

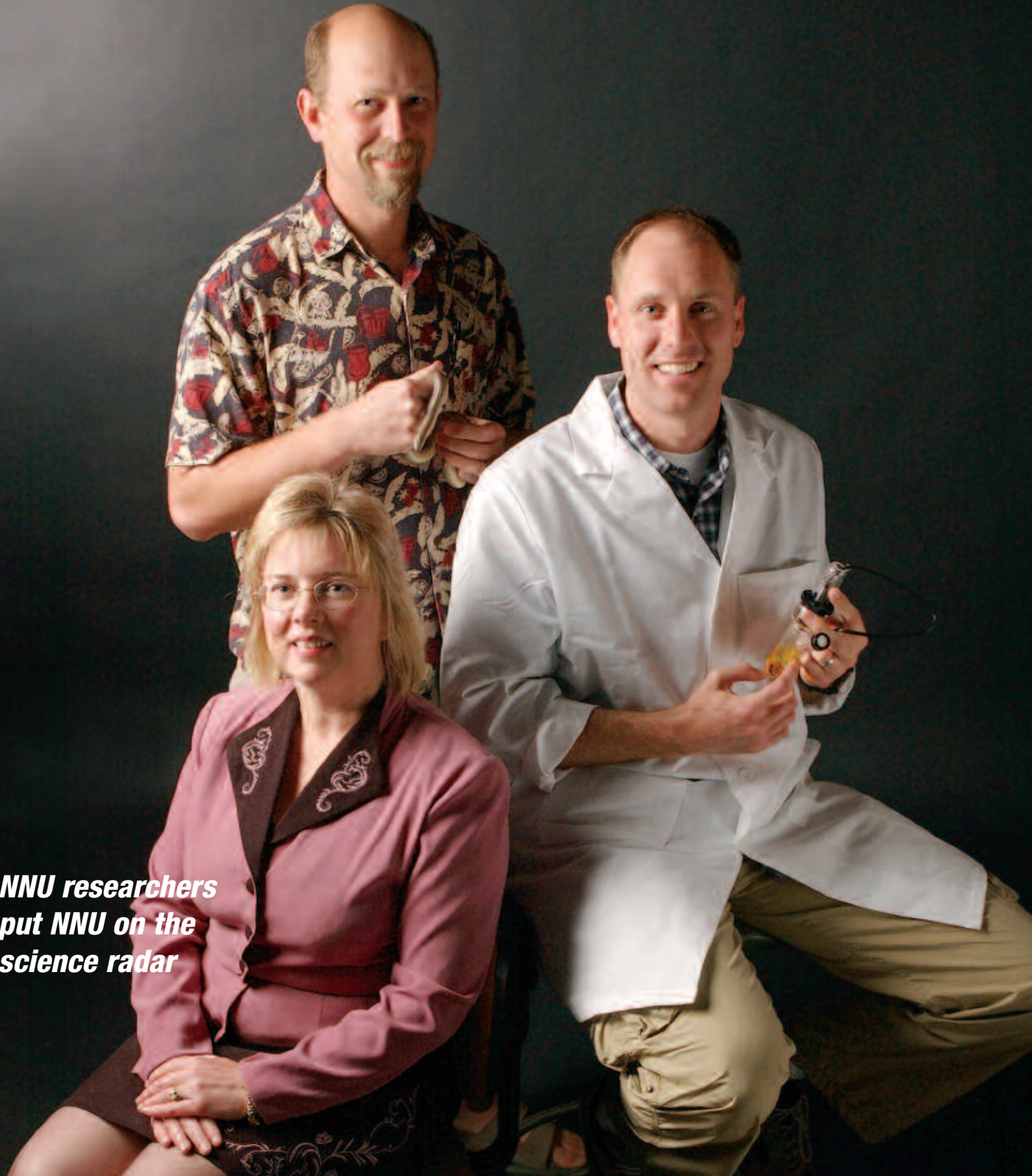
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president's letter

Dear Alumni and Friends:

Recently our university opened a first-class outdoor challenge course with a climbing wall, ropes course, zip line and balance beams. It is used by faculty and students in our kinesiology courses and by corporations and organizations to build teamwork among their employees. Nearly everyone who has used the course has found one or more of the course's stations to be a major personal or team challenge.

The stations that require balancing are in some ways the most simple of all the tasks because they are closest to the ground, and fear is not one of the major factors.

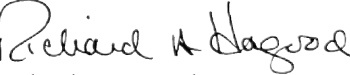
But anyone who has tried to walk a long distance on a beam not more than 3 to 4 inches wide knows there is always the risk of falling.

Thus begins the metaphor for several of the topics in this edition of *The Messenger*.

Northwest Nazarene University is a teaching university, not a research university; however,

the exploration for new information about the world around us and the life within us is a central task of the educational enterprise. Here at NNU, there are faculty members with active research agendas. However, the primary reason for research at a teaching university is to engage students in a way of learning—a hands-on method of discovering new information. Students can also learn valuable lessons by observing how faculty discover new information, evaluate what is of value and what is not, synthesize a variety of data, present information, place that information within a Christian moral and ethical framework, and evaluate its effectiveness as a learning tool. This is the essence of a Christian liberal arts education.

The balancing act is to remember that our primary task remains that of being a teaching university and not a research university. I am proud of the work our faculty and students do in both original and applied research. I am proud of the balance we have in using research as part of the instructional process. I am sure you will be impressed with what you discover in this edition of *The Messenger*.

Sincerely,


Richard A. Hagood
President



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Research at NNU Opens Doors

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Research at NNU got a boost this last year – a 1.3 million dollar boost, to be exact. Along with the hundreds of thousands normally received by NNU from benefactors and corporations that promote the ever-growing field of research, the \$1.3 million grant received last fall from the National Institutes of Health will go toward funding a network of faculty throughout the State of Idaho that will work together in the area of cell signaling. For school dean Dan Nogales of the School of Health and Science, this is good news.

“Fifteen years ago when NNU first applied for funding from M.J. Murdock Trust, it set the vision for seeking outside funding,” he said.

So far this year, in addition to the \$1.3 million received for the Biomedical Science Idea Network for Biomedical Research Excellence grant (also known as INBRE), Nogales said that NNU has received funding in excess of \$150,000 from organizations such as the National Science Foundation and Idaho Fish & Game, Murdock Trust and NASA.

Every day, the NNU science building is abuzz with projects ranging from studying the development and spread of cancer to an imaging system that turns a metal detector into a camera that is capable of detecting weapons. Other research projects include studies of commonly used cancer drugs and their damaging effects on the heart, nanotechnology—namely, the synthesizing of shuttle molecules that will be able to work as machines within the body to search out and destroy diseases—and work with the sensitive and endangered amphibians of Idaho.

“This research has far-reaching applications,” Nogales said, hopeful the research he and his team of researchers—including student-researchers—are doing will continue to impact society for the greater good. For Nogales, the key to research is the student involvement that creates an environment rich in learning as well as research.

Along with the student-researchers at NNU, other projects include high school students interested in scientific research. Take, for example, the “Fire Up!” project recently funded by the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) in conjunction with Meridian

High School biology students.

“We took high school students out for two weeks and trained them how to assess plants and shrubs in burned areas, looking at pre- and post-burns,” Nogales said. Another NASA grant will help scientists study plants, animals and terrain using GPS and GIS systems to assist the BLM and other organizations such as Homeland Security pinpoint potentially hazardous or disastrous locations.

Research at NNU is not limited to the hard sciences like physics, chemistry and biology, however, but spills over into the social sciences, as well. 2005 graduate Amanda Jacob, a psychology major, said that time spent with Psychology Professor Dr. Glena Andrews was one of the most rewarding experiences during her senior research project.

Jacob’s research for the Western Psychological Association meeting in Portland, Ore., concentrated on the effects of love language and length of marriage on marital satisfaction. “Dr. Andrews was a HUGE help in my research. I would not have been able to do it without her,” Jacob wrote.

Andrews’ own research focuses on brainwaves (P1, N1 and some P3) following a visual decision-making task. “I have been looking at similarities and differences between men and women, and between left and right handed people,” said Andrews. “I measure the speed and strength of the brain activity, the speed of the manual response and accuracy.”

Andrews is also developing a screening test for children who have had prenatal exposure to alcohol. “This grew from my research in interhemispheric transfer time, because there are certain ‘things’ such as toxins that can alter the functioning of the corpus callosum. I want to measure the brainwaves in people with fetal alcohol syndrome with the decision-making task but the first need was to find an appropriate screening tool,” Andrews said.

Currently, Andrews is comparing the behavioral profiles of people with no corpus callosum (agenesis of the corpus callosum) and people with attention deficit disorder with those who have prenatal exposure to alcohol.

Benefactors and corporations that promote the ever-growing field of research at NNU include: INBRE \$1.3 million, NSF \$89,000 • NASA – ISGA \$30,000, ACS-PRF \$35,000, DFG \$25,000, and M.J. Murdock Trust \$86,500

“We are trying to find hallmark patterns that will help with differentiation,” she said.

When asked what motivates her, Andrews is quick to respond. “I love research,” she said. “It is like solving a puzzle without the picture. I hope eventually to learn things about human functioning that assist us in our understanding of how and why we function but also in having some small part in improving the quality of life.”

And while faculty research is alive and well on the NNU campus, Nogales is quick to note that the focus is on what the student can learn as much as the advances that can be made through the research. Students are involved in research from the beginning and culminate their efforts into a senior project. One such project involving physics majors used a balloon that conducted near-space research.

“The balloon is a great example of a capstone project for physics and engineering majors,” Nogales said. The balloon research was funded, in part, by a \$2500 grant from the NASA Space Grant Consortium for near-space research. Before the instrumentation froze, the balloon reached a soaring 91,500 feet. Students recovered the balloon safely.

Students like these are the ones who go on to engineering positions with firms like the Washington Group, continue on to graduate schools like Georgia Tech, or who make life-time careers with the Smithsonian or NASA, making the connection to NASA stronger than just one of benefactor and beneficiary. NNU graduates have gone on to high-profile careers, most notably Astronaut Rick Hieb (class of 1977), who until recently held the record for the longest space walk on record.

1961 Alumnus Rich Williamson has also made a name for himself with NASA, working on the U.S. Space Program for the past 43 years, primarily at the Jet Propulsion Laboratory (JPL) in Pasadena, Calif. Williamson, who is this year’s choice by the NNU Alumni Association to receive the Professional Achievement Award, worked extensively on Mars exploration rovers Spirit and Opportunity, both of which landed on Mars in January of 2004. The rovers gained international recognition when they discovered evidence of water having been on Mars.

The list of researchers who have graduated from NNU is lengthy and includes people like LaDeana (Weigelt) Hillier (class of ’86), who is the assistant director of The Washington University School of Medicine Genome Sequencing Center and who has authored more than 65 scientific publications.

1995 graduate Hye Young Yi-Brunozzi received her PhD

in chemistry from the University of Utah and is currently at Ft. Detrick working as a post-doc fellow for NCI in HIV drug resistance program; and 1998 graduate Paul Schmelzenbach received his PhD and teaches physics at Erskine College in South Carolina.

For Andrews, preparing students for their futures is important, but the daily student interaction is vital, as well. “Students are why I am at NNU,” she said. “I have met and worked with

some of the most exciting, caring and bright students. I love watching them find what they love about learning. I enjoy watching them mature and strive for their goals. I enjoy having the freedom to talk to them in class or in my office about how God is part of psychology.”

Andrew’s discussion of the part theology plays is another key difference between NNU and secular research institutions. “I don’t separate my ‘spiritual’ life from my ‘daily’ or ‘professional’ life,” she said. “I believe God is with me in every element of my life. I believe we are spiritual beings who need a relationship with God in order to be complete.”

Nogales echoed her statements.

“Science teaches you to look to science or to yourself. At NNU we look towards our creator,” he said. Being a scientist at a Christian university “takes on a whole different meaning,” Nogales said. “All the ethical issues in medicine—stem cell research, the Terri Schiavo case, all of our new ethical dilemmas—we view those in light of faith. The way we teach looks toward building the entire person rather than just the scientific part of the mind. If you don’t guide students to integrate faith and knowledge, then why are we doing it?”

The question often asked is, “Can a smaller university like NNU compete?” Ask Nogales; Andrews; John Cossel, whose research program centers around the ecology and conservation of amphibians and reptiles; Tim Anstine, who came to NNU from Elan Pharmaceuticals (formerly Neurex) where he was instrumental in the development of advanced pain products; or a host of NNU students and alumni and the answer is a resounding “Yes!”

The interaction of students and professors, the quality of research emanating from NNU that continues to bring grant after grant, and the fact that NNU is making a name for itself as both a teaching *and* research university all allow for what Nogales sees as a top quality education within the context of Christian higher education. For Nogales, and others like him, this is the culmination of a long-held dream, one that paves the way for future scientists and puts a different spin on the word “service.”

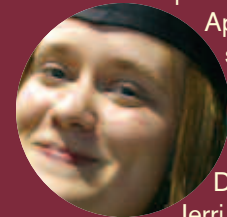


COMMENCEMENT 2005



Clockwise from top left: University President Dr. Richard Hagood confers honorary doctoral degrees on B. Edgar Johnson and Jerry Hull at the 2005 commencement ceremony; flowers mark the seat of Jennifer Pavlisko, who passed away in January and would have graduated with a degree in elementary education this year; recent retiree Evelyn Bennett, who spent the majority of her career at NNU in the Academic

Support Center, stands with her husband, Dr. Gaymon Bennett; Jennifer and Troy Mishler proudly display their



diplomas; Assistant Alumni Director April McNeiece (second from left) stands with her online MA in spiritual formation (MARSF) cohort members (l to r) Karla Nielsen (Meridian, Idaho), Denise Burns (Tempe, Ariz.) and Jerri Walford (Belton, Mo.); Dr.

Glena Andrews and Dr. Ron Galloway hood graduates at baccalaureate Friday evening; 2005 graduates listen during the graduation ceremony; Andrea Larson stands with her grandfather, Wayne Larson, a 2005 Golden Grad; Tiffany Triplett (above left) and Dan Rosenthal (above right) smile for the camera; social work graduate Javier Torrez.



Tim Hills Selected as New Men’s Basketball Coach



Tim Hills has been named the new men’s basketball coach at Northwest Nazarene University, Crusader Athletic Director Rich Sanders announced in May.

The 2005 Great Northwest Athletic Conference Co-Coach of the Year, Hills brings 567 career wins to Nampa as he takes over the reigns of the NNU program. Hills has been the head coach at Western Oregon University for the past three seasons, compiling a 47-34 record guiding the Wolves.

“I am really looking forward to my transition to Nampa and NNU,” Hills said. “I was so overwhelmed with all the things that NNU is doing, all the improvements, and how awesome all the people were during this process.”

“We are very excited to have Tim Hills at the helm of our men’s basketball program,” said Sanders. “Tim is a proven winner and as the 2005 GNAC Coach of the Year has a great feel for what is needed to be successful in our demanding conference.”

“I have had the fortune, or the misfortune, to have coached head-to-head against Coach Hills’ teams over many years,” Sanders continued. “He is known throughout the coaching fraternity for his game preparation and his ability to get the most from his players.”

A veteran of more than 32 years on the collegiate coaching bench, Hills spent 23 of those years guiding the program at Corbin College (formerly Western Baptist College in Salem, Oregon). At Corbin College, Hills compiled a record of 394-360, earning NAIA or NCAA Coach of the Year honors eight times and advancing his teams to the post season in 16 of 23 seasons.

Hills led the Chemeketa Community

College program to four league championships from 1983 to 1987, posting a 95-22 record, and was named the Southern Region NWAACC Coach of the Year in both 1984 and 1985.

Hills was inducted into the NAIA District II Coaches Hall of Fame in 1994 and is also a 1990 inductee of the Oregon Softball Hall of Fame.

Hills will be the 15th coach in Northwest Nazarene University history and inherits a program that went 17-10 in 2005, finishing fourth in the GNAC and ninth in the West Region, the highest conference and regional finish since joining the NCAA Division II ranks in 2000.

NNU SIFE Team Brings Home National First Runner Up



The Students In Free Enterprise (SIFE) team returned from Kansas City in May with its most successful national competition results. The NNU team has competed at the national level four times out of its seven year existence. This year, the NNU team was 1st runner up in the first round of competition, and the team that defeated the NNU team, Drury University, went on to become the national champion.

Hull and Johnson Awarded Honorary Doctorates

NNU Professor of Social Work Jerry Hull and long-time NNU supporter B. Edgar Johnson received honorary doctorates at NNU’s 2005 commencement ceremony on May 14. A reception honoring Hull and Johnson followed the ceremony at the Hampton Inn in Nampa.

Hull has served Nazarene Higher Education for 35 years as a faculty member, dean of students, and department

chair, on the campuses of Trevecca Nazarene University and Northwest Nazarene University. He holds a bachelor’s degree in history from Northwest



Nazarene University, a Master of Divinity from Nazarene Theological University, a master’s in sociology from the University of Nebraska at Omaha, and a Master of Social Work from University of Tennessee at Nashville.

He has authored six books, dozens of articles, and chapters in books and devotionals. In 2002 he was elected by his peers as faculty chair.

Some of the organizations with which Hull has worked include the Salvation Army, the Governor’s Welfare Reform Advisory Board, Welfare Reform Implementation Policy Board, Idaho Department of Health and Welfare, Compassionate Care Program of the Wesley Center, Nampa Human Relations Commission, and the Community Shelter Development Project.

Rev. B. Edgar Johnson is a graduate of Pasadena College (now Point Loma Nazarene University) where he completed dual majors in history and philosophy/religion. Johnson began his pastoral career in 1940 with assignment as a student pastor to the Evangelical Church in Eastern Colorado, followed by an assignment to Long Beach, Calif. In 1943 he was ordained and joined the Church of the Nazarene, and for the next 21 years he served as a pastor. In 1950 he was appointed District Secretary of Southern California District, and in 1964 he was elected General Secretary of the

International Church of the Nazarene, headquartered in Kansas City.

Johnson moved to Nampa in 1990, where he has devoted his efforts to building community collaborations, assisting non-profit organizations, and providing leadership through Board service. His community contributions include providing service to Regional Youth Court, SAFE, Nampa Boys and Girls Club, Families ETC, Nampa School District Student Services Advisory Council, Healthy Families—Nampa, Hands of Hope, Advisory Board for the Juvenile Correction Center, and Healthy Nampa—Healthy Youth.

NNU Business Students Score in Highest Percentile on National Exam

NNU business majors have even more reasons to be excited as the results of The Major Field Test (ETS) results arrived. NNU seniors, as a class, scored in the 95th percentile compared to students nationwide, the highest percentile score possible. In addition, the class scored in the 95th percentile for every functional area tested (i.e. marketing, accounting, management, finance, law, econ, international issues, and quantitative analysis). These results are compared to 469 institutions representing at least 80,000 students.

NNU Junior Selected for Summer Internship at NBC Out of 4000 Applicants

Mass communications major Gwen Miller (Boise, Idaho) was selected earlier this year as an intern through the Academy of Television Arts and Sciences in Hollywood. Each year an average of 4,000 students apply for the 20 internships available.

Miller is working in Hollywood this summer on staff at a weekly NBC program. Her acceptance was based on her academic record, her deep involvement with the extra-curricular programs offered by the department (such as the Vietnam Wall memorial video and the annual NBC Christmas show), and on recommendations from faculty.

NNU President’s Scholar Chosen as 2005 Lehrman History Scholar Finalist

Melissa Snow (Twin Falls, Idaho), a junior at NNU double-majoring in history and political science, has been chosen as a 2005 Gilder Lehrman History Scholar Finalist. Snow traveled to New York in June to participate in the Gilder Lehrman scholar program with 50 other finalists. In addition to working as a teacher’s assistant in the history and political science department, Snow is also a President’s Scholar at NNU and participated in the Freshman Honors Program.

Aaron Montgomery Wins Big at National Debate Tournament

NNU Junior Aaron Montgomery (Nampa, Idaho) took home the national championship trophy in impromptu speaking when he and the NNU Forensics team competed in the national tournament held in St. Louis, Mo., in March.

Montgomery also took third place in parliamentary debate with junior Mike Jeter (Twin Falls, Idaho).

NNU Baseball Player Drafted By Chicago Cubs

Northwest Nazarene University junior pitcher Roger Evenson was selected in the 15th round in April’s Major League Baseball draft by the Chicago Cubs.

“I was shocked at first, because even though you know it might be coming, you don’t expect it and it catches you off guard,” said Evenson.

Evenson (Jr./Boise, Idaho/Capital High School), who was recently a unanimous selection to the Great Northwest Athletic Conference First-Team All-Conference squad, becomes the highest drafted GNAC player in league history. He led

the Crusader pitching staff in 2005, compiling a 7-6 record with a 4.09 ERA in 16 appearances.

“Roger has worked really hard to get where he’s at, and I’m very proud of him,” said NNU head baseball coach Tim Onofrei, himself a 28th round draft pick of the St. Louis Cardinals in 1996.



Evenson’s 112 1/3 innings pitched this season set a new single season innings mark at NNU, and he currently sits third in career innings pitched with 265 innings on the hill for the Crusaders. Evenson made 42 appearances during his career at NNU and finishes his time as a Crusader with 246 strikeouts.

At 6-4 and 225 pounds, Evenson was the 460th pick overall and is the first NNU player chosen in the MLB draft since Manny Burciaga (25th round) and Mike Mortimer (29th round) in 1994.

Pridgen Leads Women’s GNAC Academic Team

46 student-athletes were named to the 2004-05 Great Northwest Athletic Conference Basketball Academic all-conference team in March with NNU student Danielle Pridgen leading the way. A kinesiology education major, Pridgen had a nearly perfect 3.98 GPA.

Mesut Ademoglu, Bekah Bowman, Trisha DeSimone, Kara Gonzalez, Casey Hartwig, Lincoln Hagood, Adrian Herman, Tim Keller, Kevin Lambert, David Lehrschall, Melanie Nisly, Sarah Maddux, Ashley Rickels, Faith Sacht, Astin Salisbury, Harold Schulz, Amanda Thorpe, Whitney VanBrocklin, Kristina Wherry and Christy Wynkoop were also selected for the 2004-05 teams in their respective sports.



photo by Steve Paul

Jamie Campbell Wins Hearts

in Roles like Annie, Sally, and Little Red Riding Hood

By Angela Klein

In the spring of 2003, my daughter fell in love for the first time. She was three at the time, and she fell in love—of all places—at the NNU annual spring musical. But it wasn’t the male lead with whom she fell in love: it was the woman playing the rough-and-tumble character of Annie Oakley.

As I quickly learned, my daughter was not the only one captivated by the multi-talented sophomore, who graduated this year with a degree in applied music (also known as “performance”) and who plans on taking her dreams to the next level by moving east to the music Mecca called Nashville.

It’s easy to see how Jamie Campbell wins hearts. Not only is she amazingly talented, her smile literally lights up a room when she enters. She is, in a word, breathtaking.

I had the chance to sit down and talk with Jamie one cloudy Wednesday just before she graduated. We sat in the campus coffee shop, and I asked her to list some of the things she’s been involved in at NNU. She energetically rattled off a list, including a fact unbeknownst to me, namely that she plays french horn. Before turning her attentions to music, Jamie spent two years with NNU’s Hallelujah Brass, not in the spotlight now where she sings for the group, but as a horn player.

When she was done with the list of activities, a list that included things like traveling with the summer ministry groups, acting in the spring musicals, and singing with Hallelujah Brass, I jokingly asked her if there was anything she *didn’t* do. Immediately, her signature smile broke into full glow, and with a twinkle in her eye, she told me that she doesn’t dance.



“When I was nine, I was kicked out of ballet,” she quipped laughingly. “They told my parents that perhaps I should try something else, and that’s when I turned to music.”

Summer travel plans with Hallelujah Brass at the beginning of the summer kept Jamie busy in Europe, but her hopes were to return to Colorado and spend at least a little bit of time golfing before she moves to Nashville to pursue her music career.

“I want to completely have my life revolve around music,” she said when I asked her about her dreams for the future. “I want to bring musicality back into the mainstream.”

If her history at NNU is any indicator, Jamie is well on her way to accomplishing that goal. From her 2003 stint as Annie Oakley in “Annie Get Your Gun” to her most recent role as Sally Brown in the recently revived Broadway version of “You’re a Good Man Charlie Brown,” Jamie has won hearts with her songbird voice and animated style that captures the attention of audiences.

This year, Jamie also had the starring role in “Little Red Riding Hood,” the comic opera chosen by Crusader Choir Director Judy Marlett for the annual Crusader Choir Dessert Theatre. Jamie’s ability to capture the moods of children is unparalleled, and when she stamped her foot as Little Red Riding Hood or Charlie Brown’s sister, Sally, the heart of every mother in the audience stopped in a veritable panic.

And while Jamie knows how to throw a tantrum that would rival the best one thrown by my now five-year-old, her antics are apparently relegated to the stage.

“I want to be a positive role model,” Jamie confessed. “I just want to influence people, and I think that music is a good way to do it.” Jamie also used phrases like “musical excellence” when she spoke of her craft, but it was obvious that the focus of her hopes and dreams is on the joys that others can obtain through music, not just on the fact that she loves music herself.

“I want to give people something positive in their day that they can feel good about,” Jamie said. “I have a heart for reaching out with a positive message through secular music to an audience that might not turn the dial to Christian music. How are we ever going to reach the people who won’t listen to Christian music?” she asked. I, for one, know that she has already touched more than one soul. For months after “Annie Get Your Gun” ended, my daughter hummed around the house mimicking Jamie by grabbing a broom or anything in the house that resembled a firearm, making a swooping motion and exclaiming in her best, sometimes excruciatingly loud, three-year-old, Broadway singing voice, “OHHHHHH, you CAIN’T get a man with a GUN!” If Jamie ever needs a president for her fan club, I know where she can find one.

Skye Duncan “LIVING HISTORY”

Ontario, Oregon is a long way from Baghdad, but for NNU alumnus Skye Duncan, joining the ROTC program at NNU has taken him around the world and back. Skye came to NNU in 1991, majoring in biology with plans to follow the pre-med track. In his junior year, he joined the ROTC program and never looked back, enlisting right after graduation in 1996. “I’ve loved it ever since,” he confessed recently.

From NNU, Skye has been stationed out of Fort Lewis, Fort Gordon and Fort Campbell, and he currently makes his home in Kentucky with his wife, Victoria, and daughter, Keelin, who is two.

Below is an interview with Skye, who shares what it’s like to be actively serving in the military during this time of war.

What has your experience been like since college?

After college, I debated an educational delay but then signed up with the Army and have loved it ever since. I’ve been stationed all over the U.S., have been to Thailand three times, the Phillipines three times, Iraq, Kuwait and Japan both with training exercises and combat deployment.

What has your experience in Iraq been like?

It was amazing to see the people. One thing I notice is that people throughout the world are so generous, much like Americans. Unfortunately, most all that is seen on the news is negative publicity.

While we were there, we rebuilt two schools, got a sewer treatment plant up and running, installed a water purification system, and set up communication lines so they could have telephones. With the medical civilian assistants program, we would take a bunch of medical guys out and we’d set up a tent. Within ten minutes of setting up we’d have hordes of people lining up for medical care. They loved it; it was so great. The kids were always playing and always wanted to play with you.



Skye Duncan poses with Iraqi children while their parents receive medical attention from MEDCAP (Medical Civic Assistance Program) in an Iraqi village.

What’s the most exciting part of what you do?

I have about 25 jumps under my belt—a lot of those are at night where you jump in full-combat equipment. It’s pitch black, and you can’t see the ground or the trees, only the red light flashing in the plane. It’s an adrenaline rush!

What’s your biggest fear?

My wife says I need to get on this because she says I should have more fears. But I guess it would be losing family—being injured and not being able to see family again—something like that.

What has Iraq taught you?

The most important thing is to appreciate what you have when you have it and to trust God with everything in your life. There comes a point when you have to accept that we all have to die. You have to come to accept the fact that God is going to call you home and he could call you home in combat. Once you come to grips with that, things are much easier and you can do anything you need to do. Knowing that God gives me the strength and the guidance to do my job makes it much easier to lead my

soldiers because I know I’m doing it with God’s blessing as long as I’m asking for guidance.

Can you think of a time when that was true?

There was one time when we had convoys going through the city and a truck had jackknifed. People were coming up with rocks and sticks, and we had to point weapons right at their faces. At the time, I was the company commander and we had learned the signs for back off or come here, little things that you learn so that you can communicate.

We all sat and stared at each other for 20 minutes, and no one was hurt. Luckily, during my entire time in Iraq, only two soldiers in my higher unit were injured when a mortar round came in and damaged their vehicle. They both lived.

What do you hope to do after you leave the Army?

My wife and I talk a lot about retirement. I’d like to be retired by 44 and then get another job. My ultimate goal is to be a college professor, maybe even at NNU. I’d like to get a Ph.D. in history.

Dr. Shaw was awesome; he taught me how interesting history can be, how much we can learn from it, and how having a good base of history can help us today. You can make anything interesting as long as you’re passionate.



Luann Pannell & the LAPD

Story by: Lauralee Farrer

Photo by: Don Milici

NU alumna Luann Pannell was recently featured by Fuller Theological Seminary's Focus magazine. Below is an excerpt of that story, written by senior writer and editor Lauralee Farrer.

"In case you hadn't noticed, I'm an extreme extrovert," she says, with a burst of laughter. "And I love my job." The extrovert in question is Dr. Luann Pannell (NU '83, Ph.D. '97) and the job she loves is police psychologist, with a force so famous even its acronym is recognized around the world: LAPD.

The Los Angeles Police Department has a sometimes contradictory profile: tough, rowdy, controversial, expert, inefficient, and deadly serious—often, all at the same time. Nevertheless, even an unusual amount of media exposure was not enough to prepare Dr. Pannell for the reality of life on the force.

On one of her first ride-alongs almost four years ago, she was racing down the hallway of a tenement when an officer shouted, "We've got a 'DB' here!" Too embarrassed to admit she didn't know what he meant, she discovered soon enough: dead body. Not your average new employee orientation.

In a run-down apartment building crawling with cockroaches, she found herself examining the psyche of a perpetrator named Cockroach. She slipped the negotiator a scribbled note reading, "Ask him again about his wife," and wondered to herself, "How on earth did I get here?"

To picture that journey, swoop down past Metro buses advertising the movie S.W.A.T. Pass the intersection of Temple and Los Angeles and a "God Bless America" banner of New York firemen raising the flag at Ground Zero. Pass a nostalgic sculpture of a nuclear family and a bronzed mission statement promising to "serve everyone in Los Angeles with respect and dignity."

Enter the police hub of Parker Center, past the x-ray machines and the security counter, through bland-white hallways and bland-white offices where you will often find Pannell in the Juvenile Division. That long journey is only a portion of the mileage-physical and spiritual—that she has traveled.

The signs greeting visitors to the Juvenile Division read Warning: Child Pornography Present. Exposure to this work is so toxic, there's a debate over whether term limits should be imposed, whether officers need to have their souls scrubbed before they leave the workplace. Though some suggest that



evil is an overblown religious word-applicable only to Genesis or The Lord of the Rings—it is more than a metaphor here. This is a division that deals daily with homicide, sexual abuse, drug trafficking, and torture against children. For many, "evil" is a word hardly potent enough.

This is partly why Pannell and Detective James Brown team-teach a seminar called "Vicarious Traumatization: Why it Hurts to Help." Brown's respect for Pannell is only thinly veiled by the relentless teasing that seems to be a job requirement at Parker Center. Ask him his candid opinion when she has stepped away from the office, and he is quick and to the point. "Sure, I tease her a lot, but she's committed. We're awfully lucky to get her."

Those in law enforcement suffer an exposure to evil that is different than anyone else, Pannell observes. The fact that she knows what it is—and how to combat it—explains why it doesn't eat at her soul. Pannell says it would be a mistake to think that her job is consistently as flashy as the seemingly chaotic, demanding world of law enforcement portrayed on television. And though it is "definitely an overall adrenalin rush," she insists that she most often sees God in the quieter, day-to-day miracles of chance meetings and coincidental events.

She points out the Photography Unit coffee room—a closet-sized space with several vending machines and a pot of boiled coffee that smells more of developing chemicals than Yuban. "Right here is my most effective counseling space," she insists. "I have more important conversations around a mug of bad coffee than almost anywhere else."

She's also involved in organizational management, training seminars, and teaching undercover officers. For example, she teaches police ethics to eyebrow-pierced, gum-chewing "kids"—young-looking officers who infiltrate high schools to identify drug rings. She still serves hostage negotiation teams and still goes on ride-alongs. But instead of feeling as if she's mistakenly living someone else's life, whenever she hears there's an officer down, she mobilizes immediately, wondering, "Is it one of ours? Is it one of mine?" It's a long way from her hometown of Red Deer, Alberta, Canada, but Pannell says she wouldn't dream of being anywhere else.

2005 HOMECOMING AWARD RECIPIENTS

Dr. Edwin H. Robinson, NNU class of 1973, has been named Alumnus of the Year. At the time of this writing, Robinson is a man in transition, having stepped down as director of the Master of Arts in Christian Education program at Nazarene Theological Seminary and minister of the chapel to accept the presidency of MidAmerica Nazarene University, assuming duties on July 1.

Ed is leaving the seminary after twenty years in a variety of roles both in and out of the classroom, including dean of the faculty and director of the seminary's Doctor of Ministry program. The first ten years of his career were spent working in churches first as youth pastor and then as minister of Christian education in San Diego and Long Beach, Calif. Following his undergrad degree from NNU, Ed earned a Master of Religious Education from NTS in 1976 and a Ph.D. in educational studies from Trinity Evangelical Divinity School. Ed credits NNU with planting the seed of desire to spend his life in Christian higher education. In his words, "I wanted to pass on to future generations of young adults the legacy of a thoroughly Christian higher education that had been given to me.

With 43 years of experience working in the U.S. Space Program, most of which has been spent on projects for NASA, Rich is a perfect candidate for NNU's Professional Achievement Award.

"I feel fortunate to have been involved with many historic space missions during my career," Rich said, "from the Apollo mission to the moon, the Voyager mission to the outer planets, and the recent Mars Exploration Rovers."

After college, Rich worked for five years at North American Aviation on the Apollo program before beginning 38 years at the Jet Propulsion Lab (JPL) in Pasadena, Calif., where he has worked on several space flight programs.

Rich currently works as contract technical manager



ALUMNUS OF THE YEAR
DR. EDWIN H. ROBINSON

I've spent the last 20 years of my life watering that seed and watching it grow."

In addition to his undergrad education, Ed left NNC with his wife Nancy (Ratzloff), also class of 1973. "My experience was so significant that when our daughters, Kimberly, NNU class of 1998, and Kelly, NNU class of 2000, decided to make the same trek I'd made 25 years earlier, I was thrilled."

The Alumnus of the Year selection is based on the following criteria statement: "an alumnus who has rendered a special and outstanding service to NNU or by personal achievement has brought honor and distinction to the University and exemplifies the Christian

ideals of the University." In the nomination process, the following were among statements made about Ed Robinson: "Ed is a humble, giving, and positive person"; "He is wise and encouraging"; "Ed's pastoral approach to ministry wins the hearts and minds of many." Dr. Ed Robinson is a man of strong character whose passion for Christian higher education has been a model for hundreds of young people and indeed brought honor and distinction to NNU.



PROFESSIONAL ACHIEVEMENT
RICH WILLIAMSON

specialist, supporting the director for solar system exploration at JPL.

Rich's involvement at NNU included Crusader Choir and summer travel group, the science club, the campus radio station and Circle K. Of his experience at NNU, Rich writes, "There was a motto in front of the chapel that I still remember: 'Seek ye first the kingdom of God.' For me, the spiritual path to learn how to connect with God in a meaningful way has been a lifelong process. I am grateful for the tug and call of God, and I have found a way in recent years to walk with God in a personally meaningful way." Rich and his wife, Linda, have been married for 30 years, have four children and nine

grandchildren, and continue to make their home in Brea, Calif.

Bernard Bufford III, NNU class of 1991, has been named the Leon Doane Young Alumnus for 2005. Recipients of this award must have graduated from NNU within the last fifteen years and are selected for demonstrated leadership, Christian character, professional endeavors, and support of their alma mater. Buff and his wife, Janelle (Bunker), NNU class of 1992, have three children, Riley, Makenna and Hailey.

Buff's social work degree and subsequent administrative training has taken him on a journey that resulted three and a half years ago in his appointment as the Administrator of the Idaho State Veterans Home in Boise. Additionally, Buff is a committed church and family man. He is active in the Nampa KIDS Soccer organization and



LEON DOANE YOUNG ALUMNUS
BERNARD BUFFORD

journey have helped him learn to rely on God's leading.

has coached Skyview JV Soccer for two years. He currently serves as Vice President of the Idaho Health Care Association and also directs the Upward Basketball league for children through College Church.

It was at NNU that Buff learned he had skills to help people in crisis. Since graduating, he has worked with infants and their families, sexually abused teenage girls and their families, and for the last ten years, with the elderly and their families. His job as an administrator has taken Buff and his family from Nampa to Bozeman, Mont., to Ontario, Ore., then back to the Treasure Valley. Buff says that the challenges set before him on this

1975 religious education alumnus Wes Maggard has a long history at NNU. Working in Financial Aid for the majority of his 30-year career, Wes has helped literally thousands of college students attend and graduate. Chosen as the 2003 Administrative Personnel Employee of the Year, Wes is known for his kind heart, listening ear and gentle spirit.

While he currently serves as Director of Financial Aid, Wes began his career at NNU as the assistant to the Dean of Students, then Dr. Irving Laird. Working with students has always been a love, he said recently.

From Student Development to Financial Aid, back to Student Development as Director of Housing, and returning again to the Financial Aid, Wes' commitment to students has surmounted financial odds and brought students to NNU (and kept them here) when nay-sayers said it couldn't be



DISTINGUISHED SERVICE
WES MAGGARD

pursuing courses at NNU, graduating in 1991 with his Master of Ministry degree. Wes lives in Nampa with his wife, Brenda, and two children, Josh and Charlotte, who both attend NNU.

done. Wes currently serves NNU as the Director of Financial Aid.

Wes was called a "miracle worker" by Crusader writer Mindy Oldencamp in 1999. The title still rings true today. Oldencamp praised Wes by saying he is a "number crunching, smile-making, people loving miracle maker" who is known for an office filled with gum ball dispensers, photos of his family and Happy Meal toys.

Wes' love of NNU is also obvious. "So many of the cliché phrases are true," he said. "This is a wonderful place. The students and people who work here are absolutely the best!"

Along with his other commitments, Wes continued his love of learning by

News By Decade

1940s

Rev Leon Ross -49- and his wife, Clarice, celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary in May. The Ross' live in Spokane, Wash.

1950s

Fred Rapp -53- and wife Shirley celebrated their 50th anniversary in March. Fred is class agent for the class of 1953.

Allan W. Miller, Sr. -51- was presented with the Distinguished Service Award by Portland First Church of the Nazarene Pastor Mark Goodwin on April 24, Allan's 80th birthday. He was honored for nearly 50 years of service as a pastor, Sunday school teacher, district leader, retired elder at First Church, and many other involvements on the OrPac District. Three generations of the Miller family have attended NNU.

1960s



Allen Johnson -68-, PhD, (pictured above with his wife, Nella) has published three books, *This Side of Crazy*, *The Power Within*, and *Frenchship: an American's One-Year Adventure on the French Mediterranean*. *Frenchship* is his most recent publication that documents his and Nella's experience in France.

Patsy Livingston -69- has retired after 18 years as faculty in the kinesiology department and associate athletic director at

Point Loma Nazarene University and has moved to Battle Mountain, Nev.

Robert Hilliard -62-, publisher, editor, journalist and educator, ended a career of four decades in Northwest newspaper work with his retirement from Washington State University in January of 2005.

1970s

Kent Hill -71- received an honorary doctorate of humane letters degree from Houghton College during the college's commencement exercises, at which he gave the address. Hill is assistant administrator for Europe and Eurasia of the US Agency for International Development. In this role he oversees economic and humanitarian assistance in 23 nations from the Balkans to Central Asia, including all the countries of the former Soviet Union. Additionally, he serves under appointment from President Bush as acting assistant administrator for the Bureau of Global Health, which directly manages or co-manages health care programs all over the world.

Randy -76- and Debbie (Pitts) -78- Toland reside with their family in Battle Ground, Wash., where Randy is the HR/payroll coordinator for Infinity Internet, the largest privately-held ISP in the Northwest. Randy is a deacon and treasurer for their church, and Debbie sings in A la Carte, an acapella group that in March 2004 became the first Christian singing group from the United States to present public, government-hosted concerts in China. Randy and Debbie celebrated their 28th wedding anniversary in June.

Leonard -71- and Jo Ann (Bailey) -76- McCallum live in Benton City, Wash., with their two sons. Leonard was ordained as an elder this spring at the Northwest District Assembly and serves on staff at the Kennewick Church of the Nazarene. JoAnn enjoys being a stay-at-home mom.

Sarah Spencer -77- graduated from the University of Alaska Nursing School in 2004.

Sunnie (Sheppard) Johnson -73- has kept busy raising six children [four adopted]. She went into the field of medical transcription about four years ago, which she does from home.

Dan -71- and Gloria (Mets) -71- White recently moved to Auburn, Ind., where Dan is senior pastor of the Auburn Church of the Nazarene. Dan and Gloria have three children and five grandchildren.

1980s

Gary -84- and Denise (Ness) -81- O'Neill are pastors at a Church of the Nazarene in Sheffield, England, while they complete graduate studies at Nazarene Theological College in Manchester. The church has purchased and remodeled a pub on a council estate and has a vital ministry to local residents. The O'Neill's have two daughters.

Susan (Troncoso) Dillon -84- lives in Redmond, Ore., with her husband, Mike, and their dogs, Ruby and Zena, who have been instrumental in Susan's rehabilitation following an accident that has required three neck fusions and physical therapy.

Craig -88- and Debbie (Glasener) -88- Bickel. Craig is presently serving a year's deployment in Iraq as a military (Army) chaplain, after which the family will relocate to Hunters Army Airfield in Savannah, Ga.

LaDeana (Weigelt) Hillier -86- is assistant director of The Washington University School of Medicine Genome Sequencing Center and has authored over 65 scientific publications. She resides in Bellevue, Wash., with her husband, David, and children Lydia, Claire, Adeline and Meredith.

Stacey (Dickey) Wollman -89- is the executive director of the Black Hills Crisis Pregnancy Center in Rapid City, South Dakota. In addition, she and her husband, Doug, have launched their own music

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Reunions are planned for 1960, 1965, 1970, 1975, 1980, 1985, 1990, 1995 & 2000. Be watching the web site for more details, www.nnu.edu/alumni.

label and ministry called Spiritbreeze Music. Doug has recently released three CDs.

David -89- and Rhonda (Gerdes) -89- Ackerman have returned to Asia-Pacific Nazarene Theological Seminary after serving for two years at Nazarene Theological College in Brisbane, Australia, where David taught Bible courses and Rhonda was involved in various ministries. They continue as global missionaries for the Church of the Nazarene.

Lt. Comdr. Brian -83- & Lisa (Hoyle) -86- Haley. Brian returned from Iraq just before Christmas and is now serving with the Marines at Camp Pendleton, Calif.

Dr. Tom Oord -88- recently had his book, Science of Love: The Wisdom of Well-Being, published by Templeton Press. The book explores the nascent field that investigates the multiple issues affecting our understanding of love, hypotheses proposed by science, and doctrines of theology.

1990s

Erik -97- and Molly (Martin) -97- Miller recently moved to Singapore to open a regional office for his company.

Timothy Whetstone -96- and his wife, Danielle, have returned from serving as missionaries in Italy and are currently in a transitional ministry position in Washington, D.C.

Randy -93- and Lisja (Henry) -94- Brothers live in Meridian with their three children (soon to be four). Randy teaches high school science and coaches track and boys basketball. Lisja is a stay-at-home mom and medical transcriptionist.

Ali Tiegs -91- After taking the 20-year-plan to graduate, Ali has gone on to receive two different graduate degrees in education from University of Idaho. Her graduate thesis focused on the integration of the fine arts with curriculum. She is presently serving as education director for the Globe-News Center for the Performing Arts in Amarillo, Texas.

Ben Reese -97- graduated from Indiana University School of Dentistry with a Doctor of Dental Surgery degree in May. He began a two-year residency in Orthodontics at Indiana University in July.

Cary -96- and Jennifer (Coles) -99- Hill. Cary is now teaching 9th grade math at North Junior High in Boise. Jennifer is currently working on her master's degree in counseling at NNU. The couple is also enjoying a new addition to the family, baby Alisa.

2000

Erik Warilla -02- has taken a position as associate with a company called BlueLine in Boise working in the areas of strategy development, tactical marketing execution, and account management. Erik has also completed an MBA through NNU.

Robin Day -00- graduated from medical school at University of Utah in May and married Jason Sebastian on June 11.

Alison Brown -04- is interning as an English teacher in France.

Milestones

Marriages

Scott Wilde -96- and Jane Lehrman on June 12, 2004 in Boise, Idaho

Megan Marie Griff -03- and Matthew Hereth on Aug. 28, 2004 in Yakima, Wash.

Sarah Hughes -02- and Michael Botts on Dec. 11, 2004 in Bakersfield, Calif.

Emily Estabrook -95- and John Carriker on Jan. 8, 2005 in Anchorage, Alaska

Cherie Ketchum -00- and Chris Reiter on March 4, 2005 in Nampa, Idaho

Daniel Carew -99- to Julie Startwout on April 7, 2005 in Denver, Colo.

Shawn Blenker -00- and Candice Gunstream -03- on April 15, 2005 in Nampa, Idaho

Chip McNeiece -01- and Mindy Reed -01- on May 7, 2005 in Nampa, Idaho. The couple will reside in Phoenix, Ariz.

Sam Fleischmann -05- and Noelle West -05- on May 15, 2005 in Nampa, Idaho

Angela (Plies) Swanson -93- and Jon Klein on June 21, 2005 in Boise, Idaho

Births

Colin Gordon on Aug. 17, 2003 to **Bradley and Faith -01- (Brown) Bodley**

Aaron James on Sept. 15, 2003 to **Jeff and Kristina (Denning) -92- Friday**

Joanna Pei on Sept. 2, 2002 and adopted



First row from left:
Levi LeBaron
Alisa Karen Hill
Bryce Kinney

Second row from left:
Autumn & Caitlyn
Lawler
Grace & Cyrus Turley
Adison York

Third row from left:
Celeste Depew
Becca & Joanna Halley
Addison Franklin

by **Steve -88- and Sandy (Forseth) -88- Halley** on Nov. 3, 2003, joining sister Becca

Ethan on Feb. 26, 2004 to **Doug -88- and Nadine Reece**

Eli Michael on March 22, 2004 to **Jason -97- and Jewel (Chesney) -99- Alvis**

Nathan Jay on June 16, 2004 to **Melvin -90- and Karen (Williams) -91- Henry**, joining sisters Hope and Faith

Alisa Karen on June 25, 2004 to **Cary -96- and Jennifer (Coles) -99- Hill**, joining brother Tanner

Emily Noelle on Sept. 17, 2004 to **Tim -94- and Candi (Clark) -92- Wright**, joining siblings David and Jordyn

Ruthee Ann on Sept. 27, 2004 to **Aaron -95- and Diane (Williams) -95- Willson**

Benjamin Joe Sept. 28, 2004 to **Kelly and Leah (Litke) -98- Neumann**, joining brother Elijah and sister Emma

Karis Loree' on Oct. 16, 2004 to **Joshua and Shannon (Grigory) -00- Herndon**

Ella Grace on Oct. 25, 2004 to **Casey and Janelle (Stauffer) -01- Boothby**

Peter William on Nov. 8, 2004 to **Thomas and Rebecka (Johnson) -95- Vessey**

Kate Madison on Dec. 9, 2004 to **Robert G. -00- and Keri (Ingle) -00- Russell**

Addison Grace on Dec. 15, 2004 to **Jeremy -01- and Kara (Wilson) -01- Franklin**

Jodie Danae on Dec. 23, 2004 to **Ross and Stacie (Osborne) -98- Knudsen**, joining brother Austin

Kathryn Joy on Jan. 5, 2005 to **Jeff and Kristi (Wharfield) -90- Oster**, joining sister Grace

Alexander Robert on Jan. 6, 2005 to **Kevin -93- and LeAnne (Elliott) -93- Jackson**, joining sisters Maggie and Heidi

() denotes year of entrance to NNU
- - denotes year of graduation



*Sarah Hughes
& Michael Botts*



*Angela Swanson
& Jon Klein*



*Emily Estabrook
& John Carriker*

Carolyn Grace on Jan. 10, 2005 to **William -97- and Gail (Larson) -98- Cook**

Kyra Rosalie on Jan. 13, 2005 to Chaun and **Tara (Holmly) -94- Westrich**, joining siblings Carson and Cade

Levi Marcus Amiwan on Jan. 18, 2005 to **Marcus -94- and Sarah (Ward) (01) LeBaron**

Elijah Bleau on Jan. 23, 2005 to **John -01- and Jenni Leavell**

Twins, Grace Emma and Cyrus Lane on Jan. 26, 2005 to **Jeff -90- and Joanne (Stephens) -93- Turley**

Celeste Sharae on Feb. 2, 2005 to **Eric -00- and Nicole Depew**, joining sister Stella

Ellie Lynn on Feb. 12, 2005 to **Matthew -97- and Amber (Powers) -95- Gresham**

Michael Dean on Feb. 12, 2005 to **Jeff -01- and Jennifer Kern**

Cameron Paul on Feb. 18, 2005 to **David -90- and Stephanie -89- (Benton) Christianson**, joining Tyler, Brandon and Shay

Terin Lynelle on Feb. 27, 2005 to **Duane -84- and Terri Slemmer**, joining siblings Tiffany, Daniel, Torie, David and Devin

Adison Amelia on April 5, 2005 to Matt and **Jami (Mittelstaedt) -95- York**

Thomas Lyndel on April 14, 2005 to Bryce

and **Wendy (Bond) -92- Quarve**, joining brother Peter

Alexandra Grace on May 1, 2005 to Rick and Cheryl (**Anderson) -90- Panchenko**, joining brother Dominik and sister Mykayla

Bryce Caleb on May 12, 2005 to **Josh -96- and Kelli (Haverfield) -03- Kinney**

Deaths

Richard Mills -83- on Jan. 1, 2004, Kake, Alaska, with fourteen-year-old son David in a boating accident

Helen B. (Shippey) De Bord -45- on Feb. 2, 2004, Denver, Colo.

Melvin (Tom) Kelly -51- on April 29, 2004, Cottonwood, Ariz.

Ernie Thompson, Jr. (74) on June 24, 2004, Boise, Idaho

Yvonne (Neumann) Mc Dowell -42- on January 2, 2005, North Bend, Wash.

Don Tillotson on Jan. 28, 2005, Nampa, Idaho. Dr. Tillotson taught mathematics for 36 years and served part-time for four years, a total of 40 years of service to NNU.

Grady Cantrell, nine-year member of the Board of Trustees, on Jan. 29, 2005, Nampa, Idaho

Merv Fleming, longtime NNU employee, on Jan. 29, 2005, Nampa, Idaho

Dorothy (Greer) Lancaster -43- on Jan. 29, 2005, Fresno, Calif.

Julie Robinson -77- on Feb. 2, 2005, Nampa, Idaho

Donavon Olmsted (61) on Feb. 11, 2005, Nampa, Idaho

Rev. Lawrence H. Bone -38- on Feb. 20, 2005, Covina, Calif.

Beatrice (Maxey) Leavell -42- on Feb. 20, 2005, Nampa, Idaho

Lela (Margaret) Rockwood -47- on Feb. 28, 2005, Chula Vista, Calif.

Esther (Rotz) Zink -71- on Feb. 28, 2005, Midvale, Utah

Edna L. Cramer -59- on March 2, 2005, Boise, Idaho

Paul Jensen -51- on March 27, 2005, Portland, Ore.

Rev C.G. Bill Rudeen -40- on April 18, 2005, Nampa, Idaho

Fairy (Emerson) Hawthorne -49- on April 26, 2005, Knoxville, Tenn.

Barbara Jean (Wise) Johnson -49- April 27, 2005, Boise, Idaho



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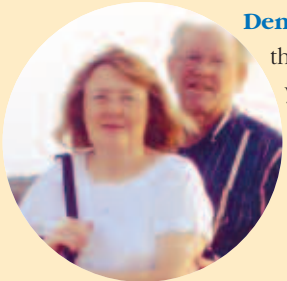
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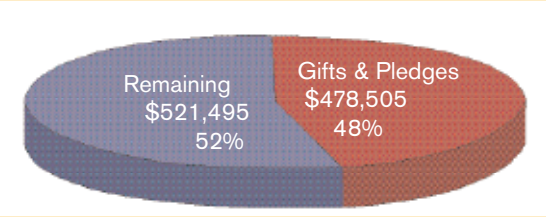
Leon and Telva Bruner (pictured above), in their 21st year as President's Associates, say “We really feel we are doing something for the Lord.” As an NNC freshman Leon met Telva, a high school senior at the NNC Academy. Their two children both graduated from NNU. Strong supporters of NNU athletics, Leon and Telva get to know many student athletes personally. “We tithe to our church, then give to NNU,” Leon explains.



Doug and Nadine Reece, 1st year President's Associates, looked at various needs before choosing NNU and the University Fund. “We decided to support our belief in the value of what NNU offers. We are impressed with its good decisions and what has been done in the last 10 years, especially with facilities and curriculum.”



Dennis and Bernice Miller were so impressed by a biology class during a campus visit with their daughter, they have supported the University Fund as President's Associates for 7 years. “I expected the class to be boring... but at the end, I didn't want the professor to stop! It was fascinating,” says Dennis. Since Dennis' employer has a Matching Gifts Program, the Miller's monthly gift is doubled!



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Alumni on the (Basketball Court) Move

In the Summer 2003 Messenger, we profiled Seattle Pacific University women's basketball coach Gordy Presnell (83), and in the Summer 2004 issue, we profiled Trevecca Nazarene University women's basketball coach Julie van Beek (89), who was honored as the Leon Doane Young Alumnus of the Year. In June, Presnell was hired as the new women's coach at Boise State University, and van Beek was chosen as his successor at SPU.

When you ask NNU alumni about their college days,
be ready to hear a story.

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Grab your camcorder and record your memories of NNC/NNU. What were the special traditions during your years? What stories did you hear your parents or grandparents tell?

Submissions should be brief (two or three minutes) and will be edited. Alumni Board member Dennis Strait has generously offered to compile footage of stories submitted by Sept. 15. Look for the completed video at class reunions, the alumni chapel service and Friday night's 5th Quarter event.

Video clips may be submitted in a variety of formats, from VHS tape to mini-DVD. If you have questions regarding format, please contact Dennis at ddstrait.acsalaska.net. Digital submissions may be sent as an attachment to the above e-mail. Other submissions may be sent to Dennis Strait at 7937 Paine Road, Anchorage, Alaska, 99516-5553.



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