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AT THE TOP

George Fox College is one of the best liberal arts colleges in the nation, according to a special report in the Oct. 16 issue of *U.S. News & World Report*.

In a cover story, "America's Best Colleges," George Fox is ranked fifth in the western regional liberal arts colleges category. It is rated third in academic reputation.

The western geographic region includes colleges from Oklahoma to Hawaii. The liberal arts category includes primarily undergraduate colleges that typically award more than half their bachelor's degrees in the arts and sciences.

The national recognition is the second for the College in recent months. In June George Fox was one of 92 colleges in the nation—the only one in Oregon—named to the Templeton Foundation's Honor Roll of Character Building Colleges.

It is also the second time the national magazine has listed the 98-year-old College. It was ranked twelfth of 184 western and midwestern colleges in 1987.

"Obviously we are pleased," George Fox President Edward F. Stevens said of the newest ranking. "The perception of presidents and deans, ranking us third in academic reputation, is a particular honor."

"Our national attention is due to the hard work of many people on our campus. I've often said George Fox College has the finest faculty, staff and students of any college in the country. Others are beginning to recognize that fact."

Report of the College's selection brought notes, calls and comments of congratulations regionally and from across the nation. Advance word of the selection—four days before delivery of the magazine to newstands—came from a call to Stevens by the Portland *Oregonian* newspaper. Then followed coverage by other newspapers (including the entire top of the front page by the local *Newberg Graphic*), radio and television. Cards, notes, letters and calls came to the President's Office and others on campus, with other college presidents, GFC alumni, and business leaders expressing praise and joy at the selection.

The *U.S. News* survey ranks colleges and universities by their records in five areas: quality of the student body as measured by the school's selectivity, faculty quality, financial resources, ability to retain and graduate students, and reputation for academic excellence.

To determine the strength of the academic reputation, *U.S. News* sought the

opinions of college presidents, deans of academic affairs and deans of admission. Officials at 3,879 colleges and universities were polled.

Final overall ranking was determined by combining percentile results from both the reputational survey and an analysis of the objective data supplied to the magazine by each institution.

George Fox, which this fall reached a record enrollment of 945, is one of three Oregon colleges in the 1989 listing of America's Best Colleges. The University of Portland is rated 11th among regional colleges and universities and Pacific University in Forest Grove is tied for second in the western liberal arts colleges categories.

Placing first in the western division of regional liberal arts colleges was Southwestern University in Texas. Evergreen State of Washington is tied for second. Mount St. Mary's College in California is rated fourth. In academic reputation, Evergreen State came in first, Southwestern University second, and Pacific University 11th.

George Fox is the only member of the 13-member

REGIONAL LIBERAL ARTS COLLEGES—WEST

	Overall score	Academic reputation	Student selectivity	Retention patterns	Faculty quality	Financial resources
1 Southwestern University (Tex.)	100.0	2	3	5	4	2
2 Evergreen State College (Wash.)	86.3	1	7	22	38	3
2 Pacific University (Oreg.)	86.3	11	4	17	2	23
4 Mount St. Mary's College (Calif.)	83.4	12	1	2	25	17
5 GEORGE FOX COLLEGE (Oreg.)	75.3	3	15	19	22	26
6 Texas Lutheran College	74.5	7	21	11	12	27
7 Texas A&M University at Galveston	73.0	17	22	57	6	1
8 Hawaii Loa College	71.4	25	26	34	10	5
9 Phillips University (Okla.)	70.0	4	31	24	27	25
10 Holy Names College (Calif.)	69.8	42	20	29	1	43

national Christian College Consortium selected in any of the categories. It is one of just two colleges named of the 77-members in the national Christian College Coalition.

Stevens said he believes George Fox may be so highly ranked because of recent academic innovations, successes in student recruitment, and fund raising.

"George Fox has remained faithful to its mission as a Christ-centered liberal arts college," Stevens said. "There are many parents and students looking for a college like ours."

In six years since Stevens' arrival on the Newberg campus, George Fox has started a new degree completion program in Human Resources Management, changed to a semester calendar, added new majors in telecommunication, computer information, and engineering, and has begun an English as a Second Language program. The College has initiated a May Term featuring a new Juniors Abroad program offering international study for all students prior to their senior year. It also has launched curriculum-wide programs emphasizing ethics, writing and international study.

Last year, George Fox opened the new \$2.25 million M. J. Murdock Learning Resource Center, part of a Century II Campaign that raised \$6 million. In the last three years George Fox has had a 70 percent enrollment increase in new students, with enrollment this year topping 900 for the first time.



PRESIDENT'S PEN

The big news on campus, as reported on the front page of this issue of *Life*, is our ranking in *U.S. News & World Report*. The reaction has been very positive.

Several people have asked me, "How did you do it?" I keep answering, "I'm not really sure, but we are grateful to God for the recognition." But perhaps we owe our friends and alumni a reasonable attempt at explanation. Therefore, let me list some of the reasons I believe we are listed among "America's Best Colleges."



GFC President
Edward F. Stevens

1. We have an excellent product (remember, I'm a former marketing professor). Students, alumni, parents and other active "participants" are pleased with the academic quality and Christ-centered living environment.

2. With several new programs (engineering, computer information science, international studies, elementary education, human resources management), we have been able to strengthen our academic programs and still maintain the liberal arts tradition.

3. Faculty members who are competent, qualified, and committed to Christ have enhanced our academic reputation with their teaching and with their participation in national recognition.

4. Our unusual association with Christian College Consortium schools (Wheaton, Westmont, Gordon) and with schools founded by Quakers (Haverford, Swarthmore) through the Friends Association of Higher Education, gives us a unique position among Christian colleges.

5. National spokespersons, such as Sen. Mark Hatfield, Carnegie Commission Chairman Clark Kerr, Don North of the Burlington Northern Foundation, and others, have given unsolicited verbal support to George Fox College.

6. By God's grace, our setbacks along the way have been overcome and our successes, such as 18 years of balanced budgets, the Century II Campaign that raised more than \$6 million, and our up-to-date campus, have been communicated well.

7. Our growing enrollment to 945, with a 70.5 percent increase in new students in three years and 223 full-time students in our degree completion program, shows confidence in our program.

8. Winning athletic teams have put GFC's name before others in higher education. I've been told often that they respect us for conducting programs that win with high-quality students.

9. Administrators at George Fox College are well-respected in higher education circles and we are giving leadership in the region and nationally.

10. Others have laid a foundation for today's recognition—my predecessors Dave Le Shana and Milo Ross—for certain! And our donors—individuals, foundations and corporations—who have helped develop our beautiful campus that forms a positive perception of the College.

11. George Fox College—through its trustees, faculty, staff and supporters—has been unwavering in its mission, producing educated persons grounded in Christian standards/ethics/lifestyle/teaching. This is increasingly important in today's society. Even Harvard, Yale, Stanford, and others, are concerned about ethics. In short, the practicality of the way we live and the way we learn is being recognized by the world around us.

The list doesn't end at a convenient ten or dozen. And it could go on. But I'll end with this—"Let him who boasts boast in the Lord." (1 Cor. 1:31) Because "...neither he who plants nor he who waters is anything, but only God who makes things grow." (1 Cor. 3:7) So "...to Him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to His power that is at work within us, to Him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, forever and ever! Amen." (Eph. 3:20-21)

Ed

Humor Tribute to God, Says Author

Laughter is not getting the respect it deserves, believes Tom Mullen.

Whether it's a chortle or a chuckle, a titter or a tee-hee, the ability to laugh can add richness to life and stand as a testimony to God, he said during his visit as guest speaker for George Fox College's Quaker Heritage Week Oct. 29-Nov. 1.

Mullen spoke at chapels, classes, a luncheon and dinner, and conducted individual consultations for aspiring writers in the community.

Wearing horn-rimmed glasses that give him somewhat of a Woody Allen appearance, the college dean, Friends pastor, humorist and author pulled anecdotes from his own life to testify to the might of mirth.

It can, for example, prevent "Phariseism," he said.

"The Pharisees took themselves so seriously that in a sense they spoiled some of the valid concerns that they had," he explained. "It's important that we, in the middle of our most deeply held convictions, be able occasionally to step back and laugh at ourselves. Because if we don't, then we're more vulnerable to that charge of Phariseism than ever before."

He summarized his message with a shake of his shoulders, a whirl of hand gestures and a snicker: "It is important for people who take the Christian faith seriously to laugh at themselves. Otherwise, people will laugh at them."

A father of four, Mullen offered advice on parenting. If parents are not able to enjoy their children, then they are missing out on one of the uses of laughter, he said. "Because, you see, what we fuss with our children about are not always, in fact not often, issues of cosmic importance. We fuss with our kids about the clothes they wear, or whether or not they have haircuts, or whether their rooms are clean. By keeping those things in perspective it's possible we're able to laugh in and through those circumstances."

Something that many people don't realize about laughter is that it can help people demonstrate their faith in God, Mullen continued. If people can laugh in the face of adversity, somehow it indicates their belief that God is still in control, he explained.

His theory was put to the test during his mother's dying days—a time he describes as long and painful for both of them.

Suffering from a type of cancer that is usually caused by consumption of alcohol and cigarette smoking, his mother repeatedly asked him how she, a devout Quaker who never drank or smoked, could get such a disease. Finally, in an effort to soothe her futile search for an answer, Mullen quipped, "Mother, it's time we leveled with one another. Have you been nipping on the side?"

"She laughed and laughed and laughed. And then we cried," he said. "And we realized that was an appropriate type of response."



Tom Mullen, guest speaker, GFC's Quaker Heritage Week.



In using laughter to deal with his own disease, diabetes, Mullen has a field day. "I am a diabetic. And if you want an illness that you can use to dominate table conversation, sugar diabetes is one of the best ones to have," he said. "You go in and have a meal and you don't eat dessert and somebody says to you, 'Oh, are you on a diet?' and I say, 'No, my pancreas doesn't work.'"

"And then I can elaborate on that and talk about my illness and I'm the center of attention. I've talked about my pancreas much more since it stopped working than I ever did when it was working. In fact, I live in constant fear that Oral Roberts will come to town and heal me."

Mullen is not able to make such light of all his life experiences, however. He "wrote from the gut" about the estrangement of him and his father, he said, his voice breaking with emotion as he talked about their torn relationship that was eventually repaired.

But once again, laughter can be used as a balm.

It can help heal painful memories, Mullen said. In recalling an incident during his youth when he was ostracized by his peers, he said it was not until many years later that he could think about it and laugh. "We've all heard the old cliché 'forgive and forget.' What I'm suggesting is something better. If you can remember it with humor... that's better. There's a great healing that takes place."

PROFILE: Thomas J. Mullen

Position:
Dean, Earlham School of Religion

Former Positions:
Pastor, Friends Meeting, Indiana;
Assistant Pastor, First Congregational Church, Connecticut

Books:
Discovering Mark
Laughing Out Loud and Other Religious Experiences
Mountaintips and Molehills
Seriously, Life Is a Laughing Matter
Parables for Parents and Other Original Sinners
Where Two or Three are Gathered Together, Someone Spills His Milk
Birthdays, Holidays, and Other Disasters
The Dialogue Gap
The Ghetto of Indifference

Education:
Bachelor of Arts, Earlham College;
Bachelor of Divinity, Yale University;
Honorary Doctor of Letters, Warner Pacific College

Family:
Wife, Nancy, and four children

George Fox Leaders Willcuts and Beals Die in Newberg

Two George Fox College graduates, both named *Alumnus of the Year*, both awarded honorary doctoral degrees by the College and both who served on the GFC Board of Trustees, have passed away in Newberg just weeks apart.

Jack L. Willcuts, a 1944 graduate, died Sept. 23. He was named *Alumnus of the Year* in 1970 and received an honorary doctorate from the College in 1975.

Charles A. Beals, a 1929 graduate, died Oct. 29. He was named *Alumnus of the Year* in 1968 and received an honorary doctorate in 1976. In 1978 he was named George Fox College's first archivist, serving until 1986.

Both men were Friends ministers and both served on the GFC Board of Trustees, Willcuts for 20 years until being made an honorary lifetime member in 1987, and Beals for 23 years.

Willcuts at the time of his death was pastor to seniors at Reedwood Friends Church, Portland, Ore., and active nationally and internationally with Quakers around the world.

Long active in Northwest Yearly Meeting of Friends, he was general superintendent from 1966 to 1971 and from 1979 to 1986. He served as one of the founders of the Evangelical Friends Alliance and as president for three years. During his years as a pastor in the yearly meeting he served as

field secretary for the Board of Evangelism, and was at different times a member of the board of directors of Friendsview Manor, Friends Action Board, Stewardship Board and Board of Missions. He held many other denominational positions, most recently becoming president of Oregon Council on Alcoholic Problems.

Active in national and international Quaker interests, he was a consultant to the Friends World Committee on Consultation and was a member of the International Planning Committee, preparing for a series of international conferences for 1991 in Honduras, Kenya and the Netherlands. He was a member of Quakers United in Publishing. He spoke at 15 Friends yearly meetings around the world.

Long active in writing and publishing, he wrote several books including, *A Family of Friends*, a church membership course, and *Why Friends are Friends*. He coauthored with Myron Goldsmith *Church Growth in the Soaring Seventies*, and with David Kingrey, *Team Ministry*.

He married Geraldine Tharrington in 1945 while he was a pastor at Northeast Tacoma Friends Church in Washington. They then served at Second Friends in Portland, West Chehalis Friends near Newberg, Medford Friends in Medford, and as team chair of Reedwood Friends Church in Portland from 1971 to 1979.

The Willcutses served as missionaries under the Friends in Bolivia, South America, from 1947 to 1951 and from 1954 to 1958. Jack served as chairman of the Inter-Missionary Fellowship for Bolivia as well as being involved in the development of national Friends leadership.

Upon returning to the U.S., he became in 1958 managing editor of the magazine *Northwest Friend*, now titled *Evangelical Friend*. He was executive editor until 1970, when he became the editor-in-chief until 1985. He served at Woodbrooke Quaker Study Center in Birmingham, England, in 1986-87.

He is survived by his wife, Geraldine, of Newberg; a son and daughter-in-law, Stuart and Kathie Willcuts of Newberg; two daughters and sons-in-law, Susan and Jerry Kendall, Falls Church, Va.; and Jannelle and Gordon Loewen, Bothel, Wash.; six grandchildren; two brothers, Clare and Merl of Nampa, Idaho; three sisters, Elsie Hockett, Helen Street, and Arlene Moore of Newberg.

The family requests memorials be sent to the Jack L. Willcuts Scholarship Fund, George Fox College, to assist Quaker students preparing for ministry and journalism in the Friends Church.

Charles Beals at the time of his death was a resident of Friendsview Manor, of which he had been the first executive director.

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MKs Adjust to America

David Thomas fought his way up the steep, glacial face of Mt. Illimani with its towering peaks of 21,000 feet.

He was determined to make the climb—a feat only about 50 people accomplish each year—for a special reason. It was his way of saying goodbye to Bolivia, the place he calls home.

Like most children of American missionaries who live in foreign countries, Thomas has had to say many goodbyes. And not one of them has been easy.

Now a freshman international studies major at George Fox College, Thomas is one of an estimated 19 "missionary kids" on campus. Of those 19, he is one of about 10 whose crosscultural experiences have been so extensive they have required adjustment to life in the United States.

Dave Pollock, director of Interaction Inc., an organization in California that helps American missionary kids adapt to American life, coined the phrase "Third Culture" to describe young nomads like Thomas whose affections are tied both to the countries where they grew up and the land they are from.

Charles Lewis, director of counseling at Wheaton College in Illinois, went a step further to identify general characteristics of Third Culture students. Ninety percent speak two or more languages, he said. Most are skilled in the area of tact and diplomacy. Many are resistant to stereotypical language. Many have a large "God view."

Lewis's list goes on. Many feel more comfortable with adults than peers. Many carry with them a sense of "rootlessness" and insecurity. Many struggle with "unresolved multiple grief" stemming from separation from parents, siblings and friends.

Leaving friends in Bolivia to accompany his family to the United States, and leaving friends in the U.S. to return to Bolivia, was the most difficult aspect of being a missionary kid, or "MK," Thomas said. He spent third, seventh and ninth grades in Newberg. The town, to which he returned this year, is much different than where he lived in Bolivia—La Paz, a city with 1.6 million inhabitants.

A student at American Cooperative School during his years in Bolivia, Thomas always knew he would return to America to attend college. He therefore took pains to ready himself for the departure. "I made the decision when I left that I was going to readjust. I was not going to get depressed. I was going to be cheerful," he said. He bid a symbolic goodbye to the country by climbing Mt. Illimani, and taking a solo drive high into the Andean jungle. He also savored his final Bolivian meals, committing every delicious bite to memory.

Today, Thomas views his lifestyle in a different light. While the moves were difficult at the time, they eventually gave him much joy. "I have friends here and friends there," he explained. "And I'm 'bi-cultural'—I think in two different ways. It's nice to be a part of Bolivia and a part of America."

Like Thomas, Andrea Mayer feels there are double-edged aspects of being a missionary kid. Goodbyes are the most difficult, but traveling is very rewarding, she said.

Born in Kenya, East Africa, Mayer accompanied her family to the United States about six times in her life, each visit never lasting more than a year. While on furlough, they usually traveled throughout the United States on "support," receiving financial pledges from individuals rather than an income from a missionary board. She attended a Kenyan school for four years, a public elementary school in Seattle, Wash., for one year, and a private American school in Kenya for four years. In the middle of last year she attended a private American Christian school in Seattle. Her last three years in high school were spent at a boarding school in Kenya.

"I could go on furlough for six months and right when I got back my friends could go on furlough for six months, so we wouldn't see each other. There's just a lot of goodbyes," the freshman biology/pre-

medicine major explained. "And it's not like we're from the same hometown. The people I've said goodbye to (last year) are all over the states now, so the chances of seeing them again are much slimmer."

"The best part was that it gave me an opportunity to expand my knowledge of the world," she continued. "And it gave me a more objective view of things—I don't just take things at face value."

Her home, she said, is wherever she happens to be. "Right now I guess my home is Newberg. But I still have a lot of ties to Africa," she explained. "I think I live by the saying 'home is where you hang your hat.'"

After her move to America this year, Andrea also suffered from what Lewis labeled "delayed social competence." While she lived in Nairobi, a city of three-million people, she was nonetheless ignorant of some "nuts and bolts" skills when she moved to the United States. Her first trip to a city mailbox in Newberg this year is a perfect example. Perplexed because there

was no slot in the waist-high metal box, she walked around the entire structure, then crouched down to look under it.



Jennifer Armstrong
France



Brian and David Van Tassel
Hong Kong



Pat Landis
Philippines



Bev Chapman
Peru and Bolivia



David Thomas
Bolivia



Andrea Mayer
Kenya

Eventually, she discovered that pulling the handle at the top of the box reveals an opening.

After the frustrating incident Mayer comforted herself with the fact that she is not alone. She recalled with a laugh several of her MK friends who were baffled by the task of opening cans of soda pop.

Bev Chapman, a mother of three children, is not the child of a missionary but rather the wife of a missionary. A former GFC student, she spent six years in Peru and Bolivia with her husband, Wayne, a 1975 GFC graduate.

Living in a multi-roomed adobe house in the village of Juli in Peru for five years, she was comfortable with the country's easy-going lifestyle. Her family was considered wealthy by others who lived in single-room

Simple things such as selecting cereal in the supermarket—with so many brands to choose from—were overwhelming to Chapman. Thomas, said he, too, avoids supermarkets. "I just don't like them," he said.

"I even walked into a clothes store and cried because I didn't know what the style was," Chapman added. "Everyone was color coded and I didn't know what that was!"

After enrolling in elementary education at GFC this year, Chapman in October postponed her education plans. "There was nothing against the college. I just needed to stop and think about what was important to me," she explained.

Rather than experiencing problems in America, GFC freshman Jennifer Armstrong experienced problems abroad. At the age of 12 she accompanied her parents to France. During the five years she lived in Roubaix and attended school at home there, she felt she was missing "social life" with her friends in the United States. Her trips home in the summers only made her more resistant to returning to France each fall.

"I had the wrong attitude. I wanted to be in the U.S. in the social scene with other Americans," she explained.

Of her time in France she remembers with fondness the lunches she shared with her

parents. "Lunches were the best time of the day. My mom and dad were both home—we'd laugh together a lot," she said. "I'm really close to my parents."

After living in Hong Kong most of their lives, David and Brian Van Tassel report they had little trouble adapting when they came to the United States.

Enrolled in the British school system there, which requires compliance with a dress code—brown blazer, slacks, leather shoes, blue and brown tie—the Van Tassels found American academics much more informal, they said.

Brian, a sophomore mathematics teaching major, said he was struck by the difference in which spiritual matters are handled in the two countries as well. Church facili-

ties in China are sometimes just box-shaped apartments. "They could have afforded plush things, but they're not a priority," he said. "It's not in itself bad, but it makes me question how well money is being used."

Mayer, of Kenya, said she had anticipated attending church in the United States, simply because many spiritual matters at the church she attended in Africa did not pertain to her. "There's still a lot of superstition there... it's difficult to get used to," she explained. "Common questions are, 'How many wives do you keep after becoming a

Christian?' or 'Can I carry charms after becoming a Christian?' I needed to attend church that addressed more of my own needs."

Pat Landis, chairperson of GFC's Division of Teacher Education, is able to empathize with MKs. She is one herself. Born on the remote island of Jolo in the Philippines, Landis's experience was quite different from most MKs, as she and her family were taken prisoners by the Japanese during World War II. After her family was rescued by American soldiers, they came to Oregon.

Landis remembers feeling "on display" as an MK at church in America, and somewhat critical of American culture. "I thought it was shallow," she said. "I remembered friends in huts with mud floors."

In 1984, Landis helped three missionary kids at GFC as they formed a loosely structured organization for MKs, with the goal of providing both moral support and assistance with living skills.

The need for such a group is vital for some students, Landis believes. "I've known of missionary kids who don't know how to dial a pay phone, and they're scared," she said. "Many have never been to a football game in their lives—they don't know what the hoopla is all about. Many have never held a job—they were not allowed to in the country they lived in."

Fortunately, organizations do exist that specialize in assisting missionary kids. The International Conference on Missionary Kids (ICMK) held its first meeting in 1984 in the Philippines, its second in 1987 in Ecuador, and its third in November of this year in Kenya. The organization generates many articles and studies pertaining to MKs, particularly in the field of education, Landis said.

A worldwide organization formed by missionary kids for missionary kids exists as well. It is titled "MUKAPPA," which is simply Greek for "MK."

There are also "re-entry" programs. Before coming to GFC, Thomas and the Van Tassels attended a seminar for MKs at the Narramore Christian Foundation in California. Mayer's entire senior class received a visit from Interaction Inc.'s Pollock, who travels frequently to help MKs prepare for life changes.

The four GFC students found the programs very helpful, they said. Both programs concentrate on increasing students' self-awareness rather than helping them with life skills, they noted.

Not all efforts have to be on such a grand scale, Landis noted. She is eyeing a program run by Newberg Friends Church that she feels could be especially helpful to MKs. Titled "Adopt a Student," its goal is to introduce GFC students to residents in the community. "That kind of thing for MKs is terrific," she said. "Churches could even find out from mission organizations when kids are coming home."

Little actions that express understanding are very helpful, Thomas said. When he was in seventh grade, for example, a woman who had traveled as a missionary kid wrote him a letter saying she had experienced similar feelings of loneliness. When he was in ninth grade, a friend from his church youth group encouraged him to join the wrestling team—an endeavor that got him involved socially.

One of the best ways to help missionary kids is to simply give them opportunities to visit with each other, Thomas, Mayer and the Van Tassels agreed. They don't always want to visit with friends in their dormitory, but they usually always welcome an opportunity to visit with another MK, they said. As Mayer explained: "There's a special bond between MKs. They understand you better."

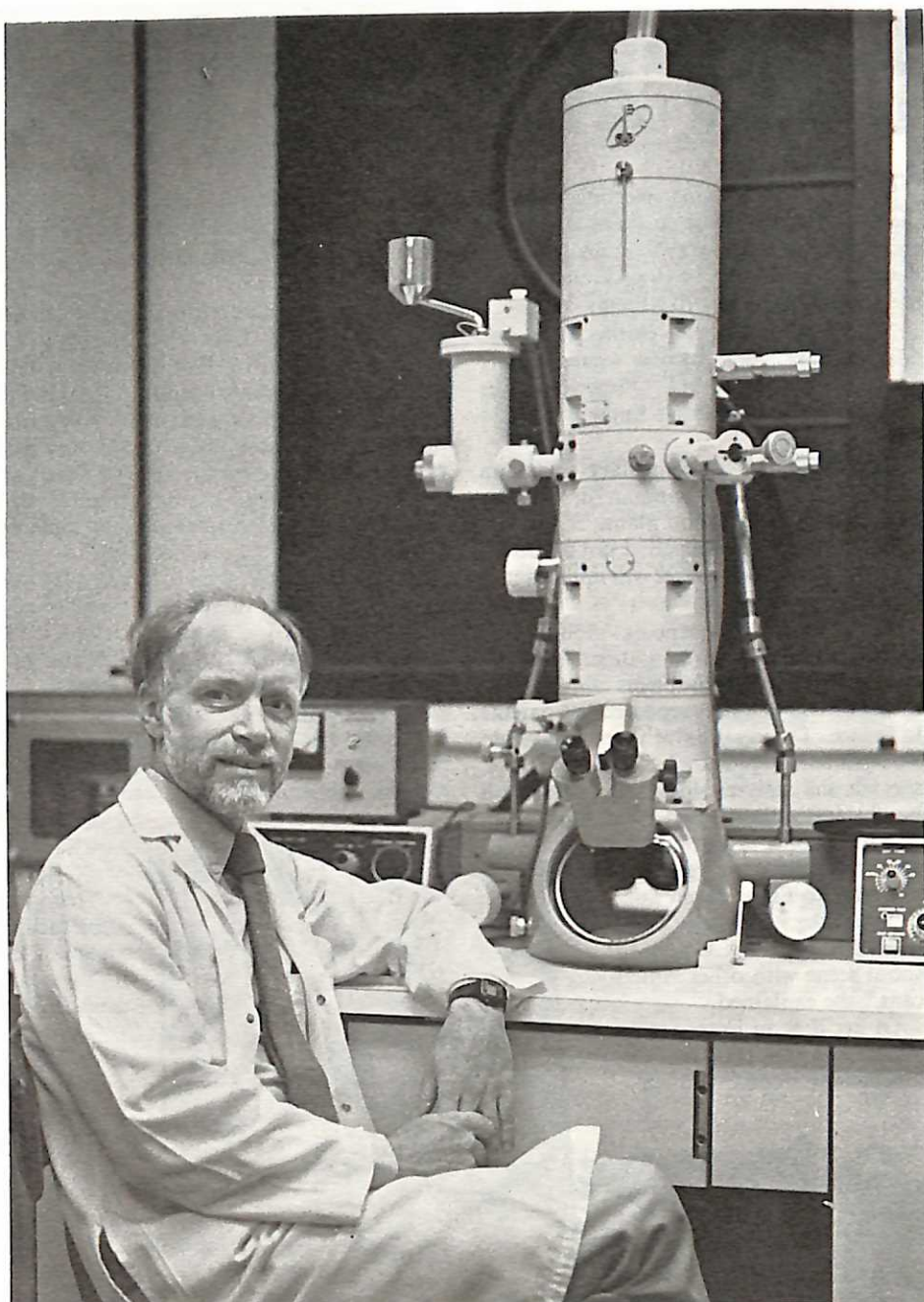
'Home is where you hang your hat.'

adobe homes with thatched or tin roofs, and no heat or running water. She and her family moved to La Paz for one year before they moved back to the United States this year to "step back and evaluate and see where their ministry is now."

"When we came back I wasn't sure where we fit in—we were people without a country," Chapman said. "Both my husband and I have trouble dealing with the materialism that is so prevalent in this society. I enjoyed our simple lifestyle. I have a problem with a hurry, rush, rush time-oriented country."

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Dr. Kent Thornburg at electron microscope he uses for research at the Oregon Health Sciences University.

Thornburg's Research Contributes To Prevention of Birth Defects

Working in the health research world is similar to working on a gigantic jigsaw puzzle. You collect pieces of information and hook them together with the hope of someday getting a pretty picture.

In Dr. Kent Thornburg's case, the "pretty picture" is the prevention of birth defects.

Thornburg, a 1967 George Fox College graduate and GFC board member since 1983, specializes in two areas of research—placental permeability and fetal heart development. From his lab at the Oregon Health Sciences University, one of three institutions in the United States known around the world to be exceptional in fetal/cardiac development, he explained some of the pieces of the puzzle with which he is currently working.

Six years ago Thornburg embarked on a five-year study of the human placenta. His goal was to determine the extent in which drugs taken by pregnant women enter the fetus. One exciting result of the research is that now scientists are using his discoveries to help them in their own research relating to the tragic increase in the number of drug-addicted newborns today, Thornburg said.

His research team on that project also became the first group in the world to characterize the human placenta and describe how quickly molecules get from the mother to the fetus, he noted.

Thornburg recently worked on another placental study with one of his mentors—the man he credits for nurturing his interest in research—the late GFC Professor of Biology Dr. Elver Voth.

Voth in 1988 was awarded an \$11,000 grant from the Medical Research Foundation of Oregon for a 12-month research project titled "Ultrastructure of the Nutria Placenta."

The most important finding of the study is that the placenta of the nutria (a large rodent common in the United States) is indeed two-layered, like the human placenta, Thornburg said. The finding must yet be published so that the evidence can be examined by experts, but it is clear from this study that the nutria is a better animal to study than the current first choice, the guinea pig, he explained.

Voth, principal investigator of the project, and Thornburg, consultant, completed the project in June before Voth's death in August.

"When I was a sophomore at GFC I took a course from Elver in embryology. It was

exciting and demanding and I have been interested in it ever since," Thornburg recalled. "Elver was an important influence to me because I was at that stage in my life when I had no way of knowing whether I had what it takes (to work in the highly-competitive field of health research)," he continued. "He encouraged me to give it a try. I owe him a great deal for encouraging me to pursue what I was interested in."

In his studies of the heart, Thornburg currently is examining certain congenital defects that affect the way the heart grows and the way it changes the heart's cells. While he is still conducting experiments, it seems any defect that causes pressure in the heart to increase causes the cells to mature faster, putting them at a disadvantage, he said. "We're working now to prove that hypothesis. If it's true, we may be able to correct the problem."

In October, Thornburg traveled overseas to share his knowledge of the fetal heart. He was one of only two Americans in an international group of 20 asked to attend a conference in Italy on neonatal adaptation. At the conference, he explained how the fetal heart is able to respond to newborn life. Keeping pride in check, Thornburg said it was definitely an honor, and he was "very pleased," to be asked to the prestigious event.

Thornburg is now overseas again, this time to explore an area that he feels is becoming increasingly important both in placental and heart research.

In November, he traveled to England as a Fulbright scholar on a lecture/research grant to teach at the University of Manchester School of Medicine. He and his wife, Jeanie, and their children, Brandon and Penny, will live there until September.

During his research time, Thornburg will work with Paul Sharpe, a molecular geneticist, from whom he hopes to learn modern gene-manipulation techniques. Specifically, he wants to examine how calcium is transported by the placenta and how growth-regulating genes operate in defective heart organs.

"This is an opportunity to work with someone who is a world expert," Thornburg explained. "I hope to come home with my feet running—with tools I can use in the lab."

He is, of course, eager to put together more pieces of the puzzle.

ALUMNI NOTES

Stanley Williams (G48) is part-time pastor of Barnett Union Church in Barnett, Mo. He and his wife, Virginia, still live in Columbia, Mo.

Earl (G59) and **Janice (Bishop)** (G59) **Perisho** will leave for San Jose, Costa Rica, in January for one year of Spanish Language School, then to Peru and Bolivia for a three-year term as missionaries for Northwest Yearly Meeting of Friends Church.

Ernest Martin (G70) has been appointed by Governor Booth Gardner to serve as a member on the Washington State Collection Agency Board. He has also completed studies in "Leadership & Decision Making in Organizations" at Yale University School of Organization and Management.

Robert Thornburg (G70) has joined Valley Physical Therapy Center in McMinnville, Ore. He will be treating patients by physicians' referral.

Linda Nixon (G72) is medical lab technician at Sacred Heart Medical Center, Spokane, Wash.

Jon Tippin (G75) is neurologist at Rockwood Clinic, Spokane, Wash. His wife **Ruth Ann (Hadley)** (G74) is the music director at Spokane Friends Church.

John Helbling (G76) is legal assistant in the district attorney's office in Norwalk, Calif.

David Baker (G77) is an agent for Equitable Life Insurance. His wife, **Diana (Hoagland)** (G78) is a tote painting instructor. They recently moved to Post Falls, Idaho.

Barbara Lehman (G79) is a language arts, math and social studies teacher at Springbrook Middle School, Newberg.

Darrell Nefzger (G80) and his wife, Patti, are employed by Mustard Seed Bible Bookstores, he as a District Manager and she as music buyer for the store in Arvada, Colo.

Ed (G81) and **Susan (Boden)** (n82) **Brown** manage 254 acres of apple and pear orchards in Dayton, Wash. Susan stays at home with their son and is involved in church and committee activities.

Jan Burkey (G82) has moved to Jaraboca, Dominican Republic, to minister at "El Arca" ("The Ark") orphanage. She will be a tutor and start a class for three-year-old children.

Sandy Lawrence (G82) owns and operates Abundant Sports Medical Enterprises, Birmingham, Ala. It is a consulting firm in sports and personal fitness training. One of their notable clients was Calvin Smith, an Olympic participant in Seoul.

Joe Gilliam (G84) is the Oregon State Executive Director of the National Federation of Independent Businesses and was featured in the September 1989 issue of *Oregon Business* magazine.

Dick Wild (G84) is the chaplain with the Kootenai County Sheriff's Department in Northern Idaho.

Ali (Jordan) Arnold (G85) and her husband, Roger, are living in a religious community in Island Pond, Vermont, sharing funds generated through a variety of cottage industries. They welcome guests, as they live in a large, three-story Victorian house with many bedrooms.

Thomas Wagoner (G85) is associate pastor of music at First Evangelical Free Church, Vancouver, Wash.

Nathan Whitham (G85) is an insurance policy underwriter for King County Medical/Blue Shield in Seattle.

Kevin Fry (G86) is language arts teacher at Riverside High School in Boardman, Ore.

Grant Gerke (G86) is living in Kirkland, Wash., where he is a hospital sales specialist for the Upjohn Company.

Tressa (Porter) Schuck (G87) is in the corporate accounting department at Nike, Beaverton, Ore.

Brenda (Bains) Stevens (G88) is interior decoration consultant with Dolan's Furniture, Spokane, Wash.

Marianne Funderhide (G88) is assistant coach of women's basketball at the University of Portland. Currently working on a master's in P.E. there, she also is a substitute teacher for the Vancouver (Wash.) School District.

Greg Allen (G89) teaches in the P.E. department at Hope Christian High School, Albuquerque, New Mexico.

Jennifer (Cooke) Swingle (G89) works for TV Host, a cable television guide, located in Portland.

MARRIAGES

Darrell Nefzger (G80) and **Patricia Donahue**, March 26 in Aurora, Colo.

Peggy Gering (G82) and **Jasper Li**, November 4, 1988 in Nanchang, China.

Joel Williams (n85) and **Gary Grenon**, August 19 in Chatsworth, Calif.

Brad Grimsted (G86) and **Denise LaFlamme**, September 1 in Seattle.

Tressa Porter (G87) and **Jonathan Schuck**, September 23 in Portland.

Jim Stickrod (G87) and **Kristin Shepard**, June 17 in Vancouver, Wash.

Christine Schuck (G88) and **Carl Schneider**, November 25 in Silverton, Ore.

Kim Rathbun (G89) and **John Roppel** (n89), June 17 in Newberg.

BIRTHS

Roger (G75) and **Sandra (Larabee)** (G76) **Barnett**, a boy, Scott Brian, August 24 in Newberg.

Roger (G78) and **Nancy (Mathias)** (n77) **Wilhite**, a girl, Emily Ruth, August 1 in Reno, Nev.

Jerry (G79) and **Tammy (Rose)** (n80) **Barnick**, a girl, Rebecca Rose, October 16 in Oregon City.

Mark (G80) and **Ramona (Ronglien)** (G80) **Mortier**, a boy, Aaron Matthew, August 30 in Clackamas, Ore.

Ed (G81) and **Susan (Boden)** (n82) **Brown**, a boy, Zachery Edwin, April 21 in Walla Walla, Wash.

Margaret (May) (G81) and **David LeMaire**, a boy, Marc David, August 13 in Rwanguba, Zaire.

Jeanie (Van Manen) (G83) and **Jon Haupt**, a girl, Kerstyn Elizabeth, October 20 in Tonopah, Nev.

Karmen (Rowe) (n83) and **Roger Collins**, a girl, Rachel Renae, September 8 in Boise, Idaho.

Mike (G83) and **Debbie (Roberts)** (n82) **Royer**, a girl, Abbey Lawren, September 14 in Hermiston, Ore.

Dan (G84) and **Tamara (Magee)** (G85) **Cammack**, a girl, Rebecca Leigh, September 4 in Arequipa, Peru.

Roger (n85) and **Jenna (Kassebaum)** (n85) **Johnson**, a girl, Catherine Renae, August 11 in Portland.

Don (G86) and **Miriam (Clark)** (G85) **Staples**, a girl, Sarah Elizabeth, October 6 in Newberg.

Kevin (G86) and **Ardella (Byers)** (n84) **Fry**, a girl, Rachel Jean, October 10 in Hermiston, Ore.

DEATHS

Michael Burke (n82) passed away September 24 in Newberg.

Homecoming Set February 16, 17

Homecoming 1990 will feature more events than ever before, so plan ahead to attend, said Gary Brown, Director of Alumni and Parent Relations.

Slated Feb. 16-17, a major addition this year will be more visiting time for classes. A reception will be held for all alumni Friday evening, and the Alumni Lounge in Minthorn Hall will be reserved both days as a general visiting/relaxation area.

Saturday, alumni will have the option of examining contemporary issues at seminars hosted by alumni and GFC faculty/staff members.

"We really try hard to offer a greater variety of activities this year," Brown said. "We

want to give alumni even more reasons to visit their alma mater."

Of course traditional activities, such as the College's drama production, ice cream social, luncheon, awards banquet and men's and women's basketball games, will continue during the Homecoming celebration, he said.

Homecoming theme this year is "Excellence in Action," in honor of the increasing amount of national attention the College is receiving for its academic program.

Detailed information concerning Homecoming events and registration will be mailed to all GFC alumni in early January. A Homecoming T-shirt will be available for those who preregister.

Brown Meets with Alumni in NW

Early this month, Alumni Director Gary Brown accompanied more than 50 GFC alumni to the 50th Anniversary Ice Capades show at Portland's Memorial Coliseum. The purpose of the group activity was "strictly fellowship," he said.

Brown is looking forward to organizing more special activities, such as concerts and athletic events, for alumni located within a day's driving distance of the College, he noted. Besides his visits throughout the

Northwest, Brown is involved on campus with parent activities. Mothers of GFC students will gather for the College's annual Mom's Day on Saturday, Feb. 3. The event includes a luncheon, basketball game, and fashion show.

A record 158 parents attended this year's Parents Weekend Nov. 3-4. "It's good for the College to have the parents come to campus," Brown said. "And it's good for the parents. It's just a positive experience."

FACULTY NEWS

Stress Not All Bad, Says McMinn

Think twice about eliminating stress-related activities from your life because they may actually be helping you grow mentally or spiritually, psychology professor and author Mark McMinn told George Fox College students in October.

In his chapel speech titled "Christians and Stress," McMinn said his three recommended methods for coping with stress differ greatly from those often prescribed in stress management classes. They are:

Seek obedience above stress reduction. If the Apostle Paul would have quit his missionary work it would have greatly reduced the stress he was experiencing, but it wouldn't have been what God wanted, McMinn said. It is most important to follow God, he said.

Remember that productive stress now can prevent catastrophic stress later. People who make bad choices often do so because they want to make life easier. They end up, however, making life harder, McMinn said. "It might be worth

the stress now to prevent catastrophic stress later."

Seek the good life. In today's society, the "good life" is often equated with credits, honors and dollars. Christians should seek a different kind of "good life," McMinn said, one that equates greatness with goodness—loving and obeying God.

Studies show that minor irritants are just as likely to cause stress as catastrophic incidents, McMinn pointed out. He listed 10 concerns or "small stressors" of college students:

1. Troubling thoughts about the future.
2. Not getting enough sleep.
3. Wasting time.
4. Inconsiderate smokers.
5. Physical appearance.
6. Too many things to do.
7. Losing or misplacing things.
8. Not enough time to get everything done. (This is often compounded for Christians, who attend church regularly and are involved in church-related activities, McMinn said.)

Informal Education Praised

Three elements are needed to improve the educational climate for foreign students in America, said Assistant Professor of Religion Ron Stansell at GFC's fall Faculty Lecture.

In order for teachers to be successful in "crosscultural" education, they must first examine alternate teaching forms, he said.

Teachers need to integrate informal and "nonformal" components into the curriculum. The two differ from formal education in that they are more flexible and encourage one-on-one interaction, he said.

"Make no mistake. Formal education can be good education." But other kinds of education exist that are worthy of our consideration, he explained. "It's time to point out that people involved in crosscultural education are attracted to other forms of education because of some weak rungs in the formal ladder approach."

Second, teachers need to examine different academic disciplines, Stansell said.

"On the American college level, good crosscultural Christian education must be interdisciplinary. By that I mean it has to take into account a number of other academic disciplines beside the one we sometimes call 'missiology,'" he explained.

"Since many non-Westerners are more wholistic in their thinking than North Americans, we have a special need to look at life as a whole (as they do) and not as a set of separate disciplines."

Third, Christian teachers need to integrate the field of spirituality into cross-

cultural education, Stansell said. "What does spiritual formation have to do with crosscultural education?" he asked. "Seeing spirituality crossculturally has two tremendous benefits: It helps avoid legalism, and we are kept in better balance theologically," he answered.

"Let me illustrate," he said. "Sometimes Bolivians taught me biblical truth because their culture is closer to Bible culture than mine. They just understood it more naturally, like Jesus' parables about sheep. Other times, we'd get insights because the new culture is so different from Bible culture."

Stansell, whose lecture was titled "Crossing Over: A Study in Crosscultural Education," said it takes understanding, love, friendship, time and patience when interacting with a person of another culture.

"Do you realize the change it will require of you?" he asked. "And here you thought it was the student who was being changed! In crosscultural education, it is we, the teachers, as well as the students, who are called upon to be transformed."

Stansell, who joined the GFC faculty in 1978, was selected to deliver the 1989 lecture by a vote of his faculty colleagues. He is a 1965 GFC graduate who received a doctoral degree in missiology from Trinity Evangelical Divinity School this year.

The lecture series is funded, in part, through an endowment by Reba Rempel, Newberg, in honor of her son, Evan, a former GFC physics professor.

Destruction of Earth Examined

Are there effective ways to prevent destruction of the Earth as resource-consuming industries flourish around the world?

This question was addressed by a George Fox College professor and student when they spoke at the national Consortium on Peace Research and Development in Denver, Colo., in October.

Director of GFC's Center for Peace Learning Lon Fendall and GFC junior Kristin Potts discussed measures that have been taken in the past to protect the environment in the world and, in particular, the Philippines.

They joined about 500 professors, students and peace activists at the annual event, this year titled "Peace on the Planet."

Fendall and Potts drew from research they conducted for a paper titled "Violent and Nonviolent Methods of Protecting the Environment in the Philippines."

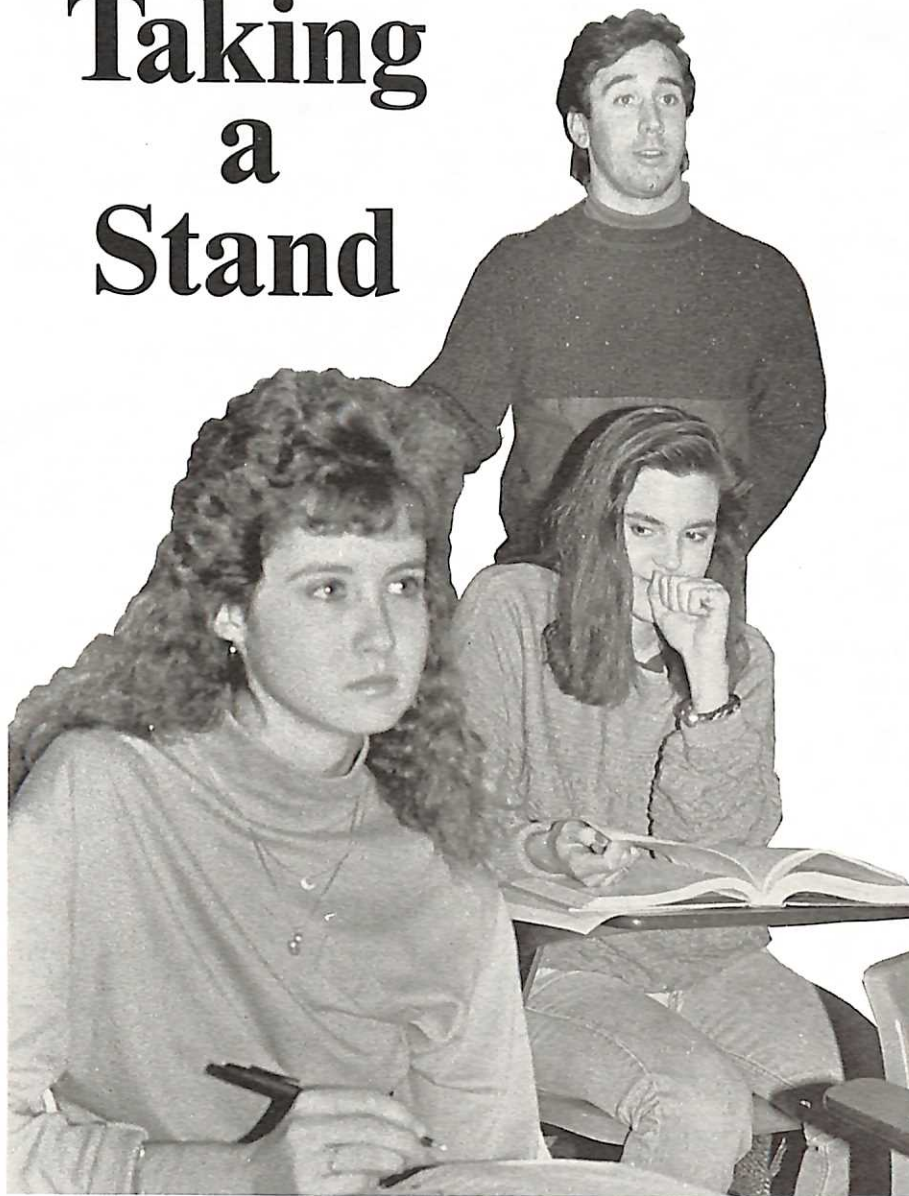
Fendall's contribution to the paper included his experience with environmental issues in the Philippines. He has traveled to the strife-filled country five times, three times in conjunction with GFC's Peace Center.

A major concern in the country is the environmental destruction caused by construction of dams, he said. He noted past protest over construction of a nuclear power plant in Manila, near a fault line.

Fendall also included contributions from 1986 GFC graduate Phil Waite, who currently works in the Philippines for the Mennonite Central Committee, writing and researching for SILDAP, a Philippine organization that works on land rights issues with tribal groups on the island of Mindanao.

Potts, a writing/literature major from Wichita, Kan., who is minoring in Peace Studies, included research on worldwide examples of environmental controversies.

Taking a Stand



GFC sophomore Scott Sherbourne states his opinion as junior Ronnie Philpot and sophomore Barb Troyer, left to right, look on.

Old-Fashioned Practice Keeps Students on Their Toes

George Fox College students are learning to take a stand in their business courses this year.

Any time they are called upon in professor Raymond Gleason's classes, they must leave the comfort and security of their desks and give their responses standing up. If they don't have a correct response, they must remain standing until another student does.

The old-fashioned practice forces students to do their homework because they know they will be held accountable for answers, said Gleason, who joined the College as assistant professor of business this year, teaching "Management," "Organizational Behavior," and "Introduction to Business."

Students must include three factors in their responses—a definition, an interpretation and an evaluation, Gleason said. For example, in giving an opinion on socialism as an economic theory, they must first define socialism, tell about it, then say whether it is good or bad, he explained.

While the practice helps students learn the class material, it more importantly gives them a pattern to follow for critical thinking in general, Gleason said.

"It trains them to be prepared, to analyze and advocate their ideas responsibly, and be held accountable for what they think."

Chad Moore, a junior Christian Education major from Grass Valley, Calif., remembers thinking "noooooo way" when Gleason first explained the stand-up requirement.

"I thought he was kidding at first," he said with a laugh. "I thought it was like the old times."

After Moore realized the requirement was no joke, he studied furiously. "It was really good at first because I was scared to death and I didn't want to look bad," he explained.

Into the ninth week of school, Moore is no longer terrified of facing his class. "After awhile you get used to it, your blood pressure goes down, and you don't worry about it so much."

While more comfortable now, Moore still benefits from the practice. "Gleason's class is always making you think. I learn a lot. I retain it, too," he said. "He (Gleason) cares about his students. He likes to see them do well. It really thrills him." Biology major Katie Wagner, a senior from Spokane, Wash., also said the benefits of standing up in class far exceed discomforts.

"I love it," she said. "It is hard, he does stretch us, but it's very refreshing." And it does motivate students to be prepared, she

said. "I see students in their apartments twittering over their chapters. It's good for the College."

Scott Sherbourne, a freshman business major from Medford, said the "stand and answer approach" forces him to prepare for class and "brings the procrastination level way down."

"There is more to come for GFC students as they improve their critical thinking skills," Gleason said. "The more prepared students are, the more willing they are to question, the more I can provide for them as a teacher," he said.

Gleason noted that the practice of requiring students to stand while responding to questions was inspired by "the excellent professors who taught me." He has a master's degree in communication arts and sciences and a bachelor's degree in speech communication from California State University. He has completed graduate course work at Fuller Theological Seminary and University of Southern California's School of Business.

Currently, he serves as a consultant in business management to businesses in the United States, Europe and New Zealand. He also is a frequent guest speaker for various organizations.

Before coming to GFC, for five years Gleason was an assistant professor of business communications at Loyola Marymount University in California. For six years, he was executive vice president/director of Santa Barbara Applied Research Inc., which was recognized in 1986 by the federal government as one of the outstanding small businesses in the United States. He was program manager for McLaughlin Research Corp. for three years, and field operations manager for Pepperdine University's School of Business and Management for two years.

Trustees Approved

Seventeen residents of Oregon, Washington and California have begun new terms on the George Fox College Board of Trustees.

All have been approved by Northwest Yearly Meeting of Friends Church.

Joining the 42-member board are new members Gloria Attrell, business owner, of Newberg; Ardys Roberts, retired school teacher, of Central Point; 1967 GFC graduate Victor Peterson, public school administrator, of Hayden Lake, Idaho; John Lemmons, president of Pacific Fibre, of Kelso, Wash.; Bill Sims, senior partner in a seven-member law firm, of Couer d'Alene, Idaho.

Returning members are Ken Austin, Jr., cofounder of A-dec Inc., of Newberg; Floyd Watson, bank executive, and Scotty Clark, minister, both of Eugene; Dick Evans, an IRS executive, and Dale Hadley, a partner with Interwest Financial Advisors Inc., both of Portland; Dea Cox, public school administrator, of West Linn; Stan Morse, research chemist, of Boise, Idaho; Margaret Lemmons, an educator, of Kelso, Wash.; Ron Gregory, attorney, of Seattle, Wash.; Steve Fellows, hospital administrator, of Gold River, Cal.; and Norman Winters, school superintendent, of Nampa, Idaho.

After serving on the board for 42 years, Ivan Adams of Newberg has been elevated to the status of Honorary Trustee.

One third of the College's Board of Trustees are elected each year. Members serve three-year terms, meeting twice a year, in September and February.

Adams Honored

A plaque of appreciation was awarded to Ivan Adams this year by GFC President Edward F. Stevens for his 42 years as a GFC board member.

Now moving to honorary trustee status, Adams has perhaps served on the board longer than anyone. Jesse Edwards, one of the five Newberg pioneers who founded Friends Pacific Academy, which grew into GFC, served from the time the College began until his death 39 years later.

Adams served as chairman of the board from 1950 to 1969; served with 138 different trustees; and, at an average of three hours each meeting, devoted 1,230 hours of time to board leadership, he estimates.

He took his assignment seriously and hoped it made a difference over the years, he said at his final board meeting. He noted the changes he has seen in the College, including its name change and its board structure.

After reading from remarks he had prepared for the 75th anniversary of the College, he received a round of applause from Board members.

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He pastored Friends churches for a total of 17 years in Washington, Kansas and Oregon. He served at Friends Bible College in Haviland, Kan., as an instructor for two years, and as president for five years. He was general superintendent of Iowa Yearly Meeting for three years.

Under the sponsorship of Northwest Yearly Meeting and the Board of Peace and Service, he became the prime mover in the founding of Friendsview Manor, which he served as executive director for 16 years until his retirement in 1975. In his retirement years, he served as archivist for both Northwest Yearly Meeting and George Fox.

He held church offices, first in Kansas and then in Northwest yearly meetings. During World War II, he served as Kansas Yearly Meeting Civilian Public Service Committee chairman. He also was regional vice president of the Friends Committee on National Legislation. In Northwest Yearly Meeting, he was president of the Board of Evangelism and Church Extension, chairman of the Twin Rocks Conference Corporation and president of the Friends Church Extension Foundation.

He married Mildred Choate on June 29, 1930, in Westfield, Ind. For two years following their marriage, the couple taught at Greenleaf Academy, Idaho, after which they took up full-time pastoral duties.

Surviving are their children and their spouses, Ardeth and Ray Brown, Meredith Beals and Brian and Janice Beals; and grandchildren, Tim and Kelli Brown Stephens, Kevin Brown, Brad and Dottie Beals, Craig Beals and Corey Beals.

Memorial contributions may be made to Greenleaf Friends Academy, or to Friendsview Manor.

STUDENT NEWS

Living Out Faith: Students Aid Community

Almost 50 George Fox College students rolled up their shirtsleeves one sunny day in November to help Newberg-area senior citizens with their house and yard work.

From 9:00 a.m. to noon the students busied themselves with various chores, including raking leaves, cleaning gutters and washing windows.

"We thought it would be a good thing for students to reach out to the community," said spokesman for the "Workday" event, GFC Student Chaplain Todd McKee. Students will do "whatever needs to be done around the house—inside or out," he said.

Recipients of the effort—the first of its kind—were pleased. "I thought the girls who worked at my house were wonderful! I was very pleased and would like to see it happen again," said Newberg resident Alice Freeman.

"They did a good job and did it fast," said another Newberg resident, George Wenker.

GFC students also benefited from the effort. "College students here at GFC are supposed to be learning how to be Christlike, but we are often more interested in entertaining ourselves than in helping others. This was a small way we could be servants," said sophomore liberal arts major Rob Felton of Hillsboro, Ore.

"Workday" was organized by the Christian Concerns Committee of GFC's student government. Newberg Human Resource Center provided names of the senior citizens who needed work done for them.

Four George Fox College students put theory into practice as they helped



Freshman Chris Davis of Kuna, Idaho, cleans gutters during GFC's "Workday."

organize a Thanksgiving Day dinner for more than 200 Newberg-area residents.

As students of professor Mike Allen's "Group Dynamics" class, they are asked to apply what they learn in class to a 30-hour community service project. They chose to join forces with Newberg's Human Resource Center, a local social service agency, to feed those who do not have friends or family with whom to celebrate the holiday.

"We chose this project because it's people-oriented," said Jennifer Holtan, a junior psychology major from Newberg.

After collecting food from Newberg businesses, and pledges of volunteer labor from local churches, the students attended to the details of the dinner, including decorations, food preparation and serving, and entertainment for both adults and children. The meal was served at Newberg Open Bible Church.

The students planned for 225 people, but it was not known how many would attend, said Margie Taylor, director of Newberg Human Resource Center. "Since this is the first year we've done something like this, it was difficult knowing what the turnout would be."

The class project gives students a greater understanding of themselves and a better idea of how efficient or inefficient they are when working in a group, said Allen, professor of sociology. The purpose of the class is to teach groups to form, maintain and complete goals, he explained.

"I've learned it's possible to have a group where no one runs over anybody and really works together, even if they're all different," Holtan said.

Working with her were Krista Scudder, a senior business major from Hammett, Idaho; Ron Wolfe, a sophomore psychology major from Newberg; and Kari Mitchell, a senior business major from Milwaukie.

In another class-assigned community service project, students worked with children at Newberg's Chehalem House, a home for mentally disabled youths, involving them in Special Olympics, Allen noted.

BRUIN SPORTS

George Fox College men's and women's cross country teams both finished in the nation's top 10 in the NAIA national championships Nov. 18 in Kenosha, Wisconsin.

Accomplishing what's been done only once before, GFC men and women pulled off a sweep of NAIA District 2 titles to get to the nationals.

There the men finished ninth, the women tenth, with GFC one of just four colleges in the United States to have double finishes in the top 10.

The Bruin men finished with 370 points, climbing higher than their 13th rank going in, and topping District 2's Willamette by one position. The Lady Bruins compiled 291 points, edging by one point District 2 rival Western Oregon. The women were ranked sixth going into the national race.

George Fox men were led by Aaron Howard, a junior from Roseburg. He finished 40th at 25:53 over the 8,000-meter course. The women were paced by the 47th place of Jill Jamison, a Seattle sophomore who finished second the year before. She completed the 5,000-meter course in 19:01. Howard topped GFC's top district finisher, Mark Mohnen, a junior from Aloha, who was 46th nationally at 26:04. Jamison was followed for GFC by Phaydra Newport, a freshman from Sitka, Alaska, who was 52nd at 19:06.

The race included 329 women and 343 men from 38 colleges.

At the district level, the Lady Bruins, following their first-ever win last fall, kept the crown with a 41-55 win over second-place Western Oregon. The Bruin men, winning their second district cross country title (the first coming in 1977), nipped Willamette University 48-49.

George Fox put together its wins on depth, with neither team producing the individual district champion.

The victories that put GFC in the forefront in the district's fall sport came just two seasons after coach Wes Cook took over the Bruin program. He was named district Coach of the Year in both men's and women's competition.

"He's a real find for us—overlooked by many coaches," George Fox soccer coach Tim Tsohantaris said on a warm July day back in 1987. He made his observation in announcing Dan LaVeine as picking the Bruins for his collegiate career.

Three seasons later that overlooked player is on his way to becoming the United States' top collegiate soccer scorer.

LaVeine, now a junior, has scored 85 goals in three years, an average of 28.3 a season. He needs just 24 to become the nation's top college scorer at any level. Brent Goulet of Warner Pacific in Portland scored 108 in four seasons ending in 1986 and was proclaimed the record holder for all NCAA and NAIA players.

LaVeine, a 6-2, 180-pound forward, scored 32 goals as a freshman, 23 the next year, and 30 in the season just completed, with the soccer Bruins finishing 10-8-1 overall, fourth in NAIA District 2.

District coaches in November named LaVeine soccer player of the year. It keeps the honor in the family. His older brother, Andy, won the same honor in 1988 while playing for GFC. The younger LaVeine's record-setting pace came the hard way this season. He played with a broken right foot. Until the end of the season he thought it was a bad sprain that continued to be painful. A bone scan proved otherwise and now surgery is scheduled this winter to allow time for complete recovery by next fall.

LaVeine, who wants to play professionally in Europe or America, sampled European play last summer, spending 2½ months keeping in shape with the Berne, Switzerland, Sports Club. Tsohantaris encouraged the summer program. "I felt he needed to play at a higher caliber," he said, noting that not many Americans have the

opportunity. "This opens up a lot of doors for him," he said.

LaVeine is not just comfortable on the playing pitch. He's also a top student, maintaining a 3.71 grade average as a business economics major, receiving one of GFC's highest honors scholarships.

In a "rebuilding year" the George Fox College volleyball Bruins have reached all the way to second in the nation in the National Christian College Athletic Association.

The young squad, with only one senior, lost the national title in the championship game Nov. 11 in Indianapolis. The Lady Bruins fell 15-8, 15-6 to an in-state team, Taylor University of Upland. The Lady Bruins won the national crown in 1984 and 1987.

George Fox this year lost just one game in the two-day event, opening with a 15-5, 15-10 over John Brown University, then topping Bethel College of Indiana 15-12, 15-10 before falling to Milligan College 2-15, 15-9, 16-14. Milligan finished third in the tournament.

The next day George Fox defeated Geneva College of Pennsylvania 15-6, 15-4 and then Bethel 15-10, 15-2 before bowing in the championship contest.

For the Lady Bruins, junior setter Stacy Wright, Springfield, Ore., was named an NCCAA All-American, also named to the all-tournament team, along with Cindy Warner, a sophomore hitter from Ridgefield, Wash., and Kim Riedel, a senior middle blocker from Scappoose, Ore. Only Riedel is lost to graduation.

The Lady Bruins finished their season at 26-18, finishing fourth in NAIA District 2 with Wright named to the All-District second team.