Peggy Wilson

## You Can't Contain(er) Russ Too Much

George Fox's Russ Schmidt has been all bottled up for the last year.

A Dallas, Ore., sophomore, Schmidt has kept the campus clean of throw-away soft drink bottles for nine months and hauled off more than 900 in one group to a local food market.

It wasn't just an ecology move, however. Schmidt, a member of the GFC band, wanted the deposit money to help him with funds to make a European performing tour with the band. The efforts brought him \$90.10, in addition to the campus record for collecting.

The bottles, which filled 37 cases, also filled nearly an entire closet in Schmidt's apartment, where they were stacked on their side four-deep on closet shelves.



Russ Schmidt

noon in the sun to paint on both broad scale and detailed levels.

While some students painted the wooden dividers, others worked in a separate room drawing, then carefully painting details of giraffes, cows, hippos, a monkey and ducks, on three coat rack boards to greet the youngsters each day.

The new wooden room dividers will replace tape marks on the floor and a few makeshift divisions previously existing. A cleaning project removed the much-worn tape from the floor as popular music blared from a radio tuned up loud for all to hear. Class members chipped in for the cost of the paints needed.

Student spokesman Debbie Conant, Greenleaf, Idaho, said the class "wanted to do something worthwhile for the community" and found the need of the day care center, which operates on a limited budget provided mostly by the parents of those participating.

Schmidt, a Christian education-music major, says he started saving the bottles last fall with the idea of helping with a missions project. He changed that later to earning money for a night out with some of those helping him save, then when the prospects of raising \$900 for the band venture came up, he saved toward that goal.

Schmidt's collection included 897 regular 10-ounce pop bottles, and four 16-ounce size. Schmidt says fewer than a dozen of the bottles were ones he personally emptied. At a bottle a day it would have taken 2½ years to reach his goal. Most of the rest came from fellow students and friends, and from tours of the campus for loose and misplaced containers.

# Nationwide Search Tabs Willard as Hoop Coach

George Fox's new basketball coach and athletic director is Sam J. Willard. Willard leaves the same positions at Big Bend Community College in Moses Lake, Wash., to join the Bruin staff Aug. 15.

Willard, 40, has been at Big Bend for seven years. The former prep level Idaho Coach of the Year (1966) has an overall coaching record of 275 wins and 161 losses.

Before assuming his present position, the new Bruin boss was a basketball coach at Caldwell and Middleton high schools in Idaho. His teams were in the state tournament seven out of

nine years, placing at least third each year. He coached his teams to the state championship title twice, one year with an undefeated 27-0 mark.

A graduate of Northwest Nazarene College in 1959, Willard, in a guard position, helped the Crusaders to the NAIA national championship playoffs in 1957.

Willard, who also will instruct physical education classes at GFC, has a master's degree from Central Washington State College, earned in 1973. For the last four summers he has helped with summer youth basketball camps.

At Big Bend Willard has been chairman of the All-College Forum, chairman of the Athletic Council, and vice-president of the Faculty Association.

"I'm real excited about the new opportunities and hope to further the progress of George Fox in athletics," Willard said. "It will be a real challenge to follow Lorin."

Willard replaces Lorin Miller, who resigned this spring after six years at George Fox. The Bruins produced NAIA District 2's best regular season record, 19-8, last year, and four starters return next fall.

The selection of Willard followed a nationwide search and consideration of dozens of candidates. Willard, his wife Myrna, and three children will move to Newberg this summer. Willard, however, began his Bruin basketball recruiting immediately.



Sam Willard



Spring sports honors at George Fox were garnered by Pam Sturzinger, Kelly Champ (top right) and Chad Neeley (bottom). Miss Sturzinger, a Salem, Ore., junior, was named the years top female athlete after receiving the Most Inspirational award in softball, basketball, and field hockey. Champ was named Most Valuable in baseball after hitting at a sizzling .500 average, at one time fifth best in the nation. For the Bruins he produced the most runs (16), most hits (26), most singles (19), and the most total bases (44). He is a Canby, Ore., senior. Neeley, a sophomore from Nampa, Idaho, earned a trip to the NAIA track nationals with his decathlon efforts for the Bruins that also earned him the Most Valuable tag for track.

## Women's Studies Program Sponsors Seminar Series

"Nobody Ever Said It Was Going to Be Easy," was the topic for a series of six seminars featuring women in a variety of professions, hosted by the college.

The two-day program featured women in medicine, law, education, business, ministry and politics.

The seminars, open to the public without charge, were sponsored by the college's Women's Studies program and the GFC Career Planning and Placement Center.

"Many wonder if we really have what it takes to make it to the top in today's competitive employment market," says Julia Hobbs, Women's Studies program director. "We're too often afraid of either failure or success, or both."

"The purpose of this series of seminars was to dispel some of those fears," she said.

Heading the list of featured speakers was former Oregon third district

Congresswoman Edith Green. She concluded the series with a political service seminar.

Mrs. Green, a graduate of the University of Oregon, was a member of Congress in the 84th through 93rd sessions and was a member of the Education and Labor Committee and chairwoman of the special Subcommittee on Education. She was also a member of President Kennedy's Commission on the Status of Women.

Other speakers were Mary Dugan, assistant advertising director for the J. K. Gill Co.; Marilyn Nichols, a member of the Portland law firm of Gregory, Clyman and Nichols; Dr. Dorothy Ritzman, radiologist at the University of Oregon Medical School; Jean Nelson, McMinnville junior high school vice-principal; and Charlotte Macy, executive director of the Twin Rocks Friends Conference Association.

## Two from GFC Named Leaders In Christian College Consortium

George Fox president, David Le Shana, and religion and philosophy professor, Arthur O. Roberts, have been named to positions of leadership in the national Christian College Consortium. The consortium is composed of thirteen Christian colleges across the nation with headquarters in Washington, D.C.

Le Shana has been chosen one of five persons on the organization's Executive Committee. He has been George Fox president since 1969, and is a member of the board of directors of the National Council for the Advancement of Small Colleges.

Roberts has been picked as one of eight on the newly created Editorial

Board of the Christian University Press. The board will develop guidelines and procedures to handle manuscripts submitted for consideration.

The press organization was created late last year by the Consortium for the publication of materials from institution members. It is established in connection with William B. Eerdmans Publishing Co.

Roberts, a George Fox faculty member since 1953 and a 1944 GFC graduate, is currently the Charles Replogle Memorial Professor, a position held since 1972, when he left the post of college dean of faculty after serving four years.

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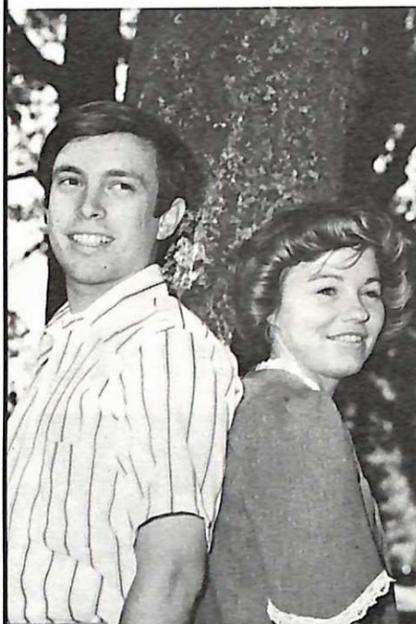
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