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# Life

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## Thy Will Be Done...

Students'  
actions  
speak loudly  
of Christian  
beliefs

"Service must exist in the Christian life—not as a means to something greater, but as an end expression of one's Christianity."

These words, published by George Fox College sociology professor Bruce Longstroth in the recent issue of the national journal *Faculty Dialogue*, are being brought to life this year by GFC's students. Proclaiming "Encouragement and Servanthood" as their theme, their goal is to show classmates how easy serving others can be.

Some projects are simple gestures of compassion. When a Newberg man was severely burned in a fire, for example, students gathered hundreds of signatures on a large, handmade card. Student representatives personally delivered the get-well gift that carried the message "We Care."

"People there [at the hospital] were so impressed. They thought that was the neatest thing we could have done," said student body president Kristen Diefenbaugh, a junior from North Bend, Ore., who has been credited by GFC faculty as the driving force behind the student-initiated projects.

Joining a community-wide effort, students recently raised \$623 for Emilly Smith, a Newberg infant who suffers from a rare liver disease and is scheduled to undergo expensive transplant surgery as soon as an organ becomes available.

Students raised more than half the donation through sales of \$1 paper links. Bearing contributors' signatures, the links were hooked together to form a 60-foot chain and given to the infant's father, Rawlen, an employee at GFC's telecommunication center. The remainder of the donation came when students opened the College's video machines for fund raising. Students and faculty plugged 1,050 quarters in the on-campus machines in six days to raise \$262.50.

In another community project, student representatives spent two hours during the freezing month of January going door to door on campus, offering Tootsie Pops in exchange for clothing donations. They collected 12 large bags of coats, sweaters, pants and shoes, then delivered them to a local service organization.

"I think it's great," said Liz Gibbons, assistant director of the organization that gives away clothes, furniture and kitchen supplies to the area's needy on a weekly basis. "We give clothes away every week, so we're always happy to get more."

Since December, about 40 students have been serving as mentors to local youth. Participants in the student-initiated "Adopt-a-Buddy" program hosted an ice-cream social to get acquainted with their young friends, most from a local boys and girls club and some from a local home for mildly retarded children. Since the initial gathering, the GFC students have met



Senior Margaret Delong (right) views pictures in the park with an Adopt-a-Buddy.

with the youths on an individual basis, treating them to Bruin sporting events or simple outings like trips to nearby parks.

Like the Adopt-a-Buddy program, students' Adopt-a-Grandparent program offers ministry opportunities. Currently, 19 students visit 21 residents at the Friendsview Manor, a retirement complex located near the College.

Freshman Margaret Delong from Yakima, Wash., has "adopted" Alice Ross, the wife of the late Milo Ross, who served as president of GFC from 1959 to 1969. The two meet at least once a month to talk, and look at Alice's photographs of Africa, where she served as a missionary for over two years.

When the plight of the urban homeless became evident through the media, GFC students again began illustrating their Christian values with action. A group now spends Friday evenings ministering to Portland's "street people."

"Most of them don't have families. They're cold and hungry, and they spend the nights on streets," said Paul Rogers, a freshman from Yakima, Wash.

"These people have seen it all. We just want to encourage them," said Leon Strait, a senior from Newberg who directs the outings. "We listen to them more than we talk."

An ongoing service project that started in 1969 is the student government's American Red Cross blood

drive. This year's winter drive attracted 51 donors—10 who had never given blood before—and brought total units collected up to 4,835. In April, student representatives plan to host another drive.

In his article "Fulfilling the Christian Mandate for Service," Longstroth predicts colleges' acts of service will help erase "persisting misconceptions of Christianity and Christian colleges."

On an administrative level, he encourages college leaders to make college resources available to their communities. He divides resources into four categories: expertise and personnel; educational or persuasive influence; facilities and equipment; and monetary resources. These "earthly demonstrations," he says, "will embody the essence of the Gospel" and "summarize the nature and mission of the Christian liberal arts college."

The result of the effort at the student level?

In looking back on the year, Diefenbaugh feels student representatives reached their goal of helping classmates help others. Participation in the various campaigns is high, which indicates students minister when shown how. Camaraderie on campus and a "community atmosphere" also seem to be growing, she said.

Paralleling Longstroth's beliefs she added, "It's neat because it not only represents the campus, it represents Christ."

## Exceptional Teacher

George Fox College is the home of one of most exceptional teachers in the world. This teacher doesn't talk, yet communicates with youths splendidly; never leaves the Newberg area, yet teaches retirees and scholars throughout the nation.

This amazing teacher is the College's Tilikum Retreat Center—93 acres of meadows and woods, and a 15-acre lake nestled in the Chehalem Mountain only minutes away from the College's Newberg campus.

Throughout the school year, the camp with the motto "Green Pastures and Quiet Waters" opens its vast "classroom" to GFC students. Every summer it welcomes youth from the area. Every winter it flings open the doors of its

"Illahee" guest house to Elderhostel participants throughout the nation.

### Only Minutes Away

Most college students have to travel hundreds of miles to visit their retreat sites. Students at Wheaton College in Illinois, for example, travel about 10 hours by bus to reach a camp in Wisconsin, about 300 miles away.

Because George Fox's Tilikum Center is located only minutes away, it has become a convenient extension of the campus. Tilikum's lake is an ideal outdoor classroom for biology majors, while Tilikum's 93 acres of meadows and woods are the home of the College's popular wilderness survival skills class.

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Tilikum Retreat Center offers 93 acres of woods and a 15-acre lake to young and old throughout the U.S.

# Tilikum Retreat Center Reaches Thousands

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The goal of the survival class is to build students' confidence to the level where they are able to spend one weekend alone, living off the land, finding food and housing in the woods. The class, limited to 20 students, "fills up rapidly," according to GFC registrar Hector Munn.

GFC staff and administration also use the camp. Deb Lacey, dean of students, recently hosted a retreat for Christian women in higher education. Twenty women from throughout the United States, from as far east as New York, attended the gathering.

"It provided a quiet place, a safe place, for the women to get away from their professional positions," Lacey said. "It's such a place of nature and creation. It has a way of quieting spirits," she explained.

One outing that has become an annual event at Tilikum is the Father/Son Fishing Retreat, held in the spring. Another popular public event is the Family "Gettogether," where families boat, hike, fish, swim and attend the film series, *What Makes a Christian Family Christian?*

Because about 2,500 people—110 groups—select Tilikum as their retreat site annually, weekend retreats must be scheduled about one year in advance.

## Extends Bible School

The primary objective of the 1,250 grade-school youths who visit Tilikum day camp each summer is to forget classrooms and clocks and have fun. And they do. They swing from trees in the woods, dive from docks in the lake, canoe in caravans and hike winding trails.

Little do the youths know that an educational foundation, much to their parents' delight, exists under all the fun and frolicking.

According to Dennis Littlefield, director of program services at Tilikum, camp counselors undergo "acclimatization" training before they work with students. They learn, for example, to teach youths to touch and smell plants instead of "memorizing scientific names," he explained.

While youths receive studies in nature and lessons in living, they also are introduced to Christianity. Picking up "where vacation Bible school leaves off," Tilikum carries themes like "Follow Jesus," and begins each day with Christian-based skits and puppet shows.

Since Tilikum's first day camp in 1972, more than 12,000 children have run, jumped, played—and learned—in the outdoor setting. While the College does not keep in contact with youths after their one-week visits, it hopes memories of the "silent teacher" will remain in their minds, Littlefield said, then draw them to Christian schools and ministries in their adult years.

## Popular with Seniors

George Fox is not unique because it participates in the Elderhostel program; more than 1,000 educational institutions around the world offer special noncredit courses of study to senior citizens. George Fox is, however, one of the few colleges that offers Elderhostel courses at sites off campus.

The outdoor Elderhostels are popular because many seniors prefer camp settings. "They like the fact that they can eat, live and learn outdoors," Littlefield explained.

Elderhostel programs are definitely for seniors who aren't content to relax after retirement, said Gary Fawver, Tilikum's executive director. According to Fawver, Elderhostel participants "are a very motivated group of people."

At Tilikum's "Experiencing Oregon" Elderhostel, for example, participants pursued outdoor interests around daily lectures on the writing of Henry Thoreau. Participant Mae Evelyn Mull of Hawaii spent much of her time outside watching turkey vultures glide through the sky, while Betty Strickland of California hiked up a hill in search of Deerhead Orchids. Fred David of Indiana opted to spend all his time outdoors. "I never liked Thoreau when I was in college and I don't like him any better now," he said with a smile before heading for a canoe ride on the lake.

The Tilikum Retreat Center has hosted Elderhostels since 1982, Fawver said. Sessions are limited to 25 people, to prevent participants from feeling lost in a large crowd, he noted.

## History Preserved

Camp Tilikum's newest addition is a 79-year-old schoolhouse, carted from the Newberg area to Tilikum in 1985.

The Valley View Schoolhouse, donated by local farmer Bruce Patton, sat idle for 42 years in the damp Oregon weather. "We destroyed some of the authenticity of the school by moving it," Fawver explained. "But it was better to move it and preserve it than to just allow it to fall into total ruin."

Local schools are interested in the building because it will "provide children with a glimpse of the past," Fawver said. "Children will be intrigued by the system where grades one through six were together, and were taught by older brothers and sisters. We already have school groups asking if they can come out and use the schoolhouse for that purpose."

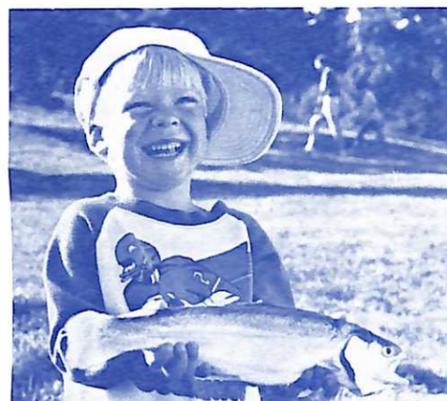
Elderhostel participants are interested in the schoolhouse, too, he noted, because many received their education in similar buildings.

Thanks to the foresight of a former teacher at the school, all the school's records were salvaged when the school closed. The records of attendance, school board meetings and school visitors will be copied and displayed in the schoolhouse.

## Gift to God

To understand Tilikum's Christian teaching philosophy, one must go back to 1960.

It was then that dairy farmer Russell Baker was feeling the economic squeeze of running a small operation. After "a good deal of inward struggle" he decided to expand his



Boy catches fish at father/son retreat.

dairy operation. It seemed he made the right decision—by the year 1962 he was almost out of debt.

Then came Oregon's infamous Columbus Day Storm. Baker's uninsured barns were reduced to rubble and he was reduced to tears. "However, I was not able to get away from the conviction that God still has

something in store for me that I could not at that vantage point see," he said.

After meditation, Baker felt led to make a covenant with the Lord. He felt so strongly about it that he wrote it out, dated it and filed it away. The essence of the pact was this: "If God would bring me out of this mess I would not only give a large part, but all to Him."

For years Baker had thought of building a dam on a creek that drained the upper part of his farm. In 1970, he sold the dairy, which was separate from the rest of the farm, and used the proceeds to create a 15-acre lake. After discussions with his pastor, who told Baker of the growing popularity of Christian camping and retreat programs, Baker donated the property to Northwest Yearly Meeting of Friends Church. In 1976, the camp was placed under the managerial umbrella of George Fox College.

In 1971 Fawver came to Tilikum Retreat Center, and in 1974 he was hired as its director. Over the years he has introduced courses such as Camp Administration and Methods of Camping into the religion and physical education departments at George Fox.

Fawver, who has a master of divinity degree from Gordon-Conwell Theological Seminary, was installed as president of Christian Camping International—U.S.A. in Nov., 1987. Currently on an eight-month leave from his position, he is traveling across the country visiting CCI camps.

## Raises Own Support

While Tilikum is under the managerial umbrella of George Fox, the retreat center is responsible for building its own financial support.

Its primary source of revenue is derived from its annual salmon bake and slide show, held every year the weekend after Labor Day. More than 250 people each night renew or begin financial pledges at the "Potlatch." About \$30,000 is raised each year, according to Fawver.

Tilikum is able to operate on a full-time staff of five because more than a dozen George Fox students work at the camp for pay or class credit. The Tilikum "internships" offer students the opportunity to gain practical experience in camp administration.

Many move into camping careers. Since Tilikum opened, 24 GFC graduates have moved into part-time or full-time camp ministries.

As was the plan of Tilikum's founder, the silent teacher's lessons are like stones thrown into the lake: They hit the hearts of students, creating waves that ripple outward to others.

## ELDERHOSTELS SCHEDULED

Spring, 1988, Elderhostels at Tilikum are:

- April 17-22—"Sights and Sounds: A Sensory Experience of Spring in Oregon's Willamette Valley."
- May 15-20—"The Life and 'Lure' of a Small Farm Lake."

Fall, 1988, sessions are:

- Sept. 11-16—"Our Indian Legacy," "Mass Media and Pop Culture" and "A Flirtation with the Book of Psalms."
- Sept. 25-30—"Tea, Temples, Technology: Modernizing China," "Science Fiction: Escape or Literature?" and "Contemporary Religious Thought."

Cost of Elderhostel programs are modest. The typical charge for a six-night program in the United States is \$225 and in Canada \$245. Scholarships are available. For more information and application forms write to:

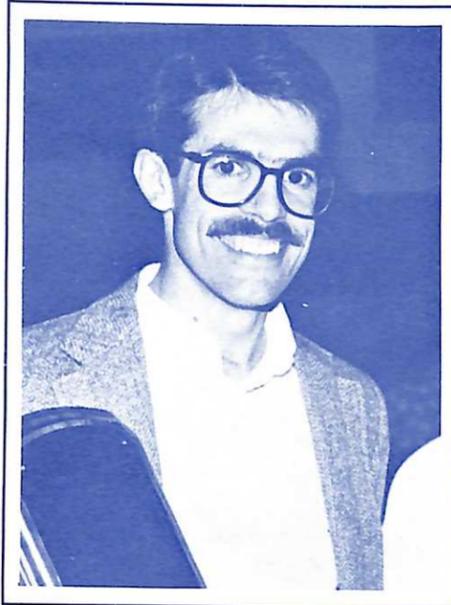
Elderhostel  
Attn: Hostelships  
80 Boylston Street, Suite 400  
Boston, MA 02116.

# Alumni Honored

A year ago the George Fox College Alumni Board created an award to honor GFC alumni for accomplishments early after graduation. This year the board had little difficulty deciding James LeShana and Peggy (Stands) Fowler worthy of the title "Young Alumni of the Year."

After he graduated from George Fox in 1981, Jim, as he is known to his friends, spent the summer working on graduate studies at Portland State University. When he enrolled at Fuller Theological Seminary, Pasadena, Calif., in the fall, he also began work as a pastor at Rose Drive Friends Church, Yorba Linda, Calif.

While juggling classes, LeShana served as recreation pastor. He was college pastor when he received his master's in



James LeShana

home ministry in Fullerton, and a youth ministry in the inner city at Long Beach. He is vice president of Friends Church Southwest Yearly Meeting Christian Education Board, secretary and chairman of Friends Center Board's Recruiting Students Committee, and director of college/career camps at Quaker Meadow.

theology, marriage and family ministries in 1984. He was associate pastor of adult ministries when he received a master of divinity degree from the School of Theology at Azusa Pacific University in 1986.

But LeShana's accomplishments reach beyond academics and his job as associate pastor of adult ministries. He coordinated a convalescent-

In 1982, LeShana married Jeanine Myers, also a 1981 George Fox graduate. The couple now has a son, Jason Lewis.

Fowler, a former George Fox chemistry student, began working for Portland General Electric in Portland as a chemist. The 1973 graduate then moved to supervising chemist, to manager of environmental and analytical services, to manager of PGE's Gresham division. She is now general manager of service and installation. She oversees 560 employees who design, construct and maintain electric distribution lines for 45 percent of Oregon's population.

Fowler is a member of Northwest Electric Power and Light Association, the American Chemical Society and the American Society of Testing of Materials. She is president of PGE's Employee Fitness Facility, and a member of PGE's Retirement Committee Board. Fowler is a past member of a United Way campaign committee, and former vice president of Gresham Chamber of Commerce. She has written several articles, including "Evaluation of the Dechlorination System at a Nuclear Power Plant" for the *Proceedings of the 38th International Water Conference* publication.



Peggy (Stands) Fowler

In the midst of her active involvement in business and community affairs, Fowler, who lives in Portland with her husband, Robert, devotes time at home. One of her favorite activities is spending time with family and friends.

# Alumni News & Notes

Klane Robison (G53) has been appointed Director of Planned Giving for Whittier College, Calif., after 30 years with Whittier Friends Church, Calif., the last 18 years as pastor.

Hideo Kaneko (G57), curator, East Asian Collection, Yale University Library, is chairman of the Asian and African Section, Association of College and Research Libraries, American Library Association.

Jack Olson (n60) is associate professor of communication disorders at Montana State University, Bozeman. His son, Jeff, 22, competed in the 1988 Winter Olympics in Calgary, Alberta, Canada. Jeff, the top-ranked U.S. downhill, placed 28th.

James Bradley (G68) has received a research grant to write his third book. In March he and his wife, Diane (Ball) (G66), and their three children will travel to England for research. The new book will concern spiritual development of seminary students. The five-month research opportunity is through a major grant by the Association of Theological Schools. He has been teaching at Fuller Theological Seminary, Pasadena, since 1976, receiving a doctorate from USC in 1978.

Sandi (Anderson) Wright (G70) is preparing "The Living Cross '88," an Easter musical drama at Bible Baptist Church, Auburn, Wash. This is the church's fifth year of production and she writes, produces and directs the project.

Dale Hadley (G72) has been named one of the United States' top financial planners. He is one of five Oregonians listed by *Money* magazine in its fall issue that lists just 200 nationally of more than 100,000 who list themselves as financial planners. They were nominated by prominent planners, then interviewed by the magazine reporters. Dale, whose specialty is retirement planning, is with Interwest Financial Advisors, Portland. He also is a member of the GFC Board of Trustees.

Ronda Arbogast (n73) is a registered nurse at Meridian Park Hospital in Tualatin, Ore.

Betty (Ball) Howard (G73) has been named staff writer for public information in the Office of Institutional Advancement at Point Loma Nazarene College, San Diego, Calif. Her husband, Charlie (G74) has been Director of Career Planning at Point Loma since 1986.

Dr. Diana (Sheets) Mock (G75) has opened the Forest Grove (Ore.) Women's Clinic, emphasizing obstetrics and gynecology.

DEA COX (n53), a member of the George Fox Board of Trustees, has been named to chair a statewide committee to oversee two new education programs establishing a teacher mentor system and professional development for Oregon educators and school districts.

The new advisory committee was created by the Oregon State Legislature, with Cox sitting on the committee that helped form the bill.

The Professional Development and School Improvement Advisory Committee consists of four teachers, three administrators, two school board members, two representatives from higher education, one staff development specialist and two citizens at large. Cox was appointed by Oregon Superintendent of Public Instruction Verne Duncan to chair the committee for a two-year term.

The state has set aside \$5.5 million for several projects that are intended to improve the level of teaching in the state and encourage more persons to become educators.

Cox says Oregon has broken educational ground with the new program. "There's nothing I know of that's as extensive as this. Other schools in other states use [staff development programs], but not with the level of planning and statewide funding," Cox said.

Gary Houser (G75) is specialty manager for Four Seasons Shop at Montgomery Ward, Portland, Ore., starting in February.

Don O'Neil (G76) has been elected treasurer for the Snake River Chapter of the Professional Golfers of America Association and is currently director of golf and head professional at the Idaho Falls Country Club. He is currently recovering from neck fusion surgery.

Steve Hockett (G77) has been named Director of Operations for Oil Can Henry's, a company based in Portland, Ore. He has been with the company for nine years.

Marion (Adams) Berg (G77) is now a buyer-manager for the new Nordstrom department store in Washington, D.C.

Cheryle Lawrence (G78), who founded Volunteers for Seniors in Salem, Ore., in 1975, was selected by the Salem *Statesman-Journal* newspaper as Volunteer of the Week Jan. 21.

Gordon Elliott (G78) preached the ordination message at the "National Congress" in Bolivia, comparable to the annual conference of the Evangelical Church of North America.

Roger Wilhite (G78) has just finished a record album featuring pop and classical piano music, backed by Harrah's Orchestra (Reno, Nev.). His music is currently being played in the Reno area. He is employed as a lounge pianist for the El Dorado Hotel.

Seven former George Fox College students are on the 21-member Board of Trustees for Greenleaf Friends Academy, Idaho. On the board's executive committee are Marilyn Binford (n68), Stan Morse (G72), and Dorothy Roberts (G38). Other members are Rob King (n79), Glenn Koch (G47), Don Lamm (G56), and C. K. Smitherman (G45).

Wade Witherspoon (G82), a science teacher and one of the founders of Open Bible Christian School, Newberg, is leaving, with his family, in June for Papua New Guinea to teach for two years in a "missionary kids" school run by Wycliffe Bible Translators.

Stan Russell (G83) is state youth director for the Oregon Assembly of God churches.

Kevin Doran (G84) is studio manager for Willamette Cable Television, Forest Grove, Ore.

Don Megrath (G84) is a multi-image producer, producing shows with Sight and Sound Productions, Portland, Ore.

Sean Jackson (G85) has formed his own production company, Accent Video Productions, in Medford, Ore. He is producing industrial marketing and training programs and has worked on several projects with the GFC Video Communication Center.

Phil Waite (G86) is beginning a three-year Menonite Central Committee assignment in Butuan City, the Philippines, where he will be working as writer and researcher for SILDAP, a Philippine organization working on issues of land rights with tribal groups on the island of Mindanao.

Rod Allen (G86) is with the Social Security Administration in Portland, Ore.

Petra Pruitt (G87) is a writer for Friends Committee on National Legislation, Washington D.C.

Steve Wendell (G87) is producer/director with Insight Productions in Beaverton, Ore.

Chris Belnap (G87) is with Multnomah Cable Access Television, Portland, as a producer/director.

Lisa Chunn (G87) is teaching Global Studies and U.S. History at David Douglas High School near Portland. She is involved in leadership with the school's Young Life Club and also assisting the varsity softball team.

Two 1987 George Fox graduates, both assistant coaches for high school teams, were on opposite sides in the 1988 Oregon High School girls' AA basketball championship game.

Kristy Boatman, a PE teaching major at GFC, is assistant coach at Cascade High School. Susie Davis, a language arts teaching major, is assistant coach at Siuslaw High School.

Both assistant coaches are graduates of the high schools where they now teach and coach.

## MARRIAGES

Don O'Neil (G76) and Sandy Bloxham, Dec. 31 in Idaho Falls, Idaho.

Jeff VandenHoek (G86) and Deana Douty (G87), Aug. 29 in Boise, Idaho.

## BIRTHS

Herald (G70) and Gwen (McConaughy) (n71) Fodge, a girl, Alicia Dawn, born Dec. 29, 1986, in Korea, adopted June 29.

Ryce (G71) and Betty Kimes, a girl, Melissa Joyce, Nov. 11 in Granada Heights, Calif.

Deborah (Goins) (G75) and Kerry Johansen, a boy, Jordan Johan, Feb. 15 in McMinnville, Ore.

Jeff (G76) and Debbie (LeShana) (G76) Rickey, a boy, David James, Jan. 4 in Newberg.

Jeanette (Myers) (G78) and Jeff (G80) Bineham, a girl, Erinn Nicole, Nov. 26 in St. Cloud, Minn.

Keith (G79) and Patricia (Pruitt) (n80) Wilson, a girl, Erin Emily, July 12 in Garden Grove, Calif.

Randy (G79) and Beth (Guenther) (G81) Ware, a boy, Jordan Kelby, Oct. 7 in Boise, Idaho.

Sherie (Fishburn) (G81) and John (G82) Harder, a girl, Amy Lynette, Feb. 7 in Seattle, Wash.

Douglas (G81) and Doreen Petersen, a girl, Doreen Elizabeth, Nov. 20 in Entiat, Wash.

Karen (Maxwell) (n82) and Jeffrey Townsell, a girl, Tarah Lee, May 24 in Fullerton, Calif.

Scott (G82) and Wendy (Forman) (n83) Wilding, a boy, Matthew Scott, Feb. 17 in Lynden, Wash.

Jacque (Davis) (G83) and James Coleman, a girl, Jessica Marie, Nov. 22 in Tacoma, Wash.

David (G83) and Rebecca (Whitcomb) Miller, a boy, Caleb David, Nov. 18 in Bend, Ore.

Debbie (Wiggers) (n83) and Dan Thorpe, a boy, Spencer Daniel, Jan. 15 in Redmond, Ore.

Jon (G85) and Susan (Brantingham) (n88) Guenther, a girl, Rebekah Jane, Sept. 1 in Portland, Ore.

## Blame it on the computer? Yes.

The recently mailed 1987 Donors Report failed to report GFC's No. 1 alumnus: Gene Hockett (G51) and his wife Betty (Street) (G52). The reason? GFC's gift recording system software program failed to pick up the No. 1 name each of the last two years. When Gene was GFC Director of Alumni and the program was started he was selected as recipient of the first identification number: 00001. The computer this year "decided" to begin with 00005 on the printout. Yes, the No. 1 alumnus is still a GFC supporter!



# Giving Good for The Soul

What can you do that gives you the most joy?

James Womack suggests it's giving.

"We feel best when we help another," he says.

He illustrates it with the example of a grandmother, who is a cook, and who feeds and feeds her grandchild—first, second, and third helpings and still offering more, even as the child grows weary. Why? Because of the satisfaction the grandmother receives in giving, in being a good cook and sharing.

"What can we do that gives us more joy and satisfaction than the joy of giving?" Womack asked attendees at George Fox's first Endowment Builders Dinner.

Womack, since 1986 president of Northwest Christian College, Eugene, for 10 years was director of development for Colorado Christian Home, Denver. He is noted for his experience and guidance in planned giving and promoting Christian stewardship.

The speaker said a gift "comes right back and gives to us as well; it gives us cause to celebrate." He praised attendees for their involvement in the future of George Fox College through

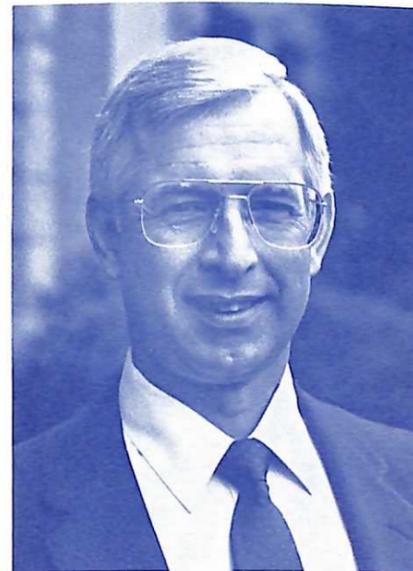
current life-income agreements (annuities and trusts) and who have placed the College in a will or other estate gift.

"You can endow a college forever and the blessing accrues to you thereafter," he said. "The gift that keeps on giving also keeps on giving to the giver, too."

Womack said a gift to the College, in addition to being a direct financial benefit, also is a testimony to others. He said it becomes an anonymous part of the conversation as fund raisers seek other gifts. "Your leadership will be followed by many others," he said.

Womack said that a substantial contribution to an institution might be an "apparent conflict" with children of the donor, and with loved ones. But he encouraged that "another way your gift keeps on giving is the testimony it makes to your children and family." He said it shows personal values and shows what you care for and are deeply concerned with, and shows commitment and generosity.

"Giving is a learned behavior," Womack said, "show and teach them [your children], encourage and motivate them; you can't do it for them."



James Womack

"A person who plans his/her financial endeavors and invests wisely, enjoys the multiplication of a gift, then shares it with the Master," Womack said, "and then has ahead of him or her the praises of the Master."

# Bear 'Nose' How to Beat Heat

Brown bears, it is reported, dislike hot and humid climates, and George Fox College's Bruin mascot is no exception. During the mascot's recent renovation, an extra feature was installed with comfort in mind—a three-inch fan in the nose.

"The fan really works well and I know it will keep the sweat out of my eyes," said the Bruin bear, personified by junior Shawn McConaughey.

When Joanne Hoven, a secretary for the College from 1975 to 1980, noticed the 18-year-old bear's thin synthetic fur and peeling nose, she decided to make a new costume out of thicker, more durable material.

The new outfit is hotter than ever.

It was her husband, Eldon, who thought to install a fan in the snout of the bear for better circulation.

"He's a real genius," said a grateful McConaughey of the electrical engineer at A-dec, Inc., a dental manufacturing firm in Newberg.

The small fan in the bear moves 27 feet of air per minute, and the noise level is measured at 34 decibels, which is equal to quiet conversation.

McConaughey said the low noise level isn't a problem because when he wears the mask he has trouble conversing anyway.

The fan is run by rechargeable nickel cadmium batteries that strap around McConaughey's waist. The power supply lasts up to four games between recharging sessions.

The Hovens' work on the Bruin costume was strictly voluntary. She estimates she spent about 10 hours, and he spent about 4, on construction of the outfit and fan.

"The tricky part was to put the fur back the way it was," she said. The original head's three fur pieces had somehow been stretched around the contours of the bear's face. Hoven

had to sew darts in the new fur to get it to fit snugly around curves.

One reason the Hovens dedicated their time to the bear project is because both are longtime Bruin fans who have attended GFC basketball games since the seventies. Her five years as a secretary at the College were spent in the Physical Education Department.

Thanks to them the Bruin bear is back in circulation, entertaining fans and boosting spirit for the team.

"The best thing about having the bear is that it gives the kids something to do," McConaughey said. "It adds some lighthearted atmosphere."



A battery-operated fan in the nose of the Bruin bear outfit keeps the wearer cool.

# Bruin Sports



## MEN'S TRACK

New coaches. New uniforms. Twice as many new athletes.

Together it means an all new outlook for George Fox College track.

Under the direction of first-year coach Wes Cook, the Bruins hope to change the tide from last season's fifth place district finish for both men and women. But Cook notes it will not be easy. "We have enough talent to finish in the middle of the district," says Cook, last year's Oregon AA Coach of the Year for all sports. "But to win the NAIA District 2 championship is not realistic. We don't have enough bodies and are awfully young."

What Cook does have is a 50 percent increase in the number of women and about 15 new men. But Cook says that is not yet enough to compete with some other schools in the district.

For George Fox, Cook looks forward to improving individual efforts. "We want to make them as technically sound as they can be this year, and then get them back."

"My intentions," he said, "are to get some experience where we aren't experienced." He will have the help of throwing-coach Steve Curtis, GFC's athletic trainer and former Bruin track athlete, in throwing events.

## LADY BRUINS

George Fox College's rags to riches women's basketball season is over. It ended not with a district title, but with the Lady Bruins in the final four and the highest GFC playoff finish in seven years under Coach Craig Taylor.

The Lady Bruins' eight-game winning

string was snapped in Portland in the semifinals as Taylor's crew fell 68-58 to district champion Warner Pacific. GFC women finished their season at 16-13.

To get to the semifinals the Lady Bruins beat Western Oregon State in Monmouth, 69-58. It was the second time in four days for GFC to halt the Lady Wolves. The first win was the first-time ever victory in Monmouth.

"I couldn't be more pleased with the way they played after the first part of the season," said Taylor. "This was a really positive end to a positive year."

That early season start included a 1-9 record before the Lady Bruins went on two winning strings to finish 15-4 in the final weeks. "That's a real tribute to our team's character," said Taylor. "It's hard to see it end."

## BASKETBALL

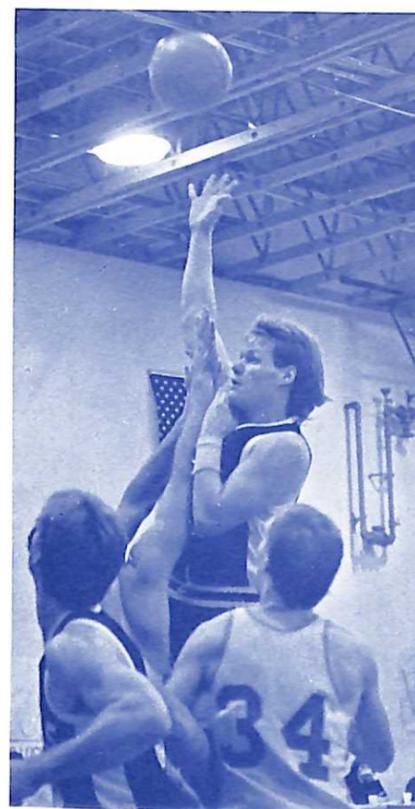
For the fifth consecutive year and the 14th time in the last 18, the George Fox College basketball Bruins have reached the NAIA District 2 playoffs.

And, for the seventh time, the season ended at Oregon Tech in Klamath Falls, where GFC has never won a playoff game. This time the count was 84-61 with GFC losing in the semifinals for a 16-15 record.

George Fox is one of just two district teams to reach the semifinals each of the last four years. It was the only school this year with both men's and women's teams in the district semifinals.

GFC ended its NAIA competition as the highest scoring district team with an average of 89.4 points a game, and as the most accurate, with a .533 shooting average.

Two Bruins were named to the district All-Star team: senior guard Dan Newman, who averaged 21.1 points a game, fourth best in the district, and senior forward Eric Swanson, who averaged 19.7 points a game (sixth in the district) and 12.0 rebounds, second best in the district and 13th in the nation.



Dan Newman, NAIA District 2 All Star