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***Pride in alumni—
alumna Kendall Yake shares
her journey battling cancer as a student.***



president's letter

From where I stood on the platform, the view was amazing—6,000 people gathered in the Idaho Center for the NNU Commencement—478 brand-new Northwest Nazarene University graduates. As the final diploma was awarded, just before the benediction was pronounced, they all rose and sang,

Hail to you, our alma mater ...
Sing we now of you.

What a wonderful scene. What an electric moment. A song of praise for NNU. A hymn to the people and the place that helped shape, guide, stretch and educate.

Alma mater. Latin for nurturing mother. Alma mater. A song most people don't know the words to. Yet the singing of one's alma mater is a trigger, of memory, of loyalty, of lessons learned, relationships formed and choices made.

An alma mater is a place and an idea. Yet an alma mater is also a people. These 478 graduates join a host of thousands of NNU alumni who not only have an alma mater, but who carry with them and embody the spirit, the essence of NNU—the spirit of alma mater.

During the past three years, I have met hundreds of NNU alumni at Homecomings, Golden Grad gatherings, Meet the President tours, church visits—it's one of the perks of the job.

From where I stand, after countless introductions, conversations and observations, there's a song I'd like to sing,
Hail to you, our dear alumni,
Sing we now of you ...

I want you, the alumni of Northwest Nazarene University, to know how proud we are of you. We sing of you. We celebrate you.

You have gone out from the nurturing embrace of your alma mater. Who you are, what you've become and what you've achieved makes me want to sing your praises. I am proud, justifiably proud, of you!

You have carried with you the spirit of NNU—the idea that a life of learning and doing centered in the pursuit of Christ and His Kingdom, is indeed the life we're called to live. For example, in this issue of *The Messenger* we celebrate several of your fellow alumni. These men and women are symbols of all of you. I marvel at what you've accomplished and who you are.

May the lyrics of your life always sing the song of NNU, your alma mater. And as you do, know that we join in the chorus and sing of you with a sense of the love and gratification that only a proud alma mater could have.

David Alexander, NNU President

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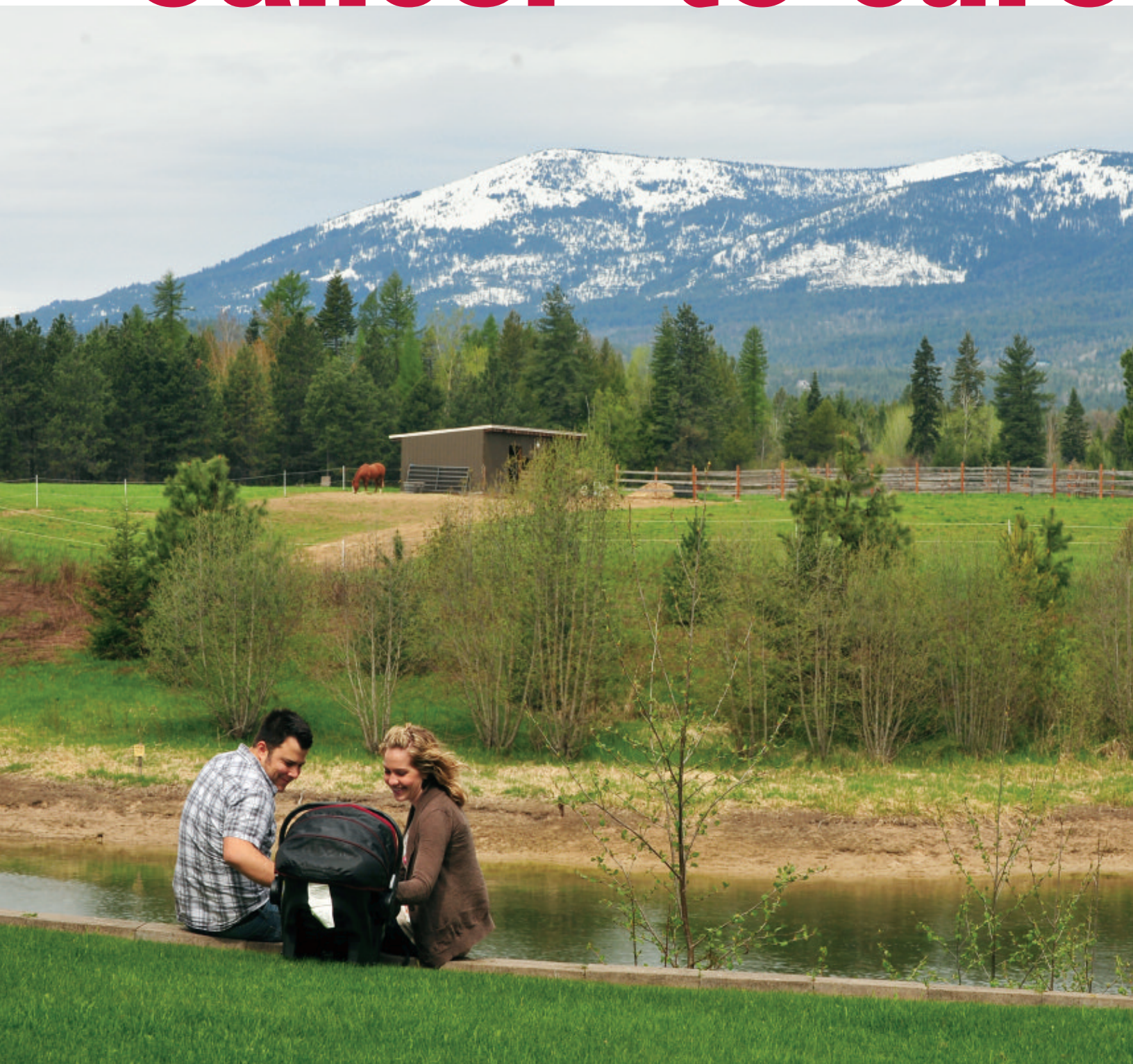
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→ to career

NNU alumna researched the exact drug that helped cure her cancer.



Kootenai Cancer Center
at Bonner General Hospital



By Cherissa Roebuck

During the summer before her senior year at NNU, Kendall (Yoder) Yake '04 looked forward to a schedule chocked full of exciting adventures: a trip to Portugal and the Madeira Islands with NNU's Hallelujah Brass followed by a summer tour of the Northwest with Parable, one of NNU's summer ministry groups. The days were so busy she hardly had time to think about the unusual symptoms that had been plaguing her for months—the itchy skin, the night sweats, the severe fatigue.

When she returned home from summer travel, however, the symptoms could no longer be ignored. One chest x-ray and one simple blood test later, Kendall was hearing the words that no 21-year-old college student wants to hear: It looks like cancer.

The doctors explained that while she was still under anesthesia during the biopsy procedure, they would confirm the diagnosis, and if indeed it was cancer, a portacath (a device to help deliver chemotherapy) would be implanted under her skin.



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“I think that was the point at which I had the most fear,” Kendall said. “I would either wake up and be told, ‘No, it isn’t cancer,’ or I would wake up and a port would be under my skin.”

At the realization the port had been implanted, Kendall says her head rang loudly with God’s words, ‘I will never leave you nor forsake you’—more loudly and clearly than she had ever heard a voice that was not her own before. “In that moment, I knew everything would be okay,” Kendall said. “We serve a God who is bigger and more amazing than we can really believe, that is, until something like this comes along and we see Him in action like never before.”

Hodgkin’s lymphoma, an aggressive cancer of the lymphatic system, was the diagnosis. She had several large tumors, one the size of a racquetball, located around her heart and lungs. “From there it was a surge of emotions,” Kendall said. “I simply could not believe I was hearing the word ‘cancer.’”

After a whirlwind of further tests and a treatment plan, Kendall was slated to begin rigorous treatment with a four-drug chemotherapy regimen. One of the drugs—doxorubicin—was one she already knew about. Kendall had just begun a research project based on that exact drug when she received the diagnosis; now, that drug was going to be used to help with her cure.

Studying the cure

It was during Kendall’s junior year that former NNU professor Dr. Chris Kapicka helped her get involved in a research project that was necessary to complete in order to earn a degree in biology and chemistry. At that time, Dr. Kapicka had put her in touch with Dr. Richard Olson of the Boise VA Medical Center, who happened to be studying doxorubicin and cardiotoxicity, muscle damage to the heart.

Several months later when Kendall was in remission, she returned to the research project under Drs. Kapicka and Olson. The research

team studied how doxorubicin damages the heart and how to potentially modify the drug to make it less toxic to the heart but remain lethal to the cancer. Dr. Kapicka said currently there are modified doxorubicin drugs in human clinical trials that are a direct result of the research Kendall and the research team performed.

“Kendall had a personal interest in the research—she knew the drug had helped cure her but that it had some serious side effects,” Kapicka said. “There’s a limit on how much doxorubicin a person can take in their lifetime because of how damaging it is. If Kendall were to have cancer again, she would not be able to be treated with this drug since she reached the lifetime limit.”

During the research, Kendall spent time talking to Dr. Olson at the Boise VA about using her degree as a launching pad for a career in pharmacy. Dr. Olson’s wife was the oncology pharmacist at the clinic where Kendall received cancer treatments and was her first exposure to the different sides of a career in pharmacy. “God really intersected my life with many people to help me end up where I am today,” stated Yake.

The journey to community

With her father, Ken Yoder, being an NNU math professor for 27 years, Kendall grew up around the NNU community. When it came time for her to select a college, however, she wasn’t sure where she wanted to go. She ended up choosing NNU, although at the time she didn’t understand why God would direct her there.

“When I was diagnosed with Hodgkin’s lymphoma, I soon realized I had the NNU community holding me up in prayer and support. I had meaningful relationships with my professors because of the smaller class sizes, and they gave me the support I needed to finish my degree on time. If I had gone to any other school, I’m quite certain I would have had to drop out and go home to be treated. It was truly amazing. God led me to NNU for a reason—



He knew I'd need this community of believers more than ever," Kendall said.

Dr. Kapicka believes God will use Kendall's cancer journey to

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touch many lives as she works with other cancer patients. "She is going to be able to sympathize with her patients far better than someone who's never been through this—she understands," Kapicka said. "We sometimes go down pathways and wonder why; we don't see until later how God uses it."

Kendall agrees. She said she has seen God orchestrate many parts of her journey to lead her to her current career.

"Prior to my diagnosis, I never thought of a career in pharmacy and never imagined I would love being a pharmacist," Kendall said. "I'm now working with other young Hodgkin's lymphoma patients and having the opportunity to encourage them with, 'This will be difficult, but you will make it!'"

Kendall graduated with a bachelor of science in biology and chemistry in 2004 and went on to pharmacy school to complete her doctor of pharmacy in 2009. She now lives with her husband, Kyle Yake '05, and their infant son, Ryan Kenneth, in Sandpoint, Idaho, where Kyle is the youth pastor at Sandpoint Church of the Nazarene and Kendall works as an oncology pharmacist at Kootenai Cancer Center.

"God knew my heart's desires long before I did. I praise Him for the health I experience today and for leading me to NNU."

Make a difference



The University Fund
directly benefits students like Kendall through scholarships, computer and lab equipment and student research projects. Your contribution is also a gateway to the President's Associates giving club (minimum \$1,000 each fiscal year).

Please support the University Fund with a gift online, or send your contribution using the enclosed postage-paid envelope.



CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION “A MORE EXCELLENT WAY”

Nearly 100 years after its founding, Northwest Nazarene University remains committed to delivering a transformative education through experiential, service and leadership opportunities, close academic relationships with faculty and a supportive-faith community.

We invite you to share your stories with us by emailing stories@nnu.edu. Join Northwest Nazarene University in celebrating the first hundred years of seeking the Kingdom at one of these special events.

November 8-10, 2012	Homecoming and Centennial Kick-off
May 10-11, 2013	Alumni Weekend
June 2013	General Assembly
September 13, 2013	Founder's Day
November 7-10, 2013	Homecoming and Grand Finale

The Alline Swann STEINWAY PIANO



Join us in honoring the legacy of Alline Swann by investing in some of the finest young people in the world. To date, \$57,500 has been raised to purchase a Model D Concert Grand Piano from Steinway & Sons, and to refurbish the existing 27-year-old Steinway Grand!

Will you help us reach our \$80,000 goal?

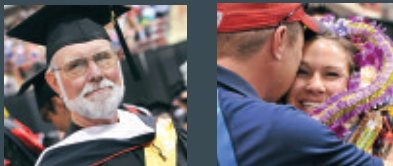
Visit www.nnu.edu/piano or contact Bryon Knight at 208-467-8832 or bknight@nnu.edu.

COMMENCEMENT 2011



Family members and friends celebrated with the Class of 2011 at Northwest Nazarene University's 95th Annual Commencement Convocation in May.

Degrees were conferred on 478 students, of which 236 were graduate students and 242 were undergraduates. This is the first graduating class of students earning a master's of science in nursing. NNU's graduates represent 27 states from as far away as New York and six foreign countries that include China, Guatemala, Jamaica, Kenya, South Korea and Vietnam.



President Dr. David Alexander offered the baccalaureate sermon and Dr. Burton Webb, vice president for academic affairs, gave the commencement address. Bob Helstrom was awarded an honorary doctorate, and the Class of 1961 was inducted as Golden Grads.



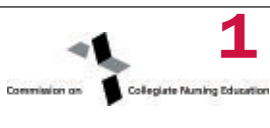
1 National accreditation received for master of science in nursing program

Vice President for Academic Affairs Dr. Burton Webb is pleased to announce that the University's master of science in nursing has now received accreditation by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE).

In April, the CCNE board determined that the master's degree program met all four accreditation standards: mission and governance; institutional commitment and resources; curriculum and teaching-learning practices; and program effectiveness. This accreditation is for a five-year term that extends to June 30, 2016, and marks the seventh graduate discipline to be accredited at the University.

"For NNU to receive this accreditation, it is a strong affirmation of the excellent work our graduate faculty have done to facilitate the continued development of excellence in the nursing profession," said Dr. Webb.

For more information about NNU's fully online master of science in nursing program, go to www.nnu.edu/msn or call 208-467-8642.



2 NNU SIFE team takes first runner-up at nationals

The Students In Free Enterprise (SIFE) team placed first runner-up at the national competition in Minneapolis. This ranks the NNU team in the top 40 out of over 600 SIFE teams throughout the United States.

During the 2010-11 academic year, the NNU SIFE team organized five projects in the local community, including The Ethics Panel, Konverted Kicks, Idaho and Beyond, Money Madness, and Poetic Success. Six team members presented an overview of the projects at the regional competition.

NNU SIFE CEO Michelle Haynes said, "We are constantly learning how to work together to improve the quality of our projects. With this mindset, we can step confidently into the professional world, are able to help the community and leave a lasting impression with the people we meet along the way."

SIFE is an international nonprofit organization that works with leaders in business and higher education. Its goal is to mobilize university students to make a difference in their communities while developing the skills to become socially responsible business leaders.



NNU offers two fully online masters programs in Youth, Church & Culture

Northwest Nazarene University is pleased to announce the addition of a new graduate track to its menu of fully online master's programs: Master of Arts and Master of Divinity in Youth, Church & Culture. Dean of NNU's School of Theology and Christian Ministries

Dr. Mark Maddix states, "The new degree will equip ministers and church leaders to address how local congregations and parachurch ministries can effectively minister to youth and their families in the midst of our changing culture."

Students in the Master of Divinity program can complete their degree one course at a time in as little as 50 months, with most summers free. After completing an online orientation, these students will take 42 credits in the pastoral ministry core and 32 credits of emphasis in youth, church and culture. The Master of Divinity program satisfies the educational requirements for ordination as an elder in the Church of the Nazarene.

The new program will launch August 15 and is accredited by the Northwest Commission on Colleges and Universities. For more information on how to achieve your goal of reaching today's youth and their families, call 877-NNU-GRAD or 208-668-4723.

3 NNU welcomes well-known author William Paul Young

The Alumni Association is proud to welcome William Paul Young, author of "The Shack," to campus September 22 at 7 p.m. in the Brandt Center's Swayne Auditorium. "The Shack" is one of the top 70 New York bestsellers of all time.

Young, father of six, wrote the novel as a Christmas gift for his children in 2006. Friends who read it began giving copies to their friends until May 2007 when Young and two of his partners pooled their resources to print the first 10,000 copies. By September 2007, Young had an international distribution deal. To date there are over 4.4 million copies in print, translations in over 35 foreign-language editions and a growing list of countries where the novel tops the charts.

4 GIRC team heads to national competition

Business and finance students were named the champions of the regional 2011 Global Investment Research Challenge (GIRC) earlier this spring. NNU competed against teams from Boise State University, George Fox University and University of Phoenix; however, NNU was the only team to include traditional and nontraditional undergraduate students with graduate students.

The teams of three-to-five students worked directly with US Ecology to research and prepare a company analysis. Each team worked with an investment professional that mentored the team through the research process, and reviewed and critiqued its report.

Upon completion, the report was reviewed and scored by a high-profile panel of active Idaho Society CFAs

and highly experienced money managers. Teams also presented their research to these judges. The team with the highest combined report and presentation score won. Local champions advance to regional competitions in the Americas, Asia and Europe, and then to the global finale.

The NNU team is comprised of MBA, STEP and traditional undergraduates including (left to right, bottom to top) Craig Christensen, Justin Reynolds, Justin Archuleta, Sam Rawlins and Jack Craven.

5 NNU team returns from NASA

Team Super-Hydro, a group of six engineering students, returned from NASA's 2011 Microgravity University SEED (Systems Engineering Educational Discovery) Flight Week at NASA Johnson Space Center in Houston, Texas. Team Super-Hydro successfully completed its research aboard NASA's specially equipped jet nicknamed the "Weightless Wonder" during flights in March. The aircraft flew a series of 32 parabolas, a steep climb followed by a free fall over the Gulf of Mexico, producing a 20-second period of weightlessness each time.

Weston Patrick, student team leader from Wasilla, Alaska, said, "Our program worked flawlessly. We got great data, and we're all very happy. I've been inspired by being around NASA and getting to participate."

Team members with Weston include Chad Larson (Medford, Ore.), Grady Turner (Nampa, Idaho), Jordan Hush (Boise, Idaho), Kevin Halle (Edmonds, Wash.) and Jesse Baggenstos (Renton, Wash.). Faculty mentors included Dr. Stephen Parke, Dr. Dan Lawrence and Dr. William Packard.

6 Students return from Costa Rica

Three faculty members and 20 students spent 12 days in Costa Rica studying four different disciplines—ecology, photography, language and culture. This unique cross-cultural experience allowed students to learn and to communicate with basic Spanish. Students were also exposed to local cultures and ecology while shooting a DSLR (digital single lens reflex) camera to communicate the concepts learned.

"Our trip to Costa Rica in May helped us all appreciate the diversity of ecology and culture in our hemisphere. Dr. Cossel's guided explorations of lowland jungles, rain forests and cloud forests deepened our understanding of biology and ecology in the tropical environment." Dr. Ben Earwicker, assistant professor of Spanish said, "Students observed sustainable, organic farming at the Mora Family Farm and learned about tourism and its impact on the economy and environment of Costa Rica. In terms of language and culture, students repeatedly demonstrated their desire to engage others in conversation and fellowship, not merely as tourists, but as partners and friends."

7 NNU and CWI partner through Articulation Agreement

An articulation agreement was signed in June between College of Western Idaho (CWI) and NNU. This agreement allows CWI students to easily transfer to NNU and take advantage of NNU's degree programs designed for traditional students as well as professionals seeking to advance their career.



NNU alumni & friends mission trip to Bangladesh led by "JESUS" Film Harvest Partners January 19 - February 1, 2012

Bangladesh, located in South Asia, is an area in critical need of "JESUS" film equipment and ministry teams. Over \$20,000 has been raised for four film packages; however, up to 30 individuals are needed to deliver them, to assist in schools and orphanages, and to spread the Gospel through the EvangeCube ministry.

For further details including projected cost, visit www.nnu.edu/alumni or call 800-654-2411.

Register by July 31, 2011.

Dave Daniels welcomed to Crusaders

By Craig Stensgaard, Sports
Information Director

Photo: Dave and Vicki with their three daughters, Kyrah (7), Seylah (2) and Ellyanah (4).

Joining the Crusader family on April 13, new men's basketball coach Dave Daniels felt a unique connection to Northwest Nazarene University from the beginning.

"It really goes back a couple of years," Daniels reflected. "I brought my team here to play in a pre-season tournament, and you could just feel that it was different. Now that I'm on campus, I understand why it just feels like home."

Head coach at NCAA Division II member Colorado Christian University (CCU) in Denver for the past six seasons, Daniels led the Cougars to the NCAA Division II National Tournament in 2008 and was named the 2007-08 Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference Coach-of-the-Year.

"The pace of life in Nampa reminds me of my time growing up in central Oregon, and I've missed that. Living in different parts of the country makes one realize it's not that way everywhere. The reception we have had is amazing."

His personal excitement included bringing his wife, Vicki, and their three daughters, Kyrah (7), Ellyanah (4) and Seylah (2), to Nampa for the first time to see their new home.

"It's the things that seem so little to other people that make it special. When we went into the admissions office, the entire staff came and met my family, taking time to sit and talk with my girls during their workday—that just doesn't happen everywhere."

While workdays are filled with recruiting for his first season at the helm of the Crusader program, Coach Daniels has already spent significant time meeting alumni and sharing his vision for NNU basketball in the community.

It's been a great experience to meet alumni and community members and get the feeling that NNU basketball matters to

people. That feeling excites me because it means programs at NNU have impact."

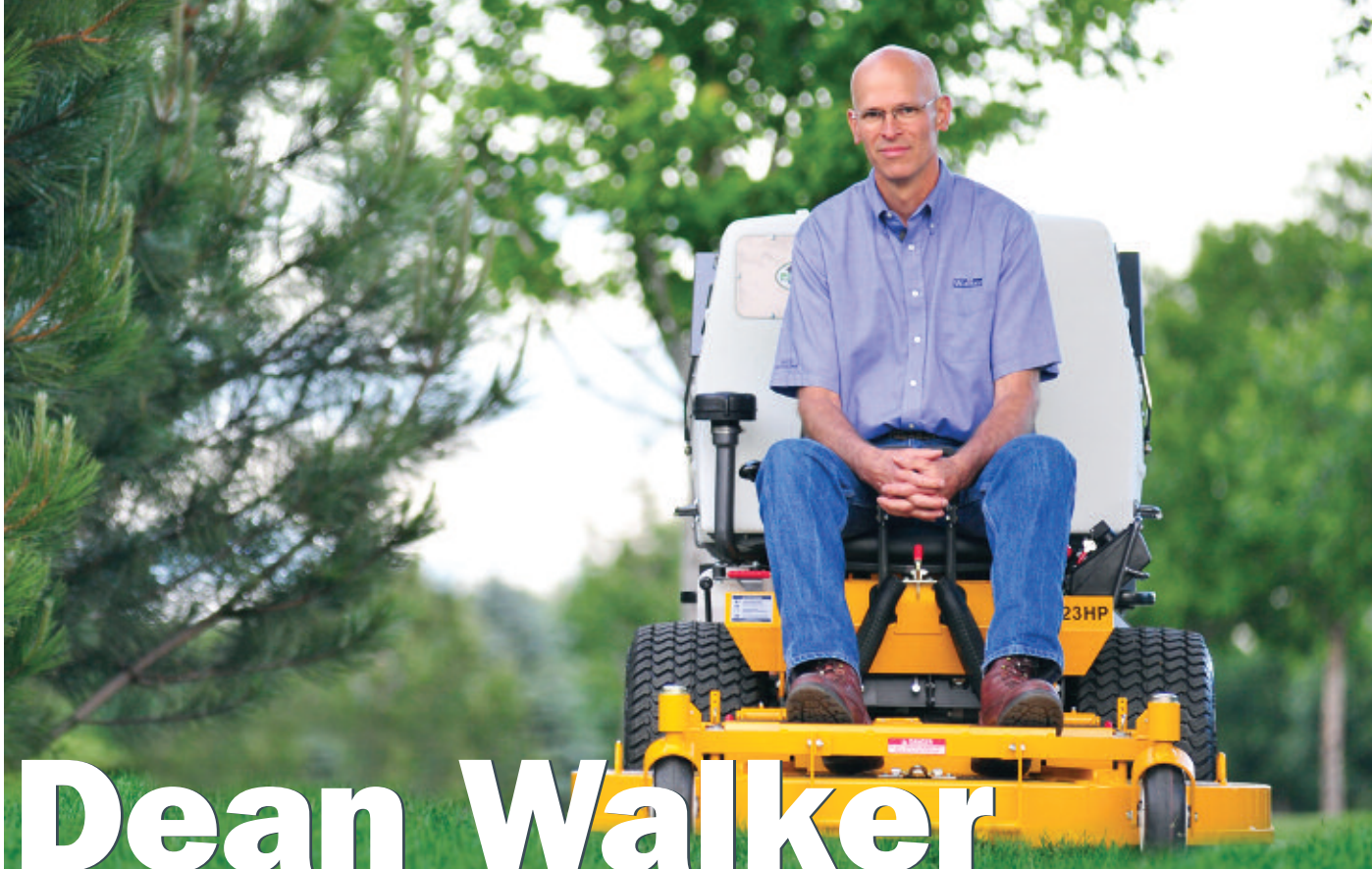
Making an impact is not something new to Daniels. A 2004 inductee into the Colorado Christian University Hall of Fame, Daniels was a first-team all-conference player at both Clackamas Community College in Oregon City, Ore., and at Colorado Christian. Named the 1993 Colorado Athletic Conference Most Valuable Player, Daniels ranked second nationally in assists and led his team to two Colorado Athletic Conference titles.

Following his collegiate career, Daniels' professional playing experience began with the Denver Nuggets at the 1993 Rocky Mountain Review NBA summer league and continued with both the Rochester Renegades and the Yakima Sun Kings in the Continental Basketball Association (CBA) during the 1993-94 season.

Joining Athletes in Action in 1994, Daniels' playing career culminated in the 1998 World Championships and the 2000 Olympic Games in Sydney, taking advantage of his dual citizenship to represent Canada on the Canadian national team, where he served as the point guard behind NBA All-Star Steve Nash.

Daniels returned to his alma mater as head coach in 2005 after being with Athletes in Action for six years. He led the Cougars to RMAC tournament berths four times, reached the RMAC Final Four three times and captured the RMAC East Division Championship during the 2007-08 season.

NNU Athletic Director Rich Sanders commented, "With deep roots in the Northwest from his playing days, Dave will provide strong spiritual leadership to our student-athletes and mental toughness on the floor. We are very excited to have Dave at the helm of our men's basketball program."



Dean Walker

Alumnus of the Year Award

Dedication, integrity, genius—these are just a few of the words that have been used to describe Dean Walker, 2011 Alumnus of the Year Award recipient.

Dean graduated from Northwest Nazarene University in 1975 with a BA in business. He says, “As is the case with most, after graduating from college, I had no idea where the journey of life would take me.” He returned home, married his college sweetheart, Suzanne (Mayhew), and joined his father and brother in the family business, Walker Manufacturing Company.

The family business started out in Fowler, Kan., on the family farm with products ranging from gas-powered golf carts to evaporative coolers. When Dean joined in 1975, the company had moved to Fort Collins, Colo., and change was in the air. The three Walker men saw a potential need in the lawn mower industry and began working on a prototype.

Dean was vital in the design and production of that first-ever Walker Mower, from which all future success has been anchored. Since then, over 100,000 mowers have been sold worldwide—mowers that have the reputation of being the “Cadillac” of their industry.

It is not just Dean’s success in business that has set him apart, but also the ethics with which he approaches the business world. His brother and business partner, Bob Walker, describes Dean’s leadership as a witness to all.

“His Christian principles are a testimony to suppliers, employees, Walker Mower distributors and dealers and the end customer.”

The business is grounded in the same Christian principles that guide Dean’s life, such as pursuing excellence and keeping promises—and people notice. Walker Mowers has gained a reputation for being a business that exemplifies the values of honesty and integrity.

Dean has also remained dedicated to his local church, Loveland Nazarene, for over 30 years. He is never too busy to serve, whether it is as a Sunday school teacher or board member. He is well-respected both at church and in the local community.

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Since graduation, Dean and Suzanne have also raised their four sons: Ted, Ryan, Daniel and Kyle.

“The challenge of living a consistent Christian life at home, at work, at play, and, yes, at church can at times be a very humbling experience. Again, God is faithful as I look to Him for my strength. He has provided so abundantly for me, and I strive to be His faithful steward. He is my help for the present; He is my hope for the days to come.”

Join us for a special chapel service on November 4 during Homecoming & Family Weekend 2011. All alumni award winners will be honored during this service with receptions to follow in various locations.



Scott Englund

Leon Doane Young Alumnus Award

Originally from Oroville, Calif., Scott Englund transferred to NNU from Point Loma in 1993 when lifelong friend and NNU alum Jason Rhoads invited him to be his dorm roommate. Scott was preparing to propose to the love of his life, Teri (Guinn), and the Treasure Valley seemed like a good place to settle down and raise a family. It also did not hurt that there were many opportunities for adventurous outdoor entertainment, as Scott is an avid outdoorsman.

Scott graduated with a BA in finance in 1996. After graduation, he remained in the Treasure Valley and continued to be in a position to support the University through his job in the insurance industry. He joined the alumni board during this time and came back to NNU to finish his MBA.

In 2007, Scott teamed up with a group of Christian motocross riders to ride in the Baja 1000—a 1,300-mile motorcycle race in Mexico. It was during this time that he really began to open up his heart to the possibility of missions. “I felt some tugging to change my life to focus more on giving than on taking.” It was soon after that an opportunity arose for Scott and Teri to work with Extreme Nazarene Ministries to direct a large church planting and volunteer outreach project in Peru. They took on and completed their part in the challenging two-year project, and were ready for more.

“When the project finished, we felt like God was not done with us. He changed our direction. My passion is business. I love it. I believe God has gifted me in this area, so I want to use this gift to build and support His Kingdom.”

Again, God opened doors, and the right opportunity soon came

along. Scott and Teri became the proud owners of the Meeting Place Cafe, a small restaurant that caters to tourists and volunteers in Cusco, Peru. In November 2010, Scott and Teri also added two more businesses—the Meeting Place Guest House and Language Institute. One hundred percent of the profits from the three businesses go directly to support local projects in the area that are in need of additional financial and volunteer support. The Englunds are faith-based missionaries and are supported by contributions from family and friends, allowing them to give all of their earnings from the businesses to local projects.

The Meeting Place is also closely affiliated with a small church that offers an English-speaking service for tourists, volunteers and missionaries who desire to worship in their own language. Scott sees supporting this church as one of the most important parts of his ministry.

“We are a light in an extremely dark city. God has opened up the doors to a great place to minister, and we plan to stay here until God moves us elsewhere.”

Scott plans to look for more business opportunities in the tourism industry in Cusco, to support more ministry projects. He is currently in the development stages of the next venture—a high-end motocross tour company.

Scott and Teri are aided in ministry by their two daughters: Kayle (11) and Emma (8). They have also made it possible for NNU students to travel to Cusco for short- or long-term volunteer service. Currently, six young men who recently graduated from NNU are staying in the guesthouse for six months while attending language school and volunteering.

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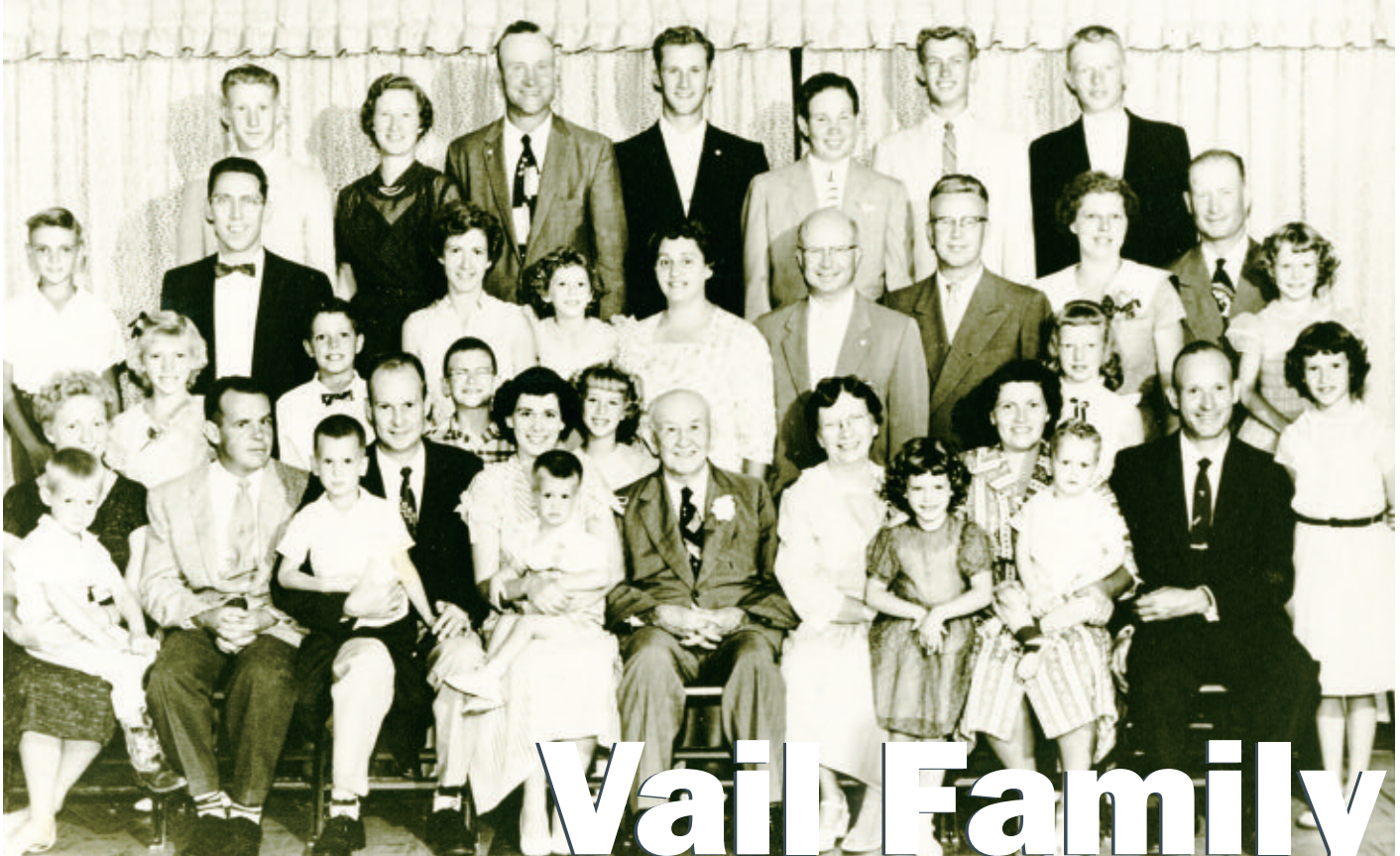


Photo: The Vail Family at Arthur and Elnora's 80th anniversary celebration.

Vail Family

honored for years of service

**Between grade school,
junior high and college,
as many as
seven Vail children
attended NNC at the same time.**

For generations of dedicated service, Northwest Nazarene University is proud to bestow the Family Heritage Award to the Vail Family at an honorary ceremony on November 4. The Vail legacy makes the family the ideal recipient of the Family Heritage Award, established by the alumni board of directors to honor alumni families who, throughout generations, have brought honor and distinction to the University and who have advanced the cause of Christ through their lives and service.

Arthur and Elnora Vail first learned about Northwest Nazarene College while living in Brewster, Kan. An acquaintance who had moved away to attend the college wrote letters describing the campus and the Christ-centered classes. The Vails began to receive *The Messenger* and to consider moving. But, as Elnora put it, "Idaho seemed so far away—like a foreign country." However, Arthur went to visit and was shown around by NNC's founder, Eugene Emerson. After his return, it was decided that "if the way opened," the whole family would move to Nampa.

On September 18, 1929, the Vails left behind Brewster and headed to Idaho. At that time they had nine children: Oren, Marion, Harley, Zola, Charles, Velma, Elmore, Virgil and Lois. Lois was born just three months before the move. Emerson helped the family settle in at the end of their journey. After finding temporary lodging, the

Vail family's first permanent home was on the corner of 12th Avenue and Lake Lowell Road where Nampa High School now stands. They also found a permanent church home, as they became charter members of College Church of the

Nazarene, located in the basement of the NNC Administration Building. They were very involved in the building of the present-day College Church and remained lifelong members.

The older boys applied to the junior high shortly after the Vails arrival. This was the beginning of a long-standing and rich NNU family heritage. Between grade school, junior high and college, as many as seven Vail children attended NNC at the same time. In the 82 years since the Vails made the long journey west, members of this family have collectively logged more than 150 years of service to the University. NNU's records list 48 alumni who are related to the Vails.

Members of Arthur and Elnora's family have filled and are currently filling many roles at NNU, including student leaders and several faculty and staff positions. Two of this family's greatest and lasting legacies are the Elmore W. Vail Baseball Field and two Vail Family endowed scholarships.

The Vail Family will receive the Family Heritage Award in a special chapel service on November 4 during Homecoming & Family Weekend 2011 with a reception to follow. There will also be brief recognition of the family during halftime of the men's basketball game Saturday evening, November 5.

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NNU HOMECOMING & FAMILY WEEKEND • NOV 3-5, 2011

7:30 pm	THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 3 Fall Drama (LT)
8 am - 4 pm	FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 4 Welcome Center open and Silent Auction (BC)
8 am	Legacy Breakfast
10 am	Alumni Association Award Chapel (receptions following)
1 - 4 pm	Reunion Gatherings (Classes of '66, '71, '76, '81, '86, '91, '96, '01, '06)
4 pm	Theology Panel Discussion
4:30 pm	Fall Drama (LT)
4:30 - 7 pm	Welcome Center open (JSC)
5 - 7 pm	Soup Supper (JSC)
5 pm	KidZone
5 pm	Women's Basketball vs. Lewis & Clark
Halftime	1997 Women's National Championship Team Hall of Fame Induction (reception following)
6:45 pm	School of Business Networking Reception (HBC)
7:15 pm	Coronation (JSC)
8:15 pm	Men's Basketball vs. George Fox
10 pm	'50s Slick (DX)
8:30 am	SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 5 Department and Affinity Group Breakfast gatherings
11:30 am - 1 pm	Live and Silent Auction (BC)
1:30 pm	Fall Drama (LT)
2 pm	Walk/Run 2011
4:30 pm	Fall Drama (LT)
7:30 pm	Concert presented by NNU Music Department (SA)

Dr. Irving Laird to receive Wesley Order for Servant Leadership Award

Dr. Irving Laird, known to many as 'Doc,' will be presented with the 2011 Wesley Order for Servant Leadership Award by President Alexander. Doc served NNU 30 years and was committed to mentoring students. Many students remember his "Covenant" groups for men, and Bev Laird hosted a group for women, "Servanthood."

The Wesley Order of Servant Leaders recognizes individuals whose lives and accomplishments reflect the spirit and practice of servant leadership, modeled in Jesus Christ, mirrored in the life of John Wesley, championed by our founding father Phineas F. Bresee and held in the heart of NNU's mission and values.

Covenant and Servanthood members invited: Join us for Homecoming & Family Weekend as we honor Doc Laird and reunite these mentor groups. For more information, visit www.nnu.edu/Laird

Department and Affinity Gatherings

Friday at 6:45 p.m.: School of Business Pizza and Networking Reception

Saturday Breakfasts at 8:30 a.m.: Science Math Associates (SMA); STCM/NTS; ASB and SGA alumni; Oasis and Crusader alumni staff

Class Reunion Gatherings

Class get-togethers are planned for alumni and friends of these nine classes: 1966, 1971, 1976, 1981, 1986, 1991, 1996, 2001 and 2006. Go to www.nnu.edu/homecoming, and click on individual class year for details.

'50s Slick

Sponsored by the SGA for students/parents/alumni/friends and the entire campus community, this is for EVERYONE! Join the fun in the Student Center after basketball. Admission is free, and there will be soda fountain drinks and fifties-style fun.

Walk/Run 2011

All are welcome! For complete details, go to www.nnu.edu/homecoming, and click on Walk/Run 2011 in the left menu.

Got kids? Bring them along!

Homecoming & Family Weekend is a great time to introduce your children to NNU! There will be a pizza event specifically for your middle or high school student during basketball on Friday. At the same time there is a KidZone supervised play area in the Fieldhouse for the under-12 set. All homecoming activities will be child-friendly.

Child care is available for \$2 per hour on Friday from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. with call-ahead reservations. Please make reservations early by contacting the Alumni Office at alumni@nnu.edu or 800-654-2411.

Tickets

Tickets for all Homecoming & Family Weekend events are available online in partnership with the Nampa Civic Center Box Office's secure website. The link to all details can be found at www.nnu.edu/homecoming

Questions?

Homecoming & Family Weekend questions? Please call the Alumni Office at 800-654-2411 or 208-467-8841.

For more information, www.nnu.edu/homecoming.

KEY

DX - Dex Cafeteria
HBC - Helstrom Business Center
LT - Little Theatre
JSC - Johnson Sports Center
SA - Swayne Auditorium
BC - Brandt Center

decade news

1950s

Noel Riley Fitch's -59- book, "Sylvia Beach & the Lost Generation" (1983) was recently published in a French translation. The book, dedicated to Noel's parents, former NNU President John E. and Dorcas Riley, had previously been translated into Japanese, German, Italian and Spanish.

1960s

Delilah (Moore) Leach -64- has had her autobiography, *Iron Heart: A Story of Perseverance After Polio*, published by Tate Publishing (2011). The book details the nearly four months Delilah spent in an iron lung as a child suffering from polio.

1970s

Kent R. Hill -71- was named senior vice president of international programs group (IPG) for World Vision. He has served as president at the Institute on Religion and Democracy and at Eastern Nazarene College. Most recently, Kent served as the vice president for character development for the John Templeton Foundation. Kent is married to Janice (Hurn) -72- who is a reading specialist. They have two children, Jonathan and Jennifer.

1980s

Norm Parrish -89- was named director of basketball preparations for The Univ. of Utah men's basketball program. Parrish joins the Utes after coaching at Salt Lake Community College for the past 20 years.

1990s

Andrew Coose -90- has been selected to serve as the TSA representative to Australia, after serving as federal security director (FSD) for Boise Air Terminal/Gowan Field since 2007. Andrew has 19 years of experience in aviation security.

Marty Michelson -92, professor at Southern Nazarene University, was one of 19 recipients from a pool of several hundred international applicants chosen by Rotary International for a full-ride scholarship and stipend for all expenses for 12 weeks

at Chulalongkorn University in Bangkok, Thailand, this summer.

Lisa (VanSchyndel) Nordstrom -94- was honored in March by the Women's & Children's Alliance with its TWIN Award (Tribute to Women and Industry). Lisa serves as lead counsel for Idaho Power.

Jeff Kinneveauk -96- was named president and chief executive officer of ASRC Energy Services. Jeff has worked for the Arctic Slope Regional Corporation, family of companies since 1997 in a variety of positions, most recently as senior vice president of shareholder programs. He also serves on the board of ASRC Civil Construction, Inc., the American Red Cross of Alaska and the Alaska Native Heritage Center.

Brent Deakins -97- has taken a position as a pastor of a church in Woodstock, Ga. The family moved there in January and is enjoying the opportunity to serve.

Alanna Duley -98-MBA- completed her doctorate in organizational management and business informational systems from the University of Phoenix.

Shelby Schmollinger -98 - recently started working with Dr. Michael Portman, professor of Pediatrics/Cardiology at the University of Washington/Seattle Children's Hospital, as the clinical research associate for three studies. Since 2008, she had worked with Seattle Children's Research Institute with the child behavioral department in obesity studies.

Lee Rudeen -90- and his brother Kent Rudeen -99- won a 2011 Bronze Telly award in the category of "Use of Animation" for their 90-second animated short film "Pete the Sheep." The stop-motion animation film depicts a sheep named Pete whom God tells to "feed my sheep," based on John 21: 15-22. "Pete the Sheep" is the first film by the Church of the Nazarene to be animated by hand.

Tami (McCoy) Moore -99- completed her fellowship and was certified as a speech-language pathologist (SLP) from the American Speech-Language-Hearing

Association (ASHA) in 2008. In the same year, she and her family also relocated to Idaho to begin a nonprofit campus ministry to Boise State University called "Crosswalks Coffee." In 2010, Tami established More & Moore Communicating, LLC, a pediatric speech therapy private practice which focuses on early childhood communications (e.g., baby sign), multicultural populations and low-socioeconomic status areas.

2000s

Kyle Fischer -01- graduated with a master of fine arts in film production from the American Film Institute Conservatory in December 2010. Kyle recently won the prestigious First Place Gold Circle Award for outstanding student film from the Caucus for Producers, Writers & Directors. Other award recipients honored include Jack Bender (executive producer/director, "Lost") and Nigel Lythgoe (producer, "American Idol"). Kyle's film, entitled "Thule," was an official selection at the Florida Film Festival and the Palm Beach International Film Festival.

Moss Strong -02-MEd- will take the helm at Caldwell School District's Jefferson Middle School on July 1. The board approved Strong's promotion to principal in March after he served as vice principal this past school year.

Jill Deakins -04- has earned the designation of Associate of the Casualty Actuarial Society. The requirements involve seven exams and other online courses and took over four years to complete. She is an actuarial analyst at United Heritage Financial Group in Meridian and is now one of only two designated property and casualty actuaries in Idaho.

Tyler Layne -06- was recently named 2010 Platinum Leader of the West by Northwestern Mutual, in recognition of his position as the highest-producing financial representative at his level in the company. He has received the 2010 Western Regional Top 50 New Clients Award. Tyler and his wife, Melanie (Nisly) -06- reside in Twin Falls, Idaho, with their two children, Katelyn (3) and Trenton (6 months).

milestones births

Caleb on Oct. 1, 2009, to Elizabeth and **Collin Borger -09**, joining big brother Cayden

McCauley "Macy" Lynn on June 14, 2010, to **Katie (Klosterman) -97-** and Daron Brown, joining big brothers Kendall and Parker

Ike Montgomery on July 6, 2010, to **Adria (Olsen) -97- and Peter Jurhs -98**, joining brother Brock and sister Grace

Kate Huntington on July 24, 2010, to **Julie (Walburn) -03- and Brett O'Connor -03-**

Orion Eugene on Sept. 9, 2010, in Salt Lake City, Utah, to **Jennifer (Revels) -00- and Jaden Perry -02-**

Jane Josephine on Sept. 10, 2010, in New York, N.Y., to **Andrea (Young) -01- and Telfer Griffith -01-**

Khilyn Jessa on Nov. 19, 2010, in Boise, Idaho, to **Heidi (Zimmerman) -03- and John Hunter -94-**

West on Feb. 2, 2011, to **Noelle (West) -05- and Sam Fleischmann -05-**

marriages

Elizabeth (Gaines) (06) and Collin Borger -09- on July 7, 2007, in Meridian, Idaho

Erin Shively -08- and Caleb Conlee -08- on July 17, 2010, in Yakima, Wash. The couple resides in San Diego, Calif.

Kyle Fischer -01- and Rheanne Moore on Aug. 27, 2010, in Salem, Ore. The couple resides in Los Angeles, Calif.

Charlotte Fought -09- and Luke Hillman on Sept. 4, 2010. The couple resides in Yakima, Wash.

Kristen Brewer -06- and Bart Carrico on Nov. 16, 2010, on the beach in Hawaii. The couple will make their home in Boise, Idaho.

Dr. Phyllis Perkins -56- and Dr. Quentin Howard -42- on Feb. 17, 2011, Meridian, ID

Edward L. Haldy -46- on Feb. 18, 2011, in Centralia, Wash.

in memory

Vernon E. Woodman (32) on Oct. 25, 2008, Nampa, Idaho

Rose Voget Thompson -39- on Dec. 3, 2010, Peoria, Ariz.

C.L. "Chuck" Mc Connell -40- on April 17, 2010, Spokane, Wash.

Kenneth Meenach -40- on March 29, 2011, Boise, Idaho

Alberta (Vredevelt) Stonecypher -43- on May 6, 2009, Pasco, Wash.

Delmar Beukelman -49- on March 11, 2011, Nampa, Idaho

Ellis Cox -51- on Feb. 9, 2011, Mead, Wash.

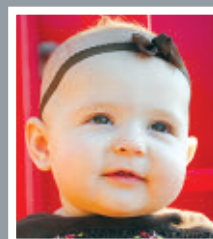
Katherine Jean (Kirkpatrick) Krauss -51- on Feb. 3, 2011, Portland, Ore.

Cliff Cowley -52- on May 3, 2011, Portland, Ore.

Kenneth Bortles -54- on Oct. 26, 2010, Salem, Ore.



Cayden & Caleb Borger



Macy Brown



Kate Huntington



Orion Perry



Jane Griffith



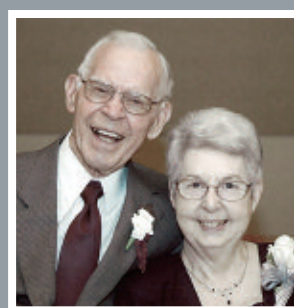
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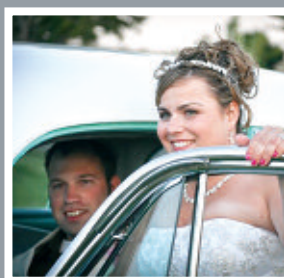
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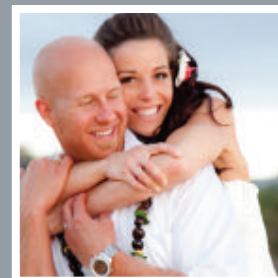
Kyle & Rheanne Fischer



Dr. Quentin & Dr. Phyllis Howard



Luke & Charlotte Hillman



Bart & Kristen Carrico

Summer ministry groups tour 2011

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Covenant

June 1-8
June 10-13
June 13
June 14
June 15
June 16
June 19
June 19-25
June 26

June 28
June 29
June 30
July 1
July 3

July 4-10
July 12
July 13
July 15
July 16

Training Camp at NNU
Colorado District Camp
Columbine Hills Naz., Littleton, Colo.
Tower Community Naz., Aurora, Colo.
Colorado Springs First Naz., Colorado Springs, Colo.
Longmont Naz., Longmont, Colo.
Coeur d'Alene Naz., Coeur d'Alene, Idaho
Northwest District Camp
St. Maries Naz., St. Maries, Idaho
Pomeroy Naz., Pomeroy, Wash.
Lewiston Naz., Lewiston, Idaho
Moscow Naz., Moscow, Idaho
Colfax Naz., Colfax, Wash.
Sandpoint Naz., Sandpoint, Idaho
Life Community Church, Kirkland, Wash.
Bremerton Naz., Bremerton, Wash.
Nazarene Youth Conference, Louisville, Ky.
Snohomish Naz., Snohomish, Wash.
Redwood Family Church, Woodinville, Wash.
Enumclaw Naz., Enumclaw, Wash.
Puyallup Naz., Puyallup, Wash.

July 17

July 18
July 20
July 21
July 22
July 23

July 24
July 25-29
July 31

August 1
August 3
August 5
August 7

August 8-13
August 14
August 21

Newberg Naz., Newberg, Ore.
Eugene Naz., Eugene, Ore.
Florence Naz., Florence, Ore.
Medford First Naz., Medford, Ore.
South Salem Naz., Salem, Ore.
Sandy Naz., Boring, Ore.
Intermountain District Camp Meeting, Nampa
First Naz., Nampa, Idaho
Valley Shepherd Naz., Meridian, Idaho
Intermountain District Jr. High Camp
Missoula Naz., Missoula, Mont.
Whitefish Naz., Whitefish, Mont.
Great Falls Naz., Great Falls, Mont.
Laurel Naz., Laurel, Mont.
Sheridan First Naz., Sheridan, Wyo.
Riverton Naz., Riverton, Wyo.
Cody Naz., Cody, Wyo.
Rocky Mountain District Camp
Sunnyside Naz., Kinnear, Wyo.
Eagle Naz., Eagle, Idaho

June 13-17
June 19-24
June 26-July 1

July 1-5

July 5-8
July 9-17
July 18-22
July 24-30
August 1-5
August 8-13

Intermountain District Senior High Camp
Vida Nueva Naz., Nampa, Idaho
Northwest Connect Compassionate Ministry,
Spokane, Wash.
Freedom Fest & Kinder Fest with Leavenworth
Naz., Leavenworth, Wash.
Seattle area
Church visits throughout Alaska
Alaska District Camp
Black Lake Camp, Olympia, Wash.
Oregon Pacific Camp
Rocky Mountain District Camp

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NNU students gain out-of-this-world experience

This spring, a team of six sophomore engineering students, nicknamed Team Super-Hydro, from Northwest Nazarene University flew on NASA's zero-gravity aircraft, the "Weightless Wonder." NNU was one of 23 teams chosen to participate in NASA's program. Check out any one of our other 60+ majors to find your true love.



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