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Sally Skelding '62 of Portland is a rented faculty member at Mt. Hood Community College in the Department of Early Childhood Education. She remains active con-sulting and giving presentations related to childhood education. She is an advisor to Parent Child Preschool of Oregon and manages local community theatre groups.


Weston Heringer '56 of Salem is president of the Oregon Dental Association. He works in private practices in Salem and Lincoln City.

Peter Petren '66 of Boston, Idaho, retired from his practice of ophthalmology after more than 24 years. He will surmise three more years in making this decision.

Shelley McNelly '76 of Portland is a senior consultant with Parametric, an engineering, plan-

Jim Fedorko '58 of Roseburg is a criminal justice instructor of Yavapai Community College. Michael Freitas '45 of Anchorage, Alaska, was named Great Northwest Conference Men's and Women's Cross Country Coach of the Year.

Karen Kinser '50 of Surprise, Ariz., is chief executive officer of Case New  

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

Dick and Rachelle (Martin) Rossi '75 and '76 live in Salem. Dick is editor-advisor for the Statesman Journal and Rochester is human resource specialist at Willamette Valley Medical Center.

Casey Kinser '76 of Airdrie, Alberta, is managing director for Enertech Energy Technologies, which imports environmental and energy products.

Scott Selz '76 of Portland, Wash., earned a doctor of clinical psychology from Portland College of Chiropractic in Detroit, Iowa, and is currently practicing in Washington.

Shelley (Randalph) Winston '77 of Harrison, Ark., is a research assistant with Los Angeles Community College.

Kimberly (Moar) Benedetti '79 of Tigard and her husband, Jared, had a son, Kyle Joseph, Aug. 16, their second.

Brent Bracelin '94 of Portland was appointed executive director of the Oregon Conference of Men's and Women's Cross Country Coach of the Year.

Suzanne Plazin '95 of Hickory, N.C., is executive director of the Carroll county kayak club for the American Red Cross.

Paul Butcher, Jr. '66 of Kennewick, Wash. and state and local marketing manager for Intel Corp., the world’s largest manufacturer of computer chips.

Mark Kondal '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 '68 of West Linn, and was named literary editor of Wet, the Los Angeles Times’ Sunday magazine.

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

San Fee '99 and '00 of Portland had a daughter, Abigail, Sept. 22. Molly is a teacher in the Palm Spring Unified School District.

Matthew and Kate (Lamp) Vaughan '70 of Portland had a daughter, Lauren Isabel, Oct. 29.

Bernie McEwan '99 of New Zealand, married Glenn Hickory, N.C., is executive director of the New Mexico Environment Care Behavioral Health.

Scott and Stephanie (Kostivich) White, both '91, live in Santa Fe. Scott is employed by Wilmot’s Heating and Sheet Metal and is a dentist at Guadarrama Dentistry.

Eric Wilson '01 of McMinnville, Ore., is associate professor and appears on CNBC, providing financial analysis of publicly-traded companies.

Alexander Boccio '92 of Boston, Idaho, is a home inspector for Home Inspections of Idaho and beach swim coach at Timblinbe Track Club.

Jill Woodard '03 of McMinnville is the Northwest sales manager for Inversa Beverage Group.

Krisley Hanson '00 of Nequr, New Zealand married Kamrin April 23 in Coeur d’Alene, Idaho. Kris earned a master of science in sport science from the University of Idaho.

Brian Hranks '90 of Portland was vice president, OEM practice, for Continental Softron in Portland.

head high tech company.

Peter Vokes '01 of Ashland is head-cross country and track coach at North Medford High School.

Lori (Nearing) Lindsay '01 of Anchorage, Wash., is director of patient services at United General Hospital in Salinas, Mexico. (Zoller) McGrady '01 of Denver, 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.

Kevin Pearson '92 of Port Angeles, Wash., is a principal at Baldwin.

Taryn Emerson '90 of Vancouver, Wash. David is executive vice president, OEM practice, for Continental Softron, a Portland-
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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. She has lived in Alaska for 27 years, and the 27-year-old from Portland has visited Liz in Alaska, they flew to Admiralty Island in a Forest Service sanctuary. “Every day is interesting in the backcountry,” said Gifford-Thorne, who has displayed 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 yelling, 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.

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Nicole Duranlou ‘04 of Kapolei, Hawaii, is an elementary school teacher in the Leeward Oahu School District.

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Robert Bond ‘58 of Medford, Ore., Nov. 16.

Eric Davidery ‘50 of Eugene, Ore., Nov. 22.

Douglas Miller ‘50 of Medford, Ore., Nov. 16.

Donald Boer ‘50 of Boise, Idaho, June 4.

Jan March of Upland, Calif., May 6. Survivors include a daughter, Heather (March) Tremain ‘94.


Earl Anderson ‘52 of Trinidad, July 16.

Ron Finley ‘59 of Alapaha, Ga., Oct. 25.


Gerald Albott ‘63 of McMinnville, Nov. 25.

Rhoda Lawrence ‘64 of Vancouver, Wash., May 9.


Portia (Parratt) Kowalski ‘96 of Richardson, June 24.

Jennifer (Broman) Dokovich ‘97 of Coeur d’Alene, Idaho, Nov. 21, 2003. Survivors include her husband, Ron Dokovich ‘97,
Virginia Kohn ‘95 of Hermann, Mo., Dec. 4.

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Annie Marie (Fish) Tucker GSH ‘73 of Portland, Oct. 10.


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"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 behind from 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.

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Phyllis White of Vancouver, Wash., Feb. 24, 2006. 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 an eminent professor of music. Linfield Survivors include his wife, Marilyn.

Paul ‘50, daughter Drton (van Dyk) McDevitt ’87 and daughter-in-law Diana (Lay) ’92.

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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

Moss combines banking, service

Banking and community service go hand-in-hand for Patricia Moss ’85.

Moss, president and CEO of Cascade Bancorp and CEO of Bank of the Cascades, is a leader in both the banking industry and the Bend community, where she’s made her home for the past 32 years.

For her efforts, Moss has been named by US Banker Magazine as its annual “Top 25 Most Powerful Women in Banking” list for 2005. This is the third year she has been named to the distinguished list, which profiles individuals whose professional achievements and personal integrity have made them icons of influence in the workplace, at home and within their communities. The ranking traced more than 5,000 women in banking across the U.S.

Moss said the award reflects the achievement of her entire group. “It’s flattering,” she said. “But I clearly understand that I’m there because of the performance of my team. The credit goes way beyond me as a person.”

That team philosophy extends beyond the workplace to the community as well. In addition to serving on a number of boards, she is former president of the Bend Chamber of Commerce and the Greater Bend Rotary, and vice chair of United Way, and was named Central Oregon’s Citizen of the Year and Soroptimist International Woman of Distinction.

She considers community service a natural responsibility. “In order to have a great community, you have to contribute your part,” Moss said. “We all have to do what we can to do build a community that thrives in the next generation.”

Moss has practically grown up with Bank of the Cascades. She was a teller when the bank opened its doors in 1977, and she has worked her way up to the top position, earning a degree from Linfield’s Adult Degree Program along the way. With an associate’s degree from Central Oregon Community College in hand, Moss spent nearly a decade picking up classes from various institutions before enrolling at Linfield. Eighteen months later, she earned a management diploma.

“I ended up with the right solution with Linfield,” Moss said. “I love numbers that tell a story,” she said. “I like to look into the future to help strategize what we’ll be.”

Fueled by a diploma from Linfield’s Adult Degree Program, Patricia Moss ’85 has led Bank of the Cascades through enormous growth. She was recently named to a list of “Top 25 Most Powerful Women in Banking” by US Banker Magazine.

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