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## **Class Notes**

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## 1940-49

**Tom and Juanita (Glascoe) Maloney '46 and '49** live in McMinnville. Tom, a former lieutenant in the U.S. Naval Air Reserve, was inducted into the Oregon Aviation Hall of Fame.

## 1950-59

**Jim Ledbetter '51** of Lake Oswego traveled to Israel and Palestine as part of an Interfaith Peace-Builders delegation organized by the Fellowship of Reconciliation-USA.

**Weldon Munter '51** of Silsbee, Texas, served in the U.S. Navy and Marines and in three wars including World War II, Korea and Vietnam.

**Tom and Virginia (Nelson) Blackburn '57 and '58** of Boise, Idaho, have written *Formula for a Miracle*, covering the first 50 years of the Community Christian Center.

## 1960-69

**Sally Skelding '62** of Portland is a retired faculty member at Mt. Hood Community College in the Department of Early Childhood Education. She remains active consulting and giving presentations related to childhood education. She is an advisor to Parent Child Preschool of Oregon and manages a local community theatre group, "The North End Players."

**Harold Boyanovsky '66** of Lake Forest, Ill., is president and chief executive officer of Case New Holland and president of Construction Equipment Business.

**Leonard Cooke '66** of Glen Allen, Va., directs the Virginia Department of Criminal Justice Services. Prior to his appointment by Gov. Mark Warner in 2002, he had a 32-year law enforcement career.

**Weston Heringer Jr. '66** of Salem is president of the Oregon Dental Association. He operates private practices in Salem and Lincoln City.

**Peter Petersen '66** of Boise, Idaho, retired from his practice of ophthalmology after more than 28 years. He will surpass three million feet in heliskiing this winter.

**Shelley McIntyre '67** of Portland is a senior consultant with Parametrix, an engineering, plan-

ning and environmental sciences firm.

## 1970-79

**Tim Marsh '70** of Pullman, Wash., has been named to the Chamber of Commerce Hall of Fame in Pullman for 20 years of community service. He works for Washington State University.

**Betty (Miller) Mills '70** of McMinnville was honored as a 50-year member of the National Music Teachers Association. She has taught piano to thousands of students over 63 years, including at Linfield.

**David and Nancy (Poynter) Wilde '70 and '72** live in Vancouver, Wash. David is executive director of Open House Ministries.

**Amy Tan '73 and Louis Demattei '72** live in Del Mar, Calif., where Tan has been named literary editor of *West*, the *Los Angeles Times'* Sunday magazine.

**John Rogers '74** of Atascadero, Calif., is superintendent of the Atascadero School District.

**Dick and Rachelle (Martin) Hughes '75 and '76** live in Salem. Dick is editorial page editor for the *Statesman Journal* and Rachelle is human resource specialist at Willamette Valley Medical Center.

**Casey Kimes '76** of Redfern, Australia, is managing director for Enviro&Energy Technologies, which imports environmental and energy products.

**Scott Salo '76** of Poulsbo, Wash., earned a doctor of chiropractic from Palmer College of Chiropractic in Davenport, Iowa, and is currently practicing in Washington.

**Shelley (Randolph) Winston '77** of Hawthorne, Calif., is a research assistant with Los Angeles Community College.

## 1980-89

**Tamara (Owens) Backston '80** of San Rafael, Calif., operates Homelife Designs.

**Kathy (Barnes) Duke '81** of Snohomish, Wash., is an early childhood education assistant in the Snohomish School District. She recently traveled to Africa.

**Douglas Archibald '85** of State College, Penn., is a research associate at Penn State University. He and his wife, Gretchen, adopted a daughter, Riris.

**Jim Feldkamp '85** of Roseburg is a criminal justice instructor of Umpqua Community College.

**Michael Friess '85** of Anchorage, Alaska, was named Great Northwest Athletic Conference Men's and Women's Cross Country Coach of the Year.

**Suzette Plaisted '85** of Hickory, N.C., is executive director of the Catowba Valley chapter of the American Red Cross.

**Paul Butcher, Jr. '86** of Hillsboro is state and local marketing manager for Intel Corp., the world's largest manufacturer of computer chips.

**Mark Kendall '86** of Salem, senior energy analyst at the Oregon Department of Energy, was named chair of the Board of Directors for the Northwest Energy Efficiency Alliance.

**Steve Marshall '86** of West Linn presented "Marketing in China: Be Local, Be Relevant, Be Bold" at a China Business Network luncheon in November.

**Joey (Harada) Otani '87** of Mililani, Hawaii, and her husband, Floyd, had a son, Matthew, Sept. 17, their second.

**Diana Palmer '86** of Santa Barbara, Calif., is head athletic trainer, assistant professor of kinesiology and Sports Medicine Program director at Westmont College.

**Sally Damewood '89** of Portland and Mike Wight had a son, Avery John "AJ," April 24. She is a personal trainer for Mavericks Sports Club and a licensed massage therapist.

**Dave and Anastacia (Sims) Dillon, both '89**, of Tigard had a daughter, Julia Satsuki, Dec. 31.

## 1990-99

**Jim King '90** of Hines, a major in the United States Marine Corps Reserves and the commanding officer for Charlie Company, 4th Tank Battalion, 4th Marine Division, was deployed to Iraq last March.

**Kevin Pearson '92** of Portland is a principal at Stoel Rives LLP.

**Tony and Don Don (Shaw) Williams '92 and '91** of Coeur d'Alene, Idaho, had a son, Rhys, Sept. 27, their second.

**J Graigory '93** of West Hollywood, Calif., is production coordinator of Jimmy Kimmel Live.

**Don Grotting '93** of Nyssa is superintendent of the Nyssa School District.

**Kimberly (Moar) Benedetti '94** of Tigard and her husband, Jared, had a son, Kyle Joseph, Aug. 13, their second.

**Brent Bracelin '94** of Portland works for Pacific Crest Securities and appears on CNBC, providing financial analysis of publicly-traded companies.

**Todd Farmer '94** of Laredo, Texas, is a professor at Texas A&M University.

**Joel and Robin (DeJong) Morgan '94 and '95** live in Beaverton. Joel is a teacher in the Beaverton School District and Robin is a school counselor in the Hillsboro School District.

**Chen Ren '94** of Shanghai, China, is director of World Link Dental Centers' Hong Qiao Clinic.

**Christine Davis '95** of Phoenix, Ariz., and her husband, Jonathan Dessales, had a daughter, Ruby Davis Dessales.

**Brandie Holly '95** of Boise, Idaho, is project manager of The Network Group, which provides network support, maintenance and consulting.

**Elizabeth Briggs Huthnance '95** of Washington, D.C., is senior program associate with the National Academies. She participated in the Japan Exchange Teaching Program and is pursuing a M.A.L.S. in international affairs at Georgetown University.

**Chris Liebson '95** of Sante Fe, N.M., is head of the Information Technology Services helpdesk for the New Mexico Environment Department.

**Jennifer Emery-Morelli '95** of Tigard is a supervisor with Pacific Care Behavioral Health.

**Peggy Peirson '95** of Philomath is the Benton County Emergency Services program coordinator.

**Tom and Erika (Larson) Scott '95 and '97** of Canby had a son, Joseph William, Sept. 9, their fourth.

**Nick Sheedy '96** of John Day married Sammi-Jo Stohler April 9 in Fruitland, Idaho. He works at Sheedy Masonry and Construction and KJJDY Radio.

**Kenneth and Tristyne (Edmon) Huffman '97 and '96** of Springfield had a daughter, Rhysa Marie, March 19.

**Scott Crouter '98** of Ithaca, N.Y., received a Ph.D. in exercise

physiology from the University of Tennessee. He is currently working in a post-doctorate program at Cornell University.

**Taryne Edmon '98** of Springfield married Adam Roberts May 19 in Puerto Vallarta, Mexico. Taryne is a juvenile probation officer for Linn County.

**Kristen (Williams) Healy '99** of Gresham and her husband, Christopher, had a daughter, Danielle Alene, June 21, their second.

**Tim and Alyssa (Schuur) Roupp '99** and '01 of Portland had a daughter Nov. 26, their second. Tim is a math teacher at Centennial High School and Alyssa is children's ministry assistant at Abundant Life Fellowship.

**Shannon Reed '99** and **Brad MacLauchlan '99** were married July 23 in Central Point. They live

in Medford where Shannon is a teacher at Central Point Elementary and Brad is a mason.

**Molly (Steele) Russell '99** of Indio, Calif., and her husband, Tommy, had a daughter, Abigail, Sept. 22. Molly is a teacher in the Palm Springs Unified School District.

**Matthew and Kate (Lamont) Vance**, both '99, of Portland had a daughter, Lauren Isabel, Oct. 29.

## 2000-05

**Kjelsty Hanson '00** of Napier, New Zealand, married Glenn Kastrinos April 23 in Coeur d'Alene, Idaho. She earned a MFA in multi-media performance from the University of Idaho.

**Brian Hranka '00** of Portland is vice president, OEM practice, for Centennial Software, a Portland-

based high tech company.

**Peter Voskes '00** of Ashland is head cross country and track coach at North Medford High School.

**Lori (Nearing) Lindsay '01** of Anacortes, Wash., is director of perioperative services at United General Hospital in Sedro-Wooley.

**Melanie (Zollars) McGrath '01** of Durham, N.C., received a master of science in exercise and sport science from the University of North Carolina and is now in a doctoral program in human movement science at the University of North Carolina Chapel Hill.

**Leslie Boer-Plotts '01** of Salem earned an associate of applied science degree in dental hygiene at Laramie County Community College. She is a hygienist at the Lancaster Dental Center.

**Scott and Stephanie (Kristovich) White**, both '01, live

in Seaside. Scott is employed by White's Heating and Sheet Metal and Stephanie is a dentist at Gearhart Dentistry.

**Evan Wilson '01** of Mulino works for Pacific Crest Securities and appears on CNBC, providing financial analysis of publicly-traded companies.

**Alexander Baxter '02** of Boise, Idaho, is a home inspector for Home Inspections of Idaho and head swim coach at Timberline High School.

**Paul Cooper '02** of Brooklyn, N.Y., works for arrow, a design studio in New York. He earned an MFA in design and technology from Parsons School of Design in New York.

**Jeff Woodard '03** of McMinnville is the Northwest sales manager for Inertia Beverage Group.

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## Gifford-Thorne's office is 653,000-acre wilderness area



Liz Gifford-Thorne '01

Forgive Liz Gifford-Thorne if she smiles at the thought of a nerve-grinding rush-hour commute. Her vehicle of choice? A sea kayak.

Gifford-Thorne '01 is a wilderness ranger for the U.S. Forest Service, based in Juneau, Alaska. Her territory is the 653,000-acre Tracy Arm-Fords Terror Wilderness Area.

The 27-year-old from Portland has lived in Alaska for three years. Prior to that, she was a field instructor, teaching environmental education to sixth-graders in the Multnomah Education

Service District Outdoor School.

"I came to Juneau because the University of Alaska Southeast has an outdoor leadership skills program, and I wanted to feel more comfortable leading students in the backcountry," said Gifford-Thorne, who majored in anthropology with an environmental studies minor at Linfield.

"I love being challenged physically," she said. "I want to help others discover that safely."

Among her backcountry adventures, she and two other rangers were bushwhacking on a steep slope when a black bear popped up from behind a stump. Because he was small, they feared he might be a cub with a defensive mother nearby. He turned out to be an adolescent eager to display his toughness. The rangers had to find stable ground, so they retreated downhill.

"He charged us," Gifford-Thorne said. Back on flat ground, the hikers grabbed sticks and yelled at the bear, which came within 50 feet of them before turning and running off. "It was a very intense experience in which I learned a lot about bear behavior," Gifford-Thorne said.

Every day is interesting in managing wilderness areas, she said. "I love my job. I work on a

variety of projects, such as monitoring the harbor seal population for its health and stability and collecting lichen samples for air-quality surveys."

She also searches for invasive plants in the wilderness and would like eventually to earn a master's degree in botany.

In Juneau, accessible only by water and air, she has found a tight-knit community. "It's a creative environment that is very supportive of new artists," said Gifford-Thorne, who has displayed and sold her photography in several gallery shows there.

Her mother, Janet Gifford '70, works at Linfield's Portland campus in the DCE/Adult Degree Program. When she visited Liz in Alaska, they flew with a bush pilot in a deHavilland Beaver float plane to Admiralty Island, where they watched brown bears fish and romp in a Forest Service sanctuary.

"I like to visit with Liz in her place," Janet said. "It gives me such happiness to see her in her element. I have great satisfaction knowing that she's doing something so important to her and, by extension, important to the rest of us."

— By Beth Rogers Thompson

**Nicole Duranleau '04** of Kapolei, Hawaii, is an elementary school teacher in the Leeward Oahu School District.

**David McAdams '04** of Portland has been awarded a Graduate Research Fellowship in analytical chemistry by the Cooperative Institute for Research in Environmental Sciences.

**Jodie Miyagi '04** of Waipahu, Hawaii, is an elementary school teacher in the Leeward Oahu

School District.

**Sarah (Stober) Doll '04** of Liberty Lake, Wash., is a teacher at Sylvan Learning Center.

**Kimberly Tracey '04** of Portland and her husband, Mark, had a son, Jack Mattox, July 6.

**Justin Welch '05** married **Kathryn Flego '05** June 5 in Portland. They live in West Jordan, Utah, and teach fourth grade in the West Jordan School District.

### In memoriam

**Pauline (Beaver) Stark '31** of Portland, Nov. 11. Survivors include a daughter, **Elizabeth (Stark) Southwell '54**.

**Albert Foster '34** of Portland, June 12.

**Elizabeth (Grover) Watson '36** of Portland, Dec. 16.

**Albert Parker '37** of Belfair, Wash., Nov. 14, 2004.

**Evelyn (Gibson) DeGordin '37** of McMinnville, Jan. 4. Survivors include a nephew, **Hal Gibson '59**.

**Florence (Pyatt) Cummins '37** of McMinnville, Oct. 3.

**Nana (Weidner) Bertheau '37** of Vancouver, Wash., March 12.

**Rene Bertheau '38** of Vancouver, Wash., July 11.

**Emma (Holderreed) Wells '38** of Twin Falls, Idaho, Sept. 26.

**Marjorie (Perkins) Camp '39** of Livermore, Calif., Sept. 25.

**Martha (Brown) Gjerner** '40 of King City, Feb. 13, 2005.

**Clarence Bolin** '41 of Hillsboro, Oct. 2.

**Eugene O'Keefe, Sr.** '42 of Fairview, Feb. 14, 2005.

**Jean (Chamberlain) Daub** '42 of Medford, Sept. 2.

**Mayo (Rolph) Roy** '42 of Lake Oswego, Nov. 8.

**Naomi Nelson** '42 of Portland, Sept. 30.

**William Waind** '43 of Beaverton, Oct. 25. Survivors include a daughter, **Marsha (Waind) Trolan** '69.

**Evelyn Varney** '43 of Vancouver, Wash., Nov. 29.

**Jackson Newton** '46 of The Dalles, April 19, 2003.

**Maurice Cohn** '48 of Salem, May 17.

**Alvista (Ray) Steele** '49 of Clatskanie, Sept. 12.

**Robert Bond** '50 of Meadville, Pa., Nov. 16.

**Carl Pershall** '50 of Eureka, Mont., Nov. 22.

**Douglas Miller** '50 of McMinnville, Nov. 22.

**Donald Beery** '50 of Boise, Idaho, June 4.

**Ian Marsh** '51 of Upland, Calif., May 6. Survivors include a daughter, **Heather (Marsh) Tremain** '94.

**Henry Hwang** '51 of San Marino, Calif., Oct. 8.

**Earl Anderson** '52 of Troutdale, July 16.

**Ron Finley** '59 of Alpharetta, Ga., Oct. 25.

**Larrie (Osterman) Denison** '59 of Bellevue, Wash., July 4.

**Charles Smith** '61 of Portland, May 20.

**Gerald Abbott** '63, '64 of McMinnville, Nov. 25.

**Rhoda Lawrence** '66 of Vancouver, Wash., May 9.

**Ronald Durr** '70 of Allentown, Pa., Sept. 24.

**Jed Wegner** '81 of Bend, April 5, 2004.

**Portia (Parratt) Kowolowski** '96 of Redmond, June 24.

**Jennifer (Boyman) Dukovich** '97 of Coeur d'Alene, Idaho, Nov. 23, 2004. Survivors include her husband, **Ron Dukovich** '97.

**Virginia Kohn** '03 of Hermiston, Dec. 4.

## GSH

**Anona Marie (Fisher) Tucker** GSH '31 of Portland, Oct. 10.

**Betty (Doughty) King** GSH '67 of Coquille, Dec. 16, 2004.

## Friends and family

**Blanche (Brorby) Wold** of McMinnville, Oct. 5. She taught home economics at Linfield and was married to Milo Wold, Linfield professor of music. Survivors include children **Sandra (Wold) Douglas** '65 and **Michael** '68.

**Phyllis White** of Wilsonville, Feb. 24, 2005. She was a member of the Linfield Board of Trustees. Survivors include a son, **David** '64.

**Marion van Dyk** of McMinnville, Nov. 22. He was emeritus professor of music at Linfield. Survivors include his wife **Marilyn (Simonsen)** '58, son **Paul** '85, daughter **Dirsten (van Dyk) McDevitt** '87 and daughter-in-law **Diana (Ice)** '82.

## Chaplain follows his calling in second career



**John Hubbard** '62

At age 53, as some of his peers were eyeing retirement, John Hubbard '62 was embarking on a new career.

Hubbard retired from Deere and Company in 1992 after a successful 30-year management career and, three months later, entered the seminary.

For most of his life, Hubbard has been active in Baptist and, later, Presbyterian churches. He considered the ministry at a younger age, but, "I just figured I wasn't good enough for that, so I didn't do it" at the time, he said.

Instead, he majored in business administration at Linfield, then embarked on a corporate career. After a series of promotions, he was in Deere's headquarters in Moline, Ill. "It was a disappointment in many ways because I found it wasn't very satisfying," he said. "I created many programs, but saw few of them put into action."

After returning to the West Coast, Hubbard earned a Master of Divinity degree in 1996 from San Francisco Theological Seminary in San Anselmo, Calif. He now lives in Vancouver, Wash., and has been a chaplain at Providence Portland

Medical Center for eight years.

Initially, hospital work did not appeal to Hubbard. In fact, he dreaded the required chaplain rotation. But he was good at it. "In time it came to be what I felt was my calling," he said. "Now I can't imagine doing anything else."

Father Bruce Cwiekowski, Providence's director of pastoral care, said Hubbard is well loved by patients and staff. "He has a great sense of humor, and he's down to earth," Cwiekowski said.

The job can require rapid emotional shifts: The chaplain may bless a newborn, then console a family whose loved one is dying. Hubbard's faith grounds him, Cwiekowski said, adding, "His spirituality enables him to meet people where they are."

Hubbard said he never could have made this dramatic career shift without his family's support. Wife Judy is a contract registered nurse for Multnomah County. They have two daughters, Julie Hubbard-McNall '90 of McMinnville, and Jennifer Geller of Eugene. Each has two children.

Hubbard recently completed his Doctor of Ministry degree from San Francisco Theological Seminary. "I feel better doing this job overall, mentally, physically and spiritually," he said. At the end of a work day, he knows he has made a difference.

— By Beth Rogers Thompson

## Former ASLC president becomes 'Face of Sherwood'



Keith Mays '91

When Keith Mays '91 led the Linfield College student body as president in 1990, he never imagined a career in politics.

Yet today, Mays is putting his leadership skills to work as mayor of Sherwood. At 37, Mays is one of Oregon's youngest mayors, leading one of the state's fastest-growing cities. Sherwood has more than doubled in size to 16,000 residents since Mays moved there in 1996, and managing that growth has been his

number one priority, first as a member of the planning commission, then as city council president and now as mayor.

Along the way, Mays has helped revitalize the once stagnant community and mend long-standing conflicts between the city and school district. They formed a partnership to jointly manage and maintain school district ball fields and gyms. Last year, the city formed Sherwood Broadband, and Mays hopes to partner with the school district in this area, too.

Mays used the same innovative leadership at Linfield when he helped to create the Catalyst, Linfield's student-run deli that operated until 2004, according to Jeff Mackay, associate dean of students and director of residence life.

"As student body president, Keith was a hard worker who served the students well," Mackay said.

Although he was an applied physics major at Linfield, Mays didn't limit himself to the science lab.

"Linfield gave me the opportunity to try new things, to test my interests and abilities and learn from my professors, coaches and peers," he said. "Linfield taught me how to learn, communicate and listen – important skills for the rest of my life."

Mays works hard to balance his mayoral responsibilities with his personal life and career – he has worked in the commercial equipment finance industry for the past 12 years. Much of his time is spent listening.

"In a small community like Sherwood, it's about getting out, listening to your neighbors and finding out what's important to them," he said. "And then trying to deliver."

– Laura Davis

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