Journey of Faith, Place of Fellowship
Exemplary Teachers Honored

In a departure from tradition, the University in April honored three untenured faculty members and three tenured professors as its Teachers of the Year for 2006. Honored (from left) were Teresa Derrickson, English; Jennifer Shepherd, chemistry; Jason Chen (T), business administration; Sister Joy Milos (T), C.S.J., religious studies; Jason Williams, psychology; and Nancy Staub (T), biology. (T = tenured)
The University has reached new highs in enrollment, academic programs are expanding, students are contributing volunteer hours like never before, a new strategic plan is being developed and basketball is gaining friends for Gonzaga worldwide.

What better time to upgrade Gonzaga’s publication for alumni and parents?

With this issue we introduce GONZAGA QUARTERLY, which replaces GONZAGA, which replaced Signum in 1999.

Readers will notice the new magazine-style format. We hope this new size makes it easier for you, our readers, and allows designers greater flexibility in putting together a reader-friendly publication.

GONZAGA QUARTERLY will strive to better inform you about the issues affecting the University, from the challenges of recruiting and retaining students and faculty of diverse cultures, to the need for increased endowment to fund scholarships. These scholarship funds will help students mitigate the costs of higher education, which continue to rise in both private and public sectors.

GQ also will bring you expanded news about and for alumni, including alumni chapter events, and other features to help you stay connected with Gonzaga.

We begin this new publication with a cover story that illustrates Gonzaga’s foray into what is becoming a national trend. “Theology on Tap” invites students (21 and older) to a nearby watering hole for vibrant discussions about religion and spirituality led by a Jesuit or other guest speaker. “One of the signal characteristics of Jesus’ ministry,” said Father Rick Ganz, S.J., director of University Ministry and founder of this program at Gonzaga, “was His consistent habit of going ‘where He was not supposed to go’ to meet God’s children, going and eating and drinking with them for the sake of opening them to God.” The program provides an engaging means to bring God to students at least 21 years old.

As with any effort, it is important to evaluate what we’ve done. We encourage you to share your thoughts with the Gonzaga community via e-mail to gonzaga@gonzaga.edu or write us at GONZAGA QUARTERLY, Gonzaga University, Spokane WA., 99258-0070.

Tell us what you think about the new GQ and we’ll share your thoughts with other readers. Together we’ll make this the best publication it can be.

– The Editorial Staff
I began the day a man reliant upon and characterized by my material possessions. To my name, I had a 35-mm Pentax camera, 400 speed Fuji film, and a Eureka pack marked by its own scratches, dents, and stories. That day in Munich, however, would forever change me.

I spent the morning at a café sipping dark coffee and munching handmade paninis. Most European tourists tend to move about as quickly as possible, like little worker ants, consuming all they can ingest. In this, my fourth month in Europe as part of Gonzaga-in-Florence, I had found solitude and beauty in simply sitting.

That night, with far less money than I had expected, I found a well-lighted park and settled to sleep on a bench. Despite the scraps with which I was traveling and the mere 20 euros I had to my name, I was content and completely fulfilled.

Alone. In a park. In Munich. No one knew my name. I was alone with my own thoughts, my own realizations, my own complications.

I woke the next morning with a slight mildew from cologne. Nothing was lost but my adolescent perception of the world and my place in it, and yet I awoke more sure of my travels and myself than ever before. For the first time – $3,000, 34 rolls of film, and 20 countries later – I had just begun to travel. I had just begun to live.

We all have defining moments. They come about without our knowing and yet redefine us forever. Gonzaga doesn’t facilitate these moments nor does it catalyze them. But Gonzaga has been the comfortable and enriching environment for moments like these to come true.
Challenge to reflect sparked personal growth

By Pat DeKlotz

For my first and even second year at Gonzaga, I existed more as part of a pack than as an individual. I traveled to parties with groups of six or more and made sure I never ate alone at the COG. It is easy to get lost at college, because it is easy to ignore the real world. There are so many distractions: partying, watching movies, or any number of other things which can make college more like a summer camp than an academic experience.

At another institution, I might have succumbed to this desire. In fact, much of my early college career did revolve around the social aspect. But I changed, or rather, I grew.

Many of my professors raised questions that are impossible to ignore. In my Philosophy of Human Nature class during my sophomore year, the teacher assigned us a paper that was due the next class. When we handed them in, he told us that he would grade them randomly. When we argued that the matter was unfair he asked us why. He ended up grading the papers fairly, but he got his point across. He had raised an important question. Why ought he grade these papers a certain way? What were we appealing to?

With that, I realized the importance of philosophy in every aspect of our lives. That was the beginning, although slight at first, of a very real change in me. The professors at Gonzaga raised questions that demanded reflection. And this reflection helped me to develop into my own person and to create a desire in me to strive to make this world a better place.

Commencement Honorees

Following are the distinguished individuals honored by Gonzaga University at its 119th commencement exercises May 13-14.

**Law School Commencement**
- Washington state Supreme Court Justice *Mary Fairhurst*, ’84 GU Law School alumna; honorary Doctor of Laws.

**Graduate Commencement**
- Seattle-area trial attorney *Paul Luvera*, ’59 GU Law School alumnus; Gonzaga Law Medal.
- *Sister Paula Mary Turnbull*, SNJM, Spokane sculptor; honorary Doctor of Laws.

The Most Rev. Alexander J. Brunett, Archbishop of Seattle, spoke at the Undergraduate Commencement.
As the deadline for college applications drew near, I decided on Gonzaga University. The school was close enough to my hometown in Montana, but still a couple of states away. My dad also announced that he had been accepted into the Master’s of Nursing program at Gonzaga. So in August of 2002, my dad and I both started at Gonzaga University. He started a distance master’s program while I moved into Catherine/Monica Residence Hall as an undergraduate freshman. During the four years I spent at Gonzaga I realized that I was not just a student, but a part of the Gonzaga family.

I spent my first two years with a close-knit group of friends, and it was not until my junior year that I truly learned what Gonzaga has to offer. I got involved in clubs, groups, and my senior year I joined the Gonzaga Student Body Association. My circle of friends has grown astronomically, yet I am still close with those friends I lived down the hall from my first day in C/M. I will miss walking across campus and knowing classmates and faculty by name. Also, I will never forget all of the doors that Gonzaga has opened for me, and all of the wonderful people I have met here.

Graduation weekend brought mixed emotions for me. It was fun watching my dad walk across the stage and accept his second master’s degree from Gonzaga, but it was bittersweet watching my classmates do the same because I knew we were ending our amazing journey through Gonzaga.
At Rooney ('71) certainly didn’t expect to spend his 35th college reunion in a local hospital. But an appendicitis attack on the Friday night of reunion weekend left him on his back. A few of his classmates smuggled a flower arrangement out of the McCarthey Athletic Center, site of Saturday night’s reunion dinner, to leave with Rooney at the hospital.

Meanwhile, more than 400 alumni from eight class years returned to campus to swap tales of their post-Gonzaga lives and reminisce about their college days. Conrad Murphy ('37), 91, was the event’s oldest returnee. Comedian Eric “Big Ed” Edelstein ('01) entertained at Saturday’s dinner. Jumping castles and arcade games entertained children so parents could visit more easily at Saturday’s barbecue. And those who weren’t out too late on Saturday night showed up for Sunday morning Mass . . . it must have been very bright outside that day.

As reunion crowds have been slowly shrinking over the past five years, discussion is under way about moving the Golden Grads reunion (alumni who graduated 50 years ago or more) to graduation weekend in May, where they could be honored as part of commencement exercises. The five-year reunion may be held on Homecoming Weekend during basketball season. Alumni staff are contemplating moving the other class reunions to a fall date to give alumni a chance to experience campus when students are around.

Stay tuned . . .
Jordanna Chord won the triple crown of good news this spring. Hired by Google as a software developer, she set off to the firm’s Kirkland, Wash., office after graduation. Second, thanks to a plan for an educational software game, Jordanna and her partner won the sixth annual Hogan Business Plan Competition, splitting $10,000 in prize money and making this the third year in which Jordanna has won or placed in the competition. Third, Chord’s twin brother traveled this spring from their home town of Anchorage to visit her at Gonzaga.

“It was the first time he ever left Alaska. We hung out on campus together, and I think it was a real eye-opener for him,” she said. Chord’s twin works as a mechanic, and she hopes that his visit to Spokane will spark an interest in college.

Neither her twin nor an older brother clicked at school—and, because of that, they were instrumental in her winning business plan for a cutting-edge educational computer game. Her proposed game is designed to connect with students whom teachers aren’t already reaching, and also to give teachers something more up-to-date for their students than the now-classic software games Oregon Trail and Number Crunchers.

On the other hand, school has always been a major outlet for Chord’s energy.

“I actually came to Gonzaga because it was the only place that accepted me that didn’t take me into their honors program,” she said. If Gonzaga was that tough, she figured, it was the right place for her. She majored in computer science and participated in the Hogan Entrepreneurial Leadership Program, which sponsors the Business Plan Competition.

“She’s a wonderful model for the Hogan program,” said Paul Buller, outgoing Hogan director. “In addition to being one of the bright, independent-minded students that Hogan hopes to attract, she has the desire to create social good.”

Chord’s orientation towards community service began with her family. Quality time with her mom, Chord said, was usually spent volunteering for EARTH, a nonprofit network that distributes food discarded by grocery stores to Anchorage’s poor. Growing up close to many people in need, Chord naturally involved herself in service at Gonzaga.

She helped to originate Rising Times, a student-produced newspaper for Spokane’s homeless, and used her high school journalism background to write for the paper. She also worked with Circle K, a college extension of Kiwanis Club.

In May, Jordanna spoke of Gonzaga’s mission for service with the voice of experience. “I see some seniors who are downright desperate to get into the Peace Corps, or Americorps, or Jesuit Volunteer Corps… it’s like they’ve only just discovered community service. I hope that it’s actually done with a reflective attitude and for the right reasons,” she said.

A lifetime of writing computer code is not Jordanna’s ideal future. She is grateful, she says, for the chance to work with brilliant minds at Google, but she looks forward to the time when she can take the plunge, start her own company and bring that software game to market.

She is certain about one thing. Having made such close ties at Gonzaga, she doesn’t want to lose her friends, both classmates and professors. Being Jordanna, she has specific plans already.

“Google doesn’t recruit at Gonzaga. Maybe I’ll come back (to campus) next spring and recruit for them.”
Student to Foster a Culture of Intentional, Holistic Student Life and throughout the University

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"I was amazed that in a town the size of Spokane, there wasn’t anything else (for tutoring);" Wolf said. The first semester she ran the clinic, Wolf took in 15 students and had a waiting list of 90. The following semester, she doubled the number of children to 30, and had a waiting list of 80. Demand has remained high.

Alumnus Fr. Hess to Become Dean at Gonzaga

Father Steve Hess, S.J., (’87) is expected to join Gonzaga midway through fall semester in the new position of dean of student formation and parent outreach. First, however, Hess will complete a doctorate in higher education administration at Boston College.

"I am very happy to have the opportunity to work in Student Life at Gonzaga, and to work with dedicated people who live out the Jesuit mission of the University," said Hess.

Hess will work collaboratively in Student Life and throughout the University to foster a culture of intentional, holistic learning focused on leadership, cultural competency and social justice. A student affairs generalist who will interact extensively with students, Hess also will help parents with concerns and questions, said Sue Weitz, vice president for Student Life.

Berryman to Lead Human Resources

Gonzaga has named Daniel C. Berryman, from the Los Alamos National Laboratory in Los Alamos, N.M., as assistant vice president for human resources. Berryman was the human resources deputy division leader at the laboratory, one of three managed by the University of California for the U.S. Department of Energy. Berryman led 55 professionals in providing human resources services to more than 9,000 UC faculty, researchers and staff. Previously, he worked in human resources positions at Motorola, White Oak Semiconductor and Siemens Transport Systems. He holds a bachelor’s degree in sociology from the University of California at Santa Barbara and a master’s degree in human resources from Pepperdine University.

Heitkemper to Direct The Career Center

Gonzaga has named Mary Ritter Heitkemper as the new director of The Career Center. Heitkemper served as interim director during the 2005-06 school year and worked previously in The Career Center for 10 years. She has more than 16 years of leadership experience working with students and career services at Gonzaga, which includes extensive involvement with the business community. Heitkemper is working to provide more opportunities for graduates, and to create a system to track career and graduate school outcomes of seniors and recent graduates. The Career Center works closely with Spokane area employers, and reaches out to employers in Seattle, Portland and elsewhere in the West.

GU Teams Win Three Awards in Hogan Business Plan Competition

Gonzaga student teams captured three prizes in the sixth annual Hogan Business Plan Competition, organized by the Hogan Entrepreneurial Leadership Program at Gonzaga. Also competing for an overall purse of $42,000 were students from Whitworth College, Eastern Washington University and Washington State University.

Winning the $10,000 first-place award in the student-generated category were Gonzaga seniors Jordanna Chord and Rebecca Oelrich, with Light House Entertainment, an educational software game plan. (See story on page 8.) Aluma Tug, the project of GU students Rich Eneim and Jon Hendrickson, won the $3,500 second-place award in the category of community-based entrepreneurs’ plans. Capturing a third-place, $1,500 award in the social enterprise category were GU students Michael Regh, Heather Rhodes, Rachel Harpole, Stuart Seger, Chris Staton and Garrett Swanson. Their plan was titled uConnection.

A record 79 teams with more than 200 students, entered the competition this year; 44 teams with nearly 100 students submitted complete plans. This was the first year WSU students were invited to enter.

McCool Was Hot in ‘45

Hockey is a sport not often thought of in connection with Gonzaga, yet the University’s name surfaced in May during the Stanley Cup playoffs. The nearly forgotten Zag sports lore came to light when rookie goalie Illya Bryzgalov of the Anaheim Mighty Ducks shut out three opponents.

"That last rookie goalie to accomplish this feat was the Zags’ own Frank McCool, a Calgary native and alumnus from the Class of ’39. Playing for the Toronto Maple Leafs in 1945, McCool aided the three teams in the Stanley Cup playoffs. Gonzaga launched an intercollegiate hockey program in 1939, and competed for three years in the Pacific Coast Conference and a Canadian semi-pro league.

For a highly readable recap of Gonzaga’s brief foray into hockey fame and McCool’s career, visit the following Web site: www.nhl.com/cupcrazy/2006/daily050606.html

Oh My, ‘iMye’ Finger Scan Technology in Place for Food

Nearly 350 students this spring took advantage of new finger scan technology from Sodexho Campus Services, which allowed them to charge meals with the press of an index finger.

Called "iMye," the scanners take images of 16 fragments of a complete fingerprint, and convert them into a series of numbers. Gonzaga was one of two sites nationwide to test the technology. Sodexho touts the security advantages of iMye, and the fact that it allows students to leave their meal cards at home. Michael McLaren, lead project manager of Sodexho’s “iMye,” said the technology was working well by the end of spring semester. Sodexho aims to expand the use of iMye in the fall, both on-campus and at participating vendors off-campus. The payoff for Sodexho? Lines of hungry students move more swiftly past the cash register . . . er, the iMye fingerprint scanner.

Bulldog Battalion among Best

The Bulldog Battalion, Gonzaga University’s Army ROTC unit, ranked among the top 15 percent of all 272 ROTC programs at colleges and universities nationwide for the 2004-05 school year.

“This accomplishment demonstrates excellence in the overall Army ROTC program and hard work and competence of Gonzaga University cadets,” said Army Maj. Gen. W. Montague Winfield.

ROTTC battalions so recognized are the most successful of all units nationwide in accomplishing their mission of training and commissioning the majority of lieutenants entering the Army each year. The Bulldog Battalion, which received the coveted
Teaching, Advising
Gain New Resources

Gonzaga has opened a Center for Teaching and Advising, the result of a campuswide desire to provide faculty with more resources to further excel at their work. Directing the facility will be Teresa Derrickson, assistant professor of English, who led a 2005-06 working group that explored options for such a center. Derrickson was involved previously with a similar center at the University of Alaska.

"Faculty members have proposed a resource center like this for a long time,” said Stephen Freedman, academic vice president. "I am delighted to see the CTA come to fruition, and I anticipate its increasing importance as faculty begin to see the many ways in which it can assist them in their work as teachers and advisers.”

Law School Dean
on Whirlwind Pace

In his first year at Gonzaga Law School, Dean Earl “Marty” Martin has set a quick pace, unrolling several initiatives designed to position the School advantageously for its second hundred years. The School’s centenary will take place in 2012.

Martin has undertaken a strategic planning process with several concepts circulating among the faculty. The process has been guided by the School’s new Mission Statement – “To provide an excellent legal education informed by our humanistic, Jesuit, and Catholic traditions and values.” A faculty vote in September will determine which ideas move forward.

Between road trips throughout the Northwest, the West and the East Coast to build stronger relationships with law firms hungry to snap up Gonzaga Law alumni, Martin oversaw the American Bar Association’s accreditation visit in February 2006. The ABA’s report is due in the fall.

Martin says he is gratified by the enthusiasm he has met in all corners of the University, particularly from the administration.

“They’ve just been very supportive and willing to entertain ideas of doing things a little differently from how they’ve been done in the past,” he said.

Leonhardt to Direct Marketing,
Communications

The University has hired Utah native Chuck Leonhardt to fill the new position of assistant vice president for marketing and communications. Leonhardt spent 10 years developing and implementing the marketing and communications plans for Utah State University, and most recently directed marketing for Spillman Technologies, a Utah software manufacturer.

Leonhardt’s leadership skills, knowledge of the development of strategic marketing plans and experience in higher education make him a superb fit for Gonzaga, said Margot Stanfield, vice president for university relations.

“We think that Chuck will provide us with keen insights into how we can solidify our national reputation as a rigorous Jesuit academic institution and a treasured, spiritual wellspring for generations of students past and to come,” Stanfield said.

Leonhardt, who started June 5, will lead development of an integrated marketing and communications plan for Gonzaga and position the University to maximize its national image and reputation. He also will oversee the public relations and graphic arts areas.

Leonhardt said he enjoys the Gonzaga community and is eager to make progress.

“ar the opportunity to become part of the
Gonzaga family is an honor,” he said. “The rich heritage that the University exudes shows up everywhere. From its students to its programs to its faculty and staff, Gonzaga stands for excellence. Our goal is to bottle all of that excellence into a comprehensive communications plan and then get the word out so that more people can participate with us.”

Student Honored by Governor
Gonzaga freshman Christina Canaday of Sacramento, Calif., received an award from Washington Gov. Chris Gregoire this past spring for her outstanding volunteer work. Canaday was honored for her involvement in Gonzaga’s Partners Project, a literacy and tutoring program that supports three low-income elementary schools in Spokane. Canaday, also an active member of the University’s Justice Club, was recognized by the Washington Commission for National and Community Service for representing the best qualities of the volunteers who serve communities in the Evergreen State.

Faculty Earn Promotions
Gonzaga University President Father Robert J. Spitzer, S.J., based on the recommendation of Academic Vice President Stephen Freedman and the Committee on Rank and Tenure, has approved the following faculty promotions, which became effective Sept. 1.

From assistant to full professor: William Ettinger, biology, and Linda Rusch, law.

From assistant to associate professor: Anjali Barretto, special education; Laura Brunell, political science; Jonas Cox, teacher education; Joseph Haydock, biology; Timo Korkeamaki, finance; Brad Striebig, civil engineering; and Foster Walsh, teacher education.

Varied Chorus
‘Weaving Our Sisters’ Voices’ shares women’s experiences

By Marny Lombard

Describing “Weaving Our Sisters’ Voices, a Sacred Tapestry of Story and Dance” is like trying to describe a croc-phant, a liger, or a heffalump. Is this multifaceted work a collection of stories from Scripture? Is it a political work, calling out the indignities and betrayals once and still perpetrated on women? Or is it a work of courage, three dancers flickering into one flame, portraying one woman’s terror, another’s love and another’s anger, delving into the lives of “the foremothers of our faith”?

“It is all of these and more,” said Suzanne Ostersisth, director and choreographer of “Sisters’ Voices” and director of Gonzaga’s dance minor.

“Sisters’ Voices” is, first of all, a collaboration. Written by Linda Scheirng, professor of religious studies, choreographed by Ostersisth, and set to music by Robert Spittal, associate professor and chair of the music department, this one-act performance opens with the brutal story of the Levite’s concubine. Gang-raped and cut into 12 pieces, the Levite’s concubine symbolizes all the pain to come in the stories of Miriam, Vashti, Jochebed, Deborah, Mary and others, somewhere in which the Bible never names.

In a story hinging on widowhood and divorce, a character steps outside her ancient time to say, “We didn’t have restraining orders in my day, and I understand they don’t always do much good even in your day.” This and other commentary help to sharpen the focus on the universality of women’s experience.

“Sisters’ Voices” became, secondly, an experience shared with Spokane. It was the centerpiece of the 15th anniversary celebration of Women’s Hearth, a drop-in center. Other performances took place at women’s shelters, churches and interfaith organizations, as well as on campus. Overall, the production reached more than 850 people.

Through that bridging of campus and community came perhaps the deepest learning – the personal transformation experienced by the dancers.

“There is nothing like knowing that the painful stories you are acting out and dancing about, some members of your audience can relate to personally. It is very hard . . . especially when you look at an audience member who is six feet from you and she has tears in her eyes because of what you are saying and how it relates to her,” said dancer Sara Simmons, a psychology major who graduated in May. “Spiritually, I have grown in my conception of what it means to worship. It is possible to worship not only through official services but through dance and art.”

Fellow dancer Christi Ann Hofland said the production helped her better understand the importance of community.

“I was amazed by how the show affected so many people in so many ways,” said Hofland, an art major who also graduated this spring. “I learned that sharing stories brings people together and offers healing.”

Ostersisth hopes to restage “Sisters’ Voices” in the coming school year.

Letters To the Editor

Band Packs Positive Punch

Instead of the angry letters I used to receive as an NCAA basketball band director from annoyed ticket-holders who were unfortunately seated near the band, our Pep Band gets unsolicited letters like the one below. – Gonzaga Pep Band Director David Fague

I had the chance to sit next to your pep band and behind the cheerleading squad at the NCAA Sweet Sixteen game tonight (March 22, 2006).

Your group was absolutely inspiring. I am a fellow Jesuit university alum (USF) and I ended up cheering for Gonzaga because your group’s enthusiasm was contagious. I thought I would cheer for UCLA because my sister attended there but you all changed my mind. Your group exemplifies all the best qualities of college life.

In particular, the energy you showed was truly motivating. I was thinking about how those students will think of you and that experience long after they graduate. Hats off to the Gonzaga Pep Band and Pep Squad. You and your students made the NCAA game an absolutely wonderful experience despite the heartbreaking outcome for Gonzaga supporters and newcomers alike.

Best regards,
–Anne Kenney
San Mateo, Calif.
The Spirit Flows, Students Grow at Theology on Tap

By Peter Tormey

Fr. Rick Ganz, S.J., developed this program as a way to make contact with young adults who might not be Christ-connected on campus.
A person walks into a bar feeling a bit apprehensive and a priest is there preparing to lead a group in prayer. Did our fellow mistakenly open the wrong door? No, this was Jack & Dan’s all right, the legendary watering hole known to most if not all Gonzaga alumni, a stone’s throw to campus.

Nevertheless, there he was, Father Rick Ganz, S.J., director of the University Ministry department at Gonzaga, leading 55 students in prayer as the prelude to the University's unique program called Theology on Tap, which began during the 2004-05 school year.

This particular evening marked the last Theology on Tap of the school year before students scattered in all directions for summer. Worrying about final exams and beginning to miss their friends, the otherwise happy students started to arrive at 6 p.m., and ordered dinner as they mixed and mingled in anticipation. Some students ordered a beer as well, but most were content sipping on water or soft drinks. After all, the program is less about the beer and more about the Spirit, the Spirit of God dwelling in each of them.

The program was created specifically for undergraduate students at least 21 years old and graduate and law students. Organizers market the program specifically to GU students 21 years and older to ensure that underage students do not attend, and because many programs already reach students living on campus.

On this night, however, something seemed amiss. Just before Fr. Ganz began his opening prayer, as the room swelled with students, he was informed of the death earlier that day of Clemy Stockton, wife of Jack (then co-owner of Jack & Dan’s) and mother of former NBA star John Stockton, one of GU’s most famous alums, perhaps second only to Bing Crosby. A hush fell over the room as Fr. Ganz led the students in prayer for the Stockton family, and for Clemy, a kind-hearted person.

“What's the difference between a sermon and a homily?” Fr. Ganz asked the students, transitioning from prayer to presentation. “About a half an hour,” he quipped to squeals of delight from students before launching into a captivating talk about the life of Saint Athanasius, a fourth-century Bishop of Alexandria in Egypt, a priest and doctor of the Church. A saint, Fr. Ganz told the students, “is merely a name the Catholic Church uses to recognize a genuinely successful human being.”

Saint Athanasius, one of the greatest early teachers about Christ as both divine and human, wrote a famous work, which remains a classic for theology students, on the mystery of the incarnation. Fr. Ganz said, adding that Athanasius taught that the main point of living a spiritual life is to transform bad habits to good.

“Athanasius taught that Christians are spiritual athletes, ‘athletes of God,’ who train daily in the discipline of good habits, undeterred by the demands of a continuous growth in holiness,” Fr. Ganz said, adding that Athanasius taught that our efforts to be holy are eventually broken by God, so that we can finally receive holiness as an unmerited gift from Christ, “Saint Anthony of the Desert, which has inspired generations of people, including St. Augustine, to pursue a life of holiness, which Anthony’s life proved possible.

“To write a biography,” Fr. Ganz said, “the author must decide what lies at the core of the subject’s motivation. What Athanasius noticed and loved about St. Anthony was his unrelenting commitment to be continuously in growth, never stuck, and willing to endure the human transformations that continuous growth entails.”

Embracing transformation is not easy, Fr. Ganz said to the roomful of students.

“Athanasius taught that Christians are spiritual athletes, ‘athletes of God,’ who train daily in the discipline of good habits, undeterred by the demands of a continuous growth in holiness. Athanasius also taught that our efforts to be holy are eventually broken by God, so that we can finally receive holiness as an unmerited gift from Christ,” Fr. Ganz said, adding that Athanasius taught that the main point of living a spiritual life is to transform bad habits to good.

“Athanasius understood that the point of a spiritual path is to have your humanity transformed by Christ, to become Godlike, to become transformed into a likeness of Christ Himself. The spiritual life means falling in love in a comprehensive way with God, whose love burning in you breaks all of your connections to things unworthy of God, and of your loving relationship to others that this relationship with Christ includes.”

This is Theology on Tap, a program that has caught fire with youth nationwide and is now available for Gonzaga students – five times a semester. Gonzaga started the program during the 2004-05 academic year and its appeal among students continues to grow. The idea is amazingly simple: Gather young people in comfortable, nontraditional surroundings and let the Spirit flow. The speakers have been Jesuit priests except on two occasions when GU religious studies faculty members Sister Mary Garvin and Professor Patrick McCormick led the discussions.

Michelle Nilsen, who will be a senior this fall, said she loves the program because of its focus on relevant and significant spiritual matters, which she said matter a great deal to many students.

“It’s important because it draws on the experiences and wisdom of so many different people,” Nilsen said. “I go because I appreciate the opportunity to meet new people, get to know my friends better, and have conversations I might never have if not for the speaker – all in a setting that feels comfortable and real.”

Lest one wonder about the propriety of discussing such deeply personal topics as religion and spiritual life in a bar, one needs only recall Jesus’ habit of regularly turning up for conversation at such places.

“For those who may consider the coincidence of pub and deep conversation somehow questionable, they might find it useful to ponder why the U.S. Bishops, a couple of years ago, designated Theology on Tap programs that are running in the country as the most promising and effective means of making contact with young adults,” Fr. Ganz said.

According to the Web site of the Archdiocese of New York, Theology on Tap (http://www.totnyc.org/id2.html) began in the United States in 1981 in the Archdiocese of Chicago. It started in New York City in 2000, has spread throughout the country and is flourishing in many places,
Theology on Tap has drawn an engaged student crowd. Retreats and liturgy but who are keenly interested in their Gonzaga reach students who may not be interested in traditional sponsored the past two years. Sharp said the program helps Sarah Sharp (’04, ’06 MA), who runs the program with Fr. Ganz, students, have to say about the topic, Fr. Ganz said. then for those students to listen to what a Jesuit priest, and other Spirit is supporting them in asking questions that truly matter, and have about faith, spirituality or theology. ”

One key to fanning students’ flames of interest in matters of the Ganz said. “To meet Jesuits ‘with their hair down,’ as persons walking the Great Way just as the students are. The Jesuits are there for students, inviting them to explore with them any questions they have about faith, spirituality or theology.”

One example of this would be last spring when Father Ganz did one about the Holy Spirit,” she said. “Within minutes, students, and some GU staff who stopped in that night, shared stories about when the Holy Spirit had worked in their lives and how they knew it was the Holy Spirit. They shared how they felt God had spoken to them, among other things. The conversation quickly deepened and the room was deeply connected by college students openly and honestly sharing with other college students. ”

Another magic moment occurred in fall 2005 when Father Pat Lee, S.J., Gonzaga’s vice president for mission, led a session on discernment, encouraging students to find their hearts’ desires, learning to trust them to become people the world needs most, Sharp shared. “That evening, most of the conversations were done within the tables and Father Lee simply asked questions, taking the students a step further with each new question,” Sharp said. Fr. Brad Reynolds, S.J., led a similarly powerful Ton-T this past spring, focusing on how to pray with photographs. “He began by discussing how we, in the Church, have historically prayed with images called icons. He then showed a powerful photograph he had shot, teaching students how to pray with them. Father Reynolds ended his presentation that evening with a moving slideshow of his Native friends in remote Alaska,” Sharp said. “This evening was particularly memorable because it highlighted how Theology on Tap asks the Jesuit speakers to talk about what they are natural and comfortable talking about.”

Gonzaga is blessed with so much talent and wisdom with its Jesuits and, sometimes, the GU community forgets that and fails to utilize the Jesuits in the best ways, Sharp said. “Theology on Tap not only allows the Jesuits to talk about their passions, such as photography for Father Reynolds, but most importantly it allows students and Jesuits to get to know each other and allows students to talk about those things they’ve always wondered about in a safe, comfortable and fun environment,” Sharp said.

Tyler Orizotti, from Butte, Mont., a senior this fall, called Theology on Tap a great way for students to connect with each other and with Jesuits. “I love being in the relaxed environment of Jack & Dan’s while some amazingly influential Jesuit explores a topic such as discernment, forgiveness, reconciliation, and the like,” Orizotti said. “Each speaker knows exactly how to directly connect the topic with our lives as students exactly where we are. Theology on Tap allows any and all students, faculty, and staff to experience the beauty and greatness of Jesuit spirituality and community.”

Orizotti’s favorite facet of the program is the access it provides “to the minds and ideas of such great, experienced, and wise thinkers. Relaxed, enriched, open, and fun!” A person walks out of a bar feeling transformed. Though he had not even a sip of beer, his face was glowing from the Spirit.
Six baseball players earned All-West Coast Conference recognition, Darin Holcomb and Ryan Wiegand were second-team picks while Scott Campbell, Bobby Carlson, Patrick Donovan and Brandon Hammons earned honorable mention. Wiegand also was named to the WCC All-Freshman team. Holcomb was among the WCC’s top run producers leading the Bulldogs with 57 RBI, while hitting .338. Wiegand made an immediate impact as designated hitter; the San Diego freshman ranked third on the team with a .330 average with 15 doubles and 45 RBI. The Zags finished 29-24 overall, 9-12 in WCC action.

The women’s rowing team novice 8+ won the Pac-10 Championship. The Bulldogs established a program first in the novice 8+ grand final defeating Washington by 3 seconds to capture the school’s first Pac-10 title. Both teams received 27 points in the three races but LMU was awarded the title by virtue of its victory in the tie-breaking races. The Bulldogs established a program first and women’s rower Kari Durgan, who sports a 3.84 GPA in English, was named to the ESPN The Magazine District VIII All-Academic At-Large first team as selected by the College Sports Information Directors of America (CoSIDA).

Durgan and sophomore Julie Smetana (3.71 GPA in art) were named West Region National Scholar Athletes by the Collegiate Rowing Coaches Association.

Ten Gonzaga student-athletes were named to the WCC Spring All-Academic team. To be considered, a student-athlete must earn at least a 3.20 cumulative GPA and be a significant contributor to his or her team.

Women’s rowers included Durgan, fellow senior Erin Palmer (3.43, English), and sophomore Cory Nelson (3.46, business). Women’s golfers included junior Jennifer Swanson (3.47, psychology) and sophomores Sarah Sheffield (3.37, English) and Lacey Jo Manwaring (3.31, business). Baseball players included seniors Jackson Brennan (4.0, MBA) and Patrick Donovan (3.83, sport management). Men golfers included sophomores Trevor Loe (3.74, accounting) and Rayn Tanaka (3.35, business).

Sophomore Emily Anderson earned WCC women’s tennis honor mention honors. Anderson, from Bradenton, Fla., transferred to GU this season from American University. She posted an 11-11 record at No. 1 singles and a 12-15 overall singles record for the Bulldogs this season.

Junior Mary Kate Morgan tied for third in the WCC Women’s Golf Championship, matching the highest individual placing in GU history. Morgan had rounds of 76-77-74 for a 54-hole total of 227 over the 5,823-yard, par 72 Saddle Creek Golf Course layout. Morgan joined Lisa Wasinger (*97) as the highest Bulldog placer.

Alumnus Brian Ching (*01) was named to this spring’s U.S. World Cup roster. Ching, from Haleiwa, Hawaii, became the first Hawaiian to play in the World Cup. He was a two-time All-WCC first-team selection, and was chosen by the Los Angeles Galaxy in the 2001 Major League Soccer Super Draft.
Home again: New field will offer array of amenities for fans, players

Baseball coming home

Patterson Baseball Complex Salutes Past Players

By Dale Goodwin

Pecarovich Field, later known as August/ART Stadium, was the site for more than 1,800 baseball games and one wedding over its 36-year history. But it politely stepped aside when the University decided a new basketball arena was in order.

But now, after three years playing home games at the Spokane Indians’ Avista Stadium, the Gonzaga baseball team will have a beautiful new home on campus when the 2007 spring season opens.

Gonzaga will take its place among the leaders in college baseball facilities as construction is under way on the $7-8 million Patterson Baseball Complex on the south side of campus, just south of the McCarthey Athletic Center parking lot. The facility is being named for the family of Michael Patterson (’69), chair of Gonzaga’s Board of Trustees and a major contributor to the project.

The field itself will be known as the Washington Trust Field, named for another major supporter of the project, Washington Trust Bank.

Home and visitors’ locker rooms, baseball offices, laundry, training and equipment facilities, batting cages and a natural grass field will help define baseball and its importance to Gonzaga’s athletic program. Modern restrooms, plentiful concession stands, theater-type seating for 1,200 and natural grass knolls down both foul lines that can seat up to 500 each, will make this facility fan-friendly. A plaza off Cincinnati Street at the northeast corner of the complex will welcome fans and give them a sense of the program’s storied history.

Seven times in the 1970s and early ’80s Gonzaga teams advanced to the NCAA Tournament. With this stadium, the hope is to restore Gonzaga baseball to its former prowess.

“This stadium will give our program a huge boost,” baseball Coach Mark Machtolf said.

“This piece,
coupled with Gonzaga’s outstanding academic reputation, will allow us to compete with schools on the West Coast for the region’s top players.”

“This is a dream come true,” said Steve Hertz, who coached the Bulldogs in 1978, and 1981-2003. Now Gonzaga’s director of athletic relations, Hertz has been the driver behind this project. “I had long hoped that we could build a first-class stadium here as a tribute to all the players who have worn the Zag jersey,” Hertz said.

He has contacted many former players who want to be part of this stadium project. “Their hearts are hooked to this effort,” Hertz said.

For Hertz this has been a labor of love. “I can’t imagine anything more exciting than building a baseball stadium.”

Dick Busch, a civil engineering professor here for 35 years who spent 19 of those years (1950s-60s) doubling as baseball coach, is amazed at what he is seeing. Busch built four baseball fields on campus – one where the Quad is, just south of the Administration Building, one on the site where the Foley Center now sits, north of the Martin Centre, and a third at Mulligan Field, south of the COG.

Busch was the mastermind behind Pecarovich Field, but never got to coach a game there as he returned to the classroom exclusively in 1967, a year before play began there.

“This new stadium will be great for the program,” Busch said after Hertz had shown him around the building site. “But I still miss the old field.”

But chances are not too many fans will. The new complex will be lighted for night play, and will feature all the comforts of college sports. It includes many design concepts taken from Safeco Field in Seattle, home of the Mariners, said Hertz. ALSC Architects designed the complex, and Garco Construction is the project contractor.

The hearty strain of natural grass – a hybrid Bluegrass/Rye mix developed specifically for this field that allows for early spring green-up to a deep blue-green color – coupled with an excellent drainage system, should allow for play nearly year-round. The outfield fence will be surrounded by a 50-foot net to keep balls from falling onto Spokane Falls Boulevard to the south, and Cincinnati Street to the east. A 30-foot batter’s eye will be placed behind the center-field fence.

A new south entrance onto campus will be constructed just beyond the center field fence, with an electronic information board and a stone marker welcoming visitors.
Building our future

Gonzaga’s ‘on a roll,’

By Father Robert J. Spitzer, S.J.
Gonzaga University President

In the last three issues of this publication, I wrote about the heart of Jesuit education, particularly as it concerns the pursuit of unconditional truth, love and goodness/justice. Two areas remain—the pursuit of unconditional beauty and being (home). I would like to put that discussion off until the next issue of GO so that I can discuss some important developments at the University, specifically, the Strategic Planning Process, the Development Plan, and the Facilities Plan.

Strategic Planning Process
We have completed our SWOT (strengths-weaknesses-opportunities-threats) analysis for every major constituency at Gonzaga and have gleaned considerable input about our institutional direction and the implementation of our Jesuit, Catholic and humanistic mission. Vice President for Administration and Planning Thayne McCulloh has facilitated 42 input sessions with faculty members and other groups on and off campus, and, with the help of the Steering Committee, has consolidated his findings into a general report. In the upcoming year, McCulloh will facilitate additional conversations with faculty and other major constituencies to speak about the very important areas of growth and quality improvement. The findings of these conversations will be integrated into the SWOT analysis report.

Additionally, the vice presidents, deans, and directors are developing directions and goals for their specific schools and departments. Our intention is to leverage our strengths and opportunities and minimize our weaknesses. The findings will be tested against various financial feasibility algorithms. The direction/goals that can be funded and sustained will be integrated into the Strategic Plan.

The Cabinet and the Board of Trustees will reflect on the input from the SWOT analysis, the conversations on growth and quality, and the school/departmental goals. They will provide input in the areas of academic quality enhancement, fund development, external stakeholder relationships, Jesuit, Catholic and humanistic vision, external benchmarking, and financial feasibility. We hope to complete the final product after the February 2007 Trustees’ meeting. This promises to be a truly outstanding plan which will move Gonzaga to the next level of academic programming, Jesuit, Catholic and humanistic character, student life programming, student quality, student financial assistance, student retention, facilities, technology, athletics and the overall student experience. In addition to providing focused and integrated direction to the University, this plan will enhance Gonzaga’s reputation, national rankings, and national awards. This will produce obvious benefits in student recruitment and will increase satisfaction for our students and parents while further enhancing alumni pride in their Alma Mater.

Development Plan
To implement the Strategic Plan, we will need considerable resources. Trustee Fritz Wolff (chair of the Development Committee) and I are helping our University Relations staff plan for an ambitious endowment campaign. This campaign will provide the resources necessary to reach our quality objectives in student recruitment, faculty support and enrichment, program support and other enhancements, such as facilities, athletics, technology, etc.

To meet these objectives, Wolff has formed three very active subcommittees of the Development Committee that are working with incredible synergy and creativity, thereby helping to ensure a successful endowment campaign.

Facilities Plan
As you may know, Gonzaga has constructed 12 new buildings over the last seven years (the new Law School building, the Science Building, the Jepson Center for the School of Business Administration addition and Hogan wing, McCarthy Athletic Center, the Gonzaga-in-Florence building/campus, Rudolf Fitness Center, three new residence halls (Dillon, Gollier, Twyoh), the Corkery Apartments, the Cataldo Hall expansion and Phase One of the Herak Center for the School of Engineering and Applied Science expansion. Also, we have renovated the third and fourth floors of the Administration Building, the University Chapel and the original Hughes Hall Science Building. We have also allocated space in separate buildings for the philosophy, music and broadcast studies departments.

We are embarking on seven additional projects: 1) The rebuilding of the Kennedy Apartments after the fire; 2) Construction of the new 1,200-seat baseball stadium; 3) Renovation of Mulligan Field with artificial turf, lighting, and other amenities (expected to be completed in September); 4) Construction of a mall on Boone Avenue (between St. Aloysius Church and the new Kennedy Apartments) with grass, lighting, landscaping, and paver promenade (to be completed in summer 2007); 5) Construction of a new 25,000-square-foot addition to the Herak Center engineering building for transmission and distribution engineering and computer science (to begin in November and to be completed in December 2007 subject to the Board of Trustees’ approval); 6) A 400-seat Performing Arts Center, which will include an experimental stage, dance studio, classrooms, and stage and costume production areas (to be completed in late 2008; subject to the Board of Trustees’ approval); and, 7) A new student center, which we plan to construct in the next four to five years.

We have completed the restructuring and enhancement of our local area network and are completing installation of a campuswide wireless network.

I have barely touched upon the academic, student life, and mission elements of the Strategic Plan. However, as you can see, there is a great deal of activity at the University. Thanks to your incredible generosity and assistance, Gonzaga is on a roll. We truly appreciate everything you have done to make it a reality!
Callen Taylor (’97)

Making a Difference

By Bob Finn
Alumni Director

One does not have to teach in the hallowed halls of academia or discover a cure for a fatal disease to make a difference in the world. Making the world a better place for students is a calling that Callen Taylor (’97) takes very seriously. As a social studies teacher at Mission High School in San Francisco, Callen has taken it upon herself to ensure that her students excel even when some of them doubt they can. Many of her students are recent immigrants and unfamiliar with not only the culture of their new surroundings but also the language. Taylor has developed new and innovative ways to engage her students in reading, through a reading group called The Dante Club (www.danteclub2006.com).

"Many of the students felt at a disadvantage because while growing up they did not have the same access to literary resources as other kids," Taylor said. "This experience has opened the door to new opportunities for many of these students.

This group of dedicated students meets every Saturday at a local coffee house to read and discuss Dante’s “The Inferno.” Having taught in high school for 16 years, I fully appreciate and admire what Taylor is doing with these students. In my biology class, getting students to dissect a worm during class was nearly impossible. Therefore, I am very impressed with her ability to motivate students to volunteer to dissect a difficult piece of literature on Saturdays.

The College Board recently awarded Callen a Bob Costas Grant for her teaching of writing — recognizing her innovative methods to inspire students’ writing.

Simply talking with Taylor and discussing her weekly activities makes me appreciate even more the gift her students receive.

Originally, she wanted to attend a state university but her mother, after seeing the Gonzaga video, informed her that she would attend Gonzaga. Taylor does not regret the decision. “I fell in love with the Jesuit ideals, community, service to others and reflection. As a teacher, I try to instill those same values in my students. "Many of the positive educational experiences that I try to give to my students I received while at Gonzaga. The education classes were excellent and working with teacher-education Professor Jenny Nelson inspired me to become the teacher that I am. She was always willing to help and offer encouragement. "When I went to Gonzaga, I was involved in many of the programs that Gonzaga has to offer — retreats, volunteer programs, ski trips, Gonzaga-in-Florence, and crew. The wonderful thing about Gonzaga was that as a student anything that you wanted to do was available, all you had to do was push yourself,” she said. “I felt a real connection to not only Gonzaga but also to the wonderful professors I had in both history and education.”

These experiences have motivated Taylor in her own classroom. "I want my students to be pushed, but understand that I am pushing them so that they can be successful at the next level, and that there are opportunities out there — all you have to do is reach for them," Taylor said. Many of her students had never considered going to college; many are the first in their family to attend high school.

Taylor took her students to Italy this summer and visited Gonzaga-in-Florence while there, exposing her students to something they may never forget. Callen Taylor is a wonderful ambassador for Gonzaga and consistently encourages her students to apply for admission. She lives in San Francisco’s Western Addition with her husband Brian Sauer, a math and science teacher at the School of the Arts.
Trump’s ‘Apprentice’ Rallies Alumni

NBC and Mark Burnett Productions held a private casting call in Seattle for all Gonzaga Alumni hoping to be Donald Trump’s next apprentice. Close to 60 hopefuls from Microsoft employees to event planners stepped up to the call to be on the TV show “The Apprentice.” Because of confidentiality contracts, it will not be known if a Zag made the show until the next season airs this fall. Asked if GU was chosen because of its basketball success, casting Director Jill Goslicky replied, “No, it’s because they have an active alumni group in Seattle. We’re not casting a sports show, so what the team does has nothing to do with it.” Other area schools receiving invitations for private casting calls were the University of Washington and Harvard Business School’s Puget Sound Chapter.

San Francisco Teacher Honored

Callen Taylor (’97) was featured recently in the San Francisco Chronicle as one of six recipients nationwide for the newly created College Board Bob Costas Grants for the Teaching of Writing. Taylor holds a bachelor’s degree in history and education and a teaching credential from Gonzaga. She teaches at Mission High School in San Francisco. (See related story, page 19)

Popular Wine Evenings on the Calendar

The Seattle Vintners’ Dinner and Auction sponsored by the Puget Sound Business Forum is scheduled for Nov. 10. For more information contact Kevin Daniels at KevinD@nesco.com. The Spokane Wine Dinner and Auction, sponsored by the Dean’s Business Forum, will be held Nov. 11. Please contact Maureen Rieckers at Rieckers@jepson.gonzaga.edu for details.

Give us your ALUMNEWS

Have you changed jobs, gotten married, had a baby or participated in an interesting activity or service you’d like your Gonzaga classmates to know about? Send is information to: Editor, GONZAGA QUARTERLY, Gonzaga University Public Relations, 502 E. Boone Avenue, Spokane, WA 99258-0070. Or send us a note via e-mail to: gonzaga@gonzaga.edu. Quality photos are appreciated, will be used if space permits, and returned to you upon request.

Recent News

Michelle Doyle, Seattle, married her third husband, Michael Shomaker in a wedding chapel on the Las Vegas Strip (Elvis did not attend). Michelle, a 30-year survivor of tongue and neck cancer, has a grown daughter and son and one granddaughter. Michelle works as a software support analyst for an advertising agency and Michael is an electrical engineer working in the control system industry. Michelle’s e-mail is grasshopper@yahoo.com (This is being reprinted with correct information due to a mistake in the Spring issue.)

Rita (Johnson) Stevens has retired from the Kodiak Area Native Association. She is married to Alaska state Sen. Gary Stevens and lives in Juneau.

Marcia (Forsmann) Beckman, Boise, Idaho, works for the Idaho Department of Education as the coordinator for Title I-A programs. She previously worked for the Roman Catholic Diocese of Boise for 24 years as a Catholic principal.

Scott Morris (’89 MBA), Spokane, is president and chief operating officer for Avista Corp. He will oversee operations for Avista Utilities as well as the overall corporation.

Joan K. Archer, Prairie Village, Kan., joined the Kansas City law firm of Lathrop & Gage as a counsel attorney in the intellectual property division. Her focus will be on intellectual property litigation, including trademark, patent and copyright cases. She also consults in the area of trial communication and jury behavior.

Bruce E. Blackmer (MBA), Spokane, was appointed to serve as one of three representatives from the American Institute of Architects on the 14-member National Architectural Accrediting Board’s Board of Directors.

Susan (Riemenschneider) Bentjen and husband Steve are the parents of Anna Elizabeth. Born Dec. 14, 2006, she joins brother Quinn, 7.

Paula (Evans) Shaw and husband Greg are the parents of Ewan Robert. Born Jan. 9, he joins sister Ella. 3. They live in Seattle.

Tina (Morrison) Bondy and husband Lloyd are the parents of Megan Claire and Madeline Kay, born Sept. 12, 2005. They live in Dayton, Nev., where Tina is an attorney for Starbucks Coffee Co. Cap Perry III and wife Heidi (Crider) are the parents of Jackson Commodore. He joins siblings Courtney (10), Parker (8), Emma (6) and Lizzy (4). They live in Oakesdale, Wash., where Cap is a pharmaceutical representative for Sanofi-Aventis.

Renee J. Fontenot, Milledgeville, Ga., is senior and associate professor of marketing in the J. Whitney Bunting School of Business at Georgia College and State University.

Frank Houck (’95 MBA), Spokane, is business manager for the Wells Fargo Spokane Business Banking Center. Brian Kealoha (’99 MBA), Honolulu, is senior vice president at Energy Industries. He is responsible for the development of strategic partnerships, company alliances, implementation of alliance practices and the global sales division.

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Otis Orchards, Wash., is an agent at Kestell Co.

real estate development professional.

for Bank of the West and Adria is a paralegal/

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studying Russian language and area studies at

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of International Studies. He is

in international policy studies

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is director of BuckID Card Services at the Ohio State University in Columbus. Travis Mayfield, Seattle, is a reporter and fill-in anchor (for afternoon drive) at KOMO 1000 News, Seattle's only 24/7 news radio station. Shavna (Guthrie) Peterson and husband Ben are the parents of Halle Lillian, born March 8. They live in Fruitland, Idaho, where Ben is a dentist and Shavna is an attorney. Matthew Ries (JD), Spokane, is partner in the law firm Stamper, Rubens, Stocker & Smith. Katie Russell (02 JD) wed Dan Buxman (01) Oct. 1, 2005. They live in Vancouver, Wash., where Katie is an insurance defense attorney and Dan is a business analyst with Louisiana Pacific Corp.

Warren Polensky received an MA in international policy studies from the Monterey Institute of International Studies. He is studying Russian language and area studies at the Moscow International University.

Brittanie Harrison (04) and Michael Paquette (03) Settlement Services and Michael is an account executive at Christopherson & Co.

Ashley is assistant vice president/operations manager with Rogel Capital, and Michael is claims department supervisor for Expeditors International.

Brittanie Harrison (04) Oct. 22, 2005. They live in Denver where Brittanie is an escrow officer for Mercury

Former Baseball Player Remembered with Golf Tournament

The late Erik Hanson (94), a former Zag baseball player who died last year, was remembered with a memorial golf tournament, silent auction and cocktail party on July 24 at the Stanford Golf Course. More than $40,000 was raised for an Erik Hanson scholarship fund. Tournament information is available at http://bigeforever.ownspot.com/

Cheer on the Zags

Alumni gatherings were held in 20 states this past basketball season to cheer on the team, and plans are under way to expand the events. If you would like to help organize a game watching event in your area please contact Nancy Marcus at (509) 323-5999.

Lifelong Learning

In an effort to keep that Gonzaga education razor-sharp and bring alumni together, the chapter program is organizing a series of breakfasts and luncheons with guest speakers addressing informational topics of all kinds. If you or someone you know would be a great guest speaker for a lifelong learning breakfast or luncheon in your area please contact Nancy Marcus with your ideas at (509) 323-5999 or alumni@ Gonzaga.edu.

GAMP Names Regional Board Chairs

The Gonzaga Alumni Mentor Program (GAMP) is capitalizing on the momentum of the new chapter program and has developed a strategic plan to integrate its previously independent advisory boards into the committee structure of the chapters. GAMP committees in each chapter will develop regional networking events and provide ongoing support of the mentoring program.

The committee structure will allow GAMP to increase alumni involvement in the mentoring program and create more effective networking relationships among the expanded chapter membership. GAMP committee chairs have been selected in Spokane, Seattle, and Portland for the upcoming year and additional leadership posts will be available as the new chapters are established.

For more information on the GAMP program please contact Kevin Pratt, director of GAMP at pratt@ Gonzaga.edu or (509) 323-4086. The GAMP committee chairs are: Spokane, Patrick Ream (95); Seattle, Arnie Mondloch (84); and Portland, Pam Karais (90).
Upcoming Alumni Events
(Compiled by John Kafentzis)

September
9 – Final Round Golf Tournament, Auburn, Wash.
29 – A Night Out to the Mariners, Seattle

October
13 – GU Men’s Soccer at UP Tailgate Party, Portland
Chapter
18 – Chapter Presidents Report Meetings, Spokane
19 – Distinguished Alumni Merit Awards Dinner, Spokane
27 – Seattle Chapter GU vs. UW Soccer Game Watch.

*For the most current information about events in your area, please visit www.gonzaga.edu/alumni - Chapters.

Chapters on Deck: Chapters being established next include Spokane, Phoenix, Alaska, New York, Washington, D.C., San Diego, Los Angeles, Montana and Boise. If you would like to be involved in the planning for your chapter or want to help get a chapter started in your area, please contact Kara Hertz in the alumni office at hertzk@gonzaga.edu for more information.

Upcoming Law School Alumni Events
Sept. 12 Red Mass at St. Aloysius Church, 330 E. Boone Ave, 5:30 p.m.
For updates on all law alumni events, visit www.law.gonzaga.edu/alumni.

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Chapter Program Names Presidents

Kevin Daniels
Serving: Seattle Chapter
Graduated from GU: 1979
Degree: Bachelor of Business Administration (Accounting)
Occupation: CPA to president of real estate firm
Family: Wife – Mary Jean (Gorman) attended GU from 1975-77
Children: – Kevin (Seattle U. sophomore); Chris (Gonzaga freshman); and James (sixth-grader at St. Madeline Sophie).

Why did you decide to answer the call to be president of your chapter?
It’s an exciting challenge to be involved in the formation of the chapters and the finalization of a long-term objective from the Board of Regents.

Paul Rehberger
Serving: Tacoma Chapter
Graduated from GU: 1977
Degree: Bachelor of Arts Accounting – Economics
Occupation: CPA partner in the national firm of McGladrey & Pullen
Family: Wife – Julie (Bourne, ’76). Children – Philip (attended GU 1998-99); Jennifer (Santa Clara, ’03); and Jessica (U. of Denver, ’06).

Why did you decide to answer the call to be president of your chapter?
My four years at Gonzaga have had a profound effect on my life. I attribute much of who I am and the successes I have enjoyed to the Jesuit teachings. This is my opportunity to serve the Gonzaga community. The alumni chapters will fulfill a growing need and should be a lot of fun, connecting with other alums.

John Timm
Serving: Portland Chapter
Graduated from GU: 1972
Degree: Bachelor of Arts in Political Science
Occupation: Entered the insurance industry in 1972 after graduation as a claims adjuster with Crawford & Co. Joined Timmco Insurance, Inc. as a licensed agent in 1975; nearing 32 years with the company this summer.
Family: Met my wife Ann (Bramstedt, ’73) at Gonzaga and we’ll celebrate our 34th anniversary in July. Daughter, Susie (GU ’99), met her husband Derek Ames (GU ’99) at Gonzaga and we’ll celebrate our 34th anniversary in July. Daughter, Susie (GU ’99), met her husband Derek Ames.

Way did you decide to answer the call to be president of your chapter?
It was an easy one to answer. My love of the University runs deep and seems to touch each part of my life … from my marriage … to our children … and to hope for our grandchildren. It was another opportunity to serve and to give back to an institution that gave me so much during my four years there and set the foundation for my future, faith and friends that I’ve enjoyed ever since.

Wendy and Gary Beck enjoy themselves at the Portland chapter launch.

Portland area has been generous in recent calls for Gonzaga fund raising, but the Chapter seemed to present a tremendous opportunity for GONZAGA FUN-raising! It is my hope that bonding alumni to areas that interest them will help establish bonds of new friendship and a sense of the Gonzaga spirit still alive and well in our communities outside the Spokane campus.

Mike Tobin
Serving: San Francisco Bay Area Chapter
Graduation Year: 1966
Degree: Bachelor of Business Administration
Occupation: Commercial development and brokerage.
Family: Wife Annie, son Patrick (GU ’98), and daughters Molly (GU ’97), and Cathleen (U. of Colorado ’00). All three children attended Gonzaga-in Florence. Sister Cathy Tobin Miller (’71) graduated from GU and a total of five siblings attended Gonzaga-in Florence.

Why did you decide to answer the call to be president of your Chapter?
The San Francisco Bay Area Chapter will be the best in the nation, as it has the best and brightest. I wanted a role in this endeavor.

Tim Woods
Serving: Denver Chapter
Graduation Year: 1996
Degree: Bachelor of Business Administration, honors: Major in Accounting
Occupation: Finance manager, First Data Corp.
Family: Single with a girlfriend and dog, Bogley.

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Family: Wife Annie, son Patrick (GU ’98), and daughters Molly (GU ’97), and Cathleen (U. of Colorado ’00). All three children attended Gonzaga-in Florence. Sister Cathy Tobin Miller (’71) graduated from GU and a total of five siblings attended Gonzaga-in Florence.

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Frank Burgess tells his story.

The Alumni Association has established five Alumni Chapter programs and expects to create at least nine more in Spokane, Phoenix, Alaska, New York, Washington, D.C., San Diego, Los Angeles, Montana, and Boise. To get involved in the excitement contact Kara Hertz at hertzk@ Gonzaga.edu

 Putting on the game face.

Seattle chapter launch.

Derek Ames (’99) and son Drew enjoyed themselves at the Portland basketball social.

In Memoriam


Calvin E. Claughton II (’77 JD), Portland, Ore., died March 9 at age 81. He was an attorney for the Internal Revenue Service.

Hubert Croteau (’40), Eugene, Ore., died March 24 at age 87. He served in the U.S. Army Air Corps and was a prisoner of war for 32 months. He enjoyed gardening, woodworking, oil painting and wood sculpture.

Helen Dillard Cullen (friend and widow of alumnum), Spokane, died April 16 at age 91. She was an avid painter, a Gonzaga supporter and an active member of the Greater Gonzaga University Guild.

Robert Wilfred Danielson (’44), Lafayette, Calif., died June 18, 2005, at age 84. He served in the U.S. Marine Corps during World War II and Korea and worked for Bell Telephone.

Arthur J. Dube, Jr. (’45), Hayden, Idaho, died March 31 at age 82. He was an avid golfer and loved dancing at Dixieland Jazz festivals.

Joseph Gary Duenas (’66), Rialto, Calif., died Sept. 20, 2005. He had been a high school teacher, counselor and administrator.

Kristian Ferguson, (’00), Longmont, Colo., died Jan. 6 at age 27. He was killed by a rockslide on Mount Kilimanjaro’s difficult Western Breach.

George Donald “Don” Fitzpatrick (’71), died April 17 at age 56. He received the 2005 John F. Hogan Distinguished Service Award from the Radio-Television News Directors’ Association.

Clarence Freemen (’35), Spokane, died March 22 at age 96. He was Spokane’s first black president for the Parent-Teachers Association and Kiwanis.

William C. Harrison (’51 JD), Spokane, died May 27 at age 83. He had law offices in the Washington towns of Davenport, Spangle and later in Spokane, and was honored by the Washington State Bar Association for 50 years of legal practice.

William S. Hawthorne (’49 JD), died March 4 at age 55. He was a guitarist who created more than 900 music works.

Sara Michelle Jones (’98), Spokane, died April 16 at age 34. She was a teacher at John R. Rogers High School and a hockey fan.

Richard G. Kegley (’52, ’63 MA), Spokane, died March 17 at age 76. He served in the U.S. Army in California, had been a sixth-grade teacher and coach at Willard Elementary and was a school bus driver.

Richard M. Kolbet (’63), Iowa City, Iowa, died March 25 at age 64. He worked at the University of Iowa Libraries and enjoyed traveling, landscaping, cooking, woodworking and fishing.

Frank J. Laird III (’74), La Jolla, Calif., died March 10 at age 53. He was a staff physician in Otolaryngology Head and Neck Surgery at the Mayo Clinic.

Norman Lauer (’54), Arlington, Va., died May 12 at age 82. He was chief of the appraisal section in the land and natural resources division of the U.S. Department of Justice.

Carianne J. Nebergall (’02), Spokane, died April 4 at age 46. She enjoyed nature, reading, writing and music.

Ann E. “Betty” Ogle (friend, wife of alumnus), Spokane, died May 1 at age 82. The wife of Bill Ogle (’49), Betty was a driver for Meals on Wheels and enjoyed golf and playing bridge.

Theodore Roosevelt Pappas (’55), Seattle, died Dec. 16, 2005, at age 73. He was a U.S. Army officer and pilot and had been a stockbroker with Piper Jaffray, then D.A. Davidson.

George F. Richardson (’57), Wenatchee, Wash., died April 28 at age 74. He was executive editor at the Wenatchee World newspaper.

Donald J. Ryder (’50), Mead, Wash., died Feb. 24. He had worked for Northwest Airlines, Great Northern Railroad, Benewah Dairy, Safeway Stores, Washington Trust Bank, Central Premix, Ace Concrete, Bower Machinery and Western States Equipment.

Mary Annette Sobolik O’Leary (’71), Lynnwood, Wash., died March 7 at age 56. She helped build a Sister City park in Tashkent, Uzbekistan, and taught English as a Second Language at Edmonds Community College.

James Solan (’49 JD), Aberdeen, Wash., died April 9 at age 86. He worked as an Aberdeen Municipal Court judge while maintaining his own law practice.

Clemy Stockton (friend, mother of alumni, and wife of Jack Stockton ’51), Spokane, died May 2 at age 76. She attended Sacred Heart School of Nursing, was a member of Right to Life and was a longtime supporter of Gonzaga.
On a campus made vibrant by students preparing themselves for the future, some Gonzaga traditions hold fast. Sophomore Andrew Carrell of Redmond, Wash., gained membership this spring to the Knights, the University’s 81-year-old men’s service group. Bestowed on Carrell during initiation rites, his shield – a garbage can lid, in any other setting – is inscribed with the name of every Knight to have carried it since 1978. “I had no idea this was such a big deal,” Carrell said, after the all-night initiation. “There’s a tradition for everything!” In partnership with the Setons, the sophomore women’s service group, this year’s Knights hope to raise $33,000 for their selected charity.