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## **Class Notes**

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## 1950-59

**Enid Briggs '53** of Milwaukie is the state chairman of the Oregon Federation of Garden Clubs Youth Program.

## 1960-69

**Shirley (Bowers) Tighe GSH '60** and **Linfield '76** of Lake Havasu City, Ariz., retired Good Samaritan School of Nursing faculty, is preparing the eighth edition of her book, *Instrumentation for the Operating Room, a Photographic Manual*, published by Mosby Elsevier. It is now published in six languages: English, Italian, Portuguese, Filipino, Classic Chinese and Korean.

**Art Larrance '66** of Portland, who owns Raccoon Lodge in Raleigh Hills, is opening a second operation, the Cascade Brewing Barrel House. Larrance helped found Portland Brewing in the mid-1980s and started the Oregon Brewers Festival in 1988, now the largest outdoor beer festival on the continent.

## 1970-79

**Richard (Deacon) Meier '72** of Bellingham, Wash., is vice president of student services at Bellingham Technical College. Meier, who most recently worked for Eastern Washington University, began his career in higher education more than 37

years ago at Central Washington University.

**Richard Birk '74** of Scottsdale, Ariz., is founder and author of *Go-Books*, "Books with a Message." Birk, a former high school and college athlete, coached for more than 25 years and has 30 years of financial management experience. His books include *GO-5*, *The Best All Around*, *Love Must Mean Something*, *The Shepherdess: A Story of Faith and Family*, and *Footprints of a Shadow*.

**Kent Van Cleave '75** of Walla Walla, Wash., manages the information center of the Business Services Department for Walla Walla Community College.

**Andrew Paszkowski '78** of Kennesaw, Ga., was awarded a juris doctor degree from Georgia State University College of Law.

**Sharon (Corak) Rogers '78** of Napa, Calif., spent the last two years teaching drama at the American Community School in Beirut, Lebanon. She is a theatre arts teacher at Napa High School.

## 1980-89

**Gilan Menegat '80** of West Linn, an educational consultant and researcher, earned a doctorate in educational leadership from Lewis and Clark College. Her dissertation focused on the Oregon New Teacher Mentoring Project, funded by the legislature during 2008-09.

**Clyde Carrick '82** of Eureka, Calif., coaches basketball and is a substitute teacher with Eureka City Schools.

**Landon Curt Noll '83** of Sunnyvale, Calif., will lead an expedition to the South Pole and the Ellsworth Antarctic Mountains to survey meteorites in January 2011.

**Melanie (Clark) Bloom '84** of Portland is the assistant vice president in the facilities and construction department for Umpqua Bank.

## 1990-99

**Matthew Esposito '90** of Des Moines, Iowa, is the author of *Funerals, Festivals and Cultural Politics in Porfirian Mexico*.

**Jon Colasuonno '91** of Gresham is manager for the First Independent Bank, Heights branch in Vancouver, Wash.

**Andrea (Weber) Daret '93** of Gresham is attending graduate school at the Oregon College of Oriental Medicine.

**Tobi (Fauth) Schaap '94** of Richmond Hill, Ga., and her husband, Brian, had a daughter, Logan Lynne, May 13.

**Josh Fields '95** of Daigo, Ibaraki, Japan, has lived in Japan for five years and hopes to get permanent residency.

**Stephanie Stewart '95** of Portland is a small business owner and community organizer. She was one

of two founding organizers for the SolarizePortland.org project, which tripled residential solar installations in the Portland area last year.

**Pete Creech '96** of San Bruno, Calif., and his wife had a daughter, Antonia Linh, May 17, their first.

**Danny and Michele (Bertrand) Langsdorf**, both '96, of Corvallis had a son, Dawson Edward, Aug. 17, their first.

**Heidi (Rose) Gallegos '97** of Hayward, Calif., is the registrar at Castilleja School.

**Penny Hinchman '97** of Amity is a real estate agent with Prudential Northwest Properties.

**Ryan James '97** of Seattle, Wash., is the senior global group public relations manager for Xbox at Microsoft.

**Branden and Jamie (Harthun) Hughes '97** and '99 of Corvallis had a daughter, Kaitlyn Kelly, May 17, their first child.

**Gardner Simmons '97** of Oakland, Calif., earned a master's in elementary education from San Francisco State University.

**Frank and Jenna (Dougherty) Reed '98** and '99 of Newberg had a daughter, Evan Kate, Jan. 21.

**Craig Simmons '98** of Tigard earned a master's degree from George Fox University.

**Reece Dano '99** of Portland is the Advertising and Marketing Division alignment ambassador at Special Libraries Association and

## Tickling the ivories

Chris Engbretson '07 of Wilsonville and Susan McDaniel '97 of McMinnville performed at Musique à Beaumont, an annual piano institute in France, in June. The festival is directed by Sylvain Frémaux, former Linfield professor of music. Pianist Jill Timmons, Linfield professor of music and artist-in-residence, serves as artistic director and also performed. Engbretson and McDaniel, both pianists and adjunct instructors of music at Linfield, performed as a duo and joined French artist Bernard Job in one of Bach's triple concertos. McDaniel has performed around the world as a soloist and chamber musician. Engbretson has performed locally and abroad as a pianist, conductor and chorister. Pictured from left are McDaniel, Timmons and Engbretson.



# CLASS NOTES

was named to the 2010 class of SLA Rising Stars.

**Tiffany (Lanman) Gore '99** of Redmond, Wash., and her husband, Bryan, had a son, Connor Bruce, April 23.

**Karen (Bretl) Tieg's '99** of Beaverton and her husband, Peter, had a daughter, Jane Evelyn, Oct. 7, their first. Karen is rector of All Saints Episcopal Church in Hillsboro.

**Nicole Robbins '99** of Eildon, Victoria, Australia, married Kurt Martin July 2 at Rockaway Beach. They work for Outdoor Education Group.

**Sara Kelly '99** of Hillsboro married Tim Gott July 11 in Hillsboro. She is a sixth grade math teacher in Beaverton.

## 2000-10

**Molly (McDowell) Baez '00** of Portland and her husband, Victor, had a son, Mateo, Aug. 13.

**Joe and Alice (Divers) Bayless**, both '00, of Lake Oswego had a son, Graham Joseph, July 7.

**Kelly Ward '00** of Bend is vice president of sales and services

with Better World Club, a roadside service company focused on sustainability.

**Jamie Easton '01** of Washington, D.C., married James Colvard Sept. 5. She received a master of public policy from Georgetown University Institute of Public Policy and is a state policy analyst with ZERO TO THREE.

**Jennifer Jones '01** of Central Point married Jake Bakker June 26 in Medford. She continues to teach at Phoenix High School.

**Emily Laing '01** of Salem married Gabriel Merrell June 5.

**Fritz Mesenbrink '01** of Portland and his wife had a son, Enzo Frederick, July 10.

**Seth and Stephanie (Ashmore) Oliveria '01** and '02 live in Florida where Seth is pursuing a neurosurgery residency at the University of Florida.

**Evan and Tina (McBride) Swanson**, both '01, of Portland had a daughter, Addie Irene, May 14.

**Lisa Avery '02** of La Center, Wash., is a project manager for WebMD.

**Susan Hiler '02** of Portland is an associate attorney at Gevurtz

Menashe, a family law firm. Her practice focuses on divorce, custody and support.

**Kevin Schjei '02** of Lake Oswego is general manager of Crowne Plaza Lake Oswego.

**Robyn (McLucas) Leonard '02** of Sherwood and her husband had a daughter, Olive Dorothy, June 24.

**Jayme Jonas '03** of Sammamish, Wash., and her husband, Stephen Simmons, had a son, Connor Jonas Simmons, July 7.

**Harrison Bertsch '03** of Rathdrum, Idaho, teaches PE at Post Falls Middle School.

**Nicole Chroust-Masin '04** of McMinnville married Timothy Amuzu July 17.

**Elizabeth DeVisser '04** of Indianapolis, Ind., is a graduate student at the University of Indianapolis where she studies human biology with a specialization in forensic anthropology. This winter, she will travel to Santiago, Chile, to work with the Human Rights Medical Examiner's Office of the Chilean Ministry of Justice.

**Meredith Hulbert '04** of Tacoma, Wash., married Scott Wil-

liams June 27.

**Merricka Ross '04** of Portland married Jessie King July 11, 2009

**Krista Schuchard '04** of Roseburg earned a degree from the University of Oregon School of Law.

**Elizabeth Blankenship '05** of Troutdale graduated from Western University of Health Sciences – College of Osteopathic Medicine of the Pacific with a doctorate in osteopathic medicine. She will start a residency in internal medicine at Legacy Good Samaritan Hospital in July.

**Molleigh (Keenan) Fusare '05** of Port Orchard, Wash., teaches English and coaches softball at Bremerton High School.

**Robyn Gibson '05** of Gresham passed her national certification for maternal newborn nursing and is a certified nurse.

**Jordan Hollern '05** of Great Falls, Mont., married Trista Schubert Aug. 7.

**Rebecca (Price) Colman '05** of Phoenix, Ariz., and her husband, Joseph, had a daughter, Scarlett Elizabeth, Nov. 7.

**Emily Clouse '06** of Las Vegas,



*Jay '02 helps support students like Megan '11 by making annual gifts to Linfield.*

## Do the math

**2,250:** Linfield students receiving financial aid this year

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Nev, married Shawn Knoetzel June 5.

**Jennifer Reardon '06** of Portland married Matthew Domes Aug. 15 on Mt. Hood.

**Kirsten Taylor '06** of Hermiston married Noah Wright July 11. She is a school counselor at Stanfield Secondary School.

**Joni Claypool '06** of Stayton married Michael Tonn June 11.

**Danielle (Bielenberg) Miles '06** of McMinnville is clinical specialist at the Federal Correctional Institution in Sheridan.

**Rochelle (Warner) Wostenberg '06** of Grants Pass is an elementary special education teacher.

**Tara Stark '07** of Fullerton, Calif., married **Nicholas Davenport '07** of Madison, Wis., July 31.

**Judy Ulibarri '08** of Portland will serve as a board member for the Oregon Center for Nursing beginning in January.

**Darcy Wasson '08** of Kaneohe, Hawaii, is a graduate assistant at the University of Hawaii.

**Linda Anzalone '09** of Portland is a nurse at Virginia Garcia Memorial Health Center Clinic in Beaverton.

**Heather Burk '09** of Enumclaw, Wash., earned a master's of arts in teaching from Northwest University in Kirkland.

**Meghan Flink '09** of Corvallis is a graduate student at the Oregon State University College of Oceanic and Atmospheric Science.

**Jeneva Foster '09** of Vancouver, Wash., is pursuing a Ph.D. in chemistry at the University of Oregon.

**Audra Gill '09** of Oregon City married Paul Robberstad June 12. She is a labor and delivery nurse at Salem Hospital.

**Matthew McCollum '09** of Keizer earned a five-year \$150,000 fellowship from the Knowles Science Teaching Foundation. He is pursuing a master's in education and works as a research technician in the university's pathology department.

**Anne Muehleck '09** of Tualatin earned a master of arts in teaching from George Fox University and teaches math at St. Helens High School.

**Laura Sandstrom '09** of Lakeview married **Sean Radford '08** of Myrtle

## Taking part in media evolution

It wasn't until after the applause died down, the audience settled back and Oprah Winfrey began reading her opening monologue from the studio teleprompter that it hit Peter Clem '88.

"Oprah is reading the words I wrote," recalls Clem, a former staff producer on the Oprah Winfrey Show. "Twenty million people are watching this right now and I wrote that. It was spectacular."

Now vice president of digital content for Scripps Networks, Clem looks back on his more than two decades-long career with as much excitement as when he first began experimenting with video production in Pioneer Hall.

Clem is responsible for determining which shows featured on Food Network, HGTV, Travel Channel, DIY Network and Cooking Channel are sent to video distributors such as iTunes and Hulu. Clem joined Scripps Networks in 1998 as executive producer for HGTV Productions, where he managed several projects, including annual specials such as White House Christmas, HGTV Dream Home and live coverage of The Tournament of Roses Parade.

As a Linfield student, Clem stumbled into media production under the mentorship of Craig Singletary, professor emeritus of communications, who "provided a terrific foundation on which I could grow." With a key to the radio station and TV studio, Clem was given the freedom to experiment with the equipment on his own time.

"It was freeing creatively to explore production in a playful way," says Clem, who also played basketball and served as a member of the STARS admission program. "I truly didn't think there was value for me professionally. I just really loved it."

But after Singletary took students on a field trip to KATU, the ABC affiliate in Portland, Clem found his calling. He went to work at KATU after graduation.

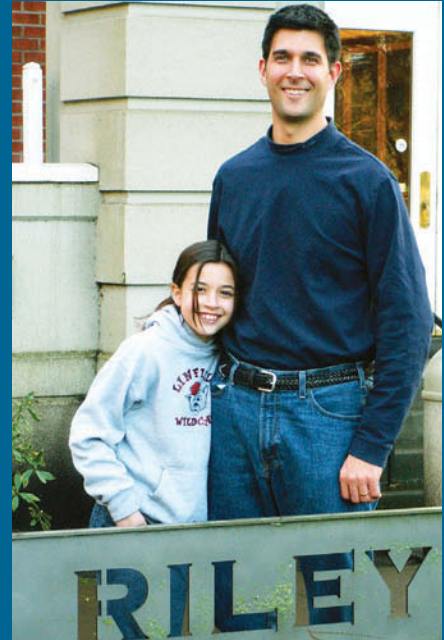
Clem compares a producer's role to that of an artisan.

"Except I'm modeling images and scripts," he says. "These days, I'm on the front end of some exciting things – iPods, iPads, mobile devices, watching video on the web instead of TV. It's an exciting evolution of the way people are consuming media and I'm happy to be a part of that."

His advice to Linfield students is the same thing he tells his own kids, Davis, 9, and Riley, 13, named for Linfield's Riley Hall where Clem played basketball.

"Find something you're passionate about and believe in," he says. "I learned from numerous Linfield professors to go the next step, be competitive and keep pushing yourself. You'll feel better about who you are."

– Laura Davis



Peter Clem's daughter, Riley, 13, with whom he shares a birthday, is named after Riley Hall, which housed the gym in which he played basketball. "That was such an important piece of me. I have some of the wood flooring."

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Creek June 30.

**Katie Hadley '10** of Portland is fulfilling a residency position at Legacy Emanuel in the Neonatal Intensive Care Unit.

**Reese McCulley '10** of Keizer signed a free agent contract with the San Francisco Giants baseball team. McCulley, a pitcher, expects to be assigned to either the Giants' rookie team in Phoenix, Ariz., or the Salem Volcanoes in Keizer.

**Claire Oliver '10** of Lake Oswego is lead reporter for the *Southwest Community Connection*, and also writes for the *West Linn Tidings*.

**Alessa Downing '11** of Astoria married **Ben Karlin '08** of McMinnville July 25.

### In memoriam

**Edna (Sandblom) West '25** of Kerrville, Texas, June 29.

**Thelma (Goodrich) Wolfe '32** of McMinnville, May 16.

**Bernice (Broer) Weathers '36**

of Salem, July 29.

**Gwendolyn Ross '37** of Tuscaloosa, Ala., March 7. Survivors include cousin **Edward Shearman Ross II '37**.

**Argyll (Crook) Hensley '37** of Lone Tree, Colo., Dec. 23.

**Doris (Herring) Hankins '38** of Beaverton, March 12. Survivors include granddaughter **Karen (Tokol) Steinberg '99**.

**Ruth (Hess) Piche '44** of Saratoga, Calif., Aug. 18.

**Carolyn (Weaver) Amneus '42** of Denver, Colo., Aug. 8.

**Jean (Burt) Grube '41** of Corvallis, July 10. Survivors include husband **Joseph '42**.

**Maxine (Chaney) Newton '45** of West Linn, Aug. 1.

**Roy Lindsay '49** of Tigard, Sept. 7. Survivors include wife **Charmaine (Matson) '51**, daughter **Alison '74** and granddaughter **Anna '10**.

**Irving "Bud" Hakanson '48** of Roseburg, Sept. 19.

**Frances "Nita" (Glascoe) Maloney '49** of McMinnville, Sept. 25. Survivors include husband **Thomas '46**.

**Robert Hammond '50** of McMinnville, May 30.

**Twyla (Van Nice) Fry '50** of Salem, May 4, 2009. Survivors include husband **Leonard '50**.

**Donna (Johnson) Norman '57** of Salem, May 30.

**Lyle Craven '63** of Salem, Aug. 10.

**Diana (Lueck) Diede '66** of Arvada, Colo., July 28.

**Lloyd Keene Jr. '60** of Toppenish, Wash., July 3.

**Edward Manary '62** of Olympia, Wash., Dec. 9.

**Lynn Chandler '66** of Spokane Valley, Wash., June 10.

**Galen Lacey '68** of Mount Vernon, Iowa, Feb. 13.

**Ron Hartwig '68** of Salem, Aug. 3. Survivors include wife **Charlotte (Wolgast) '68**, brother **Paul '69** and sister **Lounette (Hartwig) Prather '64**.

**June (Boltz) Druse '69** of McMinnville, Sept. 26. Survivors include son **Steve '80**.

**George Westcott III '69** of Lowell, Mass., July 21.

**David Ericson '68** of Naugatuck,

Conn., Aug. 15. Survivors include wife **Diane (Mickelsen) '69**.

**Margaret (Hopkins) Macauley '82** of McMinnville, July 13.

**Michael Beirne '85** of San Jose, Calif., Aug. 27.

**Cheryl (Benham) Seibel '85** of Roseburg, Aug. 25.

**Patricia (Cantrell) Lord '85** of Salem, Sept. 10.

**James Beltz '94** of Wilmot, N.H., May 28.

### Friends and family

**Paul Howard** of McMinnville, professor emeritus of sociology, Oct. 2. Survivors include sons **Curran '69** and **Timothy '80**, and grandson **Adam '07**.

**Ladis Kristof** of Yamhill, former adjunct professor of political science, June 15.

**Charles Springer** of Newberg, emeritus professor of chemistry, Sept. 1.

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### Planning pays for Stewarts, Linfield

Bruce and Ruth (Barnett) Stewart '49 and '51 have a long affiliation with Linfield. Recently they strengthened that tie, and secured dependable income for themselves, by creating a charitable gift annuity with the college.

Bruce, a Linfield trustee emeritus, retired after a 36-year career in education, and Ruth worked as a receptionist in a doctor's office for a number of years. Their careers allow them to live a comfortable lifestyle. They are frugal and have always lived within their means while raising three children.

With money already invested in CDs, they realized that they could make a gift to Linfield and secure a fixed income for life that would exceed what the CDs were providing. They made a gift and in exchange, signed a contract with Linfield that guarantees a 6.3 percent yearly payout for as long as either of them is living. In addition to the income stream, approximately 75 percent of each payment is non-taxable income.

"It's been a wonderful life," said Bruce, who served as president of the Oregon Education Association and was active in American Baptist Churches of Oregon. "I've really enjoyed being part of the Linfield community. It's a great school with dedicated professors."