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Journalism major to be added to GFU curriculum Fall 2009



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An example of what students will learn in the journalism major.

By **NATALIE GOULD**
News Editor

The long awaited journalism major has finally arrived. After many years of students trying to figure out just how they are going to get their journalism degree, after debating over whether to choose a writing/literature major, a communications major, or a cinema and media communications major, the choice is now easy; students may simply choose the journalism major.

Previously, CMCO has offered a concentration in journalism, but there has not been a program completely devoted to journalism. Melanie Mock, along with Richard Engnell, Clella Jaffe, and Matt Meyer, decided it was due time.

Mock, associate professor of writing/literature, was the spearhead this year in seeing the process to completion of adopting a journalism major. "It seems like a lot of students

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-Melanie Mock

are more interested in a focused professional degree that they can step out of college and immediately in to a career. With a journalism degree, you have that extra focus," Mock said.

The curriculum is based off of classes from the writing/literature, CMCO, and communications department. "We changed the title for a couple of the courses to not only reflect the new major, but the new

trends in journalism towards more online web design," Mock comments.

Those students wanting to pursue a career in print journalism are at a crossroads at this point in time because of the transformation and evolution of web-based journalism. Mock argues, however, that there is some aesthetic value to holding a newspaper. "It's different than online, there's a kind of objectivity in print journalism that you don't get in blogs and online journals and periodicals," she says. Students will learn how to publish in such

portals as the web, magazines, and newspapers, and will be required to send their work in to several publications of choice in the "Writing for Publication" class.

Those who are not necessarily interested in writing articles for print have the opportunity to choose the broadcast track within the journalism major. Many of the classes between the print and broadcast tracks are very similar, but each concentration has classes unique to it as well. This will strengthen the student in those areas that are different between the two tracks. The idea is to give students a taste of each side of journalism, in case they find they are partial to an area they did not expect.

Journalism students will be required to fulfill two internships. In the print concentration, one will

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The voice of the students throughout history

By **NATALIE GOULD**
News Editor

The Crescent has been the voice of the students since 1891. Here are some of the headlines that the Crescent has published throughout the years.

Tuition rises October 25, 1968

The tuition for the current year at George Fox College is \$330.00, and room and board is \$265.00. But these rates will be changing in the next academic year. Because the cost of living is constantly increasing, college rates must also increase. The tuition will be raised to \$360.00, a \$30.00 increase, and room and board will be raised to \$280.00, a \$25.00 increase.

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Although the rates will be increasing, George Fox College will still remain one of the least expensive private schools in Oregon. In comparison to Lewis and Clark, whose tuition and other costs total \$2600.00, George Fox total costs come to around \$2085.00. This shows that George Fox is around \$500.00 less expensive.

As time marches on, the cost of living will keep increasing.

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Student develops and markets iPhone application

By **LUIS ZARAGOZA**
Guest Reporter

One George Fox student turns his struggle into his dream. Kris Jones, junior business administration major, suffered a spinal injury that propelled he and his wife into medical debt. This motivated him to take the risks to launch into the dream career of many students: video game development.

"My wife and I sat down and looked at our finances. As newlyweds, some of the biggest challenges that we face are making the rent payment and putting food on the table. Everything was sailing along smoothly and we felt that we could continue our modest lifestyle that was within our financial range."

Jones discovered that there was a problem between their medical insurance and the medical attention that he received for his injury. His insurance company claimed that they would be unable to cover the costs since they did not conform to some standards they had, which left Jones and his wife with a bill that was twice their monthly income.

He said that "it was at this point that I realized I needed to do something more to provide for my family."

When asked how he entered into the game development business he

said, "I have been hearing stories recently about people creating applications for the iPhone and iPod Touch and becoming quite successful. I decided that I wanted to put everything I learned at George Fox to use and create a company that built these games. We believed that this is where God wanted us to go. That company is named Pocket Monkey Games. We even have a Facebook page and Twitter to help promote the company."

It turns out that virtually every male student who was interviewed said they would love to have a job in game design. The majority of female students thought it is pretty silly, but a few said it would be "fun."

However, Jones said that it is not simply fun and games when it comes to designing the games.

"Starting a business is a great struggle and I experienced this first hand. I think since day one, about two months ago, I put in roughly 50 hours a week dedicated to this start-up," Jones said. "Obviously, this took away from much needed study time and my grades have suffered for it. Another hard part was the legalities of the process are seemingly overwhelming when you first get into this business, video game design. First, I had to deal with paying for all of the licenses to start up and become incorporated as a legal business



Photo by Luis Zaragoza

Kris Jones, creator of Pocket Money Games

entity. Now I have a lawyer who helps me manage all the intellectual property and distribution loopholes that I encounter."

Pocket Monkey Games is prepared to launch its first title, *Sparta*, by the end of April for iPhone and iPod Touch users. Jones said that from start to finish, the project took two months, with a total of 600 hours, to create the game with a budget of \$15,000. He believes, based on "conservative" calculations, that each game he builds can generate \$30,000 per month and his goal is to make one or two games a month.

Jones has documents that show many games are generating upwards of \$200,000 per month.

Jones credits George Fox University with being integral in his life, along with the professors who know what they are doing and care about the success of their students. He says it is priority for his company to become active with those who are struggling in our economy through donations, charities, and fundraising for non-profit organizations and churches

As university grows, young alumni donors deplete

By **ROBERT BAIZE**
Guest Reporter

George Fox University has a lack of young alumni donors. George Fox has seen exceptional growth in the last 15 years. However, due to the small size of the university prior to the quick growth, there is only a small group of alumni who stand to be potential donors. In addition, most of those who do give back are over the age of 50, as giving is lacking greatly in the younger demographics. A small donor base creates many problems for a university that is seeking to keep up financially to the needs of a continually growing undergraduate population.

George Fox University often gains assistance in funding new buildings, technology, and other campus-related projects through grants. Many times grant applications seek to know what percentage of alumni give back to the institution. Typically, a greater percentage of alumni who give bring a better likelihood of grant acceptance.

Cynthia Weston is the university's development writer, and writes most of the grant proposals for the school. "It is better for an alumnus to give five dollars a year, than nothing at all. It is not about the amount given that counts," she told Rob Felton's professional writing class. The idea is that if new graduates are able to get into the habit of giving regularly, as their socioeconomic situation improves over the course of many years, so will their giving.

Many students hold a misconception that giving an amount so small would be deemed an insult to the institution. Correcting this error was the focus of the Alumni Relations Office at the Exodus fair. Very few new graduates donate back to the school, and George Fox University is below the national average in the percent of alumni who eventually give. Therefore a campaign called Senior Challenge is under way which asks all seniors to give \$20.09, in recognition of their graduation year. Graduating seniors are able to donate up until Commencement, May 2 to be included in Senior Challenge. Mention has been made of naming a campus piece, such as a bench or other fixture, after the 2009 graduating class, but no decisions have been made yet.

Although students may feel that four years of tuition is plenty to give to George Fox, some recognize that donations, above tuition, are imperative to the long-term success of the institution. Aaron Strutz, a junior business administration major says, "Even though we pay our price in gold to be here, we wouldn't even get that chance if it wasn't for the strong alumni donor base."

Increased giving will improve the likelihood of grant acceptance, increase the university's national rankings, and help give scholarships and aid to new students coming into George Fox University.

For more information on the Senior Challenge or for other ways to give, students can contact Robby Larson, the Director of Alumni Relations, at rlarson@georgefox.edu or extension 2130, or they can contact the Office of Alumni Relations in Pennington House.

White is a color too, culture redefined

By **NATALIE GOULD**
News Editor

Is culture just for people of color? Many would say that white Americans simply experience the "American way" and really have no other global ties. I beg to differ. Just as there are Asians, African Americans, Indians, Latinos, or Native Americans desire to be recognized for their unique cultures, there are white people who feel the same.

I am frustrated when white people get placed into one big pool. Like we all are just European mutts who live in the United States and whatever heritage we have before our families immigrated is irrelevant. What about a Jewish person who is living in the United States? Does that person not have a life that is

reflective of his or her Jewish culture? And what about people from Russia? Their skin is white in color, but a Russian American certainly will have things very unique to them that not all other white people have.

I grew up in a German household. Most everything my family did was reflective of our German roots. We ate German food regularly, we practiced German traditions throughout the year (mostly at Christmas time), German was spoken, but not enough that my brother or I would be able to speak fluently, but we still picked up on things over the years nonetheless. The language was lost over the years, mostly during WWII when Germans were very much looked down upon in the United States. My grandmother's family tried to rid themselves as

much as they could of their German identity.

My mom and brother have blonde hair and blue eyes and look like as if they just moved from Germany yesterday. I, however, have dark hair and hazel eyes, which I guess is why people are surprised when I tell them I come from a German family. But, I emphasize again, it is not about the way people look. Skin color, eye color, and hair color should not be the only determinates as to if someone has "culture" or not.

This is not to say that we do not need to be respectful and sensitive to those who clearly are of a different culture, but I think we also need to consider that there are certainly white people who live in the United States who wish to be recognized and celebrated for their uniqueness as

well.

Each citizen of the United States makes it the beautiful collage that it is. Beyond the skin color, we all bring something unique to this country. Yes, we need to live in harmony, we need to appreciate each other, and we need to celebrate our differences while embracing our similarities. But let's also not be quick to mesh all white people together. Let's respect that perhaps some of those white people have a very different culture than what is initially seen to the eye. Let's make an effort to be sensitive to all cultures, and not assume that Americans and Europeans are exactly the same. Overall, we all reside in the United States, but let us not forget the beautiful and unique nationalities that give us the diverse country we have.

Being yourself

By **AMANDA KATE WINKELMAN**
Voice and Opinion Editor

Recently I have been coming to realize that this whole discovering who you are thing is just another life hassle that is unnecessary. I realized over this year that when I am completely comfortable around people, doing what I like, and not pretending to be someone else, I don't have to search to find myself. During that moment I am just me, Amanda Kate. There is no judgment, no insincerity, no stress or hassle, just me.

I have noticed that people always act different around others. I recognize the people that try to act one way in front of this group, and another way around this person. This is not to say that I don't do this, but I am coming to realize the task is exhausting and pointless. So, I decided to tell you the five reasons people need to stop putting ff this charade and just be who they are.

1) What is the point of being anyone else? I have problems, issues, and struggles like the rest of the world. There are my occasional, if I could only be her moments, but then I think about it a little harder. Everyone in the world has their downfalls, and no ones are better or worse. Also, you are never, despite what movies show, going to wake up in someone else's body the next morning.

2) Hiding who you are gets tiring. I know some people who are constantly lying about who they are, what they are doing, what they like and dislike. The reason I know they are lying is because they constantly contradict themselves. One day they are vegetarians and the next day they eat beef. One day they are giving up relationships for a while, and then there facebook status changes. How do they keep up with themselves? It's better to be just open and honest about what you want in life.

3) You will never find anyone like you. I always had problems fitting in to cliques. I had lots of friend, but they all hung out with different people. The reason was that I was different than everyone else that was in a set clique. I am girly, but not girly enough to hang out with the girly-girls. I played tennis, but that doesn't put me next to the athletic crowd. I love art, but don't actually do it in my free time. Other than my mom who is the most like me I have found, I haven't found anyone with really close similarities to me. My closest friends in high school were all mathematic, not that girly runners, who I had few similar interests with, but I had the most fun with them because they were so different.

4) Forget about the judgmental people. People often are afraid to be who they are because of the feared judgment. This is understandable, but what are they judging you on really. Do people really care that I have a lot of pink? Is it worth judging me on the fact that I am a journalism major that loves writing? The things people are judged on are usually insignificant small factors of the individual, so why care. If they are going to judge you based on your favorite color or food than I figure they aren't that fun to be with anyway.

5) You are stuck as you. Embrace yourself and do what you love because you will be you forever.

Americans should realize how big the world is



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By **JANA TAN**
Guest Writer

I consider myself an "outsider" in America; but that statement is self-contradictory. I was born in Singapore, but have lived in Singapore and Modesto, California an equal number of years.

I am extremely bothered by narrow-minded Americans who think the world revolves around the splendor of America and, more specifically, their own personal lives. I do not understand why some people have no desire to explore. At the very least take an exciting trip to Texas because the Texans, as we all know, consider themselves to be their own country. However, these simple Americans choose to stay home, watch their daytime soap operas, watch Oprah or Ellen in the afternoons, and then proceed to have the most picturesque evenings with their family members. These people

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live out the American Dream.

I think that an important aspect of the American Dream is the abundance of material things that are available. Americans have access to everything possibly imaginable. When I go back to the US and walk into a Wal-Mart or Fred Meyers, there are entire wall of deodorant and shaving cream, "necessities" that the most impoverished people have never even heard of or seen. Here is America busting at the seams with plenty of everything. We are so happy to be living the American Dream that we simply sit and smile at our greatness. We have everything and that knowledge is all we need to be satisfied.

While we sit in our Lay-z-Boy chairs, a child in India is sitting in the same mud that the family's pigs have been playing in. Although American's are known for their generosity, we are not well known for frugality or prudence in the amount of money we spend on the things that we own.

Many Americans are incredibly narrow minded, not because they are too poor to afford an education, but because they choose to isolate themselves. The government requires cheap education up until a certain age. I am frustrated by narrow-minded people in America because they live in what is known to be the freest country in the world. Rather than use that to better their

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knowledge of the world around them, they focus on themselves. Should we not make the most of the freedom that we have been blessed with?

The rest of the world is suffering and the best way to help them is not to dial the 1-800 numbers that you see on your television set. The best thing for you to do is not to donate your money. The best thing Americans can do to make the world more like God intended it to be is to get off their couches, find out about the world, and then do something about it. Take a leap of faith and go somewhere to serve. Start small: go to the West side of your town and pass out blankets. Whatever Americans decide to do, they have to stop being so self absorbed and satisfied with the way their life is. The impoverished and needy require more than our donations; they need to see true generosity in action.

Seniors, say so long to stability

By **MELANIE MOCK**
Faculty Adviser

Immediately after graduating from George Fox University twenty years ago, I celebrated at a friend's apartment by drinking a Bacardi wine cooler and falling asleep in front of some forgettable movie on television. The freedom I felt from George Fox and its lifestyle agreement seemed stunningly anticlimactic. I remember wondering if this was it: the beginning of my adult life. The wine didn't even taste that good.

I woke up the next morning with somewhat of a hangover, not from the alcohol, but from a pervasive sense of malaise. After four years of hard work, sleep deprivation, and constant activity, there was nothing: no plans to be made, classes to take, projects to complete. My life yawned wide before me, and without the structure of school that had shaped my existence forever, I wasn't sure what to do next.

Every year, I talk to seniors who feel a similar melancholic-tinged excitement about graduating. They may or may not have received the vaunted ring by spring; they may or may not have a job lined up for the summer; they may or may not be moving home with their parents. What they share is the recognition that the game changes now, after graduation, and that the rhythms

by which they've lived their lives, up to this point, will be shifting, dramatically.

A number of graduating seniors panic, as I did, about what comes next. This anxiety is not assuaged by the many people who probe graduates about future plans. "What's next?" they ask, and then get a slightly bemused/pained/incrredulous look when graduates respond "I don't know..." Really, how can someone not know what she will do next after four years, \$100,000, a declared major, and several visits to the career center?

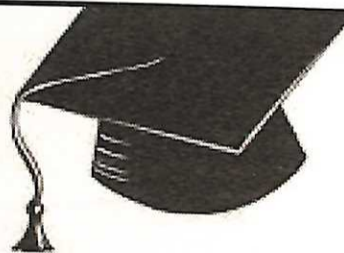
Nearly twenty years removed from my own college graduation, I think "I don't know" is a great response. Not knowing what comes after graduating reflects a liberal arts education at its best: that four years of college have opened the world, created countless opportunities for employment and enrichment—so many opportunities, in fact, that to choose one over all others becomes a difficult task.

I wish, now, that someone had persuaded me to embrace my post-graduate unknowing; and so I have made it a mission of sorts to encourage students to celebrate this point of uncertainty. So to seniors, I say don't listen to those who tell you to hunker down, start your career, buy a house, establish a retirement plan. Instead, explore your options,

live unfettered, travel (if only in the northwest, and on the cheap). Find ways to pay back your student loans without losing yourself in a job you despise, or at a location you hate, or with irritating colleagues. Get a temp job, or join Americorp, or enlist with Christian Peacemaker Teams, or teach English overseas.

In the midst of exploring, you will no doubt fall into something that gives you joy, as I did, after several years working with Mennonite Voluntary Service, and at a horrible retail job, and at an only slightly better alternative school teaching gig. My post-graduate experiences confirmed for me that I wanted to teach in a university, and so I did, starting when I was 30.

Having begun my career in earnest at age 30, I recognized that I still had 35 or 40 years left to work.



That's a heckuva long time in one field, and suggests to me that starting my career after graduation, at age 21, would have been unfortunate: I would have missed a good bit of fun in my 20s, and no doubt would have settled for a job I merely tolerated, instead of a vocation I love.

Thus, as seniors step out in to the world, I encourage them to find joy in being unsettled, until they have to settle down. After four years of living by the certainty of syllabi, finals schedules, and lunchtimes at the Bon, graduating seniors should celebrate the moment-by-moment uncertainty about what happens next, whatever that may be.

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Living at George Fox Debating the housing policy

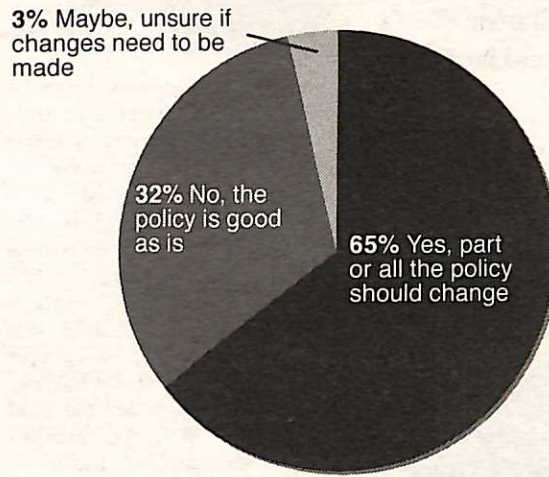
A couple of weeks ago Fox students found out where they were going to live. This brought up discussion about the problems and the benefits with the current housing policy. At the time the policy is that you have to live on campus, unless you commute from your parents house, are 22 years or older, have senior class status, or are married. While some students think the policy is great to keep the community close others wish for change.

The changes students want to see consist of a change in the housing selection process to make it more fair. Students want to get rid of floor hours. Students want to live off campus at any age or only have to be junior status.

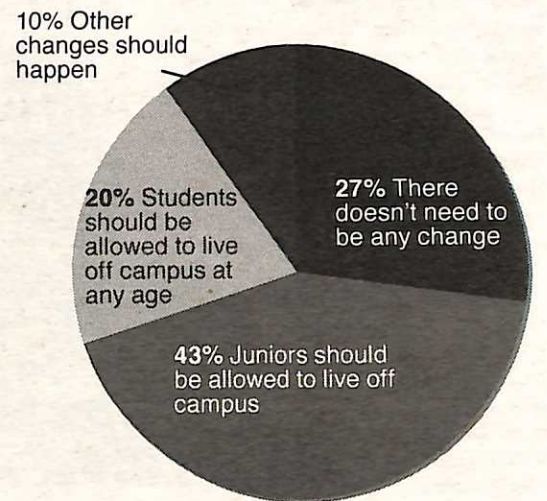


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Should George Fox Change the current housing policy?



What Should be changed about the housing policies?



The poll was a result of 110 student responses

A response from the director of housing about the housing policy

Ultimately, it is going to be the university's mission that drives the housing policy and any changes that would come to the housing policy. The intent of the policy is to support the university mission to create a "caring educational community." Inherent in the university's philosophy is the belief that a tremendous amount of education happens outside the classroom and that the residential experience is a key part of this.

Since a university is a complex institution, there are going to be lots of stakeholders in the process of determining a policy as overarching as this one. Each of those stakeholders is going to answer the question "why?" in a different way. This means there are a broad range of reasons for the policy; it is the sum of those reasons that answers the question, "why?"

1. Taken as a whole, on-campus students perform better academically than off-campus students.

2. Retention rates are higher for on-campus students than off-campus students. Connections with the community are a key factor in retention and having 70% of the student body on campus creates more opportunity for these connections.

3. Keeping a three year residency requirement means that we will have more junior and senior students on campus. This makes for a broader range of experience, knowledge and perspective on campus.

4. It is easier to ensure the safety

and security of students who live on campus than students who live off campus.

5. A three-year residency requirement is more financially sound for the university than a one- or two-year policy.

6. There is a level of community accountability that is not possible off-campus.

7. On-campus students tend to be more involved in campus life.

There are likely other reasons, but these are the most significant. The policy has been in place a long time (it was in place when I was a student in the mid-1990s). It has seen minor revisions in some of the details over the years—for instance the age at which one can live off campus was reduced from 23 to 22 a couple years ago. Outside of those minor changes there hasn't been talk of changing or doing away with it.

Since the core question is whether the policy supports the mission of the university, the driving reason for a change would be an understanding that the policy has become an obstacle to or undermined the mission of the university. The policy will remain a core piece of the undergraduate experience at George Fox as long as it helps the university achieve its mission of creating a community that supports and complements the other educational components of the university.

Tim Goodfellow
Housing Director

Living on campus beneficial

By KELSEY HOFF
Reporter

Living on campus is a GOOD THING! Not only does it give students a chance to be more involved with the student body and the activities that are constantly happening on the Fox campus, but its also cheaper!

The cost of a room at George Fox is \$4680 a year. For the nine months you spend at Fox, this is \$520 a month! Try finding a place that cheap in Newberg that isn't run down and crawling in filth. It's near impossible (trust me, I've tried). By the way, that price includes utilities, water, heating and cooling. Sure, Fox charges you some money to put onto your laundry card, but don't you have some charge left over from last year anyways?

Another good reason to staying on campus is the cost of gas. Walking to class is always cheaper than driving, even if you are only driving a couple of miles. Thinking you'll ride your bike or longboard to school? Think again once the Oregon weather hits a cozy 33 degrees. It's just easier to walk than it is to drive (or ride).

Here's another great thing: The food is provided. Wanting a meal that's cooked and ready to go? What about a variety of choices with every meal?

Purchase a meal plan and you're set. No trips to the grocery store and food wasted in your attempts to last-minute-learn-to-cook. Just walk over to the Bone.

Lastly, there's the obvious: Stay on campus to stay connected! It will be so much harder for you to participate in school sponsored events, home games, and class activities if you're living off campus. Besides, you want to hang out with friends right? It'll be hard to drive (or bike, in 33 degree weather) to school just to have a study session and then turn around and go back. Isn't it easier to just walk down a hallway to a study room and walk back to your room?

George Fox's rules about staying on campus until you're 22 or in your fourth year out of high school help to build a stronger Bruins community! A student should take advantage of this and the living arrangement set up for him or her on campus. Not only will you be saving yourself time (searching for an apartment, driving back and forth) and money (furnishing that apartment?) but you'll also give yourself another year to make memories with some of the wonderful people right under your nose here on campus.

Students shouldn't have to live on campus

By JANA TAN
Guest Reporter

College is expensive. As soon as you arrive you realize how many different fees can pile up. Although George Fox University offers a flat rate for housing, the policy for how housing is chosen and the options available to students are not extremely flexible.

As of now, only seniors can live off campus unless you are living with family members. I believe there are several instances that this is unfair. First, international students do not have immediate family they can live with.

A change in policy would be especially beneficial for these students' financial situation. Since they do not have the option of living with immediate family they must live on campus. The policy could be altered to allow international students the freedom to live on or off campus. I think that this is an important way that George Fox can attract a bigger international community.

Second, there are those whose family live too far away to be convenient. For students who live in the United States, but not in Oregon, off campus housing would be a useful

option. These students already have to pay extra money during the holidays to get home. If Fox is truly committed to aiding students, I believe that off campus housing for students who live out of state should be an option.

I think the major flaw in the housing system at George Fox is how housing is chosen. While class status is important, I think it is unfair to some students to use the credit system for priority in housing. Some students have the opportunity to accumulate more than average

credit for their class ranking due to AP credits, running start college programs, or other forms of testing. However, some students do not have these opportunities. I do not believe that it is fair system. While I am unsure of what can be done to make positive changes, I do think that the system should be changed.

While it may seem like the college would lose money if it changed the housing policy, I believe that it may actually help. While many are interested in private school education, it is extremely expensive. I think that housing is one area where the institution can afford to be flexible. Allowing more students the option of off campus housing may increase the number of students who are interested in Fox. If a student can create his or her own budget for housing that is significantly lower than what the university charges for housing, they may be more apt to make George Fox University their college of choice.

I close with the following: the housing system as it is in favor by some, creates problems for many. I believe that the institution can create a more fair housing system that will benefit the university and its students.

A Commuter's Perspective

By CORI LINDSEY
Reporter

By commuting, you save around \$7,000 in living expenses, get more homework done, experience less trivial distraction, and have your family around to support you all the time.

For me, off-campus housing was easy. Living seven minutes away, I was never late to classes, I had found ways to connect myself, and I always had a quiet place to sleep at night.

Unfortunately, many of the commuters have not been accepted into this community we're nationally recognized known for. They feel as though on the first week of school, people made an effort to talk to them and step out of their comfort zone, but as the year continued, people started to settle into their own cliques and stopped extending the hospitality. Many of these students have their own "commuter activities" being

organized, but only a few people go to those. Living off campus, there is no way to form those deep, personal friendships that most of us have made here. Most of them miss out on the midnight Taco Bell runs and the all-nighter dance parties. They don't have roommates, floormates, teammates (there are exceptions), or RA's. There's no way for them to be included in the random, fun things that happen here all the time.

This system works for the people who like to keep to themselves. It worked for me because I enjoy eight hours of sleep every night, and being done with school and school things by 3 o'clock every day. I'm pretty extroverted, so I had no problem connecting with the people I attended classes with, and often had opportunities to be apart of the random occurrences. Talking with one of my commuter friends this week, she feels completely opposite.

Unconnected, misunderstood, and she even said she "doesn't fit in." This should not be the way anyone feels, especially at a Christian university.

Obviously, every learning institute from elementary schools to universities have, and always will have cliques to conform to, and people that just would rather hang out with each other. I would encourage our school, being made up of Christ followers, to defy those stereotypes and talk to someone new everyday. You never know the type of people you're missing out on, and you never know what those people have to offer. Our school is made up of the most diverse, talented young adults from all around the world who all have one thing in common: an intense desire to deepen their relationship with God and honor Him with their lives. Our community is strong, but it needs to include everyone.

Professor of Philosophy Mark Mcleod-Harrison to publish third book

By **CRYSTAL STUVLAND**
Reporter

George Fox University's professor of philosophy, Mark Mcleod-Harrison, is coming out with a new book this fall, entitled "Make/Believing the World(s): Toward a Christian Ontological Pluralism."

Mcleod-Harrison has taught at GFU for ten years. His specialties are apologetics and the convergence church movement and he is currently teaching introduction to philosophy, philosophy of religion, ethics, and christian foundations. He has published two other books, "Rationality and Belief in God" and "Repairing Eden: Humility, Mysticism, and the Existential Problem of Religious Diversity."

Mcleod-Harrison is married to Susan, who has also published a book, "Saving Women from the Church-How Jesus Mends a Divide," and together they parent their two sons, nineteen-year-old Ian and three-year-old Micah.

Mcleod-Harrison's soon-to-be-published book is primarily geared toward other philosophers and as a result is very technical, but he tries to explain it in simpler terms.

"What we believe is that truth is an absolute concept," says Mcleod-Harrison. "But what I argue in the book is that truth is a relative concept."

In "Make/Believing the World(s)," Mcleod-Harrison argues that while most people say that absolute truth is independent of

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-Mark Mcleod-Harrison

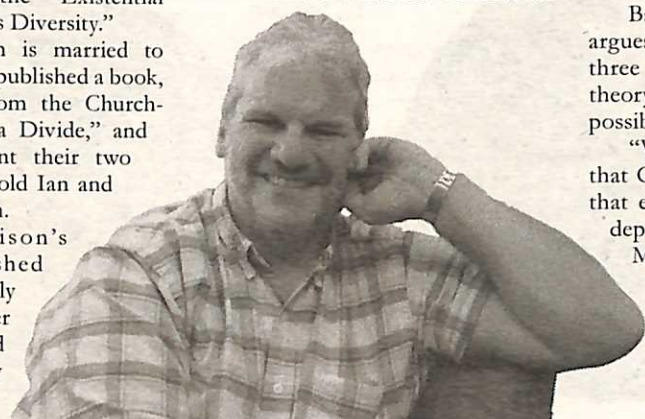


Photo by CRYSTAL STUVLAND

Professor Mark Mcleod-Harrison speaking about his new book.

what humans think, humans actually contribute something also.

Mcleod-Harrison elucidates, "I am trying to develop a moderate postmodernism that keeps traditional orthodoxy but admits that human beings substantially contribute to the things that are in the world."

Relativists say that truth is dependent on the conceptual scheme of the person uttering it and since there are conflicting schemes, there are conflicting truths. But Mcleod-Harrison puts a new twist on this theory.

"Some truths are in all conceptual schemes," says Mcleod-Harrison, who thinks that God is one of these truths.

Basically, Mcleod-Harrison argues that for relativism to be true, three things are necessary: a realist theory of truth, a rich notion of possibility/necessity, and God.

"What I am trying to do is show that God is necessary for everything that exists but some things are also dependent on humans," explains Mcleod-Harrison. "I think that scientific reality is almost entirely made up by humans, but morality is not and God is not. However, humans contribute to the nature of God."

With students away, professors will play

By **VANESSA WILKINS**
Sports/Feature Editor

At the end of every school year George Fox University becomes a quiet place.

Students have graduated or gone home for the summer. Unlike students who often return to minimum wage jobs for the summer, professors tend to do more exciting things when the class rooms are empty for three months.

Lisa McMinn is looking forward to letting her "wannabe farmer side explode with happiness" this summer with beekeeping and gardening. Her and husband, Mark, will plant a large enough garden to create an extended family community garden. The group will meet once a week for a joint meal and work together to care and harvest the garden. When McMinn is not using her green thumb outdoors, she will be working on her net book project "Walking Gently" and catching up on reading. She will take a vacation in the summer to England and walk around the beautiful country side with a close friend.

McMinn is not the only one who will be toiling away in a garden. Brent Weaver will also be caring for his garden as well as his 2 year

old son over the summer. Weaver is a composer as well as a professor and this summer he will be attending the premier of his new piece "Chehalem Sketches" commissioned by the Alder Street Players in Portland, Ore. His musical endeavors will not end there as he will continue composing background music for relaxation tapes he and his wife are producing. His wife will also be opening her own counseling practice in Newberg and they will be preparing for that.

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Traveling is the way Clella Jaffe will begin her summer with a Juniors Abroad trip to Central America. Trips abroad are a yearly tradition for Jaffe and she has been to Europe, China, and soon Central America on educational trips. After returning and "recovering from jet lag" Jaffe's summer is dictated by her many writing projects. Jaffe is the author of the book "Public Speaking: Concepts and Skills for a Diverse Society" and in past summers has devoted a considerable amount of time to revising it. If she is not consumed with that she is still working hard on other scholarly projects. Whether that is preparing for a presentation, working on the next year's syllabi,

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Chaplain's corner

By **MAT HOLLEN**
Student Chaplain

When I sat down to write this little column I really wasn't sure what was to be said. It's the end of the semester, the end of the year, my last Chaplain's Corner, so what do I say? What advice or ramblings should I send out to the student body?

First things first; I hope you've all had a wonderful year. I hope it has been full of challenges that have stretched you further than you've wanted to be stretched and come out more like the individual God has created you to be on the other side. I hope you've made friendships that never end, that you've listened to people's stories and looked for the image of God that can be found in each and every one of us.

I want to thank so many of you for your devotion to Shalom, and Greenroom, and everything that has been put on by Chaplains' Committee this year. It has meant so much to each one of the chaplains and I know you have been a blessing to us all.

I hope you feel like we have served you well this year; we have all tried hard to meet you all where you need and want to be met. I hope you see that whether or not we succeeded, we really did try.

Now, I have a challenge for you. My goal this year

has been to foster community on this campus through spiritual life events. We've geared Shalom in such a way as to create space both for worship of God and interacting with His image in our neighbor. And this is where the challenge comes in. Chaplains' Committee can only do so much. The task falls on you all now.

We pay a whole lot of money to attend this school and one of the real reasons I think it is worth it is because of the community Fox offers. And quite honestly, that community could be a lot better.

My challenge is that you plan time in your schedule to invest in people. With Shalom, stay a while afterward. Come to the all-campus retreat.

I think the retreat should be so well attended we have to start looking at new camps to go to. I think that this challenge should start small in your life and just naturally get bigger. Look one another in the eyes as you walk by on a path. It's amazing how often people avoid making eye contact with me. We need to be more intentional about it.

Another thing; when someone asks you about your day, tell that person if you aren't good. Honesty works wonders for community! I think this school could be something even more special than it is. We have a faculty who really cares about us, an administration that really has our best interests in mind, a campus pastor who absolutely loves us. We should all count ourselves lucky for getting to be at a place as amazing as this. But we can't settle for what we have now. I challenge you all to make Fox better.

I feel blessed and lucky to be able to say I was the Student Chaplain at such a wonderful university. Thank you all for allowing me this experience, and for everything else.



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High hopes for the 2009 track and field season

By **TAYLOR KANEN**
Reporter

With five All-Northwest Conference performers on each squad and a return to health of the 2007 NCAA Division III men's javelin champion, the George Fox University Bruins entered their third season under head coach John Smith with high hopes of continued improvement on both the conference and national scenes.

"I am excited with the group we have this year," says Smith, who was an All-American in the decathlon for the Bruins in the 1990's. "The large group of returning conference scorers and national qualifiers really sets us up for a great season. We know that with everyone contributing across the board, we will have a good chance at improving our finishes at both the conference and national level. We had opportunities last year to make a big statement at the conference and national meets, but they didn't materialize like we had envisioned. We'll take those experiences, though, and learn from them, and hopefully come out ahead this year."

U.S. Track and Field and Cross Country Coaches Association All-American and West Region Athlete of the Year Ben Dillow, a decathlete, has graduated, and the Bruin men lost two other All-NWC performers in hurdler Ryan MacKenzie and sprinter Chris Fritz. The George Fox women lost four athletes who combined for seven All-NWC honors, including 800 record holder Rachel Giffey-Brohaugh. The men lost 13 letter winners in all with 17 returning,



Photo by ADAM HALDORSON

Lizzy Alaimo participating in the high jump event.

while the women saw 16 leave with 18 coming back.

George Fox finished second to Willamette University's seventh straight title in the NWC Championships last spring primarily on the strength of its sprinters and jumpers, and 2009 should see that trend continue. Sprinters Lisa Menonides, a senior, who helped the Bruins to second in the 4x400, and Cindy Walsh (Jr.) Jessica Brassard (Sr.) and Mollie Honan (Sr.) who lifted the Bruins to third in the 4x100 in the NWC meet, all return. Honan took third in the 400 hurdles, while Emily Hodgkin (Sr.) took third in the triple jump. Walsh and Brassard were second and third in the NWC long

jump. Other returnees who are also helping with the sprints are Anja Harder (Jr.), Jessica Morrison (Sr.), and Melissa Leighty (So.), the latter also a talented hurdler.

Newcomers contributing in the sprints are Rachel Meis (Fr.) and Samantha Navarre (Fr.), who will also participate in the jumps. In the hurdles, the Bruins will also rely on returnees Lizzy Alaimo (So.) and Irene Johnson (So.). Also expected to compete for the Bruins this spring in the heptathlon are Beth Stam (Fr.) and Greta Erickson (So.), the latter also a jumper.

Most of the Bruins' distance runners come from the cross country

team, including Abby Reed (Fr.), Olivia Clark (Fr.), Bethany Strutz (Jr.), and Mary VanSteenberghe (Sr.). Sophia De Graff (So.) is a distance runner who joined the squad from the Bruin soccer team.

The Bruins' primary throwers are returnees Marlee Zakrevsky (So.) and Molly Schaefer (Jr.) and newcomer Hana Fisher (Fr.).

Connie (Steiner) Evjen (Sr.) who married ex-Bruin baseball pitcher Logan Evjen, "gives us much-needed skills," says Smith. "I really like the mentality that Connie brings to the vault, and she is really just within reach of making some significant improvements in her jumps." Reneca Bauer (Jr.) gives the Bruins another experienced vaulter.

Dillow may be gone, but the Bruins will not be without their decathletes as they aim to improve upon their fifth-place finish in last year's Northwest Conference Championships. Four Bruins - Ryan Forbes (Sr.), David Dillow and Nate Dillow (So.), Ben's younger brothers, and Adam Haldorson (Sr.) - all compete in the ten-event medley this season.

Joel Krebs (Sr.) became the second George Fox javelin champion in 2007 after Matt Gassaway had won the event in 2004, but could not repeat last spring after returning to the nationals.

Ben Burgess (Sr.) gives the Bruins strength in all three weight throws. The Bruins also look for good efforts in the throws from returnee David Marvin (Sr.). Newcomers Isaiah Haywood (Fr.) in all the throws and

Colton Blizzard (Fr.) in the javelin have had opportunities to show what they can do.

Garrett Blizzard (Sr.), Colton's older brother, returned after winning three All-NWC honors in the 400 (1st) and 4x100 and 4x400 relays (2nd in both). John Zaganiacz (Jr.), who was All-NWC in the 4x100 (2nd) provides sprint speed and hurdle experience.

Adding to the strength of the team in the sprints are returnees Bret Hamilton (Jr.), Adam Harrington (So.), and Jack Hartmann (Jr.), and newcomers Brent Crocker (Fr.) and Casey Taylor (Fr.).

Dakari Kongela (Jr.), I competed in both sprints and jumps. Others who help in both sprints and jumps are Joe Ahn (Sr.), who joined the team when basketball season ended, and rookie Jeff Hunt (Fr.). Smith expects Sam McKenzie (Sr.) to produce some outstanding jump results.

Jordan Ware (Jr.), an All-NWC performer in the 800 (2nd) leads a deep group of middle and long distance runners, most of whom also competed for the Bruin cross country team. Other mid-distance runners for the Bruins include Paul Rapet (Jr.), Ryan Lane (Fr.), and Jacob Cuniff (Fr.).

Handling the longest distance events for the Bruins will be Cam Eberhart (Jr.), Allen Cassel (Fr.), Brad Higgins (So.), Ryan Erickson (Jr.), and Wesley Bollinger (Fr.).

George Fox and Newberg community recognize day of celebration



Photo by MEGAN McFARLAND

Women's basketball players Keisha Gordon, Lindsey Keener, B.B. Gardner, and Laura Silva, enjoy the celebratory barbecue.

By **VANESSA WILKINS**
Sports/Feature Editor

Celebrations continue with the victory of the women's basketball team at the NCAA championship. On Monday, April 20th, chapel time was devoted to a rally for the players and formally acknowledging their

great accomplishments with their peers.

The chapel was attended by guests from the Newberg community as well as the students. President Baker, Coach Scott Ruekk, and the players of the team took this time to share the honor of the championship.

and their gratitude with their supporters.

A BBQ was served on the quad for dinner and with ideal weather the school gathered to share a good time and the victory of their team. Many members of the GFU community turned out in the nice weather to eat and enjoy the victory of the team.

That evening a fire truck arrived on campus to escort the team on a short parade through campus and downtown. At the end of the parade which led down 99west all the to the Newberg Public Safety Building where the Newberg City council awarded each player and their coaches with honorary Newberg citizenship.

Although the journey is over for this year's basketball season, the excitement from the NCAA Championship lingers at George Fox University.

Local restaurant, Lil' Cooperstown hosted the team after the awards ceremony at an after party where fans could take pictures with the team as well as get autographs. The team presented the restaurant with a team jersey to add to the wall.

for this year's basketball season the excitement from the NCAA Championship lingers at George Fox University. The Women's Basketball team represented the school well and played their best. Their hard work and determination against the odds of having such a young team, has served them well this season.


Naturally the George Fox community looks forward to seeing what the women's basketball team has in store these next few years.

Although the journey is over



Photo by MEGAN McFARLAND

The campus gathers together on the quad Monday, May 20 for the barbecue.



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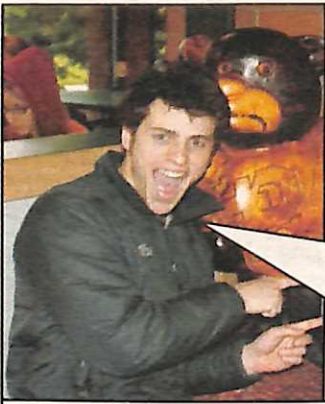
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Joey Bianco: President

I am from Kent, Washington. I love dogs and am currently hooked on the movie Marley & Me and am not afraid to admit I cry every time I watch that awesome movie. Pickled artichoke and baby corns freak me out and I prefer them to never come near me again. My favorite book in the Bible is Ecclesiastes because very challenging and thought provoking questions are asked with intense reflection. My goal for next year is to continue to be open and accessible to students and to make greater attempts to drawing student feedback and concerns. I am most looking forward to working with and getting to know this awesome bunch of individuals. And I'm not just saying that because I know you will read this, but sincerely mean it.



Jessica Garcia: Vice President

I am junior and a Christian Ministries (emphasis in youth) major. I was born in Florida, raised in Washington, and now live in Hillsboro, Oregon. Next year I will be serving you as Vice President, with Joey Bianco (President). One of our goals for next year is to enhance your experience here at Fox, by continuing to strive to make George Fox a stronger, more close-knit community. What I am most looking forward to in my position next year is having the opportunity to be a listening ear, and an encouragement to all of the student body.



By JENNY BRUINIER
Reporter

Dana Bowers: Supreme Court Chief Justice

I'm a freshmen social work major from Harrisburg, Oregon. I like to color during class, sing in the shower, and laugh about funny events that happened in days past. This past year has warped my goal for college into not only graduating, but to meet and form relationships with all sorts of new people. Being apart of ASC next year will do that on a much broader basis than I could have ever imagined, and I'm excited to serve George Fox's community. I'm so excited to see what's going to happen in the future, but am enjoying the road I'm taking to get there.



Introducing the
Associated Student Community

ASC elections were held in the Bauman auditorium on March 9 at 5 p.m.. The elected representatives are all pleased to have been offered their position and gladly accepted. The students chosen were: Joey Bianco; Jessica Garcia; Elizabeth Williamson; Dana Bowers; Sara Eccleston; Sarah Cadd; Rob Leslie; Annie Smith; and Andrew Watson. Here is a chance to get to know more about this next year's representatives.

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Rob Leslie: Communications Director

I am again holding the title of communications director, and am very pleased to do so. My hometown is Sandy, OR. Currently I'm a junior, and will be a senior during term of office. My major is Organizational Communication, so having this major helps me with my position. My goal for next year is to get more feedback from students about L'Ami, KFOX, and The Crescent. I am most looking forward to getting to know the 2009-2010 Central Committee and to working with next year's Communications committees to find new ways to improve.



Annie Smith: Public Relations Director

I am thrilled to be your new Public Relations Director. I am from Southern California and will be a junior next year majoring in Business Management. This is the third year the ASC has offered this position. My goal is to effectively engage students by informing them of how they can be involved through campus activities and events. I am looking forward to getting to know my fellow ASC committee members and being able to serve the student body. Thank you to those who voted and supported.



Elizabeth Williams: Treasurer

I'm from Lake Oswego, OR and just transferred in this year from Portland CC as a Junior Accounting major. In my position as Treasurer, I am really looking forward to being part of the decisions that actually affect the student body, whether they are finance related or not. A goal I have for next year is to personally grow and stretch in character, as well as cultivate creative ideas for campus that will benefit students for years to come. Through this I hope to display an honest heart of someone who desires to serve in a practical way.



Sara Eccleston: Christian Services

I am a 20 year old sophomore, who came from Everett, Washington. My majors are sociology and political science with a minor in peace studies. I am currently the RA of Macy 2. My goal for Christian services is that we (the committee and all else involved) would have a heart of deep love for Christ and from knowing him be drawn to loving and intentionally reaching out to all. Why I love Christian service: because Christian Services is about providing opportunities and avenues for all of us to step beyond our immediate world, become a little less self-focused, and be involved with and concerned for others. May Christ's love in us be a well-spring of life and blessing for all whom we encounter.


Sarah Cadd: Activities Director

I'm from Forest Grove, Oregon. I have been elected to be your ASC Activities Director for next year and am a freshman and an Elementary Education major this year. My main goal for next year is to make sure all events are the best they can be and to make sure we have good attendance at each! One thing I'm really looking forward to is working as a team with the other Central Committee members and having the opportunity to serve the amazing community here at Fox.



Andrew Watson: Chaplain

I love to paint, read poetry, do/watch theater, go to the movies, and hearing stories! So I guess that is why I like all those other things, because they all tell stories about who we are as humans and help us locate ourselves in a larger narrative of God's work in the lives of His/Her creations. I am excited to continue to discover God's story in my life and in Fox's. Peace and grace.



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Poetry contest winners

Submitted poems were read and judged by Crescent staff and out of many submissions only two winners were chosen. The winners will receive Chapters gift cards. Thank you for all who submitted poetry; it was a very difficult choice!

WATER MAN
Mark Kelley

O' ancient sage with the sad wrinkle face.
Dressed head and toe with worn red cloak;
walking upon the warm cobblestone
old shoes infested with holes,
covered with bass trinkets and holding a skin of goat
full of smoothing liquid for the throat.
Offering this cool refreshment to those
walking past, but only smiles, nods, and a camera flash you receive.
How cruel the ways of your trade as you wander from place to place,
earning enough to buy a loaf of bread, a wedge of cheese?
Your sad weary eyes hidden by the funny hat on your head.

UNTITLED
Luke Weldon

A rope binds me to the earth, and
I am left to gaze longingly skyward.
My hair has grown long as I wait, so I view the sun behind
black slats, like jail cell bars,
imprisoned within this purgatory of empty noise and television static.

My ankle is burnt from vain attempts of liberation.

Oh, to cut the tether with one mighty blow, or to strain against it
till it unravels and I'm set adrift
like a flag furiously rippling, caught in a wondrous current!
I mock the rope and spit on the earth as
my arms and legs unfurl
and I ascend
violently
and gloriously towards Heaven!

But,

I embrace my rope, draw the curtains and
lie in bed with the covers over my head
and grow so small I disappear, or
sink into the ground, never to be seen or heard from again.

(I can't sleep without the noise.)

City of Roses summer events

By **KELSEY HOFF**
Reporter

If you haven't discovered all that The City of Roses has to offer, then you're missing out on a lot of Portland fun. Summer is the best time to be out and about downtown, enjoying an outdoor café or the waterfront, or even one of the many summer-time festivals brought to you by the beautiful city of Portland.

CINCO DE MAYO FIESTA
May 1-5
At The Waterfront
Tickets are \$8 at the gate
What to know:

Cinco de Mayo is an event that Portland has been putting on for 25 years and is the largest multi-cultural festival in Oregon. It's a wonderful tradition that allows Portlanders to mingle with the culture, arts, cuisine, music, and folklore of Mexico.



You can expect tons of delicious Mexican food, music, artisans and jewelers from Guadalajara, as well as a full carnival complete with rides and games – all in Portland's beloved Waterfront Park.

FESTIVAL OF FLOWERS
June 1-20
(display: June 5-16, sale: June 17-20)
At Pioneer Square
FREE
What to know:

June is the beginning of Portland's beloved Flower Festival, a chance for earth-friendly Oregonians to show off their green thumb. This

event brings in about 350,000 people during two week show and there are nearly 20,000 different varieties of plants and flowers set up to create an artistic display for passersby. If you'd like to enjoy the opening of summer with a little flower fun, stop by during the beginning of the event to catch the plants while they're fresh. If you're looking to buy, a sale of new plants will begin later on in the month.

FLICKS ON THE BRICKS
July 10 – August 14
Pioneer Square
FREE
What to know:

Grab a cushion and blanket and head out to the quare by dusk. Portland is once again hosting an array of movies that can be seen on a giant projector in the quare for free. This summer's movies include:

- July 10 "Indiana Jones and the Last Crusade"
 - July 24 "Dirty Dancing"
 - August 7 "Jurassic Park"
 - August 14 "Anchorman"
- Be sure to bring a blanket and a jacket as it can get a bit chilly.

TILLAMOOK CHEESE 100TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION
July 31
Pioneer Square
FREE
What to know:

Come out to celebrate Oregon's own Tillamook Cheese with cheese pairings, samples, and ice cream cones for just one penny! You can even have your picture taken with Tillie the Cow.

THE BITE OF OREGON
August 7-9
The Waterfront
\$7 at the gate
What to know:

One of my absolute favorite celebrations and a true Oregonian experience, The Bite of Oregon proudly displays the food and wares of all its finest local restaurants including Greek Cusina, Hayden's

Lake Front Grill, Hot Lips Pizza, Buffalo Wild Wings, Boyds Coffee,



Moonstruck Chocolate Co, and many other local hallmarks of Oregon.

All the food and drinks are local, including root beer from Thomas Kemper and an entire wine garden for your folks to sample wines from Newberg's own backyard as well as the microbrews that make Portland increasingly famous.

While eating and learning more about what Oregon has to offer in the way of food, you can stop by the Iron Chef competitions that pit some of Oregon's top chefs against each other in a display of culinary art.

A full carnival and live music is just another layer of fun on top of it all. Come by in the evening to listen to an artist you may have heard of (Snow Patrol and Anna Nalick played during the past Bites of Oregon).

Portland is full of events that will have you loving your state even more. Concerned about the price of gas? Both Pioneer Square and the Waterfront are conveniently placed right on top of the Max lines and within Fare-less Square (which means you can park at Lloyd Center and ride the Max downtown for free). Just look for the Red and Blue lines that will take you into and out of the heart of Portland.

If you'd like to learn about other great Portland events, including the Mayor's Tailgate Party 2009 and the 4th of July Firework display, surf the City of Portland's website for more information at http://www.travelportland.com/event_calendar/

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The Unlikely Disciple insightful

By **MELANIE MOCK**
Professor

In 2007, Kevin Roose—then a college sophomore—decided an intercultural experience would enrich his education from Brown University, a school widely known for its unconventional curriculum. But rather than travel overseas, Roose chose to explore a culture much closer to home, enrolling for a semester at Liberty University, the evangelical Christian institution founded by the Reverend Jerry Falwell.

Roose traces his semester at Liberty in the newly released *The Unlikely Disciple: A Sinner's Semester at America's Holiest University*, and provides an intriguing view of Liberty University, its students, and its big man on campus, Falwell himself. The engaging retelling of Roose's semester, interpolated with reflections on evangelicalism, allow us to be voyeurs of sorts into a Christian culture that may be wholly foreign to most of Roose's readers, but certainly not to the George Fox University community.

If you've ever wondered what happens at schools more conservative than our own, Roose will not disappoint your curiosity. In the book, we learn about the university's draconian lifestyle rules; students cannot drink alcohol or use tobacco—rules George Fox students surely understand—but have modest haircuts and clothes, adhere to curfew, and avoid kissing and "long-form hugging" (that is, hugging over three seconds). We learn about the school's curriculum, which includes science courses in creationism, religion courses in evangelism, and a class tellingly titled the Basics of Christian Womanhood. Given a description of that course, I imagine a women's studies program at Liberty would be decidedly different than our

own. Roose enters Liberty with set stereotypes about religious conservatives, and discovers, through meaningful interaction, that the uber-religious aren't always what they seem, that they are more complex, friendly, earnest, and likeable than Roose ever imagined they could be. Roose discovers even Falwell, a man who in U.S. politics became emblematic of conservative intolerance and homophobia, was a loving grandfather who liked playing pranks now and again. This is an important discovery: that even those with whom we have ideological disagreements are still human.

George Fox readers will find that the Liberty experience might be in some ways similar to our own. Roose discovers in his time at Liberty that most college students, evangelical or not, are the same in many ways, sharing interests in popular culture, dating, hanging out, and figuring out what the future holds. He also discovers that while there are cliques on every college campus, and while some students may feel like outcasts, there will always be places to fit in.

Unless, of course, you are a nonbeliever at an evangelical university; then, you will be persistently witnesses to, prayed over, pleaded with, until you are transformed. Perhaps the most compelling part of Roose's experience is his ability, as an outsider, to critique this pressure-evangelism that can be part of conservative Christian culture.

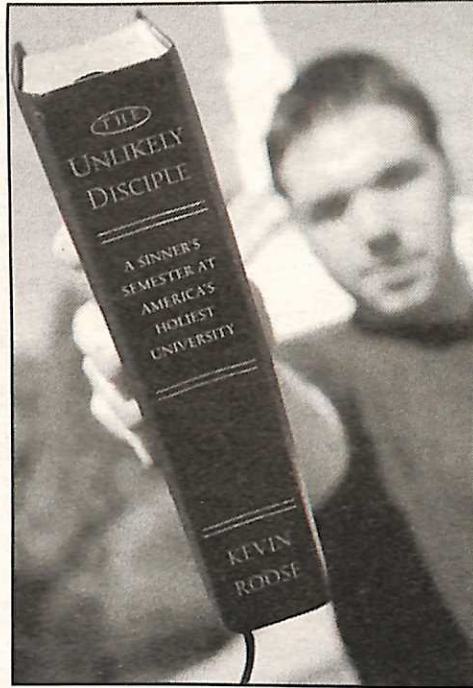


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The Unlikely Disciple; A Sinner's Semester at America's Holiest University by Kevin Roose

Certainly Christians are to take the great commission seriously, but Roose's text suggests that sometimes people of faith can be decidedly un-Christian in their attempts to "win others for Christ."

While George Fox University is far different from Liberty University, in some ways *The Unlikely Disciple* holds a mirror up to our culture, allowing us to see elements of our own institution we might not otherwise have considered. If you have ever wondered what happens on other Christian college campuses—and even what happens on our campus—Roose's *The Unlikely Disciple* will provide you a good deal of insight, and an entertaining read as well.

PROFESSORS: Still involved in their fields during the summer

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or simply doing research for general knowledge of her discipline. It is not always work for Jaffee, however. She has a cabin on the north fork of the Santiam River and when she is not entertaining guests there she can most likely be found with a book by the river "watching the sun reflect on the water."

While some professors start their summer as the students leave there are those who continue working at the university weeks after classes are over. Byron Shenk is one of the school's certified athletic trainers and continues his work through the month of May to help with baseball and he generally accompanies

post-season teams to their various championships as well. Once his official work at George Fox is done he and the rest of the athletic trainers provide coverage for the Saint Paul Rodeo, which is the largest rodeo in the US, and they cover practices for the Les Schwab All-star Football Game at the Civic Stadium. When he is not working with athletes he is caring for his parents who are 96 and 93 years old. They have been married for 75 and a half years and Shenk and his wife provide daily care for them. He has children in California and Colorado and will probably visit them over the summer.

Though they may be away for the summer, most professors continue being involved in their fields of expertise and gaining new insight to bring back for the next school year.

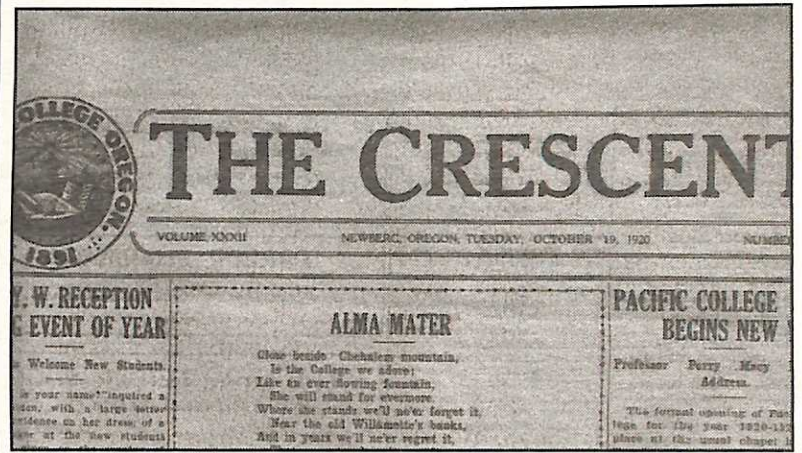
JOURNALISM: Challenging curriculum

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be an internship on the "Crescent" and the other will be an off-campus internship. The "Crescent" internship will be graded and will count as credit toward the completion of the journalism degree.

Those who choose the journalism major are encouraged to spend a semester at the Washington

Journalism Center in Washington D.C. Students will experience a rigorous and challenging curriculum as they gain an understanding of what a journalism career will feel like. The program is offered through the Council for Christian Colleges & Universities. It is a unique experience, as it teaches participants how to integrate their faith in to their journalism career. For more information on this program, visit www.cccu.org.



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PAST: The Crescent record GFU throughout the ages

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Quakers Become Bruin Mascot

November 20, 1970

George Fox College will no longer be represented by the fox. Instead, a bear, originally known as Bruin will be the school's mascot.

Psy.D. programs in the U.S. (Biola and Fuller Seminary) and could cause the college to change its name to George Fox University. One George Fox administrator saw the name change as a real possibility in three to four years since the school would want to be attractive to prospective graduate students. Colleges are rarely as prestigious to do graduate work in as are universities.

68 Seniors Graduate from GFC

June 6, 1972

Robert H. Schuller, pastor of the world-famous Garden Grove (Calif.) Community walk-in, drive-in church, a church which now has an average Sunday morning attendance of 8,000, was speaker as 68 George Fox College seniors graduated here Sunday (June 4).

Bell tower and doctorate program coming to George Fox

February 26, 1990

The George Fox Board of Trustees, during their Feb. 9th meeting, approved plans for changes in the campus' architectural and academic landscape.

After receiving a positive faculty recommendation the Board has given the go-ahead for plans to take over Western Conservative Baptist Seminary's Masters and Doctorate in Psychology program. GFC will take over the five-year program and receive its teachers, students, and related materials. Details and dates are still being worked out for the transfer. The addition of graduate studies does not mean George Fox would have to become a university.

The Board also approved the building of a bell tower on campus to celebrate the college's centennial. The donor has expressed interest in donated for the project. During last year's open forum meeting, Sam Farmer, GFC's Vice President for Development, said the tower could be 50-60 feet high. Plans are being finalized.

George Fox University?

February 9, 1990

Faculty and Board vote this weekend on possible doctoral program that could lead college to change name

Western Conservative Baptist Seminary has offered its Masters and Doctorate in Psychology program to George Fox College. A faculty recommendation vote today (Feb 9) and a George Fox Board of Trustees vote tomorrow will decide of the college will take the leap into graduate work.

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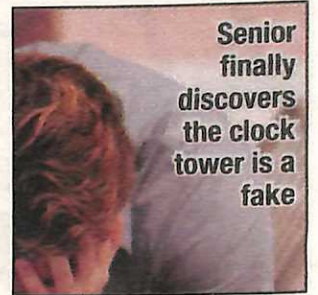




Eye scanners to replace outdated swipe cards

The Croissant

THE FLAKY PASTRY OF THE STUDENTS SINCE 2009



Senior finally discovers the clock tower is a fake

Freshman accidentally inebriated from Foxhole drink

By **CRYSTAL STUVLAND**
Reporter

An unsuspecting freshman stumbled upon one of the biggest scandals in George Fox history on Thursday when she accidentally got plastered from a "strawberry smoothie" she purchased at the Foxhole.

Witnesses say that when ordering her drink, freshman Fox student Hannah Wilder (name has been changed due to lifestyle agreement) exclaimed "Ooh-de-la-leel" which apparently was the secret password students use when requesting alcohol, not smoothies. The young man working at the Foxhole gave her a sly wink and spent a suspicious amount of time in the "storage closet" before coming out with dust on his clothes and a strawberry daiquiri in his hand.

The unassuming Wilder did not notice anything different about the drink at first, since she was distracted by the winking barista and suspected he was interested in her. However, she soon began to notice an odd taste and peculiar burn in her stomach.

"I wasn't sure if he had made my smoothie right, but I didn't want to hurt his feelings so I just drank it anyway," explained Wilder, "I started to feel heavy and everything was too warm. I wanted to go sit with my friends on the couch but things were spinning out of control. I didn't make it."

Witnesses say that Wilder staggered halfway across the room before collapsing in a tangle of limbs. But before anyone had a chance to realize that she was hammered drunk, five Foxhole employees raced out, scooped her up, and carried her swiftly into the "storage closet."

Once there, Wilder remembers being rocked to sleep by someone softly singing "Safe in the Arms of Jesus" and offering her sips of

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Forkless Friday divides student body

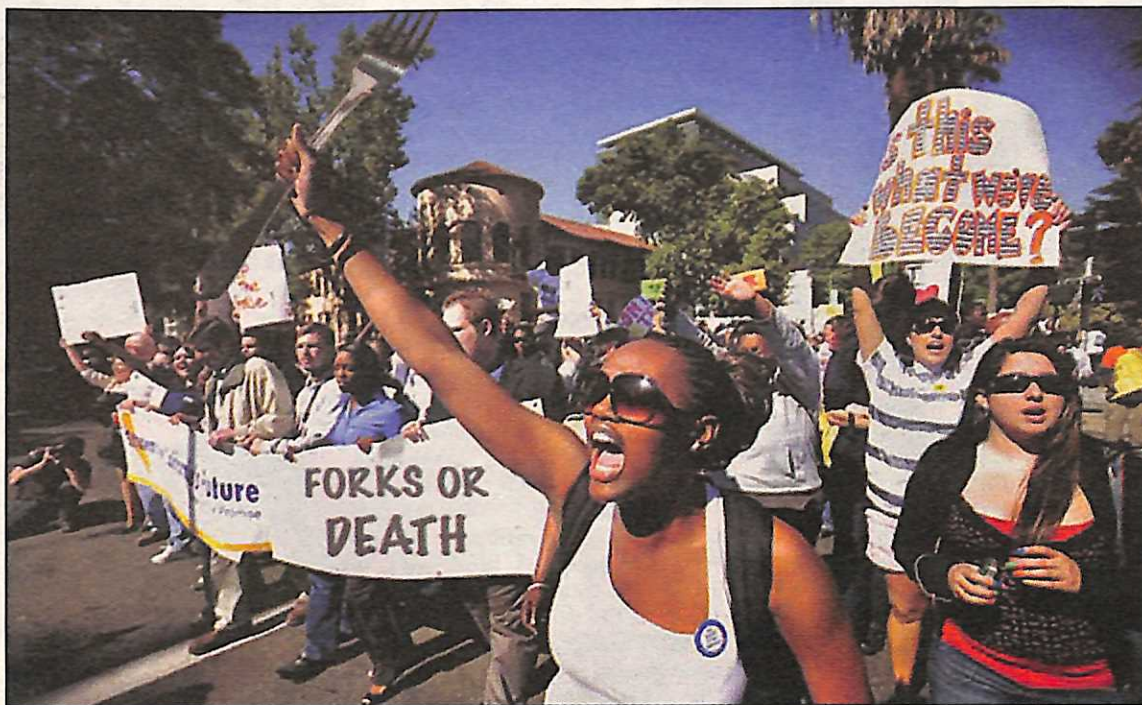


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Students rally with enlarged cutlery on April 22 against Forkless Friday.

By **MARK BEESON**
Guest Reporter

Students and environmentalists everywhere take notice. Forkless Fridays are coming your way. In response to the overwhelming success of "Trayless Tuesdays," which saves 5,000 gallons of water each Tuesday, the folks at the premiere catering service, Bon Appetit, are issuing another positive message for the environment. What began as a student movement to be more responsible to mother earth has expanded into a full-blown cafeteria

revolution.

An anonymous Bon Appetit employee released this statement Monday, "We wanted to make a difference, we wanted to save the water that we used to clean dishes. Many proposals were thrown on the table, these ranged from collecting rainwater on the roof of Klages Dining Hall, to instituting a lick'em clean policy.

"After much deliberation we decided to do a test run on Trayless Tuesdays. Initially the staff was worried about student backlash,

and several student employees raised concerns about the disabled students on campus. However, Trayless Tuesday has been met with overwhelmingly positive responses. The comment cards available to all students continue to overflow with encouragement, often citing the rush the students felt when they discovered that both of their hands were good for something."

"In response to the outpourings of joy at their leaders taking the

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Fox puts ban on winking

By **KELSEY HOFF**
Reporter

George Fox University is cracking down on lewd sexual advances with a warning to all students: keep your winking to yourself!

Fox is the first of many Christian colleges to protect its students against sexual harassment by banning any and all sexual advances between genders. The first inappropriate gesture to go is winking.

"It's unnerving to have a guy wink at me from across a classroom," a sophomore who wished to remain anonymous said. "I don't know where he thinks he'll get with something like that."

Recent polls among college age students showed that winking and other seemingly "harmless" gestures, were acts most commonly associated with NCMOs (Non Committal Make Out), which Fox believes can lead students into the grasp of other temptations.

"It's better to simply eliminate the problem at the root," one professor commented.

George Fox University intends to do just that. Winking has been added to a list of sexual harassment acts that are punishable under the Lifestyle Agreement's statement that the Fox lifestyle "excludes immoral practices." Community service, suspension, and even expulsion are possible actions that can be taken by the school in extreme cases.

"If I were to see a student making such advances from across the room in my classroom, I would have to give them a warning," another professor said. "But after that, the school has full jurisdiction."

Other gestures on the list include cat-calling (even to friends), hugging for longer than five seconds, and blowing kisses.

The ban may have some students upset, but others are grateful for the actions Fox is taking against PDA. One student admitted a sense of relief at not having to watch couples engage in such acts while in public.

"If they want to wink and make kissing faces at each other, they can do it in private, but it's just embarrassing for the rest of us who have to stand around and watch it."

When asked, 86% of female students said they thought this new ban would lead men to approach them on more respectful grounds and 58% believed this would make finding the right mate and obtaining a "ring before spring" easier for them. One student even went so far as to say that she hoped this would make men think twice before treating a woman like a "piece of meat".

While Fox is the first of many Christian colleges to adapt the "no winking" trend, many other schools say they intend to follow the Fox example and crack down on sexual harassment on their campuses in the same way.

Only time will tell if Fox's latest addition to the Lifestyle Agreement is something to wink at.

ASC to send three students to the moon

By **KRISTIN GNILE**
Editor-in-Chief

Last Tuesday, ASC awarded three George Fox students a 21 day space cruise. The \$300 million dollar prize package will allow the students to spend 16 days at the International Space Station and take a five day side trip to the moon.

"The Disneyland trip was only a taste of what ASC can do with the university's money," said

Mary Howle, ASC Prize Package Coordinator. "A large part of the ASC budget comes directly from students' tuition money. We wanted to show students that their money is going to good use."

The prize was awarded at the Lunar Game Night, an ASC event, where students participate in space themed games and activities to win a plethora of prizes.

"Prizes are the only way we can get students to participate in

our events," said Howle. And there were plenty of prizes. 30 flat screen televisions were given away along with 50 projectors, 100 iPods, and 300 pairs of True Religion jeans. A star was named after each student that attended this free event.

"This is such a great opportunity for me," said grand prize winner Ronnie Clemens, an Intergalaxy Ministries major. Her senior thesis consists of translating the New

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Professor of Religious Studies may be too good for GFU, Earth

By **CRYSTAL STUVLAND**
Reporter

Kendra Weddle Irons, a much-loved professor of religious studies, will not continue her career at George Fox University much longer. Rumors circulating on campus suggest that she will be returning to Texas for financial reasons, but her cult following insists that Irons will be leaving Earth altogether, in accordance with the prophecies.

Apparently, Irons has been hanging out with local gang members, prostitutes and homeless people, giving them pedicures, providing them with healthcare, and occasionally refilling water bottles with grape juice. She has caught copious amounts of minnows in Hess Creek and given them to her followers, and once she even shared the last of her Bruin Den tuna melt

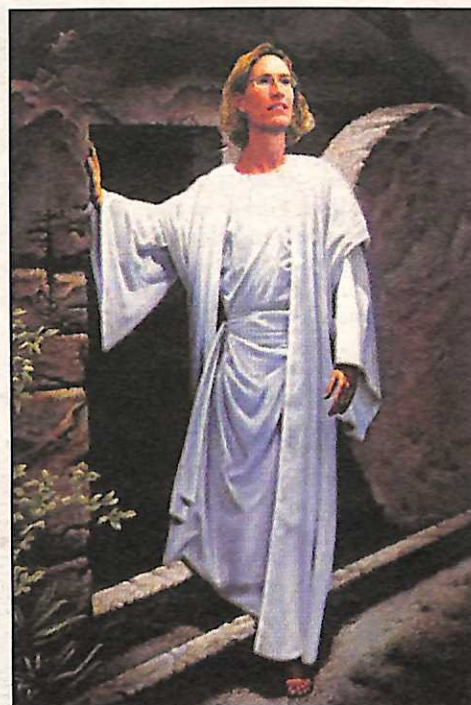


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with the entire room, breaking it into small pieces that seemed to multiply.

Irons has inspired a growing group of GFU students and faculty, who call themselves "Ironists" and their religion "Ironism." These followers all agree on the divine nature of their leader as well as her altruistic mission. They have been known to follow her and sit at her feet for hours, as well as bathing her in expensive perfume on special occasions.

However, they disagree on just how divine she is. According to some of her disciples, Irons is only making way for the second coming of Christ,

but others seem to think she is the Messiah and should be worshipped as such.

"She is basically a modern John the Baptist," said one follower. "She's performed a few minor miracles but doesn't claim to be the Messiah. And I'm pretty sure she's hinted at a distant relative's divinity."

"Well, Kendra has performed baptisms in the pond in the Bruin Den," said one unsure follower. "But I've never heard her say anything about someone coming after her. And she doesn't live in the wilderness, although I think she likes camping."

"She's the Messiah!" A couple of adamant disciples cried. "God told us in visions! And she's going to take over the oppressive George Fox administration and establish God's college before she ascends to

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Moon: Space trip to have no effect on class schedules



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The three lucky GFU students in space travel training.

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Testament into four languages believed to be spoken by inhabitants of at least two planets. She plans to bring these translations with her, just in case.

Clemens received the prize after winning the Moon Pie eating competition. "I could have eaten a million more of those nasty pies. That's how bad I wanted this."

Art major Fred Quinton won the space cruise grand prize after dancing in the moonwalk competition. He was less than enthusiastic. "Space just isn't for me," said Quinton. "I need oxygen. I just do. I don't think I could breathe without it, you know? No more questions, please." Quinton plans to auction off his prize on eBay.

Trevor Robinson, a Family and

Consumer Science major, was ecstatic about winning the grand prize. "It's better than anything in the world! Better than a mango, even. I would rather have a space cruise than a million melons!"

Clemens, Quinton, and Marshwipe will blast off in the Avenger, a NASA space shuttle, in early August. The students will be expected to podcast their classes during the first weeks of school from space and will not be excused from the Spiritual Formation requirements.

"It is really inspirational," remarks one student. "When I'm paying off my students loans over the next 30 years working in the cheese factory, I'll be able to remember that those students got to go to space."

George Fox subsidizes tuition costs by exporting green grass

By TRAVIS EVENDEN
Croissant Intern

After years of persistence and thousands of gallons of water, George Fox University has such a surplus of green grass that they have begun exporting it during the summer to southern states that are lacking.

According to a member of plant services who asked to not be named on conditions of anonymity the majority of GFU's fields are lifted and sent to several different retirement homes and golf courses in Texas, Arizona and Alabama. Most of

these locations have suffered in the past from global warming and have a great need for luscious green grass.

One Arizona retiree has said "Those kids don't need all that grass anyways, I put 40 some odd years into the system and I deserve it."

When we spoke with a GFU student about the exporting of green grass they stated "we have so much, I'm not sure anyone would even notice." The money the school makes from the grass will allow the school to be able to give each student a \$5 iTunes gift card.



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Twilight perfection causes womens' expectations to rise

By VANESSA WILKINS
Reporter

A recent survey conducted by ASC has many male students at George Fox University concerned for their prospects of marriage. The survey asked 100 female students on campus if they plan on getting married while at GFU. 98% answered no, as opposed to the 88% who said yes last year.

The number of relationships has gone down since the release of the movie "Twilight" in November 2008. The majority of female students say they are waiting for their "Edward Cullen" to sweep them off their feet. It appears that fictional tween vampire, Edward Cullen, has taken the place of Prince Charming in many girls' eyes.

Despite the fact that Cullen is actually 104 years old, he is dashing in a mysterious-lack-of-personality sort of way. His chiseled features and Grecian physique were frozen in time when he was only 17 years old. He is ideal for any woman since he will always be incredibly handsome and he has the ability to fall in love with a person like Bella Swan, who is unbelievably average, clumsy, and as boring as himself.

The "Twilight" craze hit the campus with full force leaving female students yearning and male students confused and desperate. One unfortunate romantic made an attempt to measure up to Cullen by sparkling. Yes, sparkling. According to the book vampires sparkle in the sun. By using roll-on glitter from the Dollar Tree, this student walked around shirtless for an entire day

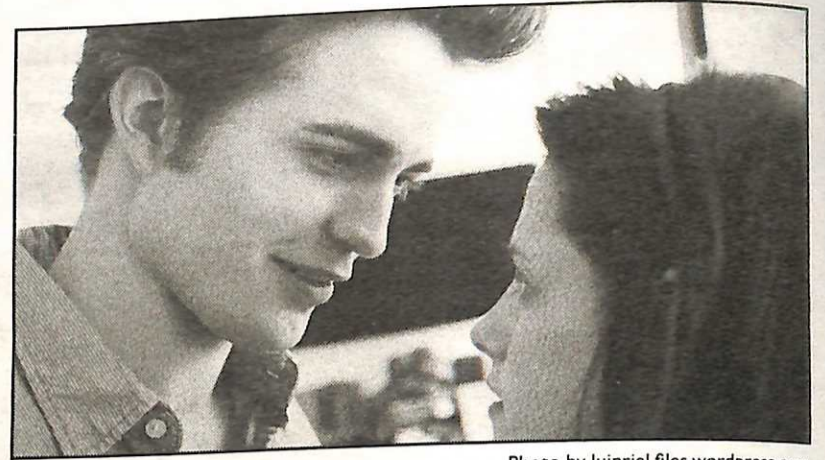


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Edward Cullen sets the bar too high for George Fox men.

hoping the love of his life would notice his radiant sparkling skin. However, he only developed a skin rash from an allergic reaction to the glitter.

It is not uncommon to see many male students sulking and perpetually frowning just as Cullen does in the book. He very rarely smiles and is always brooding. Many GFU men have stopped spending time in the sun as well because the level of paleness is a factor in attractiveness, which is quite the contrast from the previous desire to be as tan as possible.

The gloom on campus has reached a new height as female students are continually putting themselves in dangerous situations, hoping their true love will come rescue them. One female student spent a week in the hospital after she threw herself in the middle of traffic, according to witnesses. The girl has a

different story saying she "tripped but was not worried. My Edward would come save me." She is now being treated for delusional endangerment to herself.

Inevitably in the book, Cullen saves his true love from death multiple times. It would seem she is the luckiest girl in the world even though she has the depth of a tide pool.

Though most people stop believing in vampires and ghouls at a much younger age, the general consensus of the female population on campus is that there is a handsome un-dead lover out there waiting for her to fall into his arms. The level of expectations are far too high for any mortal man and many fear they will not recover from this vampire tragedy. Many are concerned that even if their girl gives up her quest for a vampire, will she love him for what he is: a mere human being.

Irons: Divinity neither confirmed nor denied: only time will tell

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heaven!"

This belief in Irons' ascension to heaven is also a common one among her followers. Regardless of her official divine title, most feel that she is too good for George Fox and probably even the rest of the world, and will, in fact, be carried away to heaven by God. Most likely she will be clad in a sparkling white garment floating elegantly in the wind as she is raised into heaven accompanied by angles, trumpets, and a heavenly orchestra playing the "Chariots of Fire" theme song.

This ascension to heaven will probably take place conveniently after the school year is over. In the meantime, Irons can be found calming the turbulent waters of the Willamette River, gliding peacefully across it, or praying all night in the canyon accompanied by sleeping followers.

She had nothing to add when questioned and neither confirmed nor denied her divinity, which has only served to make her followers more excited, as they have recently taken to lying in front of her as she walks so that her holy feet do not touch the ground.

If students plan on listening to her teach in these last few weeks, watch out; a growing number of people consider her to be a dangerous false prophet, or maybe even the anti-Christ. Things could get out of hand fast, so be sure to bring along a sword in case you need to slice off anyone's ear.

Senior finally discovers the clock tower is a fake

By CRYSTAL STUVELAND
Reporter

Senior Christian Ministries major, Russell Finnegan was horrified last Sunday when he finally realized that the George Fox clock tower is not only notoriously inaccurate, but also void of actual bells.

"It used to be my beacon of hope and inspiration. I loved to listen to the different tunes as they sounded forth the glorious music of the Lord," mumbled a dismayed Finnegan. "But now it's all meaningless. It was just a speaker the whole time. I can't believe it."

Finnegan discovered that the clock tower was a fraud while playing ultimate Frisbee on the

quad on Sunday. A stray throw from one of his roommates sent Finnegan crashing through the narrow gap and into the middle of the tower.

After regaining consciousness, Finnegan was slow to understand the lack of bells due to his slight concussion, but when he did his life was forever changed.

"I-I just don't care anymore... about anything," stuttered Finnegan hopelessly. "I feel like my whole experience at Fox is a lie."

Peers have noticed that Finnegan no longer attends chapel and rarely makes it to class. He is, however, a frequent visitor at the Health and Counseling Center on campus most

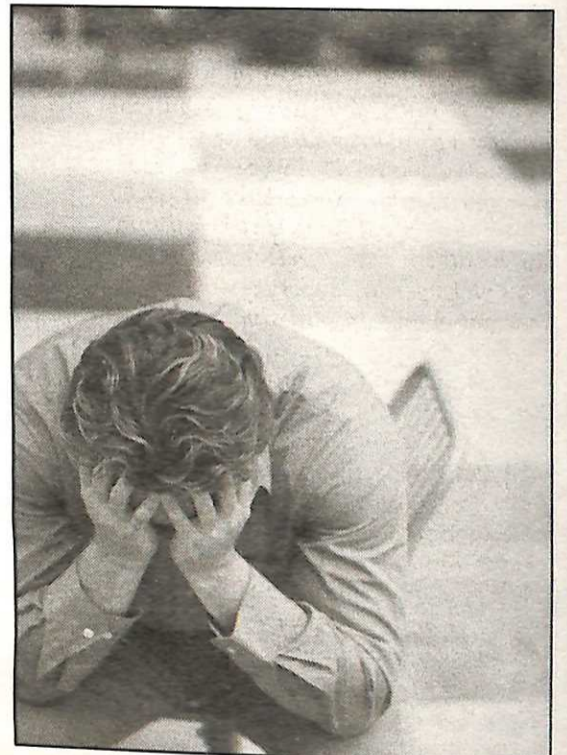


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Russell Finnegan, senior, wrestles with recent realization of historical landmark.

mornings and can be seen muttering troubled prayers while walking along the canyon in tattered clothes.

Finnegan even claims to be having visions in which the devil resides in the clock tower until God sends angles to burn it down. One student reported seeing Finnegan wailing and beating the clock tower late Monday night with a distinguished torch after several attempts at lighting it on fire. Fortunately, GFU Security Services are keeping a close watch on him and limiting his access to flammable materials.

Eye scanners to replace outdated swipe cards

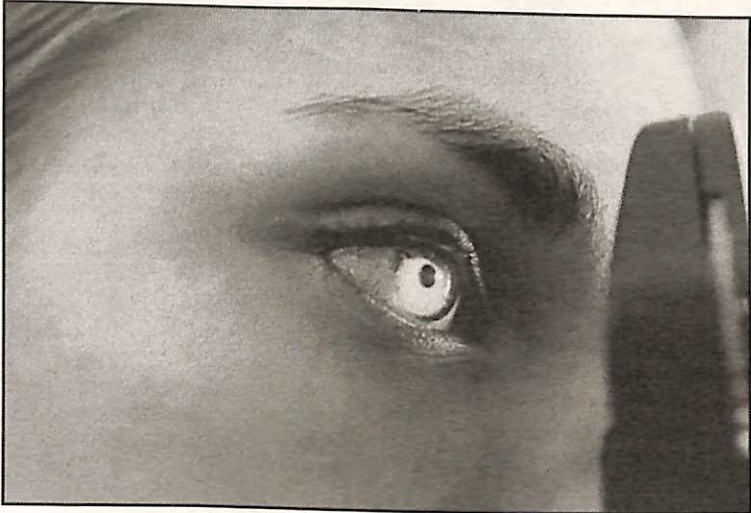


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New eye scan system will increase speed in the lunch line.

By **AMANDA KATE WINKELMAN**
Reporter

Due to the excessive lost and stolen identification cards on campus, Fox has decided on a new way to get into your building, keep track of your food plan, and receive chapel credits.

The new method consists of small laser beamed glass windows instead of the swipe card. Students must walk up to the window, press the big blue button, and keep their eyes wide as the lasers scan them to confirm or deny identity.

"The change came about recently when we realized how many identification cards we must reprint due to damages and lost cards," says an IT staff member. "There also have been cards being stolen and used in the Bon. We had to find a way to make this end."

Not only have students been having problems with their cards, several scanners have broken down over the years. Most recently one of the entrances to Edwards living hall has been damaged, and cannot be used. The eye scanners are more durable.

"Students will hopefully keep their eyes all four years of their college education. We are hoping there will only have to be minimal eye replacement surgeries at Fox," says an IT assistant.

In addition, the eye scanners will reduce the amount of chapel skipping. Students can't scan their friends' eyes. What is now called "slide and gliding" will also be reduced. In

order to leave chapel after entering you must have your eyes scanned again and have three minutes to scan back in or students will not receive chapel credit.

Chapel directors believe this will be great way for our community to get closer by experiencing the entirety of chapels. "It will be so great to see more people there when our guests speak, and not just for the worship portion," says a chapel leader.

Well, to many this plan seems very reasonable and beneficial; for the George Fox University there are some who have great concerns for this change.

"If they scan my eyes they are taking a part of my soul. I am really nervous that the devil is behind this," says a student. "I don't want them seeing what I am seeing all the time. This is a ridiculous measure."

IT and others who are working on the plan have confirmed that the eye scanning will not take any of your soul, despite conspiracy theories of such events occurring. They will also not be able to see what you are seeing.

"It is extremely safe. It does not harm individuals or their eyes in any way. It also can scan your eyes through your contacts and glasses," says director of Eye Read, the corporation the school purchased the scanners from.

The eye scanners are going to be put in over the summer and they are expected to be in use by the end of August, right before fall semester.

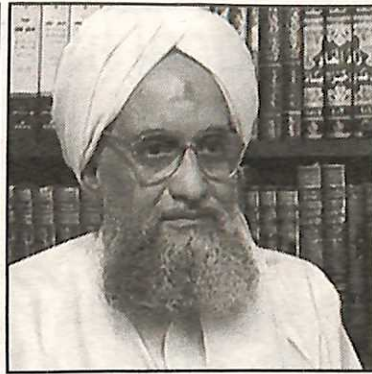


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Al-Zawahiri

Ed Higgins' poetry causes terrorists to reconsider, apologize

By **CRYSTAL STUVLAND**
Reporter

Al Qaeda, the late Osama bin Laden's famous terror organization is now officially nonviolent, thanks to the poetry of Quaker professor Ed Higgins.

Several pages of the George Fox writing/literature professor's poetry reached the Middle East in an empty wine bottle that was dramatically thrown into the Pacific Ocean sometime in 2004 by a former GFU student who was disheartened with the world's injustices.

Years later, the bottle was found serendipitously bobbing in the peaceful waters of an ocean inlet and cave near Bushehr, Iran, which was occupied by the few remaining Al Qaeda leaders, including al-Zawahiri.

Al-Zawahiri has publically apologized for the actions of Al Qaeda and committed his organization to humanitarian aid, all because of the influence of Higgins. He now wants to visit Oregon, hoping to meet the farmer poet whose verses so dramatically impacted his life.

Unfortunately for him, he is still a very wanted man, and so will remain hidden somewhere in Pakistan writing his own free verse poetry and sending it off in bottles by the dozen, hoping to spread the loving message of a simple, agrarian existence and faith in a peaceful God to everyone.

Foxhole: connection to local liquor store

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a drink that "smelled like Mom's rubbing alcohol" while reassuring her it was just all just a "bad dream" that would end very soon.

"Later I woke up and everything was hazy and dark. It smelled like dirt and I couldn't fully stand, so I started feeling around and crawling toward the light, but I was still dizzy and disoriented," said Wilder. "I struggled toward the light for hours. I think I fell asleep a couple times but I'm not sure. When I woke up I was suffering from a really bad headache and when I finally reached the end of the tunnel I was blinded by the fluorescent lights of the Newberg liquor store."

Wilder had found herself at the end of a long tunnel stretching from the Foxhole to the local liquor store. When she surfaced,

the owner of the store explained that she had just been the first student to accidentally discover the bootlegging tunnel since an incident during the early 1970s that was never made public.

Apparently, the tunnel was dug during Prohibition by five students and a spoon and has served to smuggle alcohol onto the dry George Fox campus ever since. Few people have heard of it, since only Foxhole employees are allowed to participate in the smuggling process. Students who know that alcohol is sold at the Foxhole are not told where it

comes from to protect one of Fox's best kept secrets.

All of this was explained to the terrified Wilder, who realized now that she had fallen into the devil's snare and partaken of his drink. The owner of the liquor store thought that Wilder had known about the tunnel. He therefore assumed that it was safe to fill her in and perhaps later hire her. He could not have been more wrong.

"I can't believe I got drunk. It was horrible. I don't even know if I'm a Christian anymore," said a worked-up Wilder to Student Life. "You have to stop this!"

And they did. The tunnel has been filled in and the Foxhole staff fired. We can have a collective sigh of relief now that our campus is once again shut off from the intoxicating evils of the world.

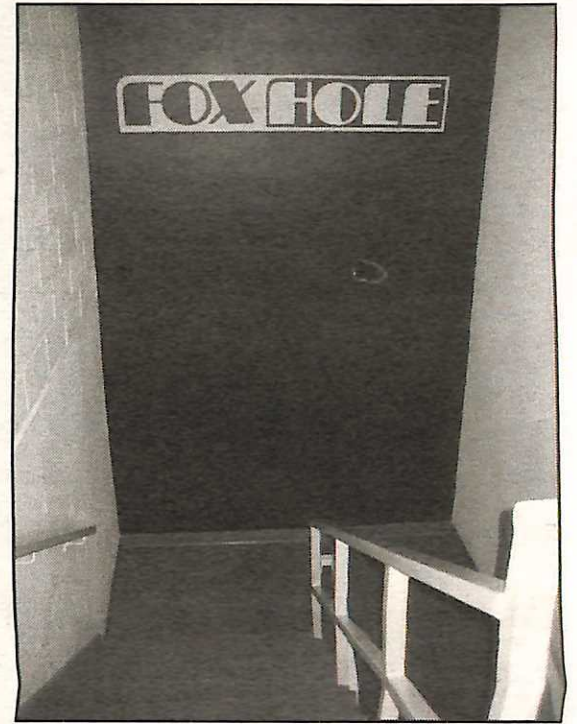


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Underground coffee shop in the SUB holds old ancient and intoxicating secrets.

President Robin Baker refuses to buy knee-length shorts

By **CRYSTAL STUVLAND**
Reporter

George Fox President, Robin Baker, refuses to buy knee-length shorts, despite the change in men's fashion in the last twenty years. Baker, an avid runner, has been known to use his passion for running often as examples in chapel speeches and everyday speech; however, he has yet to publically address his decision to stick with the skimpy shorts that he has sported since his years as a

Certainly Baker's running ability is well known on campus. Still, many GFU students and faculty members question his intentions. "I just don't know why he would show off his shapely thighs," said a concerned junior, "It's bad enough trying to avoid staring at the man's sinewy caves and exquisitely toned quads, what am I supposed to do? I'm only human."

When asked why he chooses to wear his nearly-sandalous running shorts years after their popularity,

Baker said they were his "lucky ninth-grade cross-country shorts" and that he "couldn't imagine running without their familiar caress."

"I have always enjoyed feeling the air on my entire legs, not just my lower quadrants," explained Baker, "But I understand why some students



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are upset. I will try to run later at night and earlier in the morning from now on, but I refuse to buy different shorts, especially those hideously long things I see men wearing nowadays."

George Fox University encourages its president to pursue his running, even if his shorts sometimes cause discomfort or inappropriate thoughts. As long as he keeps his appearances to a minimum, Baker will continue to run everyday.

high school track star. "I don't usually have a problem with man-thighs," said one anonymous observer, "But as the president of a university I feel like he should be more careful when representing its image in the community."

"I don't care what shorts President Baker wears," exclaimed an excited student, "He's probably faster than guys half his age!"

Outbreak of plague leads to quarantine infected students

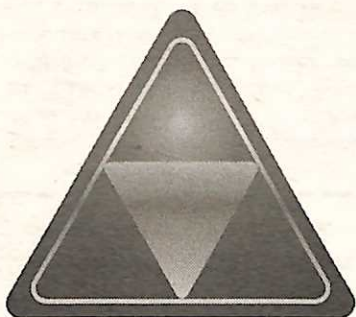
By **LAURA GOTTHARDT**
Guest Reporter

Students are hereby informed that as of April 16, 2009, George Fox University is suffering an outbreak of the once-epidemic bubonic plague, which is known to have caused the death of at least one-third of the population of Europe in the 14th century.

At this time, seven students have been infected by the Yersina pestis bacteria. Each student was transported to Providence St. Vincent Medical Center in Portland when the presence of the bacteria was confirmed and is receiving all possible treatment.

Bubonic plague is just one variation of the Yersina pestis bacteria and is known to be fatal in 3-7 days in 50% of untreated victims. Other variations are pneumonic plague and septicemic plague. The three variations are commonly known collectively as the Black Death. The seven infected students are known to have the bubonic variation of the plague. Bubonic plague is distinguished from the other two kinds by the presence of swollen lymph glands, called "buboes."

The symptoms of bubonic plague



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are swollen lymph glands, spots on the skin that are red at first and then turn black, heavy breathing, vomiting of blood, aching limbs, coughing, and pain. The pain is usually caused by the decomposing of skin while the victim is still alive. If you or anyone you know has these symptoms, get to the hospital immediately.

It is unknown how the plague reached campus, but the bacteria is believed to be carried and spread by fleas. Fleas are dark and around 1-3 mm long. If you have seen any in your living area, contact your RA and they will contact the appropriate

authorities to come inspect the area.

Because of the sudden and relatively large outbreak, George Fox University is likely to be quarantined until the plague is confirmed no longer present in anyone on campus and the campus is inspected for fleas.

A quarantine would mean that no one would be permitted to leave or enter campus at any time for an indefinite period. In addition, every student, faculty member, and staff person who has been on campus in the past 30 days would be required to be tested for the presence of bubonic plague.

The enforcement of a quarantine would affect classes, finals, and possibly the ability of students to return home for the summer at the scheduled time. A decision will be made within the next few days about the quarantine, and students will be informed about it as soon as possible.

Meanwhile, students are advised to remain calm during the epidemic. If you find fleas, kill them and contact your RA. Avoid rats and fleas and stay hygienic. Most importantly, if you have the symptoms listed above or know someone who

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George Fox ranks fourth on national list "Where would Jesus go to college?"

By **TRAVIS EVENDEN**
Croissant Intern

George Fox University Ranks 4th on national list of "Where would Jesus go to college?"

Just this past month the Holy Trinity released its annual report of colleges and universities it believes would best suit its human counterpart, Jesus of Nazareth. On that list George Fox University was ranked number four overall and receive honorable mentions in the categories of clean bathrooms and level of mischief.

This years report included over 50 institutions which were judged based on seven different categories. The categories included overall spirituality of the students, bible to student ratio, cleanliness of bathrooms, number of awesome prizes given out for free, level of mischief, food service (with negative points given for schools who serve more than 1,000 lbs of rice per year) and coolest Christian bumper stickers. Once again the educational experiences of the schools aren't accounted for simply because its impossible for the Holy Trinity to decide which is the best school for learning since they are omniscient.

The process of judging the schools starts every year on Easter Sunday when they send the Holy Spirit for its yearly visit. They rank each school on a system that is much too complex for our simple minds



The infamous Grilled Chessus Sandwich that brought GFU's ranking down in 2008. Photo by home.insightbb.com

to comprehend. After the ranking process they create a simple .pdf file which they send directly to the Pope in Latin. The Pope then translates the report, prints and binds them using services from his local Xerox store and sells them for five dollars a piece.

This years result of 4th overall was a big improvement from last

years rank of 20th which is mainly attributed to the "chapel stalker" incident which was followed up by a student claiming they found a grilled cheese with the image of Jesus imprinted on it. Jesus commented, "A grilled cheese sandwich? Really? I'm lactose intolerant."

Students to enroll in class 'Art of the Housewife' in Fall

By **NATALIE GOULD**
News Editor

Industrialism and post-industrialism has taken a terrible toll on America. No longer does the wife stay home and take care of the children, cook, and clean. Now both husband and wife go to work. For this reason, GFU is offering a new class starting Fall 2009. The class is called "The Art of the Housewife." In essence, it will be a class about returning to the 1950s way of life.

The curriculum will be largely focused on women and will include, but is not limited to, creating perfect meals, learning how to sew and repair tears and wears, shining shoes so that husbands will always look pristine, the science of vacuuming, laundry, how to iron effectively, the joy of washing dishes by hand, the perfect pot roast, and writing grocery lists that count.

The class is expected to fill up quickly as statistics show that women are tired of being seen as equals to men and of being held to such a high expectation. They desire to spend most of their time and effort creating a comfortable home for their husband and children.

Assignments will require that students spend at minimum eight hours per week closely studying the ways of the great television housewives such as Lucy Arnez (Lucille Ball), June Cleaver (Barbara Billingsley), and Aunt Bee (Frances Baviar).

At the end of the course, students must pass a rigorous test to demonstrate their learned skills. They will be graded on a scale of 0-5: 5 meaning housewife ready and 0 meaning remedy is required. With professor permission, students scoring a 5 may enroll in the accelerated class "Finding your Inner June Cleaver," in which students will divulge in advanced topics such as choosing the perfect strand of pearls for your neck line, budgeting wisely, the balanced sack lunch, and how to romance your husband discretely.

Before students are admitted in to the class, they must pass a pre-test, which will determine the success rate the student will have as a housewife. If the student fails the pre-test, she will not be admitted in to the class, but rather must take the jump-start class. Women, the housewife class is now open for enrollment. Please see your advisor for admission and a pre-test time for the class.

For the men, it is expected for a class to be offered on being the sole breadwinner of the household, beginning Fall 2010. The class will be focused upon how to balance the career and family life. It will include such topics as how to change the oil on the family sedan, paying the bills, putting your wife on an allowance, and learning how to be patient when the dinner is not on the table exactly at 6 p.m.

Robin Baker's mustache takes on own identity

By **TRAVIS EVENDEN**
Croissant Intern

The mustache that was previously owned by President Robin Baker has become so large it recently decided to declare itself as its own sovereign entity. As of now the mustache only goes by the name "Lil' Robby". In his free time Lil' Robby enjoys perusing

the children's section of the local library and feels that he may be able to support himself babysitting small children at a reasonable rate. When asked about the recent goodbye luncheon with Robin Baker he stated, "It was so good I think I might save some for later!"

Quarantine: Administration recognizes upheaval

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does, get yourself or them to the hospital. Students in the residence halls Hobson, Macy, and Sutton are especially advised to be wary, as five out of the seven infected students are residents of Sutton Hall.

These residence halls will be

evacuated in the next few days to search for the assumed cause of the outbreak (fleas) and exterminate them. Students in other on-campus living areas are encouraged to welcome the evacuees from HMS to their living areas as we all attempt to cope with the consequences of the sudden outbreak of the plague.

The school administration knows that this situation is going to cause sudden upheaval on campus and encourages all students to trust in our heavenly Father to heal the seven infected students and help us through the chaotic times about to take place on campus in the coming days.

Forks: Protests predicted to continue

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initiative and forcing them into environmentally responsible actions, we asked students to submit other ecologically friendly ideas. A group called Hands: God's Utensils stepped forward and delivered a knockout idea, Forkless Fridays."

On Tuesday, the group Fork Lovers United, an organization created to fight the ever rampant proliferation of chopsticks, released a statement saying they were expanding their operations to counter this new "anti-forkist regime."

Many students are expected to show up Friday with comically oversized forks in a form of nonviolent protest. However, some aren't showing this restraint.

Sophomore Becky Smith said, "I don't know if it's going to be safe at lunch, I've heard about the demonstration and I support that. But there are rumors going around of students going a little farther. Some freshmen from Penn are going to light crap up, and you can quote me on that." She continued stating, "I've also heard that Villa House girls are planning on forcibly demanding

forks. I don't want to live in fear." As of the publication of this article, Bon Appetit has not responded to our calls regarding these threats.

This is not the first time a cafeteria's economic actions have caused an uproar. The Bulldog Café at Spokane's Gonzaga University nearly caused a riot on campus. It started out as a plan to save aluminum; they brought back soda fountains stocked with biodegradable cups. Unfortunately these cups disintegrated when filled with the popular beverage, Coca-Cola. Because of this unforeseen complication rushed legislation was passed banning the use of cups on campus.

This bill also included the now infamous Pen Act which instituted a ban on all graphite. This all-pen policy was pushed by several student organizations whose general funding now has been traced back to Bic and Uniball. As the math and art majors rose up indignation of this corporate fueled mandate, a student-led movement to boycott pencils led to assignments and essays being written in crayon, blood, and other unidentified liquids. As campus

morale dropped, students forsook modern conveniences, often living in sleeping bags on their campus.

The logical conclusion to this story is that this over-the-top environmentalism can ruin lives. Unknown to Bon Appetit's upper class board of directors, student response to Trayless Tuesdays has seemed overwhelmingly negative, despite the efforts of the group Hands: God's Utensils. But these eager, silver-spoon-in-mouth publicity whores only hear what they want to hear. The on-site staffers often choose to pass along the positive comments cards left by their student stooges, while using the negative cards as filler material for the meatloaf.

The student body clearly must speak up and let the Bon Appetit know whether or not it approves of these policies, lest we find ourselves eating in a cafeteria without chairs or napkins and not of our own volition. The question is: do we have a fundamental right to eat with tonged utensils? Or must we continue to give in until we are left cowering in fear with dirty hands?

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