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president's letter

Dear Alumni and Friends:

Years ago, on the occasion of her sixteenth birthday, I took our elder daughter Heidi to a nice restaurant in Lewiston, Idaho, and gave her a promise ring. We talked about expectations—hers and ours—and then I told

her about a shift she could expect in our parenting. I told her our goal was that by the time she went off to college at NNU at age eighteen, her parents would have empowered her to make her own decisions, be fully self-confident and see her parents as counselors, not controllers. It was a promise made that evening, among other promises, that we intended to fulfill.

In March of 2005, the Board of Trustees adopted a strategic vision for our university pointing toward the centennial in 2013. The vision statement carried the title “Fulfilling the Promise: NNU at One Hundred,” and was designed to give long-term direction to the decisions and actions of those who lead the university. The idea for “fulfilling the promise” came from reflection on the words of C. H. French, the first principal of our fledgling school, when asked by the townsfolk if the school would ever amount to anything. He would respond, in faith, “Yes, in time God will build a great school in Nampa.” This was, and is, the promise of greatness, governed by Kingdom values, that is the future of NNU.

As many of you know, I have notified the Board of Trustees that 2007-08 will be my final year as president of Northwest Nazarene University. Soon there will be new leadership for our university, but we have the assurance that within the providence of God, the vision of a great future for NNU will continue to unfold over the years leading to our centennial and beyond.

Heidi (Hagood) Zickefoose now lives in South Korea, teaching at a Christian school, with a family of her own. I see the signs that our promises of years past have been, and are being, fulfilled. I see signs that those promises of years ago are being passed on to her two children.

I see the signs that the promises of 1913 for our school are being fulfilled. When the centennial year comes, I am confident that someone will say “God has built a great school in Nampa.”

Sincerely,

Richard A. Hagood
President



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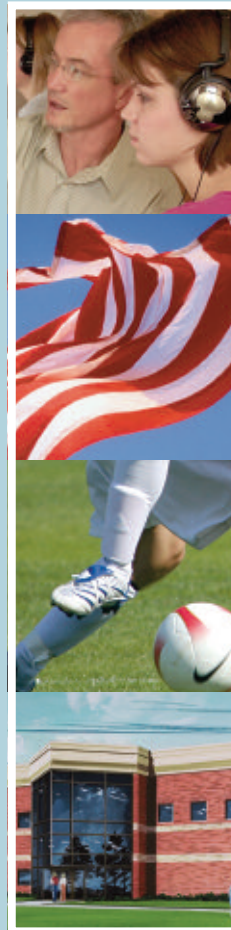
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with technology



What do a Jewish father of three, a music man and Charlie Brown have in common? They are all characters that have been given outstanding performances by NNU senior Josh Cremer. Well known for his acting, fiddling and singing, Josh, like many other NNU students, is on the way to achieving his dream by refining his talents at NNU.

Josh has sung in 25 full-scale productions and played various leading roles since beginning his career in theater at 14 years of age. "I love to sing and act...and it's become a part of who I am," says Cremer. Josh credits his mom with inspiring him to make music a driving force in his life.

In the past several years, Cremer claimed lead roles in NNU's production of "You're a Good Man Charlie Brown," "Fiddler on the Roof" and "Music Man," while also performing throughout the summer with Music Theater of Idaho.

Cremer is studying vocal performance and public communication, and plans to attend graduate school after receiving his bachelor's degree in May. He hopes to use his experience and education to one day perform on the big stage of Broadway.

"For the average person, it takes 80 auditions to come up with a decent part like singing in the chorus," Cremer explains.



Pictured above: Professor George Turner with music students Amanda Dick and Kendra Hughes in the music breakout lab. Pictured bottom page 7: Kylee Pearson, senior graphic design student.

Josh performs with several of NNU's ensemble groups including Crusader Choir and the Northwesterners to further increase his chances for a Broadway debut. Cremer is also taking professional voice lessons in order to become even more musically confident and to increase his vocal range and ability.

Not only is Josh a talented singer, actor and fiddler, he is also an accomplished composer. He enjoys and excels in the challenge of composition, and has impressed his professors so much that NNU's Crusader Choir will perform one of the 30 songs he has composed. The choral piece, "The Lord is My Strength and My Song," inspired from Exodus 15:2, was a final project for Cremer's music theory class.

With faith in the unique opportunities NNU would provide him for growth as a musician, Josh declined a full-ride scholarship to a state university. "I knew I would have an opportunity to make an impact. In addition to musical experiences, I have had opportunities to develop relationships with professors and our university president that I likely would not have had at another university."

Describing the professors as thought-provoking individuals, Josh said, "All the music professors have invested in me. Dr. Marlett has helped me in every aspect of my development as a musician, and was especially helpful during my transition to college. She knows my career goals and wants to see me succeed."

Josh is one of many students studying to achieve ambitious career goals by refining their talents at NNU. Opportunities for students' creative expressions go beyond the musical stage and include a wide variety of artistic mediums. The newly expanded state-of-the-art Center for Digital Media, located in the Fine Arts

Building, is complete with 31 Macintosh iMac computers, digital piano keyboards and sketch pads that combine artistic expression with technology.

An avid Macintosh fan and technology buff, Josh shares, "Building the new computer lab is one of the smartest investments the University could make for the music and art departments. It has transformed the atmosphere of the building and students are excited." Cremer indicated the Mac lab will be especially useful in music theory classes.

In addition to the large computer classroom equipped with 20 workstations, the Center for Digital Media also includes two smaller breakout labs, one specifically for music and one for art, with five additional computers in each.

The Center provides a new level of quality learning experience for students pursuing a career in music; ie, digital audio recording education and technology are available at an exponentially higher professional level. Professors are pleased to teach the development, creation and production of podcasts.

"There's no question that technology is central to the arts today, whether it be musical composition, church music, graphic design or film/video editing. In music, we are working to use technology across every discipline and in all of our classes. I think it's significant that this amazing facility is a cooperative effort between two departments. It certainly gives both departments the ability to take our programs to the next level," said Dr. Barry Swanson, chair of the music department.

Art students will also benefit from the increased number of artistic stations available with state-of-the-art technology. Sophomore Cassandra Carlson from Clarkston, Wash. said, "The new Mac lab is great. I personally do not own a Mac,

so it is nice to have the ability to go to the lab to complete my design homework. I have a lot to learn with programs like InDesign and Illustrator, and the more I use the lab, the more excited I am for what I am going to learn!" When the Center is not in use by undergraduate students, plans are underway to offer professional development courses for community instruction, including a variety of courses on composition and graphic design software programs.

Professor of Music Dr. Casey Christopher said, "Macintosh computers allow for an increased level of programs that all work together. Materials created in Garage Band, one of the simplest and most popular software programs, can be integrated with higher, more powerful programs such as Indepth Performer, which provides more depth to digital compositions."

Creative expressions in digital formats saturate the culture. Artists and musicians have unique opportunities to be salt and light to the world, ministering through a variety of artistic mediums. The University continually seeks to provide students with cutting-edge resources to expand their educational experience and assist them in achieving their goals. The Center for Digital Media is another way students can seek to refine their talents while pursuing God's design for their future.



Meet two teaching personalities students will find in the Digital Media Center this fall.

Paul Kinsman, design guru and "Lost" fanatic (ABC television series), is the newest member of the art department faculty, coming to NNU from the sunny climes of southern California, and bringing with him a bit of sunshine, relaxation and wild creativity. Paul is passionate about art and design—seeing it, studying it and, of course, making it. As an outdoorsman, he enjoys kayaking, mountain biking and backpacking. When the sun goes down, you can often find him in his garage, strumming away on one of his guitars.

When he's not teaching, Paul can usually be found playing with his family—wife, Deanna (Cowles), daughters Alex (8) and Sam (4) and son Tyler (1).

From one student's perspective: "Professor Kinsman is so cool! The first day of class he surprised us by turning on a selection of music and juxtaposing our study of typography with the music. I'm really looking forward to this school year!"

—James Snyder, graphic design student

Contact Paul on Facebook, look for him standing on top of Half Dome in Yosemite in his profile picture!



George Turner, patient, dedicated and accomplished performer, is the principle trombonist for the Boise Philharmonic. Beyond his own passion for music and commitment to continually improve his instrumental ability, Professor Turner has taught three decades of music theory and low brass instrumentalists at NNU. He daily invests in educating talented musicians to understand the complexity of music and to compose works of art.

When George is not playing the trombone or teaching class, he enjoys Starbucks coffee, attending church activities, skiing and fly-fishing—all of which he enjoys doing with family and friends. A true musician at heart, George can easily be distracted with such topics as the blunders of time zones, daylight savings or other random things.

He and Karla have four children: Megan and Woelke Leihart and son John; Molly and Dirk DeWinkle and son Arie; Jordy, an NNU sophomore; and Grady, an express-education student at NNU.

From one student's perspective: "Prof. Turner presents himself as a professional seeking to cultivate professionals. He is focused on his students' success and expects hard work from them; however, he never asks his students to do something he is unwilling to do." —Matt Johnson, music education, vocal performance, music theory student

Meet the other two digital media center teaching personalities online @ www.nnu.edu/messenger.

NNU Welcomes new faculty



Pictured back row, left to right: Lucas Roebuck, Brent Peterson, Paul Kinsman, Scott Kinnaman, Mark Emerson, Joseph Bankard, Ralph Speer. David Wetzell, Curtis Garner. Not pictured: Richard Thompson.

Pictured front row, left to right: Ann Thompson-Crabb, Kattie Payne, Christine Bauer, Jamee Nixon, Brenda Johnson, Lori Fairgrieve, Teri Whilden, Patrece Moody Meza.

NNU welcomes 18 new faculty members for the 2007-2008 academic year

Joseph Bankard, A.B.D., professor of philosophy, is currently pursuing his Ph.D. The topic of his dissertation is "Whether a form of universal morality can be adequately justified in a purely secular way."

Christine Bauer, Ph.D., E-learning director, has 15 years experience in the field of education and instructional design.

Mark Emerson, Ph.D., professor of leadership and management, holds a B.A. in psychology, an M.Div. and a Ph.D. in adult education with a focus on organizational and behavioral change.

Lori Fairgrieve, Ph.D., professor of counselor education, spent seven years as the executive director over four non-profit special education centers in Southern Calif.

Curtis Garner, Ed.D., professor of counselor education, studied geriatric depression for his dissertation, and will research logotherapy and gerontology while at NNU.

Brenda Johnson, M.B.A., professor of management, has served in the School of Business for the past seven years, has an additional 24 years experience in various aspects of education and is working on her D.B.A.

Scott Kinnaman, professor of kinesiology, will receive a master's in exercise science and sports studies this December and is currently writing a coaching manual for track & field pole vault coaches to be submitted for publication.

Paul Kinsman, M.F.A., professor of art and design, specializes in graphic design, design history and screen printing.

Patrice Moody Meza, M.S.W., M.P.A., professor of social work, was a clinician and consultant in her own private Christian counseling office for 15 years.

Jamee Nixon, Ph.D., professor of biology, a 1997 NNU graduate, specializes in the roles of Bright, a protein, in B cell immunology and molecular biology.

Kattie Payne, Ph.D., professor of nursing, most recently served as the St. Alphonsus Regional Medical Center (Boise, Idaho) telemedicine coordinator that complemented her background in nursing and healthcare administration.

Brent Peterson, M.Div., professor of religion, a 1996 NNU graduate, from Chicago Northside Church of the Nazarene, specializes in ecclesiology, liturgical and sacramental theology.

Lucas Roebuck, M.A., professor of journalism, specializes in newspaper management and design and contemporary political journalism. He will be the student-produced newspaper's advisor.

Ralph Speer, D.A., professor of English, has visited the homes of more than 100 authors and is writing a collection of short stories from his childhood.

Richard Thompson, Ph.D., chair and professor of religion, is a skilled author and professor of the New Testament, Biblical hermeneutics and theological interpretation of Scripture.

Ann Thompson-Crabb, M.B.A., M.S., professor of accounting, is a Certified Public Accountant who has taught accounting in the STEP program for the past five years.

David Wetzell, Ph.D., professor of economics, has research interests that include the effects of minimum wage, the stabilization of Social Security finances and the minimization of research error.

Teri Whilden, J.D., professor of business law, a 1998 NNU graduate, has practiced criminal law as a prosecutor for the past four years, and is pursuing her MBA at NNU.



Timothy Palmer, Business Administration
McMinnville, Oregon

"Both of my older sisters graduated from NNU and even though I've been here for only a few weeks, I know I made the right choice. I can tell my time at NNU is going to be a life-changing experience. God has definitely blessed us with a great environment; it's one where we can praise Him openly and pull together as a single family. The campus has already become my second home, and the friends I'm making now will last a lifetime."



Anne Westfall, History Education
Fruitland, Idaho

"NNU's reputation as a leader in both the elementary and secondary education fields was important in my choice to attend NNU. After I visited, I could see myself here. Everyone is so welcoming and easy to get to know. Planned activities, like Malibu Days, have been great ways to welcome freshmen and allow everyone to become acquainted. With events like TWIRP and Homecoming around the corner, I know the fun has just begun!"



Skyler Stickney, Journalism
Eugene, Oregon

"After visiting campus and talking to a variety of students, NNU stood out. I couldn't have asked for a better university experience. As amazing as college has always seemed in my mind, I was still nervous. The unique thing that NNU brings to the transition is the relationships with peers and professors. Professors go out of their way to make a personal connection with each student. The close community has helped my academic interest and transition as a whole."

Journalists in the making

The fast-paced, inky world of newsrooms might not come to mind when considering where God's creative and redemptive work happens; however, in keeping with the university's mission, students studying in NNU's new journalism program will be prepared to be ambassadors of Christian character in the news media.

They will also learn how to write dynamic copy, broadcast compelling images and report riveting stories. "Having always loved to write, I am excited to be studying journalism and am looking forward to potential opportunities in broadcasting," said freshman Skyler Stickney.

The new major offers core classes created to prepare the students for news writing, editing, newsroom management and opinion writing. The courses are designed to balance journalism theory with practical know-how of the newspaper and broadcast news trades.

In addition to core courses and liberal arts general education requirements, students also take courses in media law and ethics, macroeconomics, geography, photography and graphic design.

Students apply classroom knowledge through opportunities to work on the student newspaper, and will serve in a professional internship at a media outlet. Journalism majors must also pick a supplemental discipline to specialize in, including media production (broadcasting), economics, environmental science, history, literature, philosophy, political science or Spanish.

Prof. Lucas Roebuck, who brings a diverse background in journalism and education to NNU, has joined the faculty to head the new program. His previous teaching experience includes working as managing editor and opinion page editor for several newspapers. He also served as assignment editor for an NBC news affiliate.

"We've developed a program that not only gives students the foundational knowledge in journalism theory, best practices and ethics, but also provides our students with hands-on experience to be ready to compete and exceed in a rapidly transforming media industry," said Roebuck.

However, NNU's mission is more than training students for career success. "Our hope is that students will be salt and light for the news profession," Roebuck said.

President Hagood Announces Retirement



Dr. Richard Hagood, the eleventh president in NNU's 95-year history, announced his plans to retire in July 2008. President Hagood served as an educator and administrator prior to coming to NNU in 1985, when he became the University's vice president of institutional advancement.

In response to the announcement of Hagood's plan to retire, Rev. Randy Craker, chair of the Board of Trustees, said, "On behalf of the Board of Trustees, I'd like to acknowledge a deep debt of gratitude to President Richard Hagood for 15 years of outstanding leadership at Northwest Nazarene University. He has made a positive mark on every facet of our institution. He has continued to build on our fine tradition of attracting outstanding faculty and administrators who have partnered with him in his work.

"We've witnessed an increase in enrollment, the move to university status, development of the master's programs, growth of the endowment, construction of numerous buildings, expansion of the sports venues and the overall health of the University. Dr. Hagood has paid special attention to the spiritual climate on campus and the connection of the university with the Church of the Nazarene throughout the Northwest Region.

"We anticipate a strong final year together as we continue to advance the mission of the university and prepare for the future."

The NNU Board of Trustees has designated the twelfth day of each month as a day of prayer and fasting for the selection of the twelfth university president and invites alumni and friends to participate. In September the search committee met with seven constituency groups seeking to best define the challenges, opportunities and issues before NNU, and to determine the type of leadership required to take the University into its centennial. The presidential leadership profile will be available Oct. 20 following the meeting of the Board of Trustees. Nominations and applications will be accepted Oct. 20 through Dec. 10 and may be submitted online; or, request nomination forms by emailing presidentialsearch@nnu.edu. Updates on the search process, timeline, nominations and qualifications are available at www.nnu.edu/presidentialsearch.

Inspirational civil and human rights advocate coming to NNU

Inspirational civil and human rights advocate Rev. James Lawson will present a guest lecture on Wed., Jan. 16, at 7 p.m. in Northwest Nazarene University's Brandt



Center. Lawson was a friend and acquaintance of Dr. Martin Luther King, and is one of the most important figures of the civil rights movement.

Rev. Lawson first met King in 1957, and they soon joined forces to realize their dream of starting a non-violent mass movement. That same year, Rev. Lawson went to Nashville to teach the mechanics of nonviolence to budding civil rights activists. He continued to work with King until his death, and has never given up on their shared dream of racial harmony.

Lawson's presentation will explore the inter-connectedness of all people, the renewal of democracy and the importance

of adopting positive expectancy about the world's potential. Lawson's lecture is one of several educational events taking place during NNU's Beloved Community celebrations Jan. 16 - 25, 2008.

NNU recognized for excellence and distinction

Continuing to be recognized as one of the leading universities in the West, NNU received praise from two national-ranking organizations. This fall, NNU earned the 39th spot among master's-level universities in the 2008 edition of "America's Best Colleges" by U.S. News & World Report. In addition, The Princeton Review awarded NNU the "Best Western Colleges" distinction in their annual America's Best Colleges edition.

Ranking in the top tier at number 39 of 116 master's-level universities, U.S. News & World Report judged NNU on peer assessment, retention and graduation rates,

average class size, student-to-faculty ratio, financial resources, alumni giving and the ACT/SAT and high school rankings of incoming freshmen. This ranking validates that the University's solid liberal arts educational core is a key ingredient to the professional success of students.

In response to the recognition, President Richard Hagood said, "What makes NNU different from many peer institutions is the University's commitment to the development of all dimensions of students' lives. While the U.S. News ranking is not among the indices we use to measure success in preparing students for their careers and roles in society, we are always grateful when our peers and the indicators used by U.S. News also recognize that we are doing well as a university."

Five hundred seventy-four colleges throughout the U.S. are ranked in the master's-level university category and are divided by region.

The University continues to be held in



high esteem, and values the perspective of its students' campus experience. Unlike other ranking institutions, The Princeton Review does not use a mathematical formula when rating colleges but instead relies heavily on student opinion. Current students answer 80 questions about their school's academics/administration, campus life, student body and themselves.

Vice President for Enrollment Services and Marketing Dr. Eric Forseth said, "This unique college guide allows students to provide open-ended responses about the university. An important central component of NNU's mission is to connect the heart and mind in the development of well-rounded students."

NNU was one of 123 colleges and universities named in the western region.

Dignitaries discuss faith-based initiatives on campus

White House Faith-Based Initiative Director Jay Hein and Idaho's Governor Buch Otter discussed faith-based initiatives at the "Creating Sustainable Community and Faith-Based Program Conference" hosted on campus with live video casts in Coeur d'Alene and Idaho Falls.

Several federal, state, and local organizations made keynote presentations and collaborated to offer training over a four-day period this summer.

Bachelor's degree now online!

Committed to serving lay pastors and everyday ministers of heart, NNU expanded its strong online educational programs to include a fully online bachelor's degree in Christian studies. Accelerated online courses are offered five times each year, providing opportunities for adult learners to achieve their educational goals in as little as 20 months in a flexible and academically stimulating format.

The Christian studies curriculum provides students with a broad educational basis by challenging them academically to integrate faith and learning, and to consider how Christian thinking impacts the world today. This program will equip students to respond to the challenges of

modern life from a Christian perspective. For more information contact the Christian Studies office at (208)467-8371 or visit www.nnu.edu/cso.

NNU welcomes new students

More than 300 freshmen and transfer students arrived on campus in August to begin their NNU adventure, including a week's worth of orientation activities. The ribbon-cutting ceremony is a special time for parents and students as the NNU community celebrates the arrival of the 2011 class. Reflecting on the moment, Christy O'Malley, mother of Preston, said, "The ribbon-cutting ceremony was especially



Pictured left to right: Jennifer Conner, Ryan VanBeek, Kelsey Lindquist.

meaningful as family members surrounded the freshmen, held the ribbon with the faculty and staff and prayed for their new beginning. That was a treasured moment for our family, and I keep that piece of ribbon in my Bible."

Robertson joins Athletic Department Staff, Brasch changes roles

The athletic department welcomed Barb Robertson to the Crusader family in August to begin duties as an assistant athletic director. Barb's primary duties include NCAA compliance, athletic scholarships, student-athlete relationships and serving in the role as the senior women's administrator (SWA). Barb has spent the past 17 years with DirecTV, most recently as vice president of human resources.

No stranger to the campus, Barb's father, Elmore Vail, was NNU's baseball coach from 1959 to 1974 and served in various roles including athletic director, associate

dean of students and as professor and chair of the department of physical education. The baseball field is named in his



honor, and he is a 1990 inductee in the NNU Athletic Hall of Fame.

"It has been my life-long goal to work for the University, and

to be in the same department where my father ended his career means the world to me," Barb said. She fills the position held by Darlene Brasch, who resigned in May.

Darlene served in her administrative position for the last six years and was head volleyball coach 1988-2000. Coach Brasch led NNU to the NAIA National Tournament four times, reaching the semifinals in 1997 and the national championship match in 1998. As an administrator, Darlene served a key role in the department's transition from NAIA to NCAA Division II and was instrumental in the development of the department's policies for NCAA compliance and scholarships.

Darlene continues to be an active member of the Crusader family by serving this season as an assistant to head volleyball coach, Jared Sliger.

Coach named outstanding educator

Alumnus Gordy Presnell was awarded the 2007 L.E.Wesche Outstanding Educator Award this fall. Presnell began teaching high school in Idaho after graduating from NNU in 1983. Three years later, he joined Seattle Pacific's coaching staff and after 18 successful years, he accepted his current position as Boise State University's head women's basketball coach in 2005. Last year, he led the team to the WAC championship and was chosen as the 2007 WAC Coach of the Year. In addition to being an outstanding coach, Presnell enjoys his role as husband and father. The Wesche Award is named in honor of Lilburn Wesche, NNU faculty emeritus.

NNU's Own Kilo Company Honor Man

Ashlee Jerome, Class of 2008

Semper Fidelis (always faithful) has been the revered motto of the United States Marine Corps for over a century. To the Marines, it is a way of life. "It is a commitment we all share to our country, to our Corps, and to each other."

This highly specialized group is an elite expeditionary force known for its ground and air operations that supplements naval operations. Time, discipline, strength and valor are all necessary to become a Marine officer—and that is precisely what NNU junior Lance Corporal Dallas Beaty continues to demonstrate.

After two summer assignments, Dallas graduated at the top of his class both times! Dallas, determined to enter some division of the military, began researching each of the military's branches by talking with recruiters while still in high school. His choice was soon narrowed to two options, the Marines or the Air Force. Eventually, the Air Force lost contact and Dallas enlisted in the Marines in July 2005 before entering his freshman year of college in Oregon. The following summer, Dallas was sent to the Marine Corps Recruiting Depot in San Diego, Calif. Out of 632 recruits, Dallas graduated first and was named Kilo Company Honor Man. Unlike the rest of his peers, he was given an additional military promotion to E-3.

Then in May 2007, Dallas was sent to Quantico, Va., for Officer Candidate School, where he spent numerous 16-hour days of rigorous activities ranging from drills to weight training to academic preparation. As the session continued, Dallas was selected by his drill instructor to be the platoon leader. And before long, he competed against six other platoon leaders for



a leadership award
—a battle of both
strength and mind

encompassing six areas of competition.

Contenders of the award are not only expected to know the answer to certain questions, but know it within a matter of seconds. To a marine, every delayed answer can mean another member of your team lost when in combat. "I've always been competitive in everything I do," Dallas stated. "Certain things, such as academics, don't come naturally to me; I have to work extra hard to see the results I want."

After six weeks of training, Dallas graduated first out of 350 recruits. He will leave in May 2008 for 13 weeks in Quantico before returning to NNU for his senior year. Faithful to his fellow Marines and country, Dallas will be stationed three years in Pensacola, Fla. while attending flight school after graduation.

Men's Soccer Returns

Craig Stensgaard, Sports Information Director

Premier college soccer. Elite collegiate level. What rings in your head when you read these words? For Coe Michaelson, the new NNU men's soccer coach, these words mean two things—commitment and challenge.

Hired in May, Coe started off full-force to prepare for a 2007 season that will see the men's soccer team play as a collegiate club sport, and then transition to a NCAA Division II full-varsity program in the fall of 2008.

"I am both honored and tremendously excited about the prospect of building this program from the ground up," Michaelson commented. "The facilities we have planned will rank with the elite programs across the nation, and this is just one piece of our plan for NNU men's soccer that we believe will be exciting to potential student-athletes and alumni alike."

These exciting prospects have already developed into reality with new student-athletes on campus and new facilities under construction.

Student athletes like Chad Pearsall, who attended Nampa's Skyview High School but is now on campus because of the men's soccer team. "The addition of the men's soccer team was instrumental in my decision to attend NNU," Pearsall said. "I visited other colleges and had our program not been developed, I would have been out of state playing somewhere else. Now I have the best of both worlds—the NNU community and the opportunity to play collegiate soccer."

New facilities are in the planning and construction phases. An outdoor facility project and campaign, led by Vice President for University Advancement Gary Skaggs, will relocate NNU's soccer field to the Amity Villa land recently acquired, which is west of Olsen Apts. A new indoor facility, the vision of NNU women's soccer coach Jamie Lindvall, will convert the west side of the Johnson Sports Center into an indoor soccer facility, complete with a FieldTurf playing surface. The new facility will include offices for both men's and women's

Coe and his wife, Stephanie (both NNU alumni), spent the last three years coaching and playing soccer professionally.

Coe currently serves as the Director of Coaching for the Boise Nationals Soccer Club and holds a U.S. Soccer Federation "B" License and a U.S. Youth Soccer National Youth License. As a player, Coe played semi-professionally for the Marine Football Club in England and coached for the Liverpool FC in Liverpool, England. Collegiately, Coe played for the Crusaders in 1999, earning first-team All-Cascade Collegiate Conference honors as a freshman.



soccer along with a training area, which is a year-round asset to every NNU athletic program.

"We are very pleased with the opportunity the acquisition of the Amity Villa Trailer Park provides for NNU to develop a dedicated competition soccer field that is strategically located on the exterior of campus," Skaggs said. "This new field will provide the visibility and support particularly necessary for the successful 'new beginning' of men's intercollegiate soccer at NNU, and will be a wonderful addition to the athletic corner of campus."

A testament to their commitment to NNU soccer, both Lindvall and Michaelson agreed to take on the task of fundraising 100 percent of the indoor facility. "These plans and the commitment from the University to support successful soccer programs at NNU were big factors in my decision to take this position," Michaelson added. "And, the fact that I can coach at an exemplary Christian academic institution makes this an opportunity I couldn't pass up."



homecoming & family weekend november 1-4

*Mark your calendar
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Family Weekend!*

Homecoming festivities are just around the corner! Don't miss out on the fun November 1-4 during the first Homecoming & Family Weekend that offers something for everyone. This year's celebration will take on more than a new calendar date—many new activities are available along with campus traditions. In addition to men's basketball, Crusader volleyball and women's soccer will play their final home games, and men's club soccer and women's basketball will face off against alumni. The 1957 men's and 1997 lady Crusaders basketball teams will be honored for their nationally recognized seasons, and a walk/run will be held to raise scholarship funds. Visitors can also enjoy a performance of the fall play, attend the music department's concert and visit the Friesen Gallery's ten-year-anniversary exhibit before bidding at the traditional silent and live auctions. A grand finale extraordinaire will close the weekend with a bonfire, fireworks and live music by High Street, one of the Northwest's most entertaining show bands. Order tickets today online at www.nnu.edu/homecoming. **Questions? Call (800) 654-2411.**

Schedule

Thursday, November 1

- 5:00 - 9:00 p.m. Registration - Johnson Sports Center
- 5:30 p.m. Flag Football game vs. ACI - track field
- 7:00 p.m. Crusader Volleyball vs. Central Washington - Johnson Sports Center
- 7:30 p.m. Fall Play "Curious Savage" Science Lecture Hall

Friday, November 2

- 9:00 a.m. - 7:30 p.m. Registration - Brandt Lobby
- 9:00 a.m. - 10:00 p.m. Silent Auction - Brandt Lobby
- 9:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. Bookstore hours
- 9:00 - 10:00 a.m. Friesen Galleries 10-Year Anniversary Reception Brandt Center
- 10:10 a.m. Homecoming Chapel Swayne Auditorium, Brandt Center
- 11:30 a.m. Award Recipient Receptions Suites & Galleries, Brandt Center
- 12:50 - 4:10 p.m. Visit Classes (see website)
- 4:00 p.m. Men's Club Soccer vs. Alumni
- 5:00 p.m. '57 / '97 Basketball Teams' Banquet Atrium, College Church
- 5:00 p.m. Fall Play "Curious Savage" Science Lecture Hall
- 7:30 p.m. Concert & Homecoming Coronation Swayne Auditorium, Brandt Center
- 9:00 p.m. Dessert Receptions & Dorm Open Houses
- 9:00 - 10:00 p.m. NNU School of Religion/NTS Reunion Williams Hall
- Following Concert President's Donor Reception
- 10:00 p.m. Student / Alumni / Faculty / Parent Activity - Johnson Sports Center

Saturday, November 3

- 8:00 a.m. Science, Math & Nursing Assoc. Breakfast (SMNA) - Wordsworth Room, Student Center
- 9:00 a.m. Fun Run / Walk for Scholarships Finkbeiner Park
- 9:30 - 11:30 a.m. Live & Silent Auction Brandt Center Lobby
- 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. Bookstore hours
- 11:00 a.m. Cross Country Regional Meet Eagle Island State Park
- 11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. Reunion Lunches begin various locations (see website) nnu.edu/homecoming
- 12:00 p.m. Crusader Ladies Soccer vs. Seattle Pacific - Finkbeiner Field
- 2:00 p.m. Fall Play "Curious Savage" - Science Lecture Hall
- 2:30 p.m. Lady Crusader Basketball vs. Alumni Johnson Sports Center
- 4:30 - 6:30 p.m. Soup Supper - Upper Lobby, Johnson Sports Center
- 5:00 p.m. Crusader Men's Basketball vs. NW Christian - Johnson Sports Center ('57 and '97 teams will be honored at halftime)
- 7:30 p.m. Crusader Volleyball vs. Western Washington - Johnson Sports Center
- 9:00 p.m. Grand Finale: Bonfire, Live Music with High Street Band, Food, & Fireworks Finkbeiner Park
- 9:00 - 11:00 p.m. Bookstore Midnight Madness

Sunday, November 4

- 8:00 - 10:00 a.m. Brunch - Student Center
- Attend Church of Choice

Monday, November 5

- 7:30 p.m. Fall Play "Curious Savage" - Science Lecture Hall

DECADE NEWS

A walk down memory lane

As we engage in a celebration year with President Hagood and Junella, would you share with us your special memories of them? Memories as student, mentor, friend or colleague are welcome. Please share memories online at www.nnu.edu/memories or mail to NNU, attention marketing, by November 31, 2007.

1950s

Merwyn 'Mat' Matson -59- is on a four year hike that will take him 3,100 miles on the Continental Divide Trail from the Mexico/New Mexico border to the Montana/Canada border. This summer he hiked 731 miles across New Mexico. You may follow his trip at www.mapquest.blogspot.com.

1970s

Ron Hull -72- retired to Palm Springs after 22 years of human resource management work in the field of higher education, working for the University of Southern California, the California State University Office of the Chancellor, and the University of California, Los Angeles.

Mike -73- and Becky (Kugler) (75) Myers developed an online Christian academy, grades 6-12, to begin fall '07. The school is geared toward rural and missionary children. The Myers live in Merced, Calif. where Dr. Myers is head of the Dept. of Education and Distance Education for Shasta Bible College & Graduate School. Mike also teaches critical thinking for Univ. of Phoenix. Becky begins her fourth year teaching first grade, and just graduated with honors from Nazarene Bible College with a B.A. in Christian Ministry, with an emphasis in Elementary School Education.

Rev. Sheryl (Perkins) Tedder -74- and her husband Fred began a new assignment in Aug. at Salt Lake City First Church of the

Nazarene as the senior pastors. Previously, Sheryl and Fred launched and served as the pastors of Community of Joy, a Sat. evening satellite congregation under the umbrella of Valley Shepherd Church of the Nazarene in Meridian, Idaho. Sheryl and Fred have two children: Libby (a 2007 NNU graduate) and Roland (currently a junior at NNU).

1980s

David Sever -83- and -02- is a Captain in the Air Force Reserve and recently returned from a deployment to south-west Asia. The Air Force Reserve Command recently named David "Outstanding Officer assigned to an Aeromedical Staging Squadron." He is working on a master's degree in nursing through Duquesne University in Pittsburgh, Penn.

Lt. Cdr. Brian JC Haley -83- received a Doctor of Ministry degree from Gordon Cromwell Theological Seminary in May 2007. Brian has served 16 years as chaplain in the US Navy. He and wife **Lisa (Hoyle) -86-** have three children and reside in Southern California.

1990s

Rosco Williamson -92- completed a Ph.D. in Political Science at the University of California, San Diego, in June 2007 and teaches at Point Loma Nazarene University.

Brad Williamson -97- was ordained as an elder in the Church of the Nazarene at the Los Angeles District Assembly in June 2007.

D. Andrew Zirschky -97- received the Master of Divinity and the Arthur Paul Rech Memorial Prize in Theology and Pastoral Ministry from Princeton Theological Seminary in May 2007.

Shari (Millard) Kruger -99- signed a two year contract with Quality Schools International to teach seven- to nine-year-

olds in Central Asia, specifically Astana, Kazakhstan. Shari's husband Tim will be the director of the school. Their daughter, Sadie Rose, attends first grade in the school and son, Austin James, is in the pre-school program.

2000s

Danielle (Silvers) Richert -00- will teach language arts and social studies at the InterAmerican Academy in Guayaquil, Ecuador this fall.

Jeffrey -01- and Rebekah (Ponsford) -01-Hall recently completed graduate degrees. Bekah received a Psy.D. in Clinical Psychology from Fuller Theological Seminary's Graduate School of Psychology in June 2007, while Jeff received a M.A. in Theology from Fuller Theological Seminary. Additionally, Jeff was ordained as an elder in the Church of the Nazarene in June.

Natalie (Taylor) Miller -02- graduated in Aug. with a Masters of Physician Assistant Studies from Pacific University in Oregon. She and husband **Greg -02-** moved to Dutch Harbor, Ala. where Natalie joined the Iliuliuk Family Health Services as a Physician Assistant.

Mary Dowski -02- is a counselor at Sherman Elementary School in Nampa where she was recently named elementary teacher of the year for the Nampa School District.

Jana (Harris) Grenn -03- completed her Masters of Business Administration from Univ. of Alaska Anchorage in May 2007.

Todd Fulcher -04- recently moved back to Nampa from Kansas City, Mo. where he attended graduate school and worked in banking. Todd now serves as a loan officer for Apex Mortgage.

Nicole (Condreay) Hoyt -05- and Sarah (Arendt) Maddux -05-, friends from NNU, returned to Nampa following their completion of the physician assistant program

at Trevecca Nazarene University. Both Nicole (**Andrew Hoyt -04-**) and Sarah (**Jesse Maddux -05-**) plan to practice in the Treasure Valley.

Steve Leppert -MEd-06- is social studies chair at Englewood Christian Academy as well as associate pastor of the Church of the Nazarene in Independence, Missouri. Steve is also completing a second master's in education.

Katie (Rotz) Schnider -06- works in corporate marketing at Schweitzer Engineering Labs in Clarkston, Wash., after teaching English at a private Christian school in Honduras.

Brendan Blowers -06- joined Mission Aviation Fellowship to serve in Latin America. Brendan will use technology to overcome barriers by providing training solutions in remote areas. He is building a ministry partnership team of people who will pray and support his ministry.

Calling all class of 1958 members!

May 3-4, 2008 will mark the 50-year anniversary of your graduation from NNC. You are invited to join us to celebrate your induction into NNU's Golden Grad club. The weekend will not only include opportunity to reminisce and re-connect with classmates and friends, but also to don regalia and participate in the 2008 commencement exercises. You will march at commencement signifying the heritage and legacy of the University's alumni as you form an honor guard which the class of 2008 will walk through. Complete information will be mailed in January.

MILESTONES

Births

Chloe Joy on Feb. 16, 2007 to **Chris -04-** and **Kristen (Hyatt) -04-** Desgroseillier.

Natalie Joy on Feb. 23, 2007 to **Lane -02-** and **Hilary (Stueckle) -02-** Chitwood, joining sister Audrey.

Alexandra Renee on March 7, 2006 to **Tim -99-** and **Julie (Satta) -99-** Barrass, joining brother Caden.

John Collin on April 4, 2006 to **David and Mary (Thatcher) -85-** Panzer, joining siblings Ian, Sean, Joshua, Alicia, and Amy.

Denali Elizabeth on April 26, 2006 to **Jason -97-** and **Jewel (Chesney) -99-** Alvis, joining brother Eli.

Joncee Troy on July 29, 2006 to **Keegan -01-** and **Jayne (Harding) -02-** Lenker.

Hans Wayne Perry on July 31, 2006 to **Frank -92-** and **Jolene (Becker) -91-** VerMulm, joining siblings Nick, Elle, Hidi, Hana, Hali, Levi, and Nati.

Jace McKenzie on Sept. 7, 2007 to **John -94-** and **Heidi (Zimmerman) -03-** Hunter, joining sister Kimberly and brother Cade.

Jerome Kenneth on Sept. 21, 2006 to **Kevin and Christina (Butler) -98-** Magnaghi, joining sister Naomi and brother Franklin.

Piper Lee on Nov. 11, 2006 to **Shane and Maren (Larsen) -02-** Hermanstorfer. Natalie Danielle on Nov. 30, 2006 to **Timothy -96-** and **Danielle Whetstone.**

Alex Jay on Feb. 3, 2007 to **Travis -99-** and **Shanna Toews.**



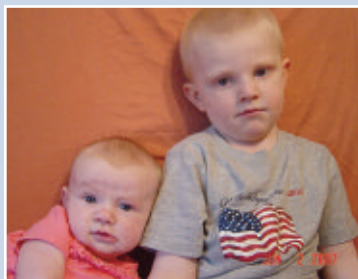
Caleb Hampton



Elijah Lagstrom



Silas Descalzo



Hope & Colin Bodley



Danielle Tupper



Hans VerMulm



Audrey & Natalie Chitwood



Jeffrey Tiner

Hope Elizabeth on March 1, 2007 to Brad and Faith (Brown) -01- Bodley, joining brother Colin.

Danielle Marie on April 4, 2007 to Craig and Jennifer (Burns) -96- Tupper.

Twins – Owen Townsend and Audrey Laine on April 10, 2007 to Whit and Holly (Leach) -99- Hemphill.

Minna Joy on April 16, 2007 to Matt and Lonna (Elliott) -98- Schierling.

Silas John on June 5, 2007 to Stephen -98- and Laura Descalzo.

Caleb Benjamin on June 16, 2007 to Curtis and Christine (Roemhildt) -91- Moore, joining sister Catherine and brother Curtis. Elijah Mason on June 17, 2007 to Mason -01- and Angelle (Norris) -02- Lagstrom.

Caleb Thomas on June 19, 2007 to Ken -98- and Courtney Finkbeiner, joining brother Isaac.

Caleb Robert on June 27, 2007 to Johnny -02- and Joye (Deakins) -03- Hampton.

Jeffrey David Wirick on Aug. 8, 2007 to Chris -04- and Stephanie (Wirick) -01- Tiner, joining sister Kadee Joy and brother Andrew.

Marriages

Lonna Elliott (98) and Matt Schierling on July 1, 2006 in Nampa, Idaho.

Deborah Finkbeiner -05- and Jeremy Wonch on June 2, 2007 in Connell, Wash. The couple will reside in Boise.

Kara Lyons -02- and Charlie Pardue on June 2, 2007 in Kansas City, Mo. The couple will reside in Princeton, New Jersey while Kara completes her Ph.D.

Sally Patterson -08- and Daniel VanderVeen on June 22, 2007 in Boise, Idaho.

Jessica Cunningham -03- and Matt Craig on June 30, 2007 in Bentonville, Ark.

Jennifer Scoggin -01- and Daniel Stewart on July 14, 2007 in Eagle, Idaho. The couple will reside in Idaho Falls.

Jill Willey -01- and Colby Wright on July 14, 2007.

In Memory

Carolyn (Hoeningner) Justh -68- on Feb. 9, 2007 in Post Falls, Idaho.

Elna (Funk) Merritt -53- on Feb. 26, 2007 in Cleveland, Ohio.

Jean (Mogenson) Thompson -54- on May 12, 2007, Caldwell, Idaho.

Gordon Edes (68) on May 14, 2007, Sunnyside, Wash.

Barbara (Urwin) Fleming -60- on June 7, 2007, Richland, Wash.

Darrell Teare -48- on June 23, 2007, Nampa, Idaho.

Edriss (Daugherty) Morse -69- on June 28, 2007 in Beaverton, Ore.

Janet (Kellom) Reed -60- on July 5, 2007, Seattle, Wash.

Ruby Clarace (Laughlin) Ellensohn (45) on July 30, 2007 in Austin, Texas.

Leonard York -49- on Aug. 2, 2007 in Montague, Calif.

Darlene (Bradley) Kell (50) on Aug. 8, 2007 in Nampa, Idaho.

Donna (Wilson) Parsons -45- on Aug. 12, 2007 in Nampa, Idaho.



Kara Lyons & Charlie Pardue



Jessica Cunningham & Matt Craig



Sally Patterson & Daniel VanderVeen



Jennifer Scoggin & Daniel Stewart

BREAKING GROUND

Science and nursing center update



Last fall *The Messenger* featured an article regarding the annual President's Appreciation Dinner and the "kick-off" of fundraising for a planned renovation and addition to the NNU science building. Subsequently, due to a number of construction and cost-related factors, the decision was made to build a new, stand-alone structure to house our science and nursing programs. The 55,000 sq. ft. facility will be located in the area between Riley Library and Wiley Learning Center, the site of the old gymnasium. The new building is foundational for the growth and development of our science and nursing programs, and will provide vital additional space for the nearly 200 nursing students and faculty, currently operating in only 1,600 sq. ft. on the top floor of the Emerson Administration Building.

Fundraising has progressed steadily, following Harold and Phyllis Thomas' commitment of a lead gift in the amount of \$4,500,000. To date, cash and pledges of approximately

\$8,200,000 have been received toward a \$9,000,000 goal. We anticipate the announcement of plans for an official groundbreaking during fall 2007.

We are pleased to be near the home stretch and invite your participation in a final but essential component of our fundraising campaign. The Murdock Charitable Trust provided a generous grant of \$1,100,000 toward the total cost of construction; however, half of this amount will come to us as a "top off" grant, available only after we have received the remainder of necessary funds. Your gift to the building project now has the potential of being matched by the Murdock Trust, which will increase the impact of each gift. Donations may be sent to the Office of University Advancement. A list of recognition opportunities to honor loved ones or establish legacies within this facility is available upon request. Contact Mark Wheeler, Director of Major Donor Relations, to discuss these opportunities.



NNU hires new planned giving director

We are pleased to announce that Mr. Shawn Blenker has accepted the position of associate director of planned giving, effective August 1, 2007. As we respond to the interests of NNU alumni and friends, Shawn is a wonderful addition to the University Advancement team.

Shawn is developing a rich history of association with Northwest Nazarene University and comes to us uniquely prepared for the requirements of the planned giving position. A 2000 graduate of NNU and former student body president, he has worked as a personal financial advisor, held series 7 securities licenses, and served as an excellent NNU admissions counselor. In that role, Shawn traveled throughout the Northwest region building valued relationships. He earned an MBA from NNU in 2006.

As associate director of planned giving, Shawn will ably fulfill the significant responsibilities of assisting donors with planning through wills, trusts and life-income instruments such as gift annuities, conducting estate planning seminars as requested, and providing oversight for the administration of our extensive trust and annuity program.

Deeply committed to the life-changing benefits of Christian education, Shawn is excited about this new phase of his career dedicated to service. Shawn is much appreciated at NNU and throughout the region for his warm, sincere and caring personality. I know you will enjoy working with him. —Gary Skaggs, VP for University Advancement



Pictured top row
left to right:
Johanna Higdon,
Trevan Hauck
Middle row:
Ryan Donely
Philip Meyer
Janee Olds
Rachel Allen
Rachel Finch
Kristen Parke
Bottom row:
Chris VanStone
Roland Tedder
Dax Wandling
Marc Hardy

FALL 2007-08 CALENDAR

NOVEMBER

- 1-4 Homecoming
- 6 7pm MBB @ Univ. of Utah
- 7 10:20am Mangum Missionary Lecture Series – Rev. Rick Power (SA)
- 8 11am Mangum Missionary Lecture Series – Rev. Rick Power (SA)
- 8 7pm VB @ Seattle Univ.
- 8-11 “The Call” Conference
- 9 10:20am Mangum Missionary Lecture Series – Rev. Rick Power (SA)
- 9 5pm WBB @ Weber State; 7pm VB @ MSU Billings
- 12-19 SGA nursing home gift drive
- 13 5-6:30 pm Alumni, student & friends tailgate party
- 13 7pm MBB vs. Albertson @ Idaho Center
- 15-16 Explore NNU
- 16 5pm MBB vs. Chico State @ Central Washington; 7pm WBB @ CSU Stanislaus
- 16 8pm Boise Philharmonic (SA)
- 17 5pm MBB vs. Notre Dame de Namur @ Central Washington; 7pm WBB @ CSU Stanislaus
- 22 **Thanksgiving** (Campus Holiday)
- 23-24 Women’s Basketball Thanksgiving Tournament (JSC)
- 23 7pm WBB vs. CSU Stanislaus
- 24 4pm MBB vs. Pacific U.; 6pm WBB vs. Humboldt State
- 30-Dec 1 Shilo Inn & Suites Hotel Classic Men’s Basketball Tournament (JSC)
- 30 5pm MBB Colorado School of Mines vs. MSU; 7pm MBB vs. Colorado Christian
- 30 Friday Escape - visit NNU

DECEMBER

- 1 1:30pm WBB vs. Whitman; 3:30pm MBB Colorado Christian vs. MSU; 5:30pm MBB vs. Colorado School of Mines
- 2 “Messiah” (SA)
- 6 7pm WBB vs. Cascade
- 7 6pm MBB vs. Westmont @ Albertson
- 7 Friday Escape - visit NNU
- 7-8 Music Dept. Christmas Dessert Theatre (BC)

- 8 6pm MBB vs. Western Montana @ Albertson
- 15 6pm MBB vs. Eastern Oregon
- 14-Jan 6 Christmas break
- 18 5pm WBB @ Dixie State
- 19 1pm WBB vs. CSU San Bernardino @ Dixie State
- 27-Jan 8 Student mission trip to Venezuela
- 29 7pm MBB @ Idaho State
- 31 7pm WBB vs. Albertson

JANUARY 2008

- 3 5:30pm WBB @ Western Oregon; 7pm MBB vs. Western Washington
- 5 5pm WBB @ Saint Martin’s; 7pm MBB vs. Central Washington
- 10 7pm WBB vs. UA Anchorage; 7:30pm MBB @ MSU Billings
- 11 Friday Escape - visit NNU
- 12 7pm WBB vs. UA Fairbanks; 7pm MBB @ Seattle Univ.
- 16 7pm Beloved Community Lecture (SA)
- 17 7pm WBB @ Central Washington
- 19 7pm MBB @ Seattle Pacific; 7pm WBB @ Western Washington
- 22-26 Beloved Community Week
- 24 5:30pm WBB vs. Seattle U.; 7:30pm MBB vs. Saint Martin’s
- 25 8pm Boise Philharmonic (SA)
- 25 Friday Escape - visit NNU
- 26 5pm WBB vs. MSU Billings; 5pm Sadlers and Slices All youth welcome (JSC)
- 26 7pm MBB vs. Western Oregon
- 28-30, Feb 1 Science Extravaganza
- 30 10:20am SGA Winter Awakening Chapel John & Guy Earle (SA)
- 31 11am SGA Winter Awakening Chapel John & Guy Earle (SA)
- 31 7pm MBB @ UA Fairbanks

BC=Brandt Center
JSC=Johnson Sports Center
SA = Swayne Auditorium

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