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Larripa arrived in Switzerland in July, and took French classes at the University of Fribourg before beginning research in October at the Ecole Polytechnique Fédérale de Lausanne.

“Math is beautiful and austere, but when applied to real world problems, it comes alive for me,” said Larripa, whose work combines biology and mathematics. “This Fulbright project is the culmination of so much that I learned at Linfield. I’m using language, math and biology.”

At Linfield, Larripa immersed herself in math and science classes, while minoring in French. She studied linguistics with Peter Richardson, professor of German, who remembers Larripa as someone who always sat in the front row and was “bright, cheery, thoughtful and articulate.”

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“We meet weekly,” Richardson said. “She was very good at coming with her own ideas and being very articulate.”

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1930-37

Jane (Weber) Reever ’17 of Bellingham, Wash., celebrated her 90th birthday in November.

1950-59

Collin Armstrong ’51 of McMinnville was honored at the McMinnville Area Chamber of Commerce for his work on the Natural Resource Preserve at Tice Woods. He was one of the founders of the park development project which received the Chamber’s Outstanding Award.

Enid R. Briggs ’55 of Minneapolis is the state youth director for the Federation of Garden Clubs of Oregon.

Robert E. Douglas ’53 of Lancaster, S.C., volunteers at Wycliffe Bible Translators.

R. Carl and Deidre (Chau) Reynolds ’60 and ’85 of Linfield celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary in August.

Donald Cordill ’58 of Anahum, Calif., took a European cruise from Copenhagen to Dover, Barcelona, Rome and Monaco.

Walter and Esther (Blackley) Nelson ’71 of Vancouver, Wash., took eight to 11 miles a day and are active in civic groups and their church.

Jim Buckingham ’58 of Calagug, Calif., volunteers in the accounting department of St. Joseph Hospital once a month.

Ronald K. Green ’59 of Rock Hill, S.C., is developing a graduate program in social work at Winthrop University. He is professor and chair of the social work department.

1960-69

Roberta (Amundson) Martin ’60 of Hamstrom, Minn., is a designer for the Christian Women’s Club and area representatives for three Christian women’s clubs.

George E. LaCombe ’61 of Bremerton, Wash., is on the board of Cascade Meadows Camp and is a moderator at Mountaineer Community Church.

Donald E. Hostman ’61 of Winchon, Wash., returned as a computer specialist for the Federal Emergency Management Agency.

Gene Carlson ’61 of Sisters is in his second year as assistant superintendent for Condon School District.

Jill (Brown) Becotte ’67 of Redmond, Calif., has taught elementary school for 37 years. She traveled to Turkey in November and also went to Israel and China.

G. Neal Maine ’62 of Seattle received the Nature Conservancy of Oregon Leadership Award. He is a founder of the North Coast Land Conservancy to protect important ecological systems and preserve land for conservation.

George E. Nelson ’61 of Pendleton retired from medical practice in July.

Sharon L. Notebook ’62 of West Creek, Calif., retired from teaching after 30 years.

Doug Anderton ’62 of Nutick, Mass., bought a winter home in Coarse Grind, Ariz., after spending six months a year for the past four years in an RV.

Richard A. Robbins ’63 of Rochester, N.Y., was elected mayor again. He first retired from the U.S. Air Force in 1965. He recently retired as a senior aerospace science instructor for the Air Force Junior ROTC program at Surrey Central High School in Deboco, N.C.

Karen (Allen) Nelson ’63 of Anderson, Ind., lived in May after serving 25 years as the director of the learning assistance program at the University of Illinois.

Theodore D. Mack ’64 of Paul Smiths, N.Y., is retiring after 35 years as head librarian at Paul Smiths College.

Robert McCaa ’64 of Minneapolis, Minn., is a principal investigator at the Minnesota Population Center at the University of Minnesota. He recently received a National Science Foundation grant for continuing collection of national census data for the IPUMS project.


Thomas T. Teruya ’65 of Kahului, Hawaii, is organizing an exhibit for the Maui Ocean Center in Hawaii in October.

Juliette (Miller) Tideng ’66 of Hillsboro, Hawaii, was elected governor for the remote island of Zooma, International, an organization that advocates the status of women worldwide.

Ellis M. Kerck ’66 of Salt Lake City, Utah, served as an intern pastor at the First Baptist Church for two and a half years.


Sandra Thompson ’68 of Oklahoma, Calif., was sworn in as president of the National Association of Women Judges. She is a judge in the Los Angeles Superior Court.

Elizabeth (Lincott) Hardway ’69 of Honolulu, Hawaii, retired in November as chief U.S. probation officer for the U.S. courts in the District of Hawaii.

Marilyn (Nickeron) Graumann ’69 of Kirkland, Wash., retired in June after 35 years teaching music in the Beaverton School District.

1970-79

Diane Terry ’79 of Hilo, Hawaii, now a public relations supervisor with Washington County in 1999 and became a certified domestic violence counselor, working with women with previous director in the Portland area. Richard Burns ’70 of Norma, Okla., is comptroller of the Episcopal Diocese of Oklahoma.

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Joseph A. Alfred '66 of Anchorage, Alaska, is in his 16th year as a science teacher at West High School.

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Crust:
1 cup flaked coconut
1/4 cup chopped macadamia nuts
2 tablespoons butter or margarine, melted

Filling:
Two 8-ounce packages cream cheese (light or dark)
1 cup sugar
Two 8-ounce packages gluten-free mix
3 eggs
cup sour cream (light or dark)
3 tablespoons lemon juice
tea spoon vanilla
1 teaspoon vanilla
4 teaspoon pineapple or almond extract
One 8-ounce can crushed pineapple, drained well

Gluten-free mix:
2 parts rice flour
2/3 part potato starch
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Crust: In a small bowl, combine the coconut and macadamia nuts. Stir in the butter and press onto the bottom of the prepared pan. Bake for 10 minutes. Cool.

Filling: In the bowl of your mixer, beat the cream cheese and sugar until smooth. Add the flour mix and beat well. Add the eggs, beating on low until just combined. Pour the flour mix over the crust. Bake 50 minutes or until the center is almost set. Cool and refrigerate for four hours or overnight. To serve, top each piece with a dollop of whipped cream or nondenary substitute and decorate with a slice of peeled kiwi fruit (or your choice of other tropical fruit). Makes 12 servings.

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She is the author of other medical diet cookbooks as well as a recognized gluten-free lifestyle authority. Hagman has created more than 1,700 recipes in her Seattle kitchen, all tailored to the diets of those who cannot eat gluten, a protein found in wheat, rye, barley and possibly oats. Her recipes fill the tables of a growing segment of the population which suffers from celiac disease, a digestive illness that causes malabsorption due to gluten intolerance.

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Hibbidge married James Neville. Carol McGeown married Tony Coleman, Ph.D., married James Wynne '98 Sept. 8 in McMinnville.

Joshua Hatley '00 of Seattle, Wash., is prevention resource coordinator for the Pquirrel Sound.

Timothy Redfern '90 of Atkinson, N.H., is manager of internal audit for SkillSoft PLC, an educational services firm.

Deborah Schor and John Frank '94 of McMinnville married July 23 in Corvallis. Deborah Schor works with the admissions services group of the Portland Oregon Association of Realtors and John Frank is a lecturer in English as a second language program at Portland Community College admission and he is an English as a second language instructor for North Fremont School District.

Jonathon Ragan '93 of Longview, Wash., married Kimberly White July 10. He is a conference coordinator and she is an accountant.

Deborah Neville married James Bergh Aug. 31 in Hillsboro. Deborah Neville works with the convention services group of the Portland Oregon Association of Realtors and James Bergh is a partner in a Portland law firm.

Michael Poston '92 of Beaverton married Brian Spangler Aug. 21 in McMinnville.

Kelly J. Bradstreet '90 married Lindsey Schlofield '92 of Lake Oswego on June 19. He is a construction superintendent and she is an accountant.

Juliann Nye '90 of Beaverton received her master's degree in public relations.

Jewel Nye '90 of Beaverton, a graduate of Portland Community College, is an account manager.

Stephen W. Rich '90 of Bend married Stacia Wiggins July 10. He is a construction manager and she is an accountant.

Jennifer Pierce '00 of McMinnville completed a master's degree in Writing and Communication from Portland State University. She teaches at Westside Christian High School.

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