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Road trip

Goin' to the Chapel

Emily Reiss, 24, had never been west of Tennessee when she and 25-year-old Sara Kratzer left Philadelphia in a moving truck in mid-September on an adventure across "the beautiful Continental Divide" en route to Gonzaga. The two employees of Beyer Studio, Inc., of Philadelphia, who had just recrafted 28 stained glass windows Gonzaga had purchased from The Most Blessed Sacrament Parish in their hometown, were in Spokane last week installing those windows in the newly attired University Chapel on the third floor of the Administration Building.

The magnificently colored leaded glass windows depict 28 saints. Created in 1925, the windows were originally installed in the basement level of The Most Blessed Sacrament Church in Philadelphia, but were replaced recently by more energy efficient clear glass windows.

The problem was this: the original windows were approximately 3-feet-by-7-feet, and the window frames in the University Chapel are approximately 4-by-8. The two women, both holding bachelor's of fine arts degrees in glass, recreated additional leaded glasswork around the outside of the original windows to create larger windows "that are absolutely marvelous pieces of artwork," said Campus Architect Mac McCandless. "The way they've been able to extend the windows to perfectly match

the artwork in the original pieces is incredible."

The windows are installed inside of insulated, double-paned glass to ensure proper climate control and energy efficiency.

A peek inside the renovated Chapel reveals the room's original restored fir floor,

with the altar platform and window moldings to match. A combination of mahogany pews and moveable gold-colored upholstered chairs will provide seating. The sanctuary walls will be adorned in faux gold-leaf Gothic *fleur d' lys* and crosses.

The altar will be a slightly smaller wood version of the altar McCandless designed for St. Al's. The altar of repose, ambo, and the table for the baptismal font will echo the design of the altar. All these will be stained to match the congregational seating. The main altar and the altar of repose will have tops of Italian marble that is cream colored with significant brown veining.

Installation of new lighting proved a challenge in preserving the original pressed tin ceiling, one of largest in the city of Spokane. Existing conduit was used where possible and new transformers will be hidden above removable rosettes molded to blend with the ceiling. New hanging fixtures have both up lights and down lights, further accentuating the ceiling.

The University Chapel is expected to open within one week, although finish work will continue through October, said Father Bill Watson, S.J., vice president for mission, who oversaw the project. Chapel renovation was paid for through Gonzaga's Capital Campaign.



Glass artists Emily Reiss and Sara Kratzer flank Spokane Mayor John Powers, who stopped by to examine the progress being made on the University Chapel.

Stained glass windows, woodwork, ornamentation make Chapel a gem

Faculty Assembly president establishes wide-ranging goals

Law Professor Steve Sepinuck would like to see faculty have a greater hand in what is happening at Gonzaga. As Faculty Assembly president, he has established the following goals for the year:

- Persuade the University to commit to improving the emblem of the University by updating all Administration Building classrooms, including climate control, new technologies, and the flexibility to accommodate a variety of teaching methods, particularly those in which the faculty member is not always the center of attention.

"This is under way. Last month, (Academic Vice President) Stephen Freedman and I created a committee of faculty and administrators to develop plans for what renovated classrooms should contain. I have met twice with the Committee and am confident that they are on the right track," Sepinuck said.

- Motivate the University to increase faculty salary and benefits by reinstating the general faculty salary increase, discontinued when the CUPA agreement was implemented; and



Steve Sepinuck
Faculty Assembly President

increasing the University's contribution to faculty retirement fund.

"Work on this has begun," Sepinuck said. "Both issues were raised at the Budget Committee meeting over the summer. I am hopeful."

- Enhance the influence of faculty on campus, which requires reviewing the faculty's own self-governance, making the structure more representative and inclusive, and ensuring the communication flow within its

various components is more reliable and multi-directional.

"We must create culture on this campus in which faculty are consulted in advance on matters of resource allocation; and faculty collaborate with the administration and participate in the decision-making-process on policies relating to the Mission," Sepinuck said. "Again, substantial work has already begun on this. Proposals are now before the Executive Committee from several different sources. I expect them to get a full airing before the Committee and then be brought before the

entire Assembly before the semester is out."

- Preserve the Mission as a unifying force

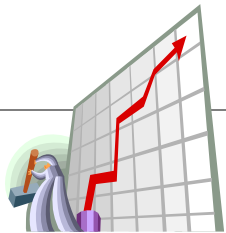
"The newly formed committee to review the Speakers Policy, with its wide-ranging representation, is a model for future collaboration on subjects such as this. I expect another, similar type of structure, to work on Fr. Spitzer's desire to create a Catholic Identity Statement for the University," Sepinuck said. "We will, of course, not devise a Speaker's Policy or a Catholic Identity Statement that pleases everyone fully, but we should be able to agree on ones that the vast majority find acceptable."

- Finally, ensure that Gonzaga is a welcoming and nurturing environment for faculty, staff, guests, and – most importantly – students of diverse backgrounds.

"The Executive Committee of the Faculty Assembly has already taken up this issue and begun discussion of what we, as faculty, can do to ensure that we are working constructively toward a solution. The Executive Committee has also requested the assistance of the Justice Committee, which operates under the leadership of Raymond Reyes, associate vice president for diversity."

Enrollment tops 5,500

Full enrollment hit an all-time high in September as 5,508 students enrolled in classes. The previous high was Fall 2001 when 5,259 enrolled. The Fall 2002 10-day count includes 3,624 undergraduates, 177 study-abroad students, 990 master's students, 101 doctoral students, 570 law students and 46 enrolled in classes for no credit. Enrollment of new freshmen was 903, and the Law School enrolled 249 new first-year students.



Law enrollment rising

The Law School's first-year class of 249 students is its largest since 1981, reports Tamara Martinez-Anderson, assistant dean and director of law admissions. And it's the strongest class, academically, since 1995.

Fall enrollment reached 570, up from 504 last fall. Applications were up 31 percent last year. About 39 percent of Gonzaga's law students are from Washington. Law students come from 34 states and three other countries. The University of Washington is the GU Law School's top feeder school. Only 6 percent of GU's law students are Gonzaga alumni.

Blind justice balances the scale

Judge Zak Yacoob, blind since 16 months old and a member of the South African Constitutional Court – the equivalent to the U.S. Supreme Court – will deliver the annual Luvera Lecture, Oct. 23, 5 p.m. in the Barbieri Courtroom at the Law School. A reception will follow. His topic is "Broad trends in the negotiating process toward South Africa's constitution in the context of the struggle for democracy."

Yacoob played a role in writing both the interim and the current South African Constitution, post-apartheid. During his years as an advocate, he represented and advised groups and individuals

who were victims of apartheid oppression.

The Paul N. and Lita Barnett Luvera

Lecture in Law series was created by an endowment gift from the Luveras. Paul N. Luvera, Jr., who received a law degree from the Gonzaga School of Law in 1959, gave the first address of the series in 1990. Lita Barnett Luvera received a law degree from Gonzaga in 1977. The lecture is free and open to the Gonzaga community.



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NOTEWORTHY

New Hires:

Joni Driskell, director of career services, Law School; Charles Elmes, visiting faculty, Leadership Studies; Ann-Scott Ettinger, lab coordinator, Biology; Maura Flood, associate professor, Law School; Joseph Hnylka, instructor, Law School; Sharon Keller, associate professor, Law School; Anjaela Mertens, evening public service assistant/library tech II, Foley Library; Kathi Plager, development writer, University Relations; Mike Renes, community outreach coordinator, CCASL; Joan Sarles, transfer counselor, Admissions; Kari St. Martin, assistant volleyball coach; Sharon Straub, assistant director of field experience, Education; Mike Thompson, assistant men's soccer coach; Mark Watry, assistant professor, Chemistry; Alisha West, academic records evaluator, Admissions; Kenneth Williams, associate professor, Law School; Lauren Winters, instructor, Law School.

Goodbyes:

Sally Burnette, assistant, Career Center; Gina Chaparro-Dempsey, lab coordinator, Biology; Carlahn Gayda, custodian in training; Barbara Hallett, development writer, University Relations; Jessi Hibbert, program assistant/copy operator, Faculty Services; Jared Kent, custodian specialist II; Carol Knoble, associate director, Residence Life; Marilyn Odle, customer service assistant, Plant Services; Andrea Price, digital imaging tech, Foley; James Rawson, assistant crew coach; DuWayne Watts, shipping/receiving clerk, Foley.

Promotions/New Assignments:

Richard Almanza, from warehouse worker III to warehouse worker IV, Plant Services; Sandy Burda, from program assistant III, Law School Dean to program assistant III, Law School Career Services; Eric Dahl, from custodian in training to custodial specialist in training, Plant Services; Laura Gatewood, from acting director of annual giving to director of annual giving, University Relations; John Graves, from HVAC tech I to HVAC tech II; Carol Hovan, from part-time program assistant III to full-time program assistant III, Hogan Entrepreneurial Leadership Program; Nhi Le, from custodian specialist III to custodian specialist IV, Plant Services; Waunita Mallah, from administrative secretary II to program assistant III, Law Development; Karin Olsen, from director to assistant dean, Law Development; Sherri Peterson, from program assistant I to counselor, Financial Aid; Jessica Russo, from program assistant I to ticket manager/travel coordinator, Athletics; Theresa Schermerhorn, from counselor to assistant director IT, Financial Aid; Tim Seely, from temporary assistant men's soccer coach to assistant men's soccer coach; Cynthia Smutny, from assistant to the dean to office administrator & assistant to the dean, School of Education; Rhonda Wavra, from custodian III to custodian IV; Timothy Woodard, from general maintenance I to general maintenance II, Plant Services.

Anniversaries:

20 Peter Black, supervisor scientific materials/lab, Chemistry.

10 Peter Tormey, associate director, Public Relations.

5 David Gurr, painter II, Plant Services; Timothy Powers, programmer/analyst, Central Computing & Network Support Services (CCNSS).

Cradle Call:

Stephanie Plowman, special collections librarian, Foley, and husband Gary are the parents of Reid Michael. Born Aug. 20, he weighed 6 lbs. 12 oz. and was 19 inches long; Crystal Roberg, academic records evaluator, Admissions, and husband Jason are the parents of Chloe Elizabeth. Born Sept. 4, she weighed 7 lbs. 7 oz. and was 20 ½ inches long; Steve Sepinuck, professor, Law School, and wife Sandra are the parents of Jacob Alexander. Born Aug. 15, he weighed 6 lbs. 9 oz. and was 21 inches long.

Focus on . . .

The College of Arts and Sciences

A new Spirit feature, Focus on . . . is a column highlighting a department or office and its people within the University. As the College of Arts and Sciences was the original academic arm of Gonzaga, Spirit has chosen to feature it first.

The College was founded in 1887. The first class was taught on Sept. 14, with seven students and 17 Jesuits on hand – the student/faculty

ratio has obviously changed a little since then. When Gonzaga College became Gonzaga University in 1912 with the adoption of the Law School, the College of Arts and Sciences remained the cornerstone of Jesuit education here, said Robert Prusch, the College's first non-Jesuit dean. As the other schools came about – business (1921), education (1928), graduate (1931), engineering (1934) and professional studies (1975), the College remained the heart and soul of the academic world here.

Today 70 percent of the total undergraduate credit hours are taught in the College. It includes 21 academic units, ranging from art to women's studies. In 1950 it offered

four degrees. Now, the College offers 35 degree programs. Psychology is the most popular major. Philosophy carries the largest credit load, Prusch said.

Here's a breakdown of its faculty and staff:

- 29 tenure track faculty
- 39 non-tenure track faculty
- 93 fixed term faculty
- For a total of 161 faculty, or a full-time equivalent of 152
- The College is run by three administrators, an assistant to the dean, and a secretary. Nine department secretaries have a combined 129 years of experience at Gonzaga.



The College of Arts and Sciences central administration includes (l to r) Assistant to the Dean Roberta Willey, Dean Robert Prusch, Associate Deans Fr. Al Morrisette, S.J., and Colleen McMahon, and secretary Nancy Scissons.

University accommodations make student accommodations positive

Director of Housing Dennis Colestock reports that "we opened with ease and order," despite early concerns that Gonzaga may have more students than beds.

To ease any housing concerns, the University:

- Again leased the east wing of the WestCoast River Inn to house 84 students
 - Is housing sophomores in the Burch Apartments, a building originally designated for upperclassmen
 - Has converted a relatively small number of study lounges into suites to house 21 students
 - Is housing six freshmen in Dussault Apartments with upperclassmen
 - Has converted several 'single' residence hall rooms into 'doubles'.
- "These measures seem to be acceptable to the majority of students using them and we have heard positive experiences from students in each situation," Colestock said. "So we're very happy."

Speakers series' inspiring academic dialogue

Attentive standing room only crowds at the 177-seat Jepson Auditorium have greeted presenters as a pair of speaker series have been launched this fall.

On Oct. 9, at 7:30 p.m. in the Jepson Auditorium two renowned black theologians, Shawn Copeland from Marquette and Diana Hayes from Georgetown, will address Black and Womanist Theologies as part of the continuing series "Catholicism for a New Millennium." The first in this series was presented Sept. 9 by Gonzaga Religious Studies Associate Professor Patrick McCormick on "Sex and the Catholic Church." The series is being coordinated by Father Tim Clancy, S.J., assistant philosophy professor and Honors Program director.

On Sept. 23, Associate Philosophy Professor Tom Jeannot and Assistant Biology Professor Hugh Lefcort addressed "The War on Iraq," as the first in a series of talks on social justice, being coordinated by McCormick for the College of Arts and Sciences. McCormick said a second session on the war on terrorism and another on welfare reform are being planned.

The original inspiration for Fr. Clancy's "Catholicism" series came from Boston College which has inaugurated a two-year program of talks, courses, conferences and research fellowships to address the questions raised by

the pedophilia crisis of this past year. "I gathered a group who were interested to do something similar for us here at Gonzaga," Fr. Clancy said. "However, I wanted to broaden the focus to include the whole array of challenges that face the church as we enter the new millennium . . . multiculturalism, the electronic media, the feminist movement, the gay rights movement, the church's own championing of democratic values and human rights around the world. All of these issues raise questions for ecclesiology and challenge the church's traditional self-understanding."

The forum is not designed to be a debate, rather a series of talks by important voices in the national conversation on these issues in the hope that they would spark debate on campus and in the local church, Fr. Clancy said. In November, Clancy hopes to host a panel of local feminist voices from around the Spokane diocese to address the needs and hopes of women in the Church at the dawn of the new millennium.



Hugh Lefcort delivers his message at last week's presentation on "The War on Iraq."

Fr. Clancy has also started another speaker series entitled "Thinkers and Visionaries of the American West" which will bring scholars and artists to campus who are doing creative work in the region. The object of this series is to expose students to the culture of the contemporary American West. The inaugural lecture for this series was given on Sept. 16 by Albert Borgman of the University of Montana in an address entitled, "Have we Lost our Bearings? On Finding our Place in the Information Age."

Distinguished alumni honor Gonzaga with their service

Gonzaga will honor the following alumni with the Distinguished Alumni Merit Awards at an annual dinner Oct. 24 in the COG. All have distinguished themselves through their personal and professional commitment to service, excellence and leadership.

- Bill Ogle '49, of Spokane, long time volunteer for the University, former president of Bill Brown Chrysler Plymouth, has served on numerous boards in Spokane and Eastern Washington
- Brian Benzel '83 PHD, superintendent of Spokane

Public Schools, former superintendent of Edmonds and Mead school districts, also served as COO for Seattle Public Schools

- Michael Killeen '71, management employment attorney with Davis, Wright Tremaine in Seattle. Long time volunteer for the Law School, serves on Law School Board of Advisors
- Patricia Haslach '78, currently the director of the Office for Afghanistan Reconstruction, formerly economic counselor in the United States Embassy in Pakistan.

Book chronicles Zags' rise

BraveHearts, *The Against-All-Odds Rise of Gonzaga Basketball*, by Seattle Times writer Bud Withers, is a 224-page novel that relates the inspirational and touching story of Gonzaga's rise from college basketball obscurity to near mystic status as everyone's favorite underdog. "The players graduate. They stay out of trouble. They win, both as students and as model citizens. That's the way it should be, and *BraveHearts* shows readers how they do it," states the publisher, Triumph Books. The novel is due in bookstores Nov. 1.

Fall Family Weekend features afternoon reception for faculty, staff



Fall Family Weekend will bring parents, brothers, sisters and grandparents of current students to campus Oct. 25-27 to share in the Gonzaga Experience. Each year the program draws more visitors. Visitors are invited to attend all classes on Friday, Oct. 25. The Autumn Gala is scheduled Oct. 25 from 4:30-6:30 p.m. in the Foley Center, complete with wine, punch and

hors d'oeuvres. This is the primary time set aside for faculty, staff and administrators to meet Gonzaga family members. All are encouraged to attend.

Faculty interested in presenting on an interactive topic of their own choice on Saturday, Oct. 26 between 9-11:30 a.m. are asked to contact Weekend Coordinator Susie Prusch, at ext. 5571.