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1950-59

Richard Clark '52 of Blaine, Wash., has published his autobiography, *Riding the Carousel with God*.

Dennis Crawford '55 of Port Townsend, Wash., attended his 50th class reunion at Colgate Rochester Crozer Divinity School in Rochester, N.Y., in April.

1960-69

Douglas and Karen (Allen) Nelson, both '63, plan to relocate to the Pacific Northwest following Douglas' retirement as professor of political science at Anderson University in Anderson, Ind.

Terry Paquette '68 of Bend is a kindergarten teacher at the Waldorf School.

1970-79

Lorri Craig '71 of Bend, an investment advisor representative, has been recognized by Cambridge *Who's Who* for showing dedication, leadership and excellence in all aspects of financial planning.

Tom Niebergall '74 of Portland retired after 34 years in the teaching profession. He most recently served as athletic director at Bend High School.

Sandra Harris '75 of Dallas retired as the speech pathologist in the McMinnville School District.

Susie (Gholz) Alin '78 of McMinnville retired as counselor at McMinnville High School.

Curtis Shephard '78 of Beverly Hills, Calif., was promoted to director of Children, Youth and Family Services at the L.A. Gay and Lesbian Center.

1980-89

Mark Hyder '82 of McMinnville retired as assistant principal at McMinnville High School.

Steve Tillery '83 is an elementary school principal in the Cascade School District.

Elizabeth Hatfield-Keller '84 of Portland is an assistant professor in the Department of Emergency Services at Oregon Health and Science University and an associate director of Multnomah County EMS.

Nancy Hornschuck '85 of Beaverton is a project manager and business analyst with Centerstance.

Wendy (Hartman) Ludwig '85 of Corte Madera, Calif., is director of corporate tax at Alexander & Baldwin.

Daniel O'Leary '86 of Brunswick, Maine, has joined the Bowdoin College faculty as the first John S. Osterweis Professor of Chemistry and Biochemistry.

Shelly Greer '86 of Renton, Wash., is a full-time writer. She is working on a book resulting from research and travel to medieval sites in England and a book of dragon stories for children.

Gordon Brinser '87 of Portland is vice president of operations for SolarWorld.

Glen Klinkhart '88 of Anchorage, Alaska, is a detective in the Anchorage Police Department. In the past year, he was featured on two national television shows for his work in a multi-year criminal investigation involving a missing 21-year-old woman. To see the stories go to <http://www.msnbc.msn.com/id/24831943> and <http://abcnews.go.com/Primetime/story?id=3557599>

Jeff and Kristi (Vertrees) Mackay '88 and '91 of McMinnville had a son, Donald Benjamin, April 8, their second.

Arthur "Marty" Palacios '89 of McMinnville is principal at Patton Middle School.

Deah Shimanek Shelton '89 of Scio is teaching art at Scio High School and also serves as assistant librarian.

1990-99

Cindy Davis '90 of Canby is assistant vice president of clinical services at Willamette Falls Hospital.

Gary Dickinson '90 of Longview, Wash., had his first book, *Reflections*, published by Ink Water Press.

Charles Bechtol '92 of McMinnville is boys' soccer coach at McMinnville High School.

Dana (Bullis) Groesz '92 of Redmond and her husband, Jeremy, adopted three children, ages 9, 7 and 4.

Sharon Boyle '93 of Terre Haute, Ind., received the Sister Mary J. Pomeroy Award for Excellence in Scholarship in April and received tenure and was promoted to associate professor at Saint Mary-of-the-Woods College. She had an article published in *Music Perspective Therapy Journal* in June.

Scott and Karen (Wallstrom) Safford '93 and '94 of Corvallis had a daughter, Elizabeth Grace, Feb. 6. Scott is on the staff in the Division of Integrative Medicine at the Good Samaritan Regional Medical Center.

Brian L. Petrequin '94 and **Emily J. Parodi '94** live in Jersey City, N.J. He is a partner in the national law firm LeClair-Ryan. He was named one of New Jersey's Super Lawyers in banking law (2007) and mergers and acquisitions (2008) by *Law & Politics* magazine. He is on the board of trustees and vice president of Habitat for Humanity for Hudson County, Inc. Parodi is licensed as a mental health counselor in New York and a professional counselor in New Jersey. She is founder and owner of Personal Counseling, P.C., which provides mental health services in New York and New Jersey. She is also on the board and is the coordinator of family support for Habitat for Humanity of Hudson County.

Allison (Love) Sheller '94 of Tempe, Ariz., and her husband, Erik, had a son, August Finely, July 27. Allison is a part-time teacher.

Kimberly (Moar) Benedetti '94 of Tigard and her husband, Jared, had a son, Luke Anders, July 31, their third.

Dan and Catherine (Lloyd) Dorn '94 and '96 of Albany work at ATI Wah Chang.

Geoffrey Whisler '95 of Portland married Barbara Herring March 27. He is a biologist/project leader for the Oregon Department of Fisheries and Wildlife.

Kimberly (Foss) Bartholomew '96 of Tualatin and her husband, John, had a son, Alex, in January, their second.

Somphone Beasley '97 of Albany is a family nurse practitioner at the Geary Street Clinic.

Bryan Rohr '97 of Encinitas and his wife, Jennifer, had twins, Caroline Grace and Campbell Anders.

Heidi Rose '97 of San Mateo, Calif., married Phillip Gallegos June 21.

Kollin and Stephanie (Messenbrink) Letson, both '97, of San Francisco, Calif., had a son, Emmett Lockhart, June 22.

Matt Craven '97 of Bend teaches math at Bend High School.

Korenza Burris '97 of Dexter and her husband, Bobby Goodridge, had a daughter, Soleis Gabrielle Burris-Goodridge, Aug. 12.

Amy Langdon '98 of Salem is the resource development director of Boys and Girls Club of Albany.

Alicia (Nolan) Carlson '98 of Lincoln, Neb., and her husband, Brian, adopted a son, Wade Joshua, July 1, their third.

Elaine (Green) Burke '99 of McMinnville and her husband, Scott, had a son, Nolan Scott, June 28, their second.

Clark Marston '99 of Erlangen, Germany, and his wife, Melanie, had a daughter, Hannah, July 16.

2000-08

Emily Stalk '00 of West Linn married Ted Robertson July 26.

Dawn Yelk '00 of McMinnville is a medical social worker

at Willamette Valley Medical Center's Cancer Center.

Thomas and Sarah (Rogers) Kelly, both '01, of Tacoma, Wash., had a son, Isaac Jacob, March 12, their second.

Joe Narus '01 of Central Point is completing a master's in geography at Portland State University and was selected for a David L. Boren National Security Education Program Graduate Fellowship. It will support 12 months of Chinese language study at the Inter-University Program for Chinese Language Study at Tsinghua University in Beijing as well as thesis research.

Kristopher and Mar-ian (Zimmerman) Horton '99 and '01 of Medford had a daughter, Torrance Elizabeth, May 20.

Megan Burgess '01 is an associate attorney at Peterkin & Associates in Bend.

Nathan Brigham '01 of Carson City, Nev., is the boys' soccer coach at Carson High School.

Seth and Stephanie (Ashmore) Oliveria '01 and '02 live in Denver, Colo. Seth completed his Ph.D. in neuroscience at the University of Colorado in May and is in his third year of medical school. Stephanie completed her bachelor's in nursing from the University of Colorado and is a pediatric nurse at The Children's Hospital in Denver.

Matt Loehrke '02 of Portland is an instructor with the Northwest Children's Theatre and School in Portland.

Christopher S. Dandeneau '02 of Corvallis is working on a master's in material science at Oregon State University.

Jayne Jonas '03 of Sammamish, Wash., is associate planner at the City of Redmond and now managing the city's historical preservation program.

Tiffany Garey '03 of Yamhill is a nurse anesthetist at

the Willamette Valley Medical Center in McMinnville.

Tyler Matthews '03 of McMinnville and his wife, Molly, had a daughter, Maya Karen Christine, Aug. 20.

Maria Drennen '04 of Amity married Thomas Boyhan June 21. She is a school counselor at Duniway Middle School in McMinnville.

Michelle (Cousins) Gregor '04 of Carlton and her husband, John, had a daughter, Peyton Taylor, June 22.

Liz McClung '04 of Gladstone is volleyball coach at La Salle High School.

Kristen Kunc '04 married David Schur June 22. They are living in Oklahoma.

Joshua Johnson '04 and **Kelsey Lyle '07** of Pullman, Wash., were married Aug. 2.

Sierra Kenney '04 of Boston, Mass., married Erdem Koral in May.

Ben Pappas '04 of Portland works for D.A. Davidson in Lake Oswego.

Gabriel D. Edge '04 of Beaverton is a drummer in two bands, Kiss Kill and Mesomanos.

Mike Jenson '05 of Eugene joined the Prudential Real Estate Professionals in Corvallis.

Megan (Lieberman) Amerson '06 of Sutherlin and her husband, Travis, had a child, Lane, Oct. 29.

Laura Graham '07 of Beaverton is director of marketing and public relations for Evergreen Aviation and Space Museum.

Lydia Mascorro '07 of Portland married Jaime Orozco May 23. She works in the Nike events department.

Kelly Copeland '08 of McMinnville is a project manager at Hinmon Agency.

Meredith Blake and Matthew McCullough, both '08, of Klamath Falls were married July 5.

In memoriam

Mary (Bell) Bell '34 of Portland, Aug. 7. Survivors include a sister, **Helen (Bell) Parrott '41** and a niece, **Twinka (Parrott) Lupher '73**.

Arvo Rakkola '35 of Sammamish, Wash., July 6.

Lillian (Rogers) Millsap '36 of Olympia, Wash., June 26. Survivors include nephews, **Robert Martyn '52** and **Gerald Martyn '61**.

Ruth Christensen '37 of Portland, June 28. Survivors include two sisters, **Marjorie (Christensen) James '41** and **Lorene (Christensen) Lewis '54**.

Andrew Holderreed '39 of Castleford, Idaho, July 15.

H. Allen "Harvey" Robbins '40 of Portland, June 1. Survivors include his wife, **Zelna (Krieder) '40**, and two sons, **Richard '63** and **Lawrence '68**.

Theodore "Ted" Graves '41 of Longview, Wash., July 13. **Gerald "Bud" Parsons '42** of McMinnville, Aug. 25.

Benham Russell Trowbridge '44 of Carmichael, Calif., May 19. Survivors include his wife, **Helen (Wallen) '43**.

Laura "Laurie" (Garoff) Woodard '45 of Beaverton, in June.

Jack Hoffman '46 of Portland, July 3.

Patricia (Gehrig) Floyd '48 of McMinnville, July 14.

Gerald L. Coons '49 of Hillsboro, June 12.

Emilie Blomberg '50 of Pullman, Wash., Aug. 8.

Clare M. Birge '52 of Roseville, Calif., Dec. 21, 2004.

Harry L. Gracey '52 of Bellevue, Wash., June 9.

Ernest W. White '53 of Beaverton, Sept. 3.

Irene (Ohler) Marshall '56 of Oregon City, June 11.

Dorothy (Elliott) Tarpenning '56 of Eugene, June 9. Survivors include her husband,

Allan '55, and daughter **Karin (Tarpenning) Szadyr '79**.

David E. Druse '58 of Portland, Sept. 6. Survivors include a son, **Stephen '80**.

Willis J. Valech '58 of Salem, May 14.

David M. Taylor '61 of Salem, June 20.

Carolyn (Jones) Brown '66 of Tigard, May 28.

Brian Richards '69 of Gold Hill, May 14.

Glenda (Gunderson) Brown '76 of Salem, June 6. Survivors include her husband, **Jerry '74**.

Elizabeth (Roth) Hinds '78 of Stayton, Aug. 21.

Joe Guevara '86 of Honolulu, Hawaii, July 19.

Paul Spiegel '99 of Tualatin, June 13.

Sumner Thomas '11 of Boonville, Calif., Aug. 11.

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Leslie (Laxson) Springman GSH '71 of Sandy, June 19.

Friends and family

Wesley Caspers, professor emeritus of education 1967-82, Sept. 14. Survivors include daughter, **Jean '71**, son **James '74** and granddaughter **Samantha Moorhead '06**.

John Day, professor emeritus of physics 1958-78, author, and founder of the Division of Continuing Education, June 21. Survivors include son **John W. '68** and daughters **Patti (Day) Webb '61**, **Carolyn (Day) McCloskey '62**, **Janice (Day) Richardson '70** and **Christy (Day) Leonhardt '82**.

Rose Song of Portland, former secretary to several academic deans, Sept. 21.

James C. Howland, trustee emeritus, capital campaign chair, honorary degree recipient, Aug. 28. Survivors include a son **Peter '78**.

Got news? Have you changed jobs? Received a promotion? Returned to school? Received another degree? Started a business? Did you get married or have a child in the last 12 months? If you have news for your classmates and other Linfield friends, visit us online at www.linfield.edu/alumni.

Alumni Award recipients

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Rick Pullen '67
Distinguished Alumnus

Pullen, dean of the College of Communications at California State University, Fullerton, got his start in journalism with the help of his high school advisor, the late Don Wohler '52, and his Linfield advisor, Charlotte Filer '54. Pullen believes that journalism will always be a vital tool in society. "It is truly amazing how communications has evolved," he said.



Erik and Jennifer '96, '95
McLaughlin
Alumni Service Award

The McLaughlins of Pendleton earned the Alumni Service Award for hosting gatherings promoting Linfield for alumni and prospective students. They operate Veraison Consulting, a wine consulting firm.



Rob Owens '94
Outstanding Young Alumnus

Owens, vice president and senior research analyst at Pacific-Crest Securities, Inc., has been named the Linfield College Outstanding Young Alumnus for his distinguishing work in the finance industry and his mentoring of alumni in the field.



Lee Vasquez
Walker Service Award

Vasquez, former Yamhill County sheriff, has been an avid leader in the McMinnville community, and has served on the Partners in Progress steering committee at Linfield. He received the Walker Service Award for his community-focused fundraising efforts.

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