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ONE OF NATION'S BEST — AGAIN

George Fox College is one of the nation's best colleges and, in perhaps the most important ranking category, has moved even higher than last year.

The 1990 report of "America's Best Colleges" by *U.S. News & World Report* magazine moves George Fox to second in academic reputation among liberal arts colleges in the West. The College, 100 years old this year, was listed third a year ago.

The October 15 issue of the magazine carries a cover story on the national rankings and places George Fox eighth overall in the region that includes 385 colleges from Hawaii to Texas.

Placing in the top ten is significant (GFC was fifth a year ago), but the academic reputation is a particular honor, according to GFC President Edward F. Stevens. "It is the only 'perception' factor used, with presidents and deans doing this ranking," he noted. Statistical data is provided by the individual colleges in the other four categories and is combined with an exclusive *U.S. News* survey of academic reputation.

The magazine says academic reputations "have become so vital in opening doors after graduation—both to graduate education and to employment."

George Fox, which this fall has a record enrollment passing 1,000 for the first

time, is topped in the academic reputation category only by Evergreen State College in Washington. Southwestern University of Texas, ranked at the top overall in the West, is third in academic reputation.

GFC is one of two Oregon schools named in the top ten in its category. George Fox is the only member of the 13-member national Christian College Consortium selected in any of the top-15 groupings.

The regional liberal arts colleges category consists of schools smaller than the regional colleges and universities category and less selective than those in the national liberal arts colleges.

A record 60.1 percent of the 4,131 college presidents, deans and admissions directors contacted completed the eighth annual *U.S. News* questionnaires. The 1,374 four-year schools are rated in five categories: academic reputation, student selectivity, faculty resources, financial resources and student satisfaction.

Final overall ranking was determined by weighing academic reputation, student selectivity and faculty resources at 25 percent each, with financial resources at 20 percent and student satisfaction at 5 percent.

Stevens said he believes George Fox may be so highly ranked because of recent academic innovations. In the seven years since Steven's arrival on the Newberg campus, George Fox has started a new degree completion program in Human Resources Management, added new majors in telecommunication, computer information, and engineering, changed to a semester calendar, and has begun an English as a Second Language program. The College has started a May Term featuring a new Juniors Abroad program offering international study for all students prior to their senior year.

GFC also has launched curriculum-wide programs emphasizing ethics, writing and international study. This fall, in its 100th year, the College began its first graduate program, offering a doctoral degree in clinical psychology.

The *U.S. News & World Report* ranking is the second national listing awarded to George Fox this year. Last spring it was named to the Templeton Foundation Honor Roll of Character Building Colleges, the only college in Oregon selected and one of just 102 in the nation.

Enrollment Tops 1,000

In its centennial year, George Fox College has topped 1,000 in enrollment for the first time.

The College this fall has 1,073 students, a 13.5 percent increase over last fall, when enrollment was 945.

The 1990 total includes 73 students in the College's first graduate degree program. The undergraduate total of exactly 1,000 is a 5.8 percent increase over last year.

In the last four years the student population has nearly doubled, from 549 total enrollment in 1986. It grew to 706 in 1987, 820 in 1988, and 945 last fall.

The College has 786 students on campus in its traditional program. Another 214 are in the College's four-year-old degree completion program in human resources management. Classes are offered in Newberg, Portland, Salem and Eugene.

The graduate program is in clinical psychology. Established at Western Conservative Baptist Seminary, Portland, in 1976, it had 68 enrolled last year. It was officially transferred to George Fox August 15.

The record undergraduate enrollment of 786 includes 305 new students, 461 returning students and 20 in special programs. Of the new students 193 are first-time freshmen, 96 are transfer students and 16 students are previous students who have reenrolled.

By classes there are 281 freshmen, 204 sophomores, 147 juniors, 121 seniors, 13 "postgraduate" students, and the 20 in special categories.

George Fox President Edward F. Stevens said: "We are overwhelmed with the growth the last four years. We obviously have done a couple of things right, but it is also evident that students are looking for a college that has excellence in education and clear Christ-centered values."

Midyear Graduation

Two college presidents will give greetings when George Fox College holds its Centennial Midyear Commencement.

The president of Malone College in Canton, Ohio, will join George Fox President Edward F. Stevens in the College's December 15 ceremonies.

E. Arthur (Woody) Self will deliver the commencement address to about 75 graduates. Self is in his second year as president of Malone.

Stevens said Self was selected to give the address because of his background in establishing a program similar to George Fox's degree completion program in Human Resources Management.

Self was involved in the same kind of program at Spring Arbor College, Michigan, then helped develop a similar program at Friends University in Wichita, Kansas, where he was vice president for university relations for two years, until 1985.

About 60 of the 75 midyear graduates at George Fox will be part of the degree completion program. This is the second year George Fox has held a midyear graduation, created because of the HRM major. The program has participants in 15-month courses that end at various times throughout the year, not just the traditional spring graduation.

Students celebrate with confetti the news of *U.S. News & World Report's* ranking.



PRESIDENT'S PEN

One of *America's Best Colleges*? Well, in our category—western region, liberal arts colleges, *they* say we are! Obviously, I agree with *U.S. News & World Report*.

Before I say what we are—let me tell you what we are *not*.

We are not a “national” liberal arts college. If we were listed in that category we would *not* make the ranking, because another thing we are *not* is highly “selective.” That is, we admit most students who apply. It is not our mission to educate the elite and the select few. We get good students. Some of our students could go anywhere. They choose George Fox over Stanford, Yale, Duke, et al. But, we still take the average student and try to help each “... grow in wisdom, stature, and in favor with God and man,” as it was said of the boy Jesus.

What we are *not* is financially well-endowed. That is why our rank is 36 in financial resources. We are a well-managed college. Financially we don't spend money we don't have, and we have balanced our budget for 19 consecutive years. Rich we are *not*—good stewards we are.

We are *not* a research institution, but we have an excellent faculty—who value scholarship *and* teaching. There are those who would have us press on to the “publish or perish” mentality. Why? The presidents of Stanford, Harvard and Rice are quoted in the October issue of *U.S. News & World Report* as saying colleges have overemphasized research and must return to good teaching. George Fox has never left it. I think we will stick with our “publish and be appreciated” attitude.

Finally, we are *not* sacrificing our sense of Christian community to gain academic reputation. It is not an either/or proposition. We can, are and will be both. That is why I rejoice when college presidents and deans selected us—again—as the only Oregon college/university to the Templeton Foundation Honor Roll of Character Building Colleges.

NOW, are we one of the best in the west? YES! Our ranking in academic reputation of SECOND is the perception of presidents and deans in this region. In marketing there is an expression “Perception is Reality!” If the consumers believe a product is quality—that is reality. I'm not exactly sure of everything that goes into the perception of “excellence” at George Fox College, but we humbly accept the praise that comes with that perception.

At George Fox College we know what we are not! But, it also follows that we know who we are and we know Whose we are. We belong to the great I AM! And, if we want to call ourselves by the name of Christ, then we must strive to be excellent in all that we do and in all that we are.

One of *America's Best Colleges*? Obviously, it depends on the criteria, but based on what we seek to do (mission) and the extent to which we have accomplished it—I believe we are.



GFC President Edward F. Stevens

Centennial Celebration Commences

Under late summer blue skies, with bells and chimes ringing, and multicolored balloons blowing in the breeze, George Fox College on Sunday, Sept. 9, began its 100th year.

Nearly 1,000 Newberg residents and GFC students, faculty and staff, alumni and friends gathered on the campus quadrangle for the first of the opening-day Centennial events, which did not conclude until six hours later with an evening candlelight service.

The large turnout for the Centennial year kickoff left hundreds to seek shade of nearby trees after the 40-by-60-foot tent to cover about 400 persons quickly filled. Many brought blankets and folding beach and lawn chairs to sit on the campus lawns for the ceremonies.

It was a dramatically changed campus from one most have seen and remembered. Literally overnight, a small “hill” was created in the campus center, sod laid, and bushes planted just hours before the dedication of a new 65-foot Centennial Tower.

The brick structure, a new focal point and gathering place for the campus, was designed by world-renowned architect Pietro Belluschi. It was given by Newberg resident Esther Klages to help the College and community commemorate the centennial celebration. Using ceremonial scissors covered with ribbons, Klages cut three strands of white ribbon on the “gift wrapped” tower to officially dedicate it.

Belluschi, one of the nation's best-known architects, missed the dedication, at home recovering from a hospitalization for pneumonia. Charles Bahlman, head of the projects management division of KPFF, Portland, the consulting engineers for the project, represented Belluschi.

“A new place has been born on this campus,” Bahlman said, “one that will serve not only to commemorate, but also to inspire and feed both the needs and the senses of those who pause beneath it, view it from the classrooms or offices, or hear it at a distance in the night.”

“The tower before you has created an entirely new architectural space for the enjoyment of all those who traverse this quadrangle,” Bahlman said. “What before only had edges now has a center, a distinct place in which to be and to enjoy. An entirely new spirit is engendered by the presence of this elegant piece of architecture.”

The brick structure contains the College's original bell that became a victory bell, crosses, four clocks and a 50-Flemish-bell carillon. Bahlman said the tower “is successful as a piece of architecture because it carries with it familiar symbols in a modernist statement. Although it is split in half and projects a certain tension, it is, nonetheless, a very traditional tower in its proportion and massing.”

Klages told of her original interest in making the \$125,000 tower possible. She said it was first mentioned in a Centennial Planning Committee meeting in which she participated. A 1974 campus master plan called for a central artistic focal piece for the campus.

“I had seen towers on other campuses and felt they had very much enhanced the



Esther Klages



President Edward F. Stevens at Centennial Tower dedication.

appearance of the campus,” Klages told the audience in her brief remarks. She reported meeting with college officials, architects and engineers about designs and costs. Then, she said, “I spent several sleepless nights praying, wondering whether, as a good steward of the Lord's money, I should do this when there were so many more practical needs to be met, and this was just to enhance the looks of the campus.”

“One morning, still undecided about this,” she said, “I woke up early and looked out the window. The sky was ablaze with the glory of the rising sun, and while looking at this, it just seemed as if the Lord was saying to me, ‘I love beauty, too. I could have created a drab, gray sky with no beauty, but I have splashed the sky with color for my children to enjoy.’”

“That settled the question for me,” Klages said. “I felt that the Lord had confirmed my desire to go ahead with the project.”

Klages said many have expressed their appreciation and pleasure when seeing the tower. She said, “As a steward of that which the Lord has entrusted to me, I accept your thanks and expressions of appreciation, but I so quickly turn them over to the Lord, as He is the true benefactor.”

The formal tower dedication followed an hour-long concert featuring the Four Flats Quartet, which formed at the College in 1946 and later sang internationally as the World Vision Quartet. They drew laughter and applause in singing some of their all-time favorites, after opening with a newly composed birthday greeting to their alma mater.

Following the dedication, George Fox pianist and organist David Howard became

a carillonneur as well, playing a 45-minute concert on the new carillon.

Nearly 250 persons attended an invitational Centennial Kick Off Dinner on campus, starting with a 6:30 p.m. reception. Newberg Mayor Elvern Hall and other special guests joined with members of the College's President's Council, board of trustees, and Centennial leaders for the evening. It featured the premier of a new multi-image production that has the same title as the College's centennial theme: “A Heritage to Honor, A Future to Fulfill.” The 25-minute production takes a look decade by decade through the College's first 99 years.

The day concluded after dark when about 400 turned out for a candlelight service at the base of the tower, spotlighted at night with 3,000 watts from 12 fixtures on all four sides.

George Fox Chaplain Emeritus Ron Crecelius was assisted by student chaplains Amy Helsabeck and Dan Brown. From a large central candle they carried flames to the rows and clusters of persons gathered under and near the tent. Each person had been given a solitary candle to hold for the ceremony, lifting them high for the concluding ceremony by Crecelius. George Fox Vice President for Academic Affairs Lee Nash ended the evening with comments and prayer.

George Fox President Edward F. Stevens said: “We have reason to celebrate. God has blessed the College for 99 years and has really poured out a blessing in the last four years with phenomenal growth. This is a special place and we plan to celebrate that uniqueness in this very special year.”



GFC students gather for evening candlelight service.

FACULTY NEWS

Best-selling Author Is 'Inspiring Presence'

Laurel Lee, world-renowned author of *Walking Through the Fire* fame, is now walking the tree-lined sidewalks at George Fox College.

Lee is at the College, changing seasons and changing directions, yet doing what she loves most: writing.

Her best-selling autobiography has been distributed in 52 countries and was made into a two-hour CBS television movie where Lee played her own bedside nurse.

As Writer in Residence, the first in George Fox's 100 years, Lee says, "I have always felt you could reach more people by writing than teaching," she explains. "Teaching takes a lot of energy, not only in preparing lectures, but grading papers and spending time with students."

"I had always thought I would just stay with writing," she said, "however, I believe it was an act of God—like lightning striking—that put me at George Fox."

Lee was looking for a budget payment plan for her daughter, Anna, who enrolled at George Fox this year as a freshman. While in Wood-Mar Hall, she entered the office of Lee Nash, vice president for academic affairs, to inquire about guest lecturing at GFC. She was handed an employment application and, later, hired.

Nash said the College was looking for someone to fill a need in the communication arts department when Lee came through the door. "It was perfect, providential timing," he explains.

"Laurel Lee will serve as an inspiring presence on campus to the students," Nash said. "She also will serve as an inspiration to many campus faculty members who may not be as famous as she is, but who also love to write."

In addition to teaching fall courses on basic writing of biography and autobiographies, Lee, spring semester, will teach a course on children's writing and publishing.

She believes her purpose at GFC is not only to give students knowledge from her experience as a best-selling author, but to encourage them to write. "I simply want to be of service here on campus," Lee says. In follow-up to her desire to spend time with students, Lee requested a luncheon meal ticket be issued to her. It was quickly approved, according to Dean Nash.

This is not Lee's first teaching experience; she has taught the art of journal writing and other creative writing courses at Hofstra University in Long Island, New York, and at St. Andrews school in South Africa. She also has lectured at writing workshops around the country.

Lee's life has been plagued with disease and misfortune. When Lee was 29 years old and pregnant with her third child, her doctor diagnosed lymphatic cancer—Hodgkin's disease. "In one moment my life had been changed with a single sentence," she said.

Lee recently spoke to the student body, faculty and staff at GFC. In that address she described one of the most devastating effects of her cancer experience. "When I went to my house, I found that I didn't have a home. We all make freewill choices. My husband... he met a woman who could help him with babies. He filed for divorce, sold the house and moved away. I had no health, house, husband, or home," she said.

She moved in with church friends and prepared to live the life of a single mother with three children not yet old enough to attend school, knowing that her life span was shortening by the hour.

While recalling those moments at death's door, Lee says "I found death to be the last enemy any of us will ever face. For some it's close, for some it's far; but for all it's really much closer than we know."

Walking Through the Fire was not only a best seller, but also a Literary Guild Selec-



tion. Lee has written two sequels to her first book, *Signs of Spring* and *Mourning into Dancing*. These published diaries of her life have been likened by *Harper's Magazine* to the *Diaries of Anne Frank*.

Though the pages of Laurel's diaries are lined with heartache and subsequent humor, *Harper's Magazine* recalls, "Laurel Lee has the rare talent to use language with a vital honesty... *Walking Through the Fire* is not a book on how to die, instead it is the experience of one person who lived."

The *New York Times* hailed her writing as, "fresh, deft, ingenuous... although you see the print, you feel the handwriting."

"Trials rivaling Job's... only sharpened the perceptive humor and lively imagination that fashioned from suffering a moving, unexpectedly entertaining book," declared the *Washington Post* following the release of *Mourning into Dancing*, her second sequel.

Lee, a woman who has bared her soul to the world, literally airing her closets, believes that her journals are "yesterday's mail." She explains, "I am just thankful that the Lord gave me the opportunity to share scriptural truth."

Lee reminisces, "I had to make a choice after the books were published. I could have really walked as fast and as hard as I could to play the Christian celebrity. There are a lot of open doors that just increase

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people's knowing about you, giving you a lot of influence. But my real heart has always been missions so, instead of hanging around America and going to the Christian Bookseller's Conference, I took invitations that let me travel overseas."

Lee has been active in establishing regional food banks in California and South Africa. The idea was actually born from a trip to the grocery store where she suddenly realized the enormous waste by stores that are required to throw out foods because of overdue pull dates. Lee wrote to Safeway stores requesting that the discarded food be donated to food banks. She assured the store chain through legal documentation that it would never be sued. She installed the same practices in South Africa.

Lee's philosophy of life often has been summed up by a line from *Walking Through the Fire*: "When life gives you lemons, make lemonade." But when directly asked, she bases her philosophy of life on the Sermon on the Mount. "I think

that one way to stay in balance is to emphasize what the Bible emphasizes. When we get out of balance we emphasize minor half thoughts and partial phrases," she said.

"Your mind is like an elevator," Lee explains. "We have a choice of pushing the up button even when it's difficult to draw close to God," she philosophizes while recalling her feelings when she realized her death was imminent.

Lee came to GFC after spending last summer traveling in the outback of Australia, speaking to natives and aborigines. "It was really exciting because I traveled the entire outer edge of Australia where hardly anyone goes."

Lee currently is working on *Golden Book of Time* scheduled for release in the spring of 1991.

To date, ten published books have been her written accomplishments. Lee emphasizes that writing is not the end of the road for her.

There are many other things she wants to do; activities that may not get much press but are still important to her. "I want to travel to China," she says. Lee is planning a trip there this December to help coordinate Chinese national church ministries.

On writing, Lee says, "I don't really have a target audience. I try to write from my heart and not prepackage it." Her primary reason for documenting her life story was for her children, who, at the time, were too young to remember her or her life.

"One thing that started me in public ministry was the fact that I was dying and I

"I might have died before Häagen-Dazs was given to America."

wrote about it. I never forgot the lessons of dying. The lesson is how fast it's over and the fact that you take nothing with you except your knowledge of Christ," she said. In keeping with her perspective humor she says publicly, "I might have died before Häagen-Dazs was given to America."

ALUMNI NOTES

Lowell (G68) and Linda (G80) Graves live in Elk Grove, Calif., where he is chaplain at Sutter Oaks-Midtown, a geriatric and rehabilitation facility located in Sacramento. She is program coordinator for South Area Emergency Housing Center, an agency providing shelter for homeless women and families.

Paul Miller (G69) is sales associate with The Lutz Snyder Co., a real estate firm in Hillsboro, Ore.

Linda Nixon (G72) has moved to Nashville to begin a two-year program at Trevecca Nazarene College to be a physician's assistant.

Jim Tusant (G72) is minister of Christian education at Valley View Evangelical Church, Clackamas, Ore.

Stephen (G78) and Dena (Parker) (n79) Duke live in Boise, Idaho, where he is a fishery biologist with the U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service and she is a first grade school teacher.

Kim (Johnson) Irwin (n79) is membership services director and aerobic program supervisor for the YMCA in Honolulu, Hawaii.

Steve Morse (G79), his wife, Laketa, and family have moved to Westport, Wash., where he is an elementary school principal.

Rhonda (Krueger) (n80) Landreth recently moved to Colusa, Calif., with her husband, Patrick, and their three children. She is a full-time homemaker, and he is a traffic officer with the California Highway Patrol.

Rick (n82) and Jeanne (Clark) (G82) Korver and family have moved to Frankfurt, West Germany, where he is teaching special education at Frankfurt American High School.

Janelle (Puckett) Thayer (G82) is a counselor for single parents attending Spokane Falls (Wash.) Community College.

Linda Miller (G84) is director of the career development center at Northwestern College, Orange City, Iowa.

Brett Barbre (G85) is special assistant to U.S. Representative William Dannemeyer (R-CA), responsible for press and public relations and legislative research. He also is a state precinct director, is president of the Yorba Linda chapter of the California Republican Assembly, has been elected to the board of docents for the Richard Nixon Library & Birthplace, and is a coordinator for the Orange County Christian Task Force Against Anti-Semitism.

Dwight Larabee (G86) is an internal auditor with Standard Insurance, Portland.

Mark (G86) and Darla (Accatino) (n88) Tuning live in Seattle, where he is teaching at Perkins Elementary School and sings with the Seattle Chamber Singers and Seattle Bach Choir. She is administrative research assistant for Prosthetics Research Study, and also sings with the Seattle Bach Choir and Choir of the Sound.

MARRIAGES

Jeff Crogrove (G81) and Julie Skoch, May 12 in Milwaukie, Ore.

Kevin Peters (G82) and Rebecca Westran, September 8 in Salem, Ore.

Cynthia Stecker (n87) and Michael Rasch, August 18 in Longview, Wash.

Connie Hohensee (n89) and Christopher Anderson (n92), August 17 in Oregon City.

Rebecca Nauman (G89) and James Steele (G90), August 18 in Newberg.

Bradley Clark (G90) and Shelley Hawkins (G90), September 8 in Vancouver, Wash.

Charlene Dobson (G90) and Paul Diefenbaugh (student), August 18 in Garden Grove, Calif.

Philip Higgins (n90) and Kristina Stanbro (student), September 1 in Molalla, Ore.

Melissa McDermott (G90) and Michael Willcuts (G90), July 28 in Newberg.

Kari Mitchell (G90) and Michael Kearns, August 25 in Gladstone, Ore.

W. Scott Rader (G90) and Julie Herning (n91), August 4 in Newberg.

Karen Schuck (n91) and Corey Barnedt, September 1 in Woodland, Wash.

Lori Graham (n92) and Christopher Ross, July 28 in Central Point, Ore.

BIRTHS

Cindy (Arbogast) (G70) and Dan (n70) McCracken, a boy, Ethan Sterling, September 11 in Newberg.

Margaret (Hatch) (G70) and Jim Hughes, a boy, Mitchell Hatch, born Jan. 1, 1985, in Vietnam, adopted October 7.

Joni (Frank) (G77) and Terry Greenman, a boy, Bridger Chase, August 30 in Ogden, Utah.

Warren (G78) and Pauline Koch, a boy, Douglas Arthur, August 31 in Newberg.

Kim (Johnson) (n79) and Glenn Irwin, a boy, Weston Thomas, March 1 in Honolulu, Hawaii.

Candace (Malm) (G79) and David Trout, a girl, Joelle Elise, November 25 in Portland.

Debbie (Dominy) (G79) and Werner (G79) Seibert, a girl, Sarah Charlotte, June 16 in Billings, Montana.

Joyce (Davenport) (G80) and Tony Christopher, a boy, Matthew Anthony, August 21 in Sunnyvale, Calif.

Danita (Forney) (G82) and Todd (G82) Newell, a boy, Trenton Joseph, July 2 in Portland.

Laura (Schmeling) (G82) and Dave Kuchera, a boy, Matthew Edward, July 27 in Billings, Montana.

Janelle (Puckett) (G82) and Ken Thayer, a boy, Lucas James, June 2 in Nine Mile Falls, Wash.

Dave (n83) and Melinda (Day) (G85) Mauermann, a boy, Jacob David, September 8 in Portland.

Doug (G83) and Sheri Morse, a boy, Nathaniel Paul, September 18 in Springfield, Ore.

LuVonne (Treharne) (n84) and John (G85) Votaw, a boy, Isaih Allen, September 17 in Salem, Ore.

Elizabeth (VanMeter) (n87) and Brad Patzer, a boy, Ethan Bradley, July 26 in Newberg.

Jay (HRM89) and Janelle Adrian, a boy, Taylor Dean, September 18 in Portland.

DEATHS

Betty (Dixon) Bolt (G44) passed away February 18 in Oceanside, Calif.

Bob Quiring (n82) passed away October 9 in Salem, Ore.

Due to many requests, copies of back issues of *L'Ami* (as listed in the last *Life*) are no longer available.



Firemen squelch fire while GFC students look on.

Student Union Fire Interrupts 100th Year

"It's not been what we planned for our Centennial year start—but it will probably be one of the things we remember most," George Fox President Edward F. Stevens wrote to students, parents, faculty and staff in a September 28 memo.

His letter followed a fire in the College's Student Union Building, a small one, but one that because of its location caused major disruption to student routine—and considerable media attention.

It is believed the fire is the first in the College's 100 years to cause structural damage.

Breaking out shortly after 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday night, September 25, the fire started in the student darkroom (photo lab). About 400 students were eating in the adjacent Heacock Commons when the fire was discovered and they were quickly warned and evacuated. Most stood on nearby campus lawns to watch the fire and the Newberg firemen, who arrived in minutes to put out the flames.

But it was the resulting smoke, not the flames, that caused the disruption. Heavy black smoke filled most of the complex, which then could not be occupied while tests were made to determine what might have been released into the air by the fire, if photographic chemicals were involved. A professional environmental analysis firm was hired. "We want to make sure there are no potential health hazards to students or employees," Stevens said in his letter. The advice for a check also came from city fire officials and from the College's insurance company.

The Student Union Building, the first portion built in 1958, contains the student post office, College bookstore, student government offices, prayer room, and Subway snack shop. Because of the smoke, all were closed immediately, as were the dining commons and dining/meeting rooms. The disruption without those services caused major changes. Student mail continued to be distributed—even the next morning—using a late-night M. J. Murdock LRC study room with outside access. The snack shop continued to serve—outside under a porch area. The greatest challenge was serving 500 students three meals a day with no chairs, tables, dishware, flatware—or food. Marriott Food Service Director Bill Jackson and staff made heroic efforts under the trying circumstances. Breakfast the next two mornings was continental style, come-and-go, served in Pennington Hall lobby. Lunches were "brown-bag style" handed out on the campus lawn near the commons. They were put together at the Newberg Open Bible Church. Dinner the first night (spaghetti, chicken and salads) was prepared at the McMinnville Community Center and brought back to Newberg, served from tables placed on the lawns with students sitting on the ground nearby.

By Thursday night a temporary "cafeteria" had been created in Wheeler Sports

Center, moving in rented tables and taking over the east court of Miller Gym. Students lined up in the lobby for food prepared by the GFC kitchen staff at nearby Friendsview Manor. A refrigerated truck was backed up to the gym to keep some foods chilled. The sports center snack bar became a staging area.

By Saturday, professional cleaning crews began to wash and clean the entire complex, starting with the Commons. Students regained use of it on Sunday. By Tuesday the Student Post Office was reopened. By Wednesday the meeting rooms were ready and reopened for off-campus use.

However, the student office wing remains unusable. An off-campus construction firm has been contracted to rebuild the dark room, KFOX student radio station, *L'Ami* (yearbook) office, and hallway. The student government offices are being renovated. Total fire costs are listed at about \$85,000, covered by insurance.

Newberg Fire Department ruled the cause was accidental, the result of a negative-drying device left plugged in and unattended.

There was adversity with the Student Union Building fire. (How do you replace the destroyed yearbook negatives and photos documenting the entire school year to that point?)

But there also was some humor:

- When GFC junior Kurt Ronnow (a Bruin basketball team member) noticed the fire, he ran into the Murdock Learning Resource Center. Excitedly asking for a fire extinguisher, he was told: "Shhh!"
- Newberg firemen looked around and noticed all the students when they were fighting the fire. Instead of giving their own authoritative commands, they looked around and asked someone nearby to get the students back. Mike Wirta, a 16-year GFC employee, took on the task. Later he observed: "I'm only a janitor—and—they obeyed me!"
- Just minutes before Miller Gymnasium opened for its first meal as a temporary cafeteria there was one final adjustment made: Quickly pulled down were the "No food and drink in Miller Gym" signs.
- Bright red posters appeared on Student Union Building outside walls three days after the darkroom fire. The "Fire Sale" flyers advertised furniture, office supplies, old yearbooks and "slightly charred camera equipment," along with "slightly burned cookies and scorched coffee," all offered by the GFC photography staff. "Just kidding," said the very, very tiny line at the bottom.



Miller Gymnasium becomes makeshift cafeteria.

BRUIN SPORTS

National Scoring Record Broken

George Fox College's Dan LaVeine has done what no other American college soccer player has ever done.

The 6-2 senior forward has scored goals, more goals, then more goals. Completing the NAIA season he recorded 120 goals.

That is the highest total by a United States college soccer player—ever. On Sept. 29 in a game in Salem, LaVeine broke the previous record of 108. His 109th goal surpassed the record of Brent Goulet of Warner Pacific, Portland, set between 1983 and 1986. It was recognized at that time as the new national record.

LaVeine in his 20 games this fall recorded 33 goals. His career average is now 1.58. LaVeine put in 34 his freshman year, 23 as a sophomore, and 30 last year.

It's not just on the playing field that LaVeine scores. In the classroom LaV-

eine is a business major with a 3.70 grade average. He's a designated Benson Scholar, the College's highest academic scholarship honor. Last year as a junior he was recognized as an NAIA national scholar athlete.

Back on the field, LaVeine last year won NAIA District 2 Player of the Year designation. He's a three-year All-District selection.

LaVeine was almost unnoticed by college coaches when he was in high school in Tigard, Oregon. But he was spotted by then GFC coach Tim Tsohantaris, who observed his talents and predicted early on LaVeine would score and was being overlooked.

The scoring record has not necessarily been a goal—although he could not help knowing it was a possibility after his freshman year output. "It just happened," he said modestly after his record-setting goal.



GFC's Dan LaVeine on way to U.S. scoring record.

STUDENT NEWS

Students Sponsor Peace Prayer Vigil

A prayer vigil for the Iraq crisis in the Middle East is being sponsored by George Fox College's Center for Peace Learning and the chaplain's office of the Associated Student Body of George Fox College. The prayer vigil is being held in two phases.

The first was a 24-hour vigil for one week in October. GFC faculty, staff and students were signed up for 15-minute periods of prayer throughout the day and night.

The second phase is a 12-hour-per-day vigil through the end of GFC's fall semester (Dec. 14) or until the situation is resolved. The twelve hours are scheduled for 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Ron Mock, director of the peace studies program, said, "As a Christian College dedicated to peace studies, we felt we needed to explore constructive peace-making efforts in the region. We felt we could best begin those efforts with prayer."

Suggestions for praying about the Iraq crisis were printed in a memo distributed campus-wide. Four categories were listed for prayer: "World Leaders," "Little People," "Peace People" and "Ourselves."

"World Leaders" included U.S. government officials, President Saddam Hussein, United Nations Secretary General Javier Perez de Cuellar, Jordan's King Hussein, President Mikhail Gorbachev, Soviet Union Foreign Minister Shevardnadze and Israel Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir.

"Little People" included Kuwaitis both in exile and in the homeland; Iraqis pinched by embargo, their Christian minority, and their constructive role in nonviolent solution; and American, Allied, and Iraqi soldiers—pray for their fears, their safety, their actions in promoting peace.

"Peace People" included "... the little people" working for peaceful and just solutions to the crisis, such as: Amnesty International, monitoring human rights in Kuwait, Iraq, etc., and the Red Cross." Other organizations listed in a memo included the Quaker United Nations office and other peace activists worldwide.

Under the category of "Ourselves," it was suggested by Mock that "We understand the conflict, which includes: empathy for its victims, empathy for its instigators, insight into its causes, clarity on the spiritual issues involved."

Class Representatives Elected

New class representatives have been elected for the 1990-91 school year at George Fox College.

Representing the senior class are Ann Marie Frisch, an elementary education major from Longview, Wash.; and Shelley Tapia, a language arts education major from Tualatin.

Junior class representatives are Shannon Hyde, an elementary education major from Yorba Linda, Calif.; and Hector Torres, a sociology major from Caguas, Puerto Rico.

Sophomore class representatives are Amy Elliot, a psychology major from Anchorage, Alaska; and Starla Smith, a prelaw/sociology major from La Habra, Calif.

Freshmen elected JoLynn Beals of Clackamas and Tanya Reynolds of Mulino.

Throughout the school year, representatives help coordinate such college-wide activities as Homecoming and Autumn Fest.