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# From the President

Too often it is perceived that higher education is a private benefit to the individual. But in reality, throughout the history of the United States, higher education has been a tremendous public benefit – harder to measure in economic terms, but no less important.

Significant sectors of our economy – aerospace, computers, biotechnology – require an educated work force and the ongoing research that our colleges and universities produce. We benefit as our students graduate to become the teachers, doctors, engineers, social workers, artists, librarians, police officers, forest rangers, and so many others who enrich all of our lives. College graduates generally contribute more to the tax base, providing much-needed services to the community, and are more likely to volunteer in their communities, participate in elections, and contribute to charitable causes.

Here at Evergreen, we have always been committed to our public purpose. Work in the community begins with core programs in the first year and is interwoven throughout the Evergreen interdisciplinary experience. Maybe that's why Evergreen alumni volunteer in their communities at a much higher rate than other college graduates. Integrating theory and practice in the real world is one of the hallmarks of this institution.

From academic programs like Local Knowledge that foster students' civic engagement to Evergreen's 12 state legislative interns, from students and alumni advocating commuting alternatives to our many Peace Corps volunteers, Evergreen is making our world a better place to live.



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Brady Clark '06 has made it his mission to reduce car trips to and from Evergreen. His job as student transportation coordinator is the first of its kind in Washington state.



# LEADING THE CHANGE IN URBAN PORTLAND

By Jim Beaver

Every Friday at noon, several hundred business, government and civic leaders gather in the third floor ballroom of Portland, Oregon's Governor Hotel to hear prominent speakers discuss the big issues of the day. The "Friday Forum" presented by the City Club of Portland is a local institution. It's where news is made in Oregon's largest city. The meetings are broadcast on local TV and radio and reported in the newspaper.

Vanessa Gaston '95 was preparing for her speech at the Friday Forum when we interviewed her at the Urban League of Portland headquarters. Gaston, 35, has been president and CEO of the Portland Urban League since March 2003. Although she was looking forward to her upcoming public appearance, Gaston says she would have felt differently ten years ago. >>





***“I’M MORE INTERESTED  
IN HELPING PEOPLE  
IMPROVE THEIR LIVES  
AND THEIR COMMUNITY.”***



**I** was uncomfortable with speaking, writing and group work before I came to Evergreen,” says Gaston. “But I stayed with it. Dr. Joye Hardiman (director of Evergreen’s Tacoma program) encouraged me to grow as a person. Dr. Artee Young challenged me to defend my positions. I came (to Evergreen) in a shell and bloomed into a butterfly.”

Gaston was invited to speak to the civic leaders because she is at the forefront of change in Portland’s African American community. The black population is dispersing from its traditional base in the north and northeast sections of the city. Rising property values are bringing gentrification to Portland’s low-income and minority neighborhoods. The Urban League of Portland now serves African Americans in the suburbs of Gresham, Multnomah County, Washington County, Clackamas County and Clark County, Washington.

Gaston is used to change. She grew up on the Pine Ridge Reservation in South Dakota. Her mother is Oglalla Sioux and her father is African American. When she was 10, the family moved from their rural home to an inner-city African American neighborhood in Columbus, Ohio. “I went to urban schools and saw that they do not help children of color and poor children,” says Gaston. “My father decided his children needed a better education and he moved us to a white suburb. We had to deal with racism, but we also got a quality education.”

With the help of state education grants, Gaston went on to Ohio State University. While she was at college, the rest of the

family moved to Alaska. Her family’s move ended Gaston’s eligibility for state grants and she decided to leave college and join the Army. During her three years in the military, Gaston became a legal specialist.

After the service, Gaston rejoined her family who had relocated again to Fort Lewis, near Tacoma. Gaston’s mother was already enrolled at The Evergreen State College program in Tacoma and she encouraged her daughter to join her. “She said this school will challenge you in ways that a traditional college will not,” says Gaston, who began taking classes and working in a nonprofit organization. After graduating in 1995, Gaston took a job with Washington state’s Department of Social and Health Services, starting as a clerk and quickly rising through the ranks to program manager, deputy administrator and administrator of the agency’s Rainier Valley office in Seattle. She also earned an MPA from the Evans School of Public Affairs at the University of Washington.

Gaston then was named associate superintendent at the Washington Soldiers Home & Colony, a long-term care facility for veterans where she supervised a staff of 174 and a biennial budget of \$20 million. “Long term care is about helping people have quality of life at the end of their life,” says Gaston. “I’m more interested in helping people improve their lives and their community. That’s why I became interested in the Urban League.”

As CEO of the Urban League of Portland, Gaston has a staff of 15 and an annual budget of \$1.2 million. That’s one third less than when she took over. Gaston has

narrowed the league’s focus, streamlined the office and developed a new strategic plan for the agency. As Barb West, the league’s board chair, told the *Portland Oregonian*, “Vanessa thinks about the nonprofit world like a business leader would think of running a business.”

Under Gaston’s leadership, the Portland league has closed its health programs and alternative school and refocused on economic development and support for existing schools.

One of the league’s new programs is the Centers for Academic Readiness and Success. CARS sends teams of teachers into Portland’s middle schools to help at-risk students with their math homework. Each team member serves 15 to 20 students and their families.

Gaston has quickly made her mark on the Rose City. A recent news article listed her as one of the “50 most powerful women in Portland.”

She’s also making waves in the national Urban League organization. Portland’s office is one of the few of the Urban League’s 103 affiliates to be led by a woman. The 11 affiliated offices in the western region recently named Gaston their representative to the national Urban League’s strategic planning project.

Gaston says her position with the Urban League is “my way of giving back to the community. I’m focused on issues, especially around children.” x







# Finding Real Alternatives

By Ann Mary Quarandillo

“\$48.40, please.”

“\$48.40? That’s ridiculous!”

As you reach for your wallet and hand over the credit card to the gas station attendant, you shake your head and wonder who’s going to do something about these gas prices – prices that, this spring, rose to the highest levels ever in the United States.

Here in the Pacific Northwest, gas prices are averaging \$2.42 per gallon. The federal government is searching for oil anywhere we can find it – even in Alaska’s Arctic National Wildlife Refuge. The military is embroiled in conflicts in the Middle East related to oil supply. The Washington state Legislature has passed landmark legislation requiring tougher emissions standards. Auto manufacturers are producing hybrid cars and beginning to extol the virtues of higher fuel efficiency. Scientists, economists, and business people are devoting time, thought and money into how we can produce more oil ourselves.

But the fact remains: oil is a finite resource. The way to reduce our dependence upon it is to reduce consumption – one trip at a time.

Brady Clark '06 believes that a reduction in automobile use is not only essential, but can be beneficial in more ways than just reducing fuel use. Since fall of 2004, he has worked with Susie Seip, Evergreen’s parking services supervisor, to raise awareness on campus and ensure that the whole community contributes to reducing the use of fuel by using alternative transportation. But “alternative transportation” has gotten a bad rap. Many drivers think it’s too difficult, or they live too far away, or they’ll lose the flexibility they have by driving their own car. Evergreen’s goal is to help commuters understand they can contribute to the solution through incremental changes in their everyday lives.

When he began working with parking services, Clark was primarily interested in one thing – improving conditions for bicyclists. As a bike commuter, he felt that access to the campus could be made safer and more direct. But the more he learned, the more he realized that by educating and reaching out to other commuters, he could help make a much larger impact on campus transportation issues.

“Many people, when they hear the words ‘alternative transportation,’ tend to think in extremes. Their perception is that they need to do it 100 percent of the time,” Clark explains. “But even if everyone used an alternative just once a week, it would make a pretty significant difference.”

The Washington State Legislature passed the Commute Trip Reduction (CTR) Law in 1991, with the goal of reducing traffic congestion, air pollution, and petroleum consumption through employer-based programs that decrease the number of commute trips made by people driving alone. As a large employer in Washington, Evergreen is required to comply with this legislation. But according to Clark, CTR law doesn’t do enough to reduce trips at colleges throughout the state. The law doesn’t take into account the large percentage of students commuting to college worksites. At Evergreen, the CTR law only affects about 10 percent of the commuting population.

As an intern with the college during winter quarter, Clark created an assessment of the transportation situation at Evergreen – and didn’t like what he found. Over 80 percent of the car trips made to campus are by people driving alone. >>

Louise Kornreich '92 rides her bike six miles one way to her job in downtown Seattle. “With traffic like it is,” she says, “it actually takes me less time than driving.”

To help lower this number, he and Seip felt that community members needed better facilities for commuters on campus, as well as incentives to choose alternatives. In 2004, Clark was responsible for obtaining over \$30,000 in state and federal funding to make these improvements. The Evergreen Commuter Contest was created to encourage people to try taking alternative transportation.

The key goal of the program is to reduce the number of single occupant vehicle trips to campus made by all members of the Evergreen community. As the program begins its second year in the fall, Clark hopes to focus on promoting the many benefits besides reducing oil dependency that alternative transportation signifies. "Biking, riding the bus and carpooling aren't just good for the health of the environment," he explains. "They're also good for improving the physical and mental health of the individual."

Louise Kornreich '92 can attest to that. An avid biker since she was three years old, she bikes six miles each way to her job in Seattle, and is actively involved in the Bicycle Alliance of Washington, which promotes bicycling as viable, fun and healthy transportation.

"When you're riding to work, you're aware of your surroundings," she says. "You're seeing things. You know when the sun comes up. In a car, you're enclosed, but on your bike, you feel the change in seasons, you hear kids playing, you smell the rich smells. It's worth the extra 10 minutes it takes because the quality of time is so much better."

For the past five years, Kornreich has worked as office and circulation manager for the *Jewish Transcript*, Seattle's Jewish community newspaper, and was recently promoted to bookkeeper. She particularly enjoys working there because it allows her the flexibility to volunteer for causes she believes in, like the Bicycle Alliance. In 2001, she volunteered to chair their annual fundraising auction, coordinating logistics, sponsorships, and item donations, including a "Share the Road" Texas license plate signed by six-time Tour de France winner Lance Armstrong. In the three years she chaired the auction, revenues nearly doubled.

Like Clark's efforts with the Evergreen Commuter Contest, the alliance works to educate communities across the state about alternative transportation. Working



with clubs and organizations to encourage bikers is only the first step. It's also critical to collaborate with legislators, city planners and engineers to think about alternative transportation issues, and educate bicyclists and motorists about sharing the roads.

When Kornreich was a student at Evergreen, most people were so used to seeing her on her bike, they didn't even know she owned a car. She understands that giving up a car altogether is difficult for many people. But she also feels if more people would remember the joy and freedom a bike gave them as a kid, they'd want to recapture that feeling – and be a little more sustainable at the same time. "I just really love to be on my bike," she says. "I can go places, see scenery, and be with other people – and I don't have to worry about gas. On a bike, you can go anywhere."

Bicycling may be the most visible alternative transportation method, but there are many more ways to reduce the number of community car trips per day. Commuter Contest participants carpool or vanpool, sharing rides with other Greeners. They work from home, or compress their workweek into four 10-hour days rather than making that fifth trip to the office. And, like faculty member Thad Curtz, they rely on the ultimate carpool – they ride the bus.

When Curtz first began teaching at Evergreen in 1972, he lived out on Cooper Point, and biked or hitchhiked to campus every day. But when his children were born, the family decided they needed to be closer to town. Part of their decision when buying their home was that it was a block from the bus stop.

"It's actually easier for me to ride the bus than to drive," Curtz explains. "My wife and I don't have to own two cars, and we don't pay for parking. Plus, I have 40 minutes per day to read and work without interruption."

Living in a more dense downtown neighborhood provides many benefits to the Curtzes and the community besides simply reducing his car trips. Their children could walk to school, and he and his wife still walk to the grocery store. Many of their friends live close by, and they find they spend much more time with them than with friends who live further away. They enjoy Olympia's parks and gardens, including the Capital grounds, "without having to keep them up," Curtz laughs.

But collective political choices contribute to these personal choices. "We need to look at social benefits as social creations, not just the results of personal virtues or failings,"

**Left**  
Brady Clark '06 says carpooling is one of many small ways people can make a difference in the number of commuters on the road.

**Center**  
Susie Seip, Evergreen's parking services supervisor, is at the forefront of the college's Commute Trip Reduction program.

**Right**  
Faculty member Thad Curtz relishes the quiet work time he gets while riding the bus instead of driving.



Curtz explains. For example, paying new taxes that improve the safety of roads and railway crossings reduces accidents; they aren't just reduced by individuals driving more carefully. And if communities are designed with alternative transportation in mind, it's easier to make choices that mean everybody benefits from cleaner air, less traffic congestion, and better safety.

Brady Clark has all kinds of ideas on how to encourage this kind of social responsibility. "People need better facilities and infrastructures if they are to take advantage of the alternatives," he says. Through the grants he has written, Evergreen has installed commuter lockers in most buildings on campus. To encourage bikers and pedestrians, part of the grant funding is being used to subsidize safety equipment such as helmets and lights. Clark is currently working with fellow students in the academic program Community Information Systems to create a ride-share website. Once up and running, the site will help make it easier for commuters to connect with one another to share their commutes.

The Evergreen Commuter Contest ties all these initiatives together, offering quarterly incentives from a free cup of coffee to more

than \$700 worth of gift certificates from local businesses. In its first quarter, the contest drew more than 350 participants, an early indicator of the program's success.

With programs like the Commuter Contest and others, Clark believes that Evergreen is well suited to serve as an example for other rural worksites and colleges in the national sustainability movement on college campuses. In fact, Clark's job as student transportation coordinator is one of the first of its kind in Washington state. "It's important for students to be able to do meaningful work while they're in school," he explains. "The college's recycling program, the student bus pass program, and most recently an initiative to purchase clean and renewable energy were started by students here. I'm proud of what we've accomplished, and I can only hope that these kinds of sustainable initiatives signal a national trend toward engaging students in the practical application of knowledge in 'greening' their campuses."

It's a challenge to anyone who has worried or complained about high gas prices or long commutes on overcrowded roads. According to UCLA urban planning professor Donald Shoup in his book *The High Cost of Free*

*Parking*, Americans pay an annual subsidy for "free" parking of more than \$200 billion. It's built into the taxes we pay, the cost of every house or apartment we buy or rent, every purchase we make in a store, every restaurant meal or movie. Overall, the United States, with a population of 295 million people, has nearly one billion parking spots. As Evergreen enrolls more students, the college will be faced with the challenge of accommodating those commuters. In the college's tradition of sustainability leadership, the answer will lie in investing in alternatives rather than building more costly parking lots. ✕

For more information, visit: [www.evergreen.edu/commute](http://www.evergreen.edu/commute) or [www.bicyclealliance.org](http://www.bicyclealliance.org)



# FRESHMAN YEAR

Though they're on opposite sides of the aisle, new state legislators Chris Strow and Brendan Williams are serving Washington — together.

By Ann Mary Quarandillo

Greeners Chris Strow (left)  
and Brendan Williams at the  
Washington state Capitol.



When Chris Strow '91 and Brendan Williams '92 made a friendly wager on the outcome of the New Jersey governor's election in fall of 1993, neither of them knew that 12 years later, the winner would have a real chance to collect. This spring, they're standing on the Washington state capitol steps themselves as freshman representatives to the state legislature, and Strow is reminding Williams he still owes him an expensive dinner. But anyone who knew them then wouldn't be surprised. Politics has been in their blood since their student days, and both of them have discovered serving in government is the

Williams found his already budding interest in government work fostered at Evergreen. Living in the state capital, he was able to complete several internships for academic credit, including a senate internship with Senator Al Bauer, Jr., and a governor's internship for Governor Booth Gardner, where he worked on the Small Business Improvement Council. He transferred to Washington State University, where he served as legislative affairs director for WSU's two student governments before becoming the full time executive director of the Washington Student Lobby in Olympia. While there,

is communications – seeing one another as people and not just as partisans,” he says. “We tend to be somewhat obsessed with our differences and not so mindful of our similarities, but I think there are a lot more similarities than we would acknowledge.”

Having worked with fairly conservative Republicans, Strow finds he has great frustration with both parties at times, as he doesn't see them always serving the people they're elected to serve. “I am deeply committed to trying to help us remember we're all on the same team – we live in a great country with great opportunity, but

best way they know to affect real change in people's lives.

Strow grew up as a military kid, living the first 12 years of his life overseas. The son of a retired U.S. Navy captain, he and his family moved to Whidbey Island when he was 13. He has served in a number of positions with the Washington state Legislature, and while interning for U.S. Congressman John Miller, he graduated from Georgetown University's Institute for Comparative Political and Economic Systems. In 1994, he joined the congressional staff of U.S. Congressman Jack Metcalf, serving for five years as the senior Washington, D.C. aide to the Congressman. He has also served as chief of staff for Congressman Denny Rehberg of Montana, and moved on to become legislative political director for the Republican National Committee.

But Strow returned to Washington state because he knew it was the best way for him to make a difference. This fall, he was elected state representative for the 10<sup>th</sup> District, which includes Island County and parts of Snohomish and Skagit Counties. “I chose to run after so many years working on the federal level because I actually think that in the state legislature you do things that have a tangible effect on people's lives,” he explains. “I really don't see myself as having some grand future in electoral politics; I just thought I could do this job well for a number of years.”

he finished his degree at Evergreen. He also received his master's degree in criminal justice from WSU, and his law degree from the University of Washington. So it was only natural that when 22<sup>nd</sup> District incumbent Sandra Romero decided not to run again, Williams would throw his hat into the ring. And against four more seasoned candidates, he won the seat.

Representing the district that includes the state capital requires a firm belief that government can do good for people. “We need to get progressive-minded people in politics,” Williams says. “In my case, as the father of a son who will be three in June, I wasn't content to sit on the sidelines and exercise every citizen's prerogative of complaining about government. I really wanted to get in there and try to change things. I don't want to give in to cynicism about government, which is a pretty strong temptation. To follow that path is to give up on my son's future, and I can hardly do that.”

Williams is a Democrat. Strow, a Republican. But neither of them personify the divisiveness that party politics seem to create. In fact, both are proud of their work with the other party. Serving in politics, says Strow, “is about the simple stuff – the opportunity to own a home. The opportunity to give your kids a future. Making sure you have health care.” Williams' years as a lobbyist taught him that most issues are bipartisan, and the only way to accomplish anything is to broaden your perspective. “So much of it

the divisions and the vitriolic nature of the divisions that this country is seeing right now concern me deeply. Anything and everything we can do to try to minimize those divisions is important,” he explains. “I've had some great success here so far being able to work with leaders on the other side of the aisle as well as some of my own leaders and I would prefer to be known as constructive rather than divisive.”

Williams remembers both he and Strow were very political in college – and very competitive when it came to politics. Today, both of them are already making themselves known around Olympia, serving on prominent House committees and having passed several bills. And both plan to run again when their two-year terms are up. As Williams explains, “two years is just not enough time to make the changes you want.”

For the citizens of Washington, that's great news. And Strow still needs to collect on that bet. ✕

## GREENERS IN STATE GOVERNMENT


In addition to Strow and Williams, other Greeners are making their mark in Olympia.

**Rep. Brian Blake '93**  
19th District, member since 2002

**Rep. Sharon Tomiko Santos '85**  
37th District, member since 1998

**Sen. Dan Swecker '73**  
20th District, member since 1995



A group of five young people are posing in front of a vibrant graffiti wall. The wall features large, stylized characters in red, green, and blue. The group consists of four young men and one young woman. They are dressed in casual, urban-style clothing, including jackets, hoodies, and a beanie. The person on the far left is a young woman with dark hair, wearing a black jacket. Next to her is a young man with long blonde hair, wearing a black jacket. In the center is a young man with long blonde hair, wearing a black jacket with orange and yellow striped sleeves. To his right is a young man with long blonde hair, wearing a black jacket. On the far right is a young man with a beard, wearing a black beanie and a brown and black patterned jacket. They are all smiling and looking towards the camera.

Story and Photography:  
Jessica Thorne, '06

# Creating Community





n a crisp, sunny February afternoon in downtown Olympia, traces of daffodil and iris mingle with the sea air. Small crowds spill out of cafes and onto the sidewalks as families savor the weather with long, slow strides. The city feels joyful in the warmth of an early spring.

But as you pass around the corner, the smell of cooking mingles with stale beer and garbage from a nearby dumpster. Tucked comfortably out of sight from most Olympians is the alley that Cory and Sam sometimes call home. The walls are brightly painted but dirty, and cigarette butts float idly in pools of water punctuated with liquor bottles and old plastic bags.

Like many homeless youth, Cory and Sam are a visceral presence in downtown Olympia. For whatever reasons – poverty, abuse, addiction – these boys and their peers have been sentenced to the very outskirts of society. The hard life of the streets is reflected in their faces: their eyes are bright but world-weary, their shoulders strong but stooped, their foreheads crossed with worry lines. It is clear that they have had to fight for whatever they have, and they don't have much.

Evergreen students Jessica Eskelson and Nichole Ketcherside are working to change that. As part of the academic program Local Knowledge, they designed Street Advocacy with Youth through Media (SAYM), a project to facilitate community participation in issues of homelessness. Officially launched this spring, SAYM seeks to partner with homeless youth to document the issues they face on the

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streets in an effort to raise awareness about youth homelessness and sexual violence prevention in Olympia. Areas of particular concentration include survival struggles, community perceptions of homelessness, and the underlying causes of sexual violence.

According to a recent study published by the Washington Coalition of Sexual Assault Programs (WCSAP):

**72%** of homeless youth in Thurston County have experienced abuse in their former homes.

**48%** identified physical or sexual violence as the reason they left their homes.

**56%** indicate that they have experienced sexual violence outside of the home.

**61%** of homeless youth say that past abuse continues to affect them.

**64%** reveal that they have been offered money, drugs, alcohol and/or shelter in exchange for sex.

The effects of physical and sexual violence on the youth are self-evident, and yet despite the intensely personal nature of their struggles, survey participants cite the “need for the support of local businesses, artists and everyday community members” as an important factor in determining the solution.

Students in the Local Knowledge program are encouraged to collaborate with the community to identify local needs and develop strategies and solutions, and many of the plans build on community >>

**Opposite page:**

(L-R) Rosalinda Noriega '98, Nichole Ketcherside, Sam, Jessica Eskelson and Cory Kuder in the downtown Olympia alley that Cory and Sam sometimes have to call home.

relationships already developed by faculty, students, staff and community members. After two quarters of careful research and training, students create projects in partnership with the community and spend most of winter and spring quarter bringing those projects to fruition.

SAYM was initiated after a quarter of research in collaboration with community members at the local transit center. The group hopes that youth will become more empowered through their active participation in the planning and decision-making process, and will have the opportunity to develop skills in videography, non-linear editing, research and media representation. The resulting film is expected to elicit a wide range of public interest and community response.

According to Eskelson and Ketcherside, “the video will speak to people with a wide range of experiences, occupations, and knowledge of street life. (We hope that) those who lack direct experience with youth, homelessness or sexual violence can find a stronger connection and a deeper understanding of this community through the viewing of the film.”

Like *seminar* or *evaluation*, *community* is a word that carries a distinctive twist at The Evergreen State College. Students, staff and faculty have been engaged in some form of community based learning from the founding of the college in 1971. Internships and program work in Olympia and beyond have led to the establishment of several local nonprofit organizations, including Safeplace and GRUB. Yet service learning in the curriculum has

largely remained an individual rather than an institutional effort, until now.

With the establishment of the Center for Community Based Learning and Action (CCBLA) in September, the college has launched a full-scale effort to support community-based work. Sylvie McGee, director of the CCBLA, says “Certainly one of my goals is to grow community involvement in the curriculum, and I think the other goal is to understand where it is already happening.”

Located in Seminar II, the center has quickly become a hub of activity at the college, with a resource library, internet access, and employees who are eager to foster the connections between Evergreen and the community. “We are a clearinghouse for helping Evergreen connect to the community,” says McGee. “We are also

**Left:**  
Nichole Ketcherside and Jessica Eskelson prepare to interview Olympia residents downtown.

**Opposite page:**  
Amber Carver participates in the annual Community-to-Community event, a day of public service for incoming freshmen at Evergreen.







becoming a clearinghouse for the community ... (the center) is really a fixed place that the community can come to.”

Connecting service learning opportunities to Evergreen programs can be trickier than you might think. “Unlike colleges where there are departments, you can’t just say ‘I’ll take ten students from the social work school,’ or ‘I’ll get ten students from the chemistry program to work on my environmental project,’” explains McGee. Additionally, “the ways in which students are serving the community are diverse and usually go undocumented.”

Data collected by the CCBLA for the fall academic quarter recorded a total of 187 students and 1,521 hours of service learning at Evergreen, in partnership with 26 non-profit organizations in Olympia and Thurston County. Students participate in community service through student groups, independent contracts, internships and academic programs like Local Knowledge, or the core program Waste and Want.

For Rosalinda Noriega '98, the Native Studies program Community: Time, Space, People and Place was the catalyst for a life in community service and advocacy. “I studied circles, and for me a circle is all about coming together in a sacred space and setting an intention,” she explains. “What I got from Evergreen was this sense of self, a greater appreciation of the diversity of the world that I live in, and knowing that there are other people out there who care, you know?” She laughs. “Not that everybody cared to do their reading before they came to seminar! But you know that’s part of it, too.”

Noriega is currently organizing and facilitating Partners in Prevention, a demonstration project working with Cory, Sam, other homeless youth and various community service agencies and volunteers to prevent sexual violence. Partners in Prevention utilizes a community development model to engage stakeholders and allies in addressing the underlying conditions that contribute to sexual violence in their community. The partners are currently participating in weekly trainings focused on improving communication skills, conflict resolution, and accessing >>





available services. In addition to the training, youth and partners have formed a speakers' bureau, with a mission to "support youth who are homeless as they use their voices to raise awareness about youth homelessness and sexual violence."

With the survey information cited above and gathered by Noriega for WCSAP, the youth and partners have created a comprehensive plan to prevent sexual violence in the homeless community, using audio and visual media, street theater and public speaking. Their goal is to increase the willingness and capacity of the community to impact the underlying causes of sexual violence and respond to sexual abuse.

Early in the process, Noriega learned about the Local Knowledge program at Evergreen. Seeing the connection between her work and the program's focus on community development, Noriega contacted the faculty to invite student participation in the project and was in turn connected to Eskelson and Ketcherside. What has emerged is a textbook example of community-based learning at its best – students in partnerships with mentors and community members, working toward a common goal.

"It's amazing how much energy students bring to the table," says Noriega. "I would encourage anybody to tap into that."

SAYM hopes to support Partners in Prevention by lending available media skills and resources, thereby encouraging the community understanding and support that will be necessary to implement their sexual violence prevention plan, which includes increasing opportunities for youth to access safe shelters, positive role models, education and healthy recreation. Noriega is a key advisor, and some of the youth have spent countless hours assisting with and consulting on the video. Cory seems to have found a special niche as director– making the necessary introductions, suggesting changes to the script, and even picking up the video camera to help compose a scene. It is a reciprocal process. >>



On that mild February day, we visited their alley to document that process with my camera. As we emerged from the alleyway, seeking the warmth of the sun, a man with two children gripped their hands and hurried past. A woman stepped into the street to avoid our slab of concrete, and a group of business people standing on the corner snuck guarded, suspicious glances. An old man with a push broom gruffly cocked an eyebrow and muttered, “who wants a picture of those ragamuffins anyway?”

Rosalinda just smiled and turned away. “Someone does,” she replied. ✕

*For a copy of “Community Development Demonstration Initiative: Working with Youth who are Homeless,” contact the Washington Coalition of Sexual Assault Programs at [www.wcsap.org](http://www.wcsap.org).*

**Opposite page:**  
Andrew Peru and fellow students at South Sound Builder’s Resource, a salvage company for Habitat for Humanity.

**Right:**  
Jessica Eskelson pauses on a bridge in Tacoma.



The author, **Jessica Thorne '06**, from Grand Junction, Colo., is an intern in Evergreen’s Photo Services department, where she works with college photographer Martin Kane to produce photography for publications and college archives. She also runs an after-school documentary photography program for migrant children in Centralia, Wash.

Her main areas of concentration at Evergreen are community studies and visual arts. “I chose to do this internship because I have a passion for social documentary photography and looked forward to an entire year of taking pictures and improving my craft,” she says. Thorne has been very involved in the community during her time at the college. She photographed crime scenes for the “Rape in Olympia” series while working with Safeplace (a local women’s shelter) and created an after-school program in conjunction with the Procession of the Species, Olympia’s annual artistic pageant, held to inspire learning, appreciation and protection of the natural world. She also documented the celebration photographically.

In the future, Thorne hopes to run a large philanthropic organization, or to found her own nonprofit. “Community studies at Evergreen are unique because you really get to ‘practice what you preach,’” she explains. “I am so proud to be a part of that.”



# News & Notes



Alan Parker, executive director of the Northwest Indian Applied Research Institute and Evergreen faculty member.

In a rare gathering, tribal leaders from nearly 56 nations, government agency officials and other distinguished scholars and speakers met at the Evergreen Longhouse Center in April for *The Power of the Treaties*, a symposium on treaty law and policy. The public program discussed the roles of treaties and how they relate to the areas of cultural resource protection, health care, the environment and education. Washington state Governor Christine Gregoire spoke at the event, recognizing 150 years of the Northwest Treaties, the permanent contractual agreements that recognized the inherent sovereignty of the tribes and

defined their relationship with the federal and state governments.

Billy Frank, Jr., Northwest Indian Fisheries Commission chairman and former Evergreen Trustee, said, "It's so important to get our story out, the correct story." Gregoire agreed and this year proposed steps to increase knowledge of tribal issues within the state. She encouraged and supported the Washington State Bar Association's action of requiring a tribal law proficiency section on the bar exam. That requirement will go into effect in 2007, making Washington the second state in the nation to add a tribal law requirement. In addition, Gregoire this session signed legislation that supports treaty education by encouraging schools to teach American Indian history in government. Had the measure not been

adopted, according to the bill's language, "Many students may remain uninformed about the experiences, contributions and perspectives of their tribal neighbors, fellow citizens and classmates." The Washington State Historical Society and the Northwest Indian Fisheries Commission were the symposium's presenting sponsors.



Billy Frank, Jr.

Eric Stone, '74



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## 1973

**Gretchen Borck**, Ritzville, thoroughly enjoys working for the American farmer as a lobbyist for the Washington Association of Wheat Growers.

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## 1974

**Jody Bower**, Port Townsend, is a medical writer, and contributed to the *Gale Encyclopedia of Mental Disorders*, published in 2002. She sings with the RainShadow choir and the Unity Church choir.

**Eric Stone**, Los Angeles, Calif., had two books published this year. *Wrong Side of the Wall* is a biography of Blackie Schwamb, the greatest prison baseball player of all time, and *The Living Room of the Dead* is the first in a detective series set in Asia and based on stories he covered as a journalist during his eleven years living there. He recently traveled to the Temple of Literature in Hanoi, Vietnam (photo). Learn more about his work at [www.ericstone.com](http://www.ericstone.com).

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## 1975

**Tiare Mathison-Bowie**, Newton, Iowa, is a Presbyterian pastor along with her partner, Steve. They

long for the Pacific Northwest, and Tiare is already recruiting their 11-year-old son, Isaac, for Evergreen.

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## 1976

**Meredith Parker**, Neah Bay, has been working for the Makah Tribe within the forestry department since 1983, and now is the CEO of the Makah Forestry Enterprise. She is President of the Makah Cultural & Research Center Board of Trustees, represents Makah on the Intertribal Timber Council Executive Board, and participates on a number of other regional and local boards and committees. Her two sons, ages 18 and 20, continue to be a source of great pride.

Carol Clark, '77





# Of the People, for the People, by Evergreen Students

Their days are spent in the halls of the Legislature and around the Capitol – busy with constituent meetings, legal briefings, legislation research and networking, not to mention a consistent flow of information and a fast “learn as you do” work pace. They are not elected officials but Evergreen juniors and seniors serving as legislative interns for state senators and representatives. Often acting as the eyes, ears and even the voice of their legislators, interns are getting real world experience in preparation for their future roles in the public, private, government and nonprofit sectors. But as these 12 Evergreen students will tell you, there is more to serving the Legislature than meets the public’s eye.

’Auli’i George says what struck her was the high level of trust legislators have in their interns. “You’re not just making coffee, you’re learning something that’s useful. It’s surprising to see just how much they depend on you,” she says. As the staff intern for Rep. Phyllis Kenney (46th Legislative District), George oversaw production of Research Days, a first-ever event that brought all six of the state’s research institutions together to showcase current research projects.



Evergreen President Thomas L. “Les” Purce served as the event’s keynote speaker.

Fellow interns agreed with Josh Tuckett’s comment that he has a new appreciation for the challenges lawmakers face in making decisions for the common good. “One challenge I faced was being able to set aside my own feelings and perceptions,” he says. “To do the research

I had to set aside my personal bias in order to serve the public as a whole.”

Evergreen’s interns have put the Evergreen values of collaboration and cooperation into good practice. “It’s about balance,” says Erin Montgomery. “You gather perspectives, balance them and channel them into a solution. It reinforces the need for compromise and balance in policy.” Montgomery explains that the fast paced environment dictates quick action which can be very different from the on-campus program setting. “Opportunities can literally come and go in a day,” she says.

Judi Best ’90 has served the Legislative Internship Program for 10 years and co-directs the program. She says interest in the program has greatly increased in recent years. In 1994, only 38 Washington college students applied for internships; in 2005, there were 81. “I’m proud my alma mater is represented,” says Best. “Evergreen has always provided strong interns as they are consistently good writers and researchers as well as being independent.”

## 1977

**Carol Clark**, Titusville, Fla., is a superintendent with the National Park Service at Canaveral National Seashore in Titusville, Fla.

**Corinne Kelly**, Seattle, has a new grandson, Carter Damien.

**Dr. Henry B. (Rennie) Selkirk**, La Honda, Calif., works as a senior research scientist at the Bay Area Environmental Research Institute in the NASA-Ames Research Center. He is married to Susan Selkirk.

## 1978

**Jeff Jacoby**, Bethany, Conn., is completing his MFA in sound and video art. Jeff’s been met with both big challenges and big rewards as he’s discovered a performance artist in himself that was waiting to emerge. The experience has also made him a better teacher and he looks forward to more in the future. The Traveling Radio Show (with former Evergreen student Thomas Hood and alumni **David Gordon ’80** and **Franklin Ruetz ’84**) is showing signs of life again and

they’re now actively seeking a national partnership with “some lucky corporation.” Jeff has been happily partnered for more than 25 years with his talented and beautiful wife, Sharon Steuer, an artist and author of the book, *The Illustrator CS Wow!*

**Steven Layton**, Seattle, continues to create “wildly unpopular (though, of course, utterly necessary)”

**Jeff Jacoby, ’78**



classical and experimental music. His third CD on the NiwoSound label, *Different Light, Same Window*, can be found along with his other work at places like Tower, CdBaby.com, iTunes and Amazon. He’s also been heavily involved with important new ways the Internet can provide for direct connection worldwide between composers, performers, and audiences. More information on these and other activities is available at [www.niwo.com](http://www.niwo.com), the site he shares with his wife, Spanish artist/designer Carmen Cano.

**Peter Nielsen**, Missoula, Mont., and his wife, Killeen, have two sons, one of whom plans to attend Evergreen as a freshman this fall. Peter manages a local water quality program for Missoula County. His main projects currently are the cleanup of the Milltown Reservoir Superfund site and removal of two dams on the Blackfoot and Clark Fork Rivers.

**Julia (Pickering) Warner**, Petaluma, Calif., and her husband, Dick, have been happily married for 24 years, and have two beautiful daughters attending the University of California-San Diego. Dick has been a wine merchant for 25 years and Julie is a potter, chef and landscape designer.



# SEM II Named One of Top Eight "Green" Projects in the U.S.

On Earth Day 2005, April 22, the American Institute of Architects (AIA) Committee on the Environment named The Evergreen State College's Seminar II building as one of the 2005 Top Eight "Green" Projects in the United States. The annual awards were developed in partnership with the U.S. Department of Energy and are presented to honor architectural design solutions that protect and enhance the environment.

The 153,000-square-foot academic facility reflects Evergreen's interdisciplinary teaching philosophy and commitment to environmental advocacy and practice.

The building was opened and dedicated last spring by then Governor Gary Locke and has been submitted to the U.S. Green Building Council to be considered for the distinguished Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) Gold Certification. Mahlum Architects of Seattle designed the building.

The Evergreen community played a substantial role in the design of the structure with faculty, staff and students serving on the design committee that advised the architects. "We wanted SEM II to be a living, working example of sustainability – one of Evergreen's core values," said Evergreen President Thomas L. "Les" Purce. "Here, sustainability is simultaneously meeting environmental, economic and community needs."

Evergreen's award demonstrates its leadership role in the progressive move toward green building and represents the growing market transformation under way in the country and around the world. Earlier this spring, Washington state Governor Christine Gregoire signed legislation making Washington the first state in the country to require public buildings to be

constructed with standards encouraging energy conservation and recycling.

The AIA's Top Eight Green Projects program recognizes projects that address significant environmental challenges with designs that integrate architecture, technology and natural systems. Projects are evaluated for their contributions to their sites and existing ecosystems, connection to the surrounding community, use of high-performance technologies, energy use and sensitive use of materials and resources. Evergreen's building includes many sustainable attributes and practices including use of natural light and ventilation, external hallways to minimize energy consumption required for heating and cooling, water-saving features and rainwater-holding gardens that reduce runoff.

The SEM II building was featured at the AIA National Convention in Las Vegas in May and at the National Building Museum in Washington, D.C.. For more information on the Green Project Awards, visit [www.aiatopten.org/hpb](http://www.aiatopten.org/hpb).

## 1979

**Caril Ridley**, Longbranch, graduated from Evergreen as a student of urban planning, psychology and outdoor education, and earned her master's degree in cultural anthropology at the University of Oregon. Her international fieldwork and studies have ranged over four continents and fifty countries, focusing on environmental adaptation, village form and cultural structure. She was blacklisted from returning to India for her journalistic and political involvement within revolutionary Sikkim, but her international human rights involvement continues to this day. In 1979, Caril established a regional mental health therapeutic community in Tacoma, helping more than a thousand people rebuild their lives. As a hypnotherapist, she has pushed the limits of understanding sublimation and parts-therapy. She has lectured throughout the mental health industry. Caril has made history by piloting the first hang glider in India in 1974 and becoming the first person to run the origin of the Amazon River (Cousteau's Amazon Expedition, 1982). She trained with the U.S. Olympic Kayak Slalom Team in the early 1970s, and, inspired by her mentor, Dr. Willi Unsoeld, climbed mountains and ran rivers worldwide. Caril has established a newspaper, served on the Key Peninsula Community Planning Board and chaired a regional

Puget Sound Trails Committee to design a system of urban and rural environmentally sensitive trails. Caril co-authored a book, *Kayaking around the Key Peninsula*, with Dr. Simon Priest and was nominated as Key Peninsula's Citizen of the Year in 2005. Caril has also raised two home-schooled sons, Devon and Douglas Ridley.

## 1980

**Susan Bartlett**, Antrim, N.H., lives on a 100-acre organic farm in south-central New Hampshire with her husband of 11 years and their two children, Sam and Xiao Yi (who is ethnic Cantonese). She is also her teenage nephew's guardian. She has finished one nonfiction book and is working on two others and is involved in peace and environmental activism.

**Scott Kauffman**, San Francisco, Calif., is a staff attorney with the California Appellate Project in San Francisco, a non-profit law firm assisting private lawyers in California death penalty litigation.

**Victoria (Torie) Scott**, Portland, Ore., is a librarian at Portland Community College, Cascade campus. She was a massage therapist for 13 years and is also an ultra-marathon cyclist. Her husband, Ernie Jones,

is a stay-at-home dad for their 4-year-old and also works on-call with the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA). Ernie works two to three natural disasters per year and provides victims with information on where to obtain assistance. Ernie previously worked as a coordinator for outdoor and experiential education programs.

## Nancy Butler, '82



# U.S. Education Department Rewards Excellence in Student Services

In an unprecedented move, the U.S. Department of Education has awarded The Evergreen State College's KEY Student Support Services with a \$1.4 million grant to be distributed over a five-year period. The newly awarded grant allows Evergreen to continue a 24-year tradition of providing services to undergraduate students who are low income, first generation college students or students with disabilities. Services include academic planning, tutoring, financial aid counseling, career and graduate school advising and cultural activities. The initial grant application submitted in August 2004

was for a four-year award, but the high scores Evergreen achieved during the review process resulted in a generous five-year award.

Since 1977, the Evergreen KEY program, which stands for Keep Enhancing Yourself, has advised and assisted nearly 200 students per year, helping pave the way to program completion and graduation. The KEY program is part of TRIO, a federal educational opportunity program that was established in the 1960s.

"We are thrilled to be awarded the grant again this year and the extra year of funding

we received was a greatly appreciated surprise," says Niki Amarantides, director of Evergreen's KEY Student Services. "These are federal programs that really work to support students' success. Students who never dreamed of attending college are graduating, thanks to the efforts of the KEY services."

## Moore Publishes Fourth Book

Judith Moore '74 has come a long way from her days as an unhappily married mother of two, living in Gull Harbor, Wash., and searching for the voice to express her innermost struggles. Today, she is a two-time National Endowment for the Arts grant recipient and winner of a Guggenheim Fellowship, and the author of a critically acclaimed new book, *Fat Girl*. Moore praises her experiences at The Evergreen State College for giving her the courage to come out of hiding.

"When Evergreen came to town, I knew that heaven had landed in my front yard," she recalls.

"When I began, I was a secret reader and a secret writer. I felt that my interests in literature and history and philosophy were inappropriate for a woman of my age and class."



At Evergreen, Moore says, instructors such

as David Hitchens, the late Will Humphries and Charles McCann encouraged her interests and lauded her work, teaching her the arts of critical thinking, research, editing and, most importantly, fearlessness and trusting in her own voice and mind.

"A big light turned on, and all three of them had their hands on the switch." That light, Moore adds, remains on to this day—some 30 years later.

Since taking that tremendous, initial leap of faith in herself, Moore continues to draw upon the challenges, pain and joy of her past as inspiration for her work. In addition to *Fat Girl*, Moore has published three other books, *The Left Coast of Paradise*, *Never Eat Your Heart Out* (a *New York Times* Notable Book of the Year) and *X* (with Sue Coe). She is currently the books editor and senior editor for *The San Diego Reader* and lives in Berkeley with her dachshund, Lily.

## 1981

**Thomas Buell**, Pittsburgh, Pa., runs his own virtual PR firm called Verso Partners ([www.versopartners.com](http://www.versopartners.com)) and is involved in all manner of communications for a variety of organizations.

## 1982

**Caitlin Bell**, Sequim, left Olympia shortly after graduation and returned to Stehekin, Wash., where she met and married her husband, Burton, and raised their three children. While in Stehekin, she owned and operated an outdoor supply store while her husband worked for the National Park Service. Caitlin later enrolled at the University of California-Berkeley via correspondence, earning her MBA in marketing. The family moved to Sequim in 1998 where Caitlin is the middle school ASB secretary for the Sequim School District. They plan to remain in Sequim until their youngest child completes high school then it's off on a new adventure.

**Kimberly Fiedler Bowen**, Seattle, is the new director of development at the Seattle Parks Foundation ([www.seattleparksfoundation.org](http://www.seattleparksfoundation.org)). She

and her husband of 17 years, Greener **Harvey Bowen**, live with their 7-year old twin girls.

**Nancy Butler**, Portland, Ore., is a technical instructor for Vestas-American Wind Technology, training technicians and customers in operation, maintenance and repair of wind turbine generators. She says it's great to work for a company committed to renewable energy. She has traveled to wind farms in California, Oregon and Tennessee and recently returned from a training trip to Denmark, where her company is based. Nancy is also part of a dragon boat team that traveled to Cape Town, South Africa last spring for the World Club Crew Championship. Her team, Wasabi Team Huge, won a gold medal in the women's 500m. She will be part of the senior women's team representing the United States in Berlin for the next World Championship competition in August.

**Wanda Gayle**, Salt Lake City, Utah, was in Willi Unsoeld's final outdoor education program. She lives with her husband, Howard Berkes, an NPR reporter, and their 12-year-old daughter, Casey. Wanda recently worked with other former Evergreen alumni to develop a K-5 elementary science curriculum and was instrumental in starting an arts charter school in Salt Lake City.

**Gilmore Kion-Crosby**, Newark, Del., followed in his father's footsteps by providing organizational development services during much of the past 20 years. He married fellow Greener **Cathay Crosby** (formerly Barbara Kion) 17 years ago, and they have two sons, Par, 16 and Willow, 3, whom they home-school. Cathay is the webmaster for the Cecil County Library System.

**Mark Langevin**, Santa Maria, Calif., is a professor of political science at Chapman University. He is also associated with the Federal University of Espirito Santo-Brasil, and serves as the national organizer for the Brazil Strategy Network (<http://brazilstrategy.net>). Mark spends much of his time in both L.A. and the San Francisco Bay area.

**Michael Zwerin**, Boynton Beach, Fla., spent nine years working in the information technology field before he and his wife of eight years started their own home inspection company in Palm Beach, Fla. They're now close to their third year in business. He is also a director of the Florida chapter of the National Association of Certified Home Inspectors.



# Evergreen Tops for Peace Corps Students

The Evergreen State College has been named to the list of "Top Producing Colleges and Universities" for the Peace Corps.

Evergreen was listed as 21st in the nation among small colleges and universities for alumni involvement in the Peace Corps. The small college and university category includes four-year schools with enrollments under 5,000. The designation comes as 18 Evergreen graduates are

currently serving the citizens of the developing world in the Peace Corps.

In a letter to Evergreen President Thomas L. Purce, Peace Corps Director Gaddi H. Vasquez said that Evergreen graduates have made a tremendous contribution to the Peace Corps and the world – and the new ranking reflects the high caliber of students who attend The Evergreen State College. "The Peace Corps and Evergreen State College have developed a significant relationship over the years," Vasquez says.

## Attention Former Unsoeld Students

Were you a student of Willi Unsoeld? Are you now involved in education? Steve Simpson '75 and Chambliss Keith '77 are working on a proposal for a Spring 2006 Willi Unsoeld Seminar that will consist of former Unsoeld students presenting their current education work, and discussing how what Willi believed and taught has lived on in new programs. They are trying to locate people who studied with Willi and took some of the lessons learned into their own education careers. If you are a former Unsoeld student currently working in education, and are interested in participating in a Spring 2006 evening program, please contact Steve Simpson at [simpson@edbriefs.com](mailto:simpson@edbriefs.com) or Chambliss Keith at [chambliss@earthlink.net](mailto:chambliss@earthlink.net).



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## 1983

**Richard Kent Helm**, Forest Grove, Ore., has been married for 21 years and has two daughters, ages 11 and 13. He serves as senior program manager for the WiMAX Forum, a non-profit high-technology consortium dedicated to promoting worldwide interoperability for wireless broadband. He has also built a home and is still composing and recording music.

**Michael Holloman**, Spokane, is the new director for The Center for Plateau Cultural Studies. Previously a professor of fine arts at Seattle University, Michael has considerable experience working with American Indian peoples. He is a registered member of the Confederated Tribes of the Colville reservation and has strong family ties to the Coeur d'Alene Tribe. He and his staff have worked to strengthen relations with the four major Northern Plateau tribes. The plateau center sponsored the highly successful Coyote and Friends as well as a friendship dance.

**Elizabeth (Johnson) Lee**, Palo Alto, Calif., is a licensed marriage and family therapist, writer, artist and Middle-Eastern dancer and performer. She and her husband, Elgin Lee, a software engineer, share their home with their two children – a boy, 14, and a girl, 6.

Elizabeth especially enjoys reading, spending time with her family and playing in her garden with the fairies.

## 1984

**Riede Wyatt**, Taos, N.M., is still in Taos and loving it. He works at Blossoms Garden Center and is "still 'Greening' things up!"

## 1985

**Kimberly Foley**, Kirkland, is one of the founding members of Tramline and one of the first to work in the area of Virtual Field Trips. She earned her master's degree from the Media Laboratory at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology and has been at the forefront of technological breakthroughs, working with High-definition Television (HDTV) in the 1980s, as well as digital video, when each were in early research stages. Kimberly has taught computer and digital video courses, produced and co-designed interactive multimedia packages for major publishers and managed team software development. During the past several years, she has developed web-based, virtual field trips for the education market and designed and maintained several educational sites. In 2000, Kim branched out to online teaching about virtual field trips

and has developed for-credit workshops for teachers. She has also written a book, *The Big Pocket Guide to Using & Creating Virtual Field Trips*, which is geared specifically to K-12 educators and teachers-in-training.

**Robert Steelquist**, Sequim, taught a summer quarter class at Evergreen: "Steens Mountain: Landscape and Policy." The course was an intensive nine-day field trip to Steens Mountain and environs, focusing on Bureau of Land Management policies. In the summer of 2005, he will teach another Evergreen course: "Missoula to Astoria: The Bretz Floods." Robert calls this course "the mother of all Pacific Northwest roadside geology trips – taking in landscapes from Montana to the Pacific and geologic events that boggle the mind." Steelquist is author of numerous regional natural history guides and works for the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration's Olympic Coast National Marine Sanctuary.

## 1986

**Lenora Hughes**, Olympia, has retired but is still working and staying active.

**Daniel Jetter**, New York City, N.Y., is a high school biology teacher in New York City.

# Love and Marriage: The Real Story

## Coontz's New Book Sheds Light on the History of Marriage

According to family history faculty member Stephanie Coontz, "Marriage has changed more in the last 30 years than it has in the previous 3,000!" In her already highly acclaimed fourth book, *Marriage, A History: From Obedience to Intimacy, or How Love Conquered Marriage* (Viking, 2005), Coontz has peeled back centuries of marital tradition, philosophy and behavior to expose the contemporary truth about how marriage affects everything from familial roles and personal fulfillment to the ideas of commitment and emotional love.

According to Coontz, much of the change in marriage is due to the changing role of women, but everything we know about who marries – why they marry and what makes for a good marriage, what causes divorce and why people live together without marriage – is in flux. *Marriage: A History* speaks to the fact that most people do not realize that today, educated, egalitarian women are now more likely to marry than others and that traditional men are more likely to divorce. Twenty years ago, men were less satisfied if they had to share housework. Today, men are more satisfied when they share not only housework, but childcare.

"We can never again count on marriage being the only way that people make and keep commitments, and therefore shouldn't build social policy or personal emotional expectations on wishful thinking," she explains. "You cannot value-proof your marriage." The anticipation of her book has garnered Coontz praise by literary critics



and the press in *USA Today*, *Newsweek*, and Oprah Winfrey's *O Magazine*, among others, as well as appearances on CBS' *The Early Show* and *The O'Reilly Factor*.

"The support I've received from other scholars and writers, and especially my colleagues at Evergreen on this issue and project has been overwhelming," says Coontz. "I would never have been allowed to spend so much time on a book at a traditional university and I would not have dared to retrain myself to take this on." Coontz was particularly moved that her fellow academicians were not the least bit worried by her stepping out of her original field. "This is the wonderful thing about interdisciplinary teaching," she says.

Coontz also serves as Director of Research and Public Education for the Council on Contemporary Families, an organization which includes 150 of the most prominent family researchers and clinicians in the world. For more information on her work, visit [www.stephaniecoontz.com](http://www.stephaniecoontz.com).

**Stephanie Coontz** – bestselling author, eminent historian, and gourmet cook – exemplifies the changing rules of marriage detailed in her newest book.



**Scott Merriman**, Olympia, recently accepted a position in Governor Christine Gregoire's administration as the director of legislative relations for the Office of Financial Management. Scott previously served as policy director for land use and transportation issues for the Washington Association of Counties. Scott has lived in Olympia since graduating

from Evergreen and has worked in various public sector and non-profit organizations as a policy specialist, notably as the legislative liaison for both the Department of Natural Resources and Office of Community Development, as state policy director for the Washington Environmental Council and energy program coordinator for the former Washington State Energy Office. He is married to Evergreen alumna **Kim Merriman '94**, a photographer and metal and glass sculptress who once served as the director of governmental relations for The Evergreen State College. Kim's work can be seen at [www.gardengoddessart.com](http://www.gardengoddessart.com). They share a home with their two cats, Remi and Mika.

**Mattie Robbins**, Lilliwaup, is retired and has two grandbabies.

**Kai Schafft**, Millheim, Pa., his wife, Annyce, and their infant son, Emmet, moved to Pennsylvania where Kai took a faculty position at The Pennsylvania State University to co-direct the Center on Rural Education and Communities within Penn State's College of Education. They are enjoying small town life and getting to know Pennsylvania.

**Jamie Valadez**, '86, Port Angeles High School Klallam language instructor, was named Teacher of the Year by the Washington State Indian Education Association in April. She is one of the pioneer Native American teachers not only for the Port Angeles School District, but the entire state. In 1998, Valadez, a member of Lower Elwha Klallam tribe, was instrumental in the formation of a breakthrough agreement between the tribe and Port Angeles School District. The first known agreement between a tribe and public school agency in the state, its goal was to include Native American curriculum in Port Angeles schools, and led to the creation of a Lower Elwha language course at Port Angeles High School in 1999, which Valadez still teaches. She is also in the process of developing a pilot curriculum for eighth-grade students that combines the history, culture and language of the Lower Elwha.

**Kai Schafft, '86, Annyce and Emmet**





# Retiring Faculty Celebrated

Saturday, May 14, the Evergreen Community gathered to celebrate the “graduation” of retiring and emeriti faculty. The 2005 retiring faculty include many notable teachers and administrators who made a great impact on the college.

Priscilla V. Bowerman, economics, served for 32 years, including terms as director of the graduate program in public administration and as academic dean. Virginia Darney, literature and women’s studies, served for 27 years as a faculty member and eight as academic dean. Elizabeth Diffendal, applied anthropology, served for 30 years,

including four as academic dean. Virginia Hill, communications, also served for 30 years. Janice Kido, communications, directed the master in teaching program for four years during her 14 years at Evergreen. Albert Leisenring, mathematics, served the college for 33 years. Willie Parson, microbiology, served 34 years at both the Olympia and Tacoma campuses, including a term as academic dean. Nancy Taylor, history and education, also served 34 years, including three as academic dean. Alfred M. Wiedemann, biology, one of Evergreen’s founding faculty members, served the college for 35 years.

Faculty who retired in 2004 were also recognized. Angela Gilliam, anthropology, served the college for 17 years. Kazuhiro Kawasaki, art history, taught for 29 years. In her 27 years at Evergreen, Barbara Leigh Smith, political science, directed the Washington Center for Improving the Quality of Undergraduate Education for nine years, served as academic dean and spent seven years as provost and academic vice president. Oscar Soule, biology, served 34 years, including five years as director of the graduate program in environmental and energy studies and two as academic dean.



# Muppet Creator’s Foundation Awards Grant to Goldberger

Theatrical design faculty member Ariel Goldberger’s puppet company, “NAKeD PUPPeTS,” received a \$5,000 grant from the Jim Henson Foundation to support their DaRK EaRTH project. The latest version of this project was shown at Seattle’s Richard Hugo House Theatre, and previously at the Olympia Film Society.

DaRK EaRTH includes a variety of experimental puppetry techniques and a multimedia environment created with projections, animation, and original digital soundscapes, to create images and visions of worlds of violence, impossible love, and broken expectations. Goldberger’s work explores the edges between puppet and object theatre, mysticism, performance, new technologies, archaic

and new imagery, politics and poetics. NAKeD PUPPeTS includes Evergreen students Quinn Bivins, Shawn Douglas, Cheetah VonTchudi and Dan Luce, and alumnus Mark Asbel Gerth ’04.

The Jim Henson Foundation was founded in 1982 by Muppets creator Jim Henson to promote and develop innovation in the art of puppetry in the United States.

## 1987

**Toni Bailie**, Paisley, Ore., recently trained to become a facilitator for Soul Collage Cards. This is a process used for inner self-work in which participants gather images from magazines, etc. and make cards to be used in their own self-journeys. Toni will soon begin holding workshops training people on the process and uses of Soul Collage Cards.

**David Bennell**, Freeport, Maine, earned his bachelor’s degree in environmental studies from Evergreen and his master’s in health and human performance from The Pennsylvania State University. A sustainable business practice expert, David has joined the environmental consulting firm Woodard & Curran as a vice president. He will lead the development of the firm’s sustainability and corporate citizenship practice, helping utilities, corporations, the investment community, and colleges and universities with the development, management, and implementation of sustainable business practices. He will also lead Woodard & Curran’s internal corporate social responsibility efforts. David has more than 13 years’ experience facilitating several cross-sector partnerships between non-government organizations and businesses. He lectured at Massachusetts Institute of Technology’s College of Engineering,

teaching product development process and design for environment. David has also worked as a strategic sustainability advisor for several corporate and Fortune 500 clients and served as a corporate manager for companies such as Microsoft, REI, and L.L. Bean.

**Robert Brown**, Hayward, Calif., is a computer programmer. After five years in Boston, he returned to the San Francisco Bay area and married his longtime companion, Noelle, in Hayward on Oct. 24, 2003.

**Chris Burke**, Boulder, Colo., has a 1-year-old son, Henry. A future Evergreen alum, according to Chris, “his current interests are trucks and roughing up his Dad.”

**Wanda Curtis**, Yelm, is the director of admissions for the University of Washington - Tacoma. She is proud to have a second generation Greener, since her son, Isaac, is now attending Evergreen.

**Angela Percival**, Olympia, has migrated back to her native Northwest and now lives on Cooper Point, after spending the last 17 years in Berkeley and northern California. She continues to earn her keep as a salmonid biologist, but is also pursuing her interests in scientific illustration.

**Karen Wilson**, Berkeley, Calif., is going to school and studying music. She settled down with a “real dog” – a Labrador retriever/shepherd cross.

## 1988

**Paula Barnett**, Taumarunui, New Zealand, has settled permanently in New Zealand. She and her partner own and are the proprietors of a farm stay and lifestyle farm near Mt. Ruapehu. They are farming organically, raising some livestock and hosting visitors in their accommodation.

**Sheryl Belcher**, Seattle, is a grassroots manager for Washington state for the American Cancer Society and owns a “small, funky (and cute) house” in the Wallingford neighborhood.

**Kirsten Morse**, Easton, Md., was invited to show her photography in the Marziart International Gallery in Hamburg, Germany, during April 2005. She started an at-home digital camera/computer training business in late 2002 and has been developing her own photography as well. See her work at [http://www.marziart.com/START\\_ARTISTS.HTM](http://www.marziart.com/START_ARTISTS.HTM) or at [www.fine-art.com/kirtymorse](http://www.fine-art.com/kirtymorse). Kirsten’s personal site is [www.pixelshows.com](http://www.pixelshows.com).

## Bring Baseball History into Your Home or Office

One of the highlights of Evergreen's annual Jackie Robinson Scholarship Award announcement is the unveiling of an original watercolor showing Robinson in his baseball prime. Tina Hoggatt '78 of Issaquah created the three beautiful memorials in this series.

Now a limited number of these special prints are being made available, first to our Evergreen alumni and friends and then to the public at \$350 for one print or \$950 for the series of three. Your purchase supports Evergreen's Jackie Robinson Memorial Scholarship.

To view the entire series, visit [www.evergreen.edu/jackierobinson](http://www.evergreen.edu/jackierobinson)

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"Jackie Robinson, Montreal Royals, Delorimier Stadium, 1946," Fine Art Giclee Imaging on watercolor paper. (19"hx22"w)

## Greener Wins Grammy



Charles Michael Brotman '75 took the first-ever Grammy Award for best Hawaiian music album for the compilation album, *Slack Key Guitar Volume 2*. He not only produced the album, but was one of its ten featured musicians, each with their own tuning and slack key style ranging

from traditional to contemporary. Brotman accepted the award with his fellow musicians at the Grammy ceremony February 13.

The slack key style was developed in the 1800s after Spanish cowboys arrived on the islands and introduced the guitar. The Hawaiians devised their own tunings, loosening the strings and

creating a languid, bending sound. *Slack Key Guitar Volume 2* was recorded in the heart of Paniolo (Hawaiian cowboy) country where the slack key guitar style originated. It debuted at #1 on the Billboard World Music chart and reached #1 on the Billboard New Age Music chart.

Brotman has lived in Hawaii for 29 years. He received his master's degree in music from the University of Hawaii at Manoa, and taught classical guitar at the University of Hawaii for nine years. He left teaching in the mid 1980s to pursue work as a composer and producer, opening a commercial recording studio with a partner in Honolulu. In 1990 he moved to the Big Island with his family and in 1997 he and his sister, Jody Brotman '77, co-founded Palm Records and built Lava Tracks Recording Studio.

He is a recipient of and a multiple nominee for Hawaii's Na Hoku Hanohano Awards for his guitar

performances and role as a producer. In the past few years five of his guitar recordings have reached the top 10 on the national radio charts in World, Smooth Jazz, and New Age categories. He is known throughout Japan and the United States as the lead guitarist for Kohala, the acoustic guitar trio from the Big Island of Hawaii. He is also known internationally as a composer, producer and guitarist. In April, the State of Hawaii House of Representatives passed a resolution in his honor.

While accepting his Grammy, Brotman honored traditional Hawaiian musicians. "We know that we wouldn't be here today if it wasn't for past generations of musicians in Hawaii that dedicated their life to music," he said. "On behalf of the entire state of Hawaii, thank you so much for honoring Hawaiian music."

For more about the Brotmans and traditional Hawaiian music, visit [www.palmrecords.com](http://www.palmrecords.com).

**Anne Phillips**, Seattle, thought things would slow down when she retired from the Department of Ecology, where she'd first begun working as an Evergreen intern 14 years earlier. Since then, however, she's become a political activist – starting first with the peace movement and then by registering voters. She went to Cleveland for four weeks last summer and registered about 1500 voters in "a heavily Democratic area – of course." In January she bought a home "with a knockout view" which has a separate bed-and-breakfast cottage on the property.

**Nancy Podgorski**, Anchorage, Alaska, and her husband moved from Ohio to beautiful Alaska where she teaches developmental writing classes at the University of Alaska, Anchorage.

**Joseph Rodin**, Seattle, is a licensed psychotherapist, specializing in relationship therapy. He also runs the Northwest Yoga and Meditation Festival as well as the Seattle & Eastside Yoga and Meditation Magazine. The festival is a four-day event at Seattle Center that hosts famous yoga and meditation teachers from around the globe and includes the Himalayan Art and Film Festival, a Mandala sand painting, Tibetan films and a photography exhibit with Art Perry. The magazine is a thrice-annual publication with writings from local and national authors, a health directory and class schedules.

## 1989

**Shannon Greer**, Seattle, says she is "forever grateful to Evergreen" for allowing her the opportunity to use her imagination in developing her skills. Her experience in both international and mass communications has helped her become a published author "with many more novels still to come." Her first, *Blood Sisters*, is a suspense thriller and is available on Amazon and many other sites. Shannon says "Evergreen also taught me that helping others and giving back to the community is everyone's responsibility, so I made it my goal to do just that." She served with The Fred Hutchinson Cancer Research Center for 10 years and now works for Vulcan Inc. in the Paul G. Allen Family Foundation, which funds arts and education organizations.

**Jacqueline Kettman**, Tumwater, is married to **Mike Thomas '91** and attends the University of Washington School of Law, expecting to graduate in 2006.

## 1990

**Michael Andersen**, Vancouver, enjoys teaching high school English and philosophy in the international baccalaureate program at Vancouver's Columbia River High School. He also advises the school's ecology and Model United Nations clubs and is a part-time graduate student at Reed College in Portland, Ore. When he doesn't have his nose in a book, Michael and his wife, Angela, like to get up in the woods or get on their bikes and hit the local hills.

**Larry Davenport**, Seattle, has been working at the University of Washington as the assistant to the editor of *Reviews of Modern Physics* for the past seven years. He is also a kidney dialysis patient and awaiting a transplant.

**Laurelle Walsh**, Winthrop, has taken up residence in the lovely Methow Valley. She's happy to be back in the Northwest after eight long years in southern California. She lives on three acres with her partner, Frank, and a blue heeler named Meg.



# Kutter Publishes New Book on Bacteria-Killers

Biophysics faculty member Betty Kutter, in collaboration with Alexander Sulakvelidze from the University of Maryland, recently published *Bacteriophages: Biology and Applications*, through CRC Press. The book provides a comprehensive overview of phage history, biology, techniques and applications, as well as synopses and reviews of phage research.

Kutter spent much of the fall giving talks related to this work in places like the Pasteur Institute in Paris, the Sanger Center in Cambridge, England, the British Pharmacological Society annual meeting and a conference of surgeons in Ulm, Germany. She has also worked with scientists at the Bacteriophage Institute in Tbilisi,

the national capital of Georgia, where two Evergreen students are currently working.

Kutter's work with bacteriophages, in collaboration with Evergreen faculty member Andrew Brabban, has gained international renown as scientists look to these bacteria-killers as an alternative to conventional antibiotics. For more information, visit the publisher's website at [www.crcpress.com](http://www.crcpress.com).

## Stocks is NEA Director



But for the untimely demise of a small, private liberal arts college in Arizona, which spurred a mass student exodus to the wet reaches of the Pacific Northwest, the life of John Stocks '81, may have been very different. But today, the current deputy executive director of the National

Education Association credits Evergreen, the next stop in his college career, for his growth and development as a leader.

"I was one of the Prescott College refugees," Stocks recalls. "A large number of us migrated to Evergreen in the winter of 1975." It was his first trip to the region and the cold, wet snow that greeted his arrival was unlike anything he'd ever experienced growing up in Louisiana.

"But," he notes, "Evergreen was willing to take us without a lot of red tape." Stocks had barely settled in before joining the campus fire department, Station 93, where he served as a hose man, engineer, duty officer, ambulance attendant and driver, and cultivated the leadership skills that would serve him well.

At Evergreen, Stocks also developed his sense of commitment to collective living and collective action. "At the time, students worked hard to model the value of collectivity," he says. "This manifested itself in how we lived and how we took action." Stocks says he and others owe "a deep debt of gratitude" to instructors Russ Fox, Carolyn Dobbs, Oscar Soule, Thad Curtz, Rob Knapp, Tom Rainey, Irwin Zuckerman, Don Finkel, Russ Lidman, Jolene Unsoeld and Frank Motley who made a tremendous impression upon him during his time at Evergreen.

After graduating, Stocks went to work as a community organizer of low- and moderate-income people throughout the rural stretches of Montana, Idaho and eastern Washington,

before taking on the role of executive director of Idaho Fair Share and the Citizens Alliance for Progressive Action. Later elected to the Idaho State Senate, Stocks fought for "sane energy and telecommunications policies."

In 1990, his career took a turn when he became the assistant director of government relations for the Wisconsin Education Association Council, and later the director of government relations and assistant executive director for public affairs. In November 2004, John was appointed to his current post at the NEA.

"An Evergreen coordinated studies program called 'Teaching in the Twentieth Century' has had the most profound and lasting influence on my career as an advocate for the students and employees of America's public education systems," John says. "Throughout my career there are important 'threads of Evergreen'—a weaving of the theoretical and the applied—that have influenced my work. Of course, I also owe much of my career success to my wife, Connie Hutchison, and my two children, J.T., 16, and Emily, 14."

## 1991

**Victor Braitberg**, Tucson, Ariz., and his wife, **Lisa F. Soltani '93**, are hopelessly in love with their new baby boy, Emmanuel Andres Franck Braitberg, whom they adopted when he was three weeks old. Victor received his Ph.D. from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill in 2002 and is lecturing in the University of Arizona Department of Anthropology. Lisa received her M.D. from Duke University in 1998 and has been practicing medicine with El Rio Community Health Center in Tucson since 2001.

**Paul Goldberg**, Seattle, is a founder of the Northwest Next Leaders Council. The Council (nw next) is a 501(c)(6) comprised of young business leaders who have been recognized by the *Puget Sound Business Journal's* "Forty Under 40" award program. The award spotlights the next generation of business leaders. Recipients are people with an entrepreneurial spirit who have made a difference in the Puget Sound region through their business and community involvement. nw next is an independent organization and is not affiliated with the *Puget Sound Business Journal*. The website is <http://www.nwnext.org/pages/3/index.htm>.

Victor Braitberg, '91, Lisa Soltani, '93 and Emmanuel



**Amy Moon**, Berwyn, Ill., and her husband, **Robert Basanich '87**, have two sons – Leland, 4, and Henry, one month – and cats Olive and Inez. Amy currently works at RentCom, Inc. of Schiller Park, Ill., a provider of audio/video/communications services. Amy is a technician, CAD draftsman and salesman and senior staff biologist for Huff and Huff, Inc., an environmental engineering firm in La Grange, Ill. She is currently on maternity leave. Leland played YMCA T-ball (which Robert helped coach) and also attends Kensington Preschool three days a week, takes swimming lessons at the YMCA, art classes at the P.A.C.T. center, and gym classes at the Sokol Tabor in Berwyn. Henry, Amy says, "is currently adjusting to terrestrial life on the planet."

**Anne (Zeiger) Shade**, Dillingham, Alaska, has been the Head Start director for the Bristol Bay Native Association, a small rural Alaskan program serving nearly 100 youth in five communities scattered around the Bristol Bay area, for about one and a half years. She was named Alaska's Head Start Director of the Year for 2004 – her first year on the job. She would love for anyone to e-mail her at home at [akshade@nushtel.com](mailto:akshade@nushtel.com) if interested in more information.

**Elizabeth Stanton**, Olympia, is a licensed massage therapist and teaches yoga.

# Transforming Public Service Subject of King's Second Book

Evergreen faculty member Cheryl Simrell King's second book, *Transformational Public Service: Portraits of Theory in Practice* (M.E. Sharpe, 2005), co-authored with Lisa Zanetti, was published this spring. This collaboration also produced the book, *Government is Us: Public Administration in an Anti-Government Era* (Sage, 1998), which is still being used in public administration programs throughout the country and internationally.

Written with the aim of inspiring and rekindling a mission for public service,

*Transformational Public Service* weaves together theory and stories from actual practice to show that public service can (and does) advance the goals of democracy, inclusiveness, and social and economic justice. Eight practitioners from government and non-governmental organizations at all levels – from the street to the executive office – tell their personal stories of transformational public service. The stories and the narrative bridging them are compelling antidotes to the managerial focus of contemporary theory and practice in public administration and nonprofit management.

"Not only is it ideally possible to practice public service in ways that serve democracy, inclusiveness and justice, it is already being done by many people, in many places," says King. "We wanted to tell some of the remarkable stories we've been privileged to hear."

The book is available from most on-line booksellers or from the publisher's website, [www.mesharpe.com](http://www.mesharpe.com).



## Evergreen Named "Best Value"

The Evergreen State College has been named one of the nation's "best value" undergraduate institutions. The Princeton Review, the New York-based education services company, chose Evergreen as one of 81 schools it recommends in the 2006 edition of its book, *America's Best Value Colleges*. The book is a guide to colleges with outstanding academics, generous financial aid packages and relatively low costs. It includes public and private colleges and universities

in 35 states. The Princeton Review posts a complete list of the schools in the book on its website, [www.PrincetonReview.com](http://www.PrincetonReview.com).

The book cites Evergreen as "a public, ultra-progressive liberal arts school" offering what most colleges cannot – "private college amenities and class sizes at a public university price." The Review refers to Evergreen students as "residents who have distinguished themselves in a wide range of

areas, including academics, community service, art, journalism and science."

The Princeton Review selected the schools for the book based on data the company obtained from administrators at over 350 colleges, and surveys of students attending them.



Timi Vann, '91



**Timi Vann**, Baltimore, Md., is still employed with NASA at the John C. Stennis Space Center. She was recently awarded a one-year Congressional fellowship and is currently detailed to the office of U.S. Senator Trent Lott (R-Miss.), working directly for Senator Lott's legislative director and providing policy analysis on a wide range of science and technology subjects.

**Denise Baldy**, Belfair, works for the Washington state Department of Corrections as a community risk

management specialist for Kitsap and Mason Counties. Her youngest daughter now attends Evergreen and played for the Geoduck volleyball team this past season.

### 1992

**Saed Hindash**, Lawrenceville, N.J., and his wife, Dana, welcomed daughter Amalie Nasrin Hindash on Oct. 7, 2004. The couple also has a 2-year-old son Zaki. Saed is a photojournalist at the Newark *Star-Ledger*.

**Susan Nielsen**, Seattle, recently received her Ph.D. from the department of epidemiology at the University of Washington School of Public Health and Community Medicine. She and her husband, **Eric K. Nielsen '91**, have a charming 3-year-old daughter, Gillian. Susan's postdoctoral work is at The Fred Hutchinson Cancer Research Center and her interests include environmental exposures. Susan also teaches at Antioch University in Seattle.

**Camille Speck**, Port Townsend, has been working for the Washington state Department of Fish and Wildlife for 10 years. For the past six years, she has been managing sport clam and oyster fisheries on western Puget Sound public tidelands (about 1300 beaches)

and never dreamed she'd get paid to be at the beach all summer. She bought a 121-year-old house in Port Townsend and lives there with her beau, two "freakishly huge goldfish," a 12-year-old frog named Serge (a former Evergreen science project survivor) and Buster the Wonderful Bulldog.

**Peter Voorhees**, Upland, Calif., and his wife, Amy Black Voorhees, are graduate students in Upland, 30

Saed Hindash, '92, Dana, Amalie and Zaki







Makoto Okawahara brought seven generations of knowledge in textile dyeing to Evergreen this spring.

## Japanese Master is Artist-in-Residence

This spring, students in Bob Haft's Seven Generations program experienced working with a true seventh generation master in textile dyeing. Evergreen artist-in-residence Makoto Okawahara is the head of the Okawahara kobo, or atelier, a dye business his family has operated for nearly 300 years in downtown Takamatsu, on the island of Shikoku in Japan. They design and create bold and colorful banners and other textile objects for shrines and temples, civic festivals, shops and restaurants, and fishing vessels. They also design and dye futon

covers, happi coats and other items ordered for special occasions.

Okawahara is the second generation of his family to bring his talents to Evergreen and western Washington. His father, Shizuo Okawahara, was artist-in-residence at the University of Washington in 1977 and in 1993, father and son held a joint exhibition at Evergreen. But unlike his father, who was primarily trained within the family atelier, Okawahara attended the prestigious Kyoto Art University, earning

both his undergraduate and graduate degrees in textile art before returning home to apprentice under his father. Okawahara's students at Evergreen are benefiting from the combination of the tradition he inherited and his own contemporary artistic sensibility and aesthetic.

In addition to his work in Olympia, Okawahara also presented the atelier's work at the Seattle Cherry Blossom & Japanese Cultural Festival in April, and offered a demonstration/workshop for the Asian Art Council of the Seattle Art Museum.

miles east of Los Angeles. Peter is working toward a master of urban and regional planning degree at Cal Poly Pomona. He is employed as an independent transportation consultant, specializing in transit and non-motorized mobility.

### 1993

**Nicholas Anderson**, Seattle, received a M.S. in biomedical informatics at Oregon Health Sciences University in 2004, and is now a National Library of Medicine research fellow pursuing a Ph.D. in biomedical informatics at the University of Washington. He married in 2004 and he and his wife share their home with their cat. Previously, Nicholas spent nine years in the consumer health software industry in Portland, Seattle and Denver.

**Roberta Arim**, Tacoma, is working toward her master's degree in acupuncture and Oriental medicine at the Seattle Institute for Oriental Medicine. She expects to graduate in August of 2007.

**Jason Gaddy**, Rochester, is president of the Olympia Clay Works Cooperative and the owner-operator of Volcanic Ceramics, which hand crafts ceramic musical instruments and other pottery ([www.VolcanicCeramics.com](http://www.VolcanicCeramics.com)).

com). He is also a nine-year employee of Community Resources, supporting adults with disabilities. In August 2005, Jason plans to marry the love of his life, Mary C. Anthony. They share their own home with two cats and a giant dog.

**Anthony Kesler**, Dallas, Ore., graduated from Harvard's John F. Kennedy School of Government with an M.P.A. in 1996. He owns a private consulting business in Salem, Ore., involved in management services and strategic planning.

**Roxanne Sadovsky**, Seattle, legally changed her last name from Sadoff to Sadovsky – her family's pre-Ellis Island name before they emigrated from Romania – in 2000. Following a brief career as a psychotherapist, she now works as a writer and teacher of creative nonfiction and also enjoys writing about psychology.

**Erik Siehl**, Seattle, teaches middle school in Kent. He and Melissa Bazala enjoy their spare time with their 2-year-old daughter.

**Karl Steel**, Brooklyn, N.Y., has been attending graduate school at Columbia University since 1999. He

### Hilary Adams, '95



is currently working on his dissertation, *Eating and Not Eating Meat in the Middle Ages*.

**Linda Young**, La Quinta, Calif., graduated from the master's in teaching program in 1996. Extensive travel in Latin America and Europe led her to San Diego and now Palm Desert. She is an administrator for ESL and vocational English at the College of the Desert, a California's Workplace Learning Resource Center, where she helps create workplace English programs.

# What's Your Legacy?



*When I wrote my will, I decided to leave a considerable portion of my estate in a bequest to Evergreen, as a way to further the reach and impact of this tremendous community.*

Janice King, '80

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## Rae's Film at Sundance



Heather Rae (Bybee) '90 was featured at the independent Sundance film festival in January as director and producer of the documentary *Trudell*, about the life of American Indian activist John Trudell. The film was one of only 16 chosen

from nearly 700 entries. After a successful debut at Sundance, *Trudell* has traveled all over the world to such prestigious festivals as Tribeca, Full Frame, and Munich.

Rae is Cherokee, and while she was working as an activist in her early 20s, she became deeply influenced by Trudell's work. When she met him

in 1992, he agreed to work with her to create a film about his life. According to Trudell's website, the film "artistically portrays the passionate, painful and multi-dimensional life of this Dakota man who went from being a spokesperson for the Indians of All Tribes occupation of Alcatraz Island in 1968 to Chairman of the American Indian Movement in the turbulent 1970s to an internationally recognized poet, recording artist and actor in the 1980s and 90s." By creating the film, Rae hopes to bring Trudell's rhetoric and ideals to the forefront, and introduce his ideas to a wider community.

She financed the film herself through various sources, including a grant from Native American Public Telecommunications, which is one of the five minority consortium that feed into PBS, funded by the Corporation for Public Broadcasting. The film has six executive

producers and some special supporters, including Russell Friedenber, Rog Ganger, Angelina Jolie, Marcheline Bertrand, Chief Harry B. Wallace, James Haven and Bonnie Raitt.

Rae has spent the past 15 years in the film industry, producing more than a dozen documentaries and a half dozen feature films. She lived in Los Angeles for 16 years with her husband and three children, before deciding last year to move with her family back home to Idaho, where she grew up. Rae spent six years running the Native Program at the Sundance Institute and was a programmer for the Sundance Film Festival. She is currently an adjunct professor at Boise State University and chairs the board for the True West Cinema Festival.

For more information on her work, visit [www.appaloosapictures.org](http://www.appaloosapictures.org), or [www.trudellthemovie.com](http://www.trudellthemovie.com).

## 1994

**Grace Brookman**, Jacksonville, Ore., is program director for the Salmonid Restoration Federation in northern California. She is also co-owner of a 65-acre farm in Oregon.

**Russell Chamberlain**, Portland, Ore., is a counselor at Portland's Central Catholic High School.

**James Packman**, Seattle, completed his master of science degree in forest hydrology from the University of Washington in 2004, and is working as a hydrologist at an environmental consulting firm in Seattle. James and his partner of 10 years, Andrew Cohen, had a traditional Jewish gay wedding in 2001, the first of its kind in the Pacific Northwest.

**Danielle Smith**, Farmington Hills, Mich., is a journalist for *The Arab American News* in Dearborn, Mich. In April and May of 2003 she spent time in Palestine working with the International Solidarity Movement, documenting the activities of the Israeli Defense Forces in refugee camps throughout the West Bank. Danielle was married in August of 2004 to computer analyst, science fiction writer and love of her life, Tony. She now has two stepchildren, ages 10 and 11.

## 1995

**Hilary Adams**, New York City, N.Y., completed two MTC Fellowships, assistant directing *Moonlight and Magnolias* (Lynne Meadow, director), and *Reckless* (Mark Brokaw, director) on Broadway. She was recently awarded a Drama League Directing Fellowship and will be at the Hangar Theatre this summer.

**Shauna Culphey**, Long Beach, Calif., attends law school in southern California and plans to return to the Northwest, likely Portland, when she graduates. She wants to pursue public interest law.

**Taraleen Rosen, '95, husband Darrell and son**



**Patrick Paddison**, Northport, N.Y., earned his Ph.D. from the Watson School of Biological Sciences at Cold Spring Harbor Laboratory on Long Island, N.Y. An independent research fellow at Cold Spring Harbor Lab, he is conducting research involving mouse stem cells. He invites any Greeners in the area or anyone who is interested in biology or the Watson School to contact him at [paddison@cshl.edu](mailto:paddison@cshl.edu).

**Shaun Rose**, Seattle, had a baby boy in 2003.

**Taraleen Rosen**, Maple Falls, and her husband, Darrell, will finish their teaching certifications this spring. Taraleen will be certified to teach K-8 and Darrell grades 5-12 history and social studies with a multicultural emphasis. Their objectives as teachers are to "educate for freedom," teaching children how to think critically. Taraleen says she was deeply inspired by her immersion in critical pedagogies as she moved through Evergreen. Their biggest news is that on December 14, 2004, they became licensed foster parents to a 5-year-old little boy. He is an absolute joy and they both love being parents.

**Dante Salvatierra**, Omaha, Neb., continues to teach third and fourth graders at a school where he is affectionately known as "Mr. S." Last November,



# Geoduck Men Boast Two All-Conference



Giovanne Woods

This year, four teams from Evergreen's Cascade Collegiate Conference were among the 32 that reached the NAIA nationals, none ranked below 21st in the land. The Geoducks came in fifth in the CCC, a number that sums up Evergreen's season.

The Geoducks knocked off sixth-ranked Oregon Tech at home and went

on the road to drop 16th-ranked Western Baptist College. But facing the grinding Cascade season after a non-conference schedule that featured two NAIA Division I National tournament participants, Xavier University (La.) and California Baptist, and Big Sky conference champion Portland State University, limited Evergreen's men to a 14-18 overall mark, 9-9 in the conference.

Senior Walter Tucker, a 6-4 forward from Jackson, Miss. who transferred to Evergreen from Patten University in California, led the Geoducks in scoring for the second year in a row with 12.8 points per game. Barson Collins, a 6-9 transfer from Harris-Stowe College in Missouri, led in rebounding with 5.3 per game. Both were named to the All-CCC Honorable Mention team.

In May, after eight successful seasons, head coach John Barbee resigned. He had coached the men's team since the program's inception in 1997-1998, completing eight seasons for a record of 112-112. Under Barbee, the Geoducks earned a Cascade Conference Championship, a National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics (NAIA) National Tournament berth and a #6 national ranking. In 2001-2002 he was named Cascade Conference Coach of the Year and Northwest Small College Coach of the Year.

Current athletic director Dave Weber will assume the coaching duties until a new head coach is named. Assistants Arlin Olson and Marty Burdick will continue with the team.

# Geoduck Soccer Star Goes Pro

Joey Gjertsen climbed higher than any scorer in Evergreen men's soccer history, finding the net for a school-record 54 goals in his two-year Geoduck career, which ended this past November in the Elite Eight of the NAIA National Championships.

Now the 22-year old NAIA All-America

from Tacoma has signed with the Vancouver (B.C.) Whitecaps of the United Soccer League's First Division. Gjertsen played 97 minutes in the 'Caps first two games.

The USL is North America's second-most-prestigious professional soccer league, ranking just below Major League Soccer.

Sean Medved, a player for the great Evergreen

teams of the late 1980s, was the 20th player selected in the inaugural MLS draft. To see Gjertsen in action, visit [www.whitecapsfc.com](http://www.whitecapsfc.com).



Joey Gjertsen

Dante ran for U.S. Congress with the Green Party and, although he lost, he raised issues related to the No Child Left Behind Act. He also completed the second novel in a series entitled *The Latchkey Kids*, which he has written and self-published for children. He lives with his wife, Sara, and their two dogs in a 95-year-old house. For more information about his writing and political life go to [www.dantesalvatierra.org](http://www.dantesalvatierra.org).

## 1996

**Shoshana Billik**, Los Altos, Calif., is a former network engineer with the NASA-Ames Research Center. She recently participated in a pilot exchange program sponsored by the International Research and Exchange Board called the U.S.-Russia Volunteer Initiative and is in the process of writing grant proposals to return to Russia.

**William Bohrnson**, Minneapolis, Minn., and his wife, fellow Greener **Telari Bohrnson**, recently had a baby girl named Nola.

**Lois Lopez '96, M.P.A.'00**, Rochester, returned to Evergreen to earn her master's in public administration in 2000. Since early 1996 she has been working in the field of emergency management, utilizing her

William & Telari Bohrnson, '96 and Nola.



undergraduate studies in watershed and floodplain management, and her graduate studies in policy and government. For the past five years she has been with the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), working on natural disasters. During the fall and winter she can usually be found in the East or Southeast after hurricane disasters. Last fall was spent in Florida for the last three of four hurricanes and, upon returning home, she was reminded, she says, "of some of Evergreen's

lessons – of the need to accept all others as unique and valuable partners in this world, and that each one of us has great worth regardless of our status."

**Leopoldo Marino**, Portland, Ore., is a systems analyst with Xerox and currently serving as the assistant director on an independent, low budget movie.

**John Stephens**, Portland, Ore., and his wife, Meg, are enjoying their 17-month-old son, Shea, and welcomed a daughter, Sadie Mae Taylor, on May 14. When not being a dad, John works for Mercy Corps in Portland with fellow Evergreen alumni colleagues. At Mercy Corps, a relief and development organization, John works as a desk officer covering the South Asia region. He recently spent five weeks in India doing tsunami relief along the coastline and, because he noticed some coverage on the tsunami in Asia on the Evergreen web site, would enjoy talking to anyone interested in his experience. He asks any former Paris-Dakar students to drop him a line at [jstephens@mercycorps.org](mailto:jstephens@mercycorps.org).

**Michael Stuck**, Olympia, is the head instructor at the Options Alternative Education Program for the Tumwater School District. Michael is continuing school at Seattle Pacific University and is involved in administrative issues with the Tumwater School District.

# Women's Basketball Keeps Looking Up

When the Evergreen women's basketball team made its first Cascade Collegiate Conference playoff appearance at the end of the 2003-2004 season, a healthy dose of skepticism was natural. After six consecutive seasons with five or fewer wins, was an 11-win season a high-water mark or was it a harbinger of still greater success?

It turned out to be the latter.

In 2004-05, Evergreen took another huge leap forward. The Geoducks finished with their first ever .500-plus season, 16-14, and again reached the CCC playoffs. Most encouraging was the way they did it, with a mix of upper class and younger players leading the way. Senior Heather Hyde provided veteran leadership, playing all over the floor and earning honorable mention All-Conference honors.

However, it was a sophomore, Jenny Olson, and a freshman, Kamrica Ary-Turner, who led Evergreen's scorers. Olson, a 5-10 forward from Loon Lake, was tops with 12.0 per game and made First Team All-CCC. Ary-Turner, a 5-10 freshman from Federal Way, was right behind with 10.5 points per game.

The balance of young and old, combined with another strong recruiting effort this spring by head coach Monica Heuer and her associate head coach and husband Mychael Heuer, leaves Evergreen poised to challenge for a conference championship and a bid to the NAIA National Championships in 2005-2006.

Returning players include Dalia Gomez, a 5-9 guard from Oxnard, Calif., who is the ongoing focal point of a long-term documentary being filmed around Geoduck basketball and Evergreen academic life by a California production company. Already signed to join the squad in the fall are Rachel Ross, a 6-4 transfer from Central Washington University, and Demetra Barrington of Washington prep powerhouse Bethel High School (Spanaway).



Dalia Gomez

He has implemented an "Evergreen approach to education" at his school.

**Marya Vidal**, Cashmere, is a proud Greener who works as a bilingual para-educator at a middle school in Wenatchee and is working on a teaching endorsement and a master's degree.

## 1997

**Jacyn Stewart**, Seattle, runs a small jewelry business called Cherry Blossom Designs. She also works as project coordinator for *The Seattle Times*.

## 1998

**James Carsner**, Everett, attended Navy Officer Candidate School in Pensacola, Fla. after graduation and was appointed to the rank of ensign upon completion. He and his wife, Deisha, were married in 1999 and moved to Norfolk, Va., remaining there until 2003, when he transferred to Everett, Wash. His first son, James III, was born in the summer of 2003 and his youngest son, Josef Thomas, was born in March 2005. He is currently attending full-time graduate studies for an M.B.A. in technology management. He has served on board the USS Bataan (LHD 5) and the USS Nashville (LPD 13).

James Carsner, '98, Deisha and James III.



**Annette Dawson**, Seattle, is a video production coordinator for DMX Music at their Capitol Hill studio in Seattle. DMX provides music and video for retail and in-home clients around the world. This was her "first gig out of school (still loving it!)," and in her work, she has had the chance to rub shoulders with such musical icons as Sleater-Kinney, the Donnas and the Yeah Yeah Yeahs.

**Noel Ferguson**, Yakima, works in fisheries biology for the North Yakima Conservation District. He is getting married this summer to Marissa Christenson, a graduate of The Art Institute of Seattle. In the fall of 2006, Noel will enter graduate school to pursue his master's degree.

**Kimberly Henderson**, Hansville, received her master's degree in psychology (child, couple, and family track) from Antioch University Seattle in 2000. She had a private practice in Shelton for several years before moving to Hansville, where she works with Native Americans as a child and family therapist at the Port Gamble S'Klallam Indian Reservation.

**Katherine Irby**, Brooklyn, N.Y., is a Chinese medicine and acupuncture practitioner. Katherine is into holistic health, meditation, yoga, living in an enriching city and enjoying what life has to offer.



# Greeners Gather Together

Greeners across the country traveled from the Victorian era to the Half Moon Bay beach to reminisce about their college days and make new alumni friends.



L.A. Greeners Yaque Silva-Doyle, left, and Steve De Jarnatt '74 engage in a bit of "dueling Elvises" while Meghan O'Sullivan '91, Sara Ellis '90 and Yuka Kanno show their approval.

## Los Angeles Alumni & Friends Share Art & Good Times

Evergreen President Thomas L. "Les" Purce and alumni director Scott Pinkston welcomed nearly 60 guests to a tour of the Hammer Museum and a reception at The Gardens on Glendon in Los Angeles on April 17. L.A. Greeners were treated to a seminar on two installations in the museum's collection, courtesy of artist and alumna Gabrielle Levine '00, whose assistance in coordinating the day's events was instrumental to its huge success.



## Portland Alumni Take a Step Back in Time

Portland alumnus Roger Goldingay '73 and his wife, Dr. Carol Otis, treated fifty area Greeners and friends to an afternoon of Victorian-age hospitality at their home, the historic John Palmer House, on March 26.



## San Francisco Greeners Take to the Beach!

More than four dozen Bay Area alumni, parents and friends got together with Evergreen President Les Purce in January for a warm and welcoming Saturday afternoon under a cloudless California sky. Young Harvill '76 and Ann Lasko-Harvill opened their Half Moon Bay home for the gathering, which was full of wonderful food and live music with a Celtic bent.



D.C. Greeners Damion Graves '94, Jahari Michelle Adjiri '81 and Alex Ivanchukov '97 are all smiles at the Washington, D.C. gathering.

## Greeners Gather Once Again in Washington, DC

A little drizzle couldn't keep away a throng of Beltway alumni and friends, who gathered for the second straight year at the home of Evergreen parents Gerson and Margery Sher. President Les Purce and alumni director Scott Pinkston were also on hand for the May 2 event, which drew 38 guests. The D.C. Greeners are now organizing and gearing up for more events to come.

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**Julie Lary**, Seattle, practices yoga, is an avid amateur belly dancer and volunteers at the Seattle LGBT community center.

**Christine Reed**, Tumwater, recently had a baby girl named Samantha.

## 1999

**Martha Aguilar**, Salinas, Calif., works with pregnant and parenting teens through a local social work program. She is also working on her master's degree in school counseling at San Jose State University.

**Nancy Fox**, Seattle, plans to enroll at Saybrook Graduate School and Research Center in the San Francisco Bay area. She will work on her master's degree and eventually a Ph.D. in psychology with a concentration in integrative health – a "twist on psych that looks more at well-being versus problem-based" and incorporates alternative forms of healing such as art therapy, massage, Eastern medicine and yoga. Nancy is also a massage therapist and registered counselor and has previously worked in both social work/ community development and social change fields. She will be concurrently working toward a certificate in peace and conflict resolution with an international focus.

**Jennifer Morales**, Seattle, is the veteran administrator at Harborview Medical Center and lives on Capitol Hill with

her 9-year-old son, Connor Bailey, and her partner, Eric Breitenstein.

**Gwendolyn Shae '99, '04**, Olympia, teaches math to Native American students at Chief Leschi Middle School. She and her wife, Chrystine Wildling, celebrated their ninth wedding anniversary this year.

## 2000

**Jeff Dick**, Tacoma, joined United Parcel Service as a letter carrier after graduation and continues to work there "for the wages and benefits, if not the intellectual stimulation." He's undergone shop steward training and is currently

## Rachel Corrie Play Shows in London

Two years ago this March, Evergreen student Rachel Corrie '03 was killed while peacefully protesting Israel's actions in Palestine. In April, Sarah Manvel '99 attended and reviewed *My Name is Rachel Corrie*, a play drawn from Corrie's writings. Actor and director Alan Rickman and Katharine Viner edited those writings into the one-woman play which ran at the Royal Court Theatre in London through April 30.

"The decision to stage Rachel Corrie's writings, which were probably not intended for public consumption, stems

not only from the fact that she is gone. She left behind work so powerful that it has impacted people around the world, which deserves to reach as wide an audience as possible," explains Manvel in her review. "What you see is not the story of the young woman who was brought to the world's attention by the manner of her shocking death in 2003. This play is the story of her life, and the choices she made that brought her in front of an Israeli bulldozer as it lurched towards a Palestinian home. Quoting verbatim from diaries and other writings supplied by her family, the play shows the internal drives and passions which led to Rachel's decision to travel 8,000 miles to Gaza to work peacefully with the International Solidarity

Movement – a Palestinian-led activist movement, working non-violently to raise awareness of the struggle for Palestinian freedom and an end to Israeli occupation."

Upon graduation from Evergreen with a concentration in theatre and creative writing, Sarah Manvel moved to London. She works as a PA in a headhunting firm by day and perfects her as-yet-unproduced plays by night. To read Manvel's full review of *My Name is Rachel Corrie*, visit <http://uk.geocities.com/banriona@btinternet.com>. The playscript is available: email [bookshop@royalcourttheatre.com](mailto:bookshop@royalcourttheatre.com) or order via [www.amazon.co.uk](http://www.amazon.co.uk).

# In Memoriam

**Frederick “Fred” Haley**, former Evergreen Trustee and life-long champion of education, civil rights and social justice, died April 4 at age 92 at his home in Lakebay. Haley served on The Evergreen State College Board of Trustees from 1991 through 1997. He is remembered at Evergreen for his integrity, his deep commitment to civil rights and his steadfast support of the college. His work at Evergreen is just one example from a long life in public service. He participated in the 1963 March on Washington and, as a member of the Tacoma School Board, fought for desegregation and to protect the civil rights of teachers. In his professional life, he was CEO of the candy manufacturing company Brown & Haley.

**John Fletcher “Bud” Koons**, a long time supporter of Evergreen, died on March 3. Bud was beloved for his generosity, his great sense of humor and his deep loyalty to his friends, many of whom he had known since boyhood. A very dynamic and successful businessman, his first job was as a paperboy for the Cincinnati *Enquirer*. He ran Midland Advertising and the Burger Brewery and relished their sponsorship of live broadcasts of Cincinnati Reds games. He went on to form Central Investment Corporation with interests in the bottling and food industries in Ohio and Florida. He had a lifelong interest in history and politics and was widely read in those fields. Bud Koons was a unique personality, devoted to his family, his friends and his work. His children jokingly called him Mr. Enthusiasm because of his positive attitude and the natural gusto he had for life. He had a warm, gregarious nature and helped many people with his humor, his wise advice and his resources.

His son, **James Koons ’77**, and daughter, **Christina Koons ’81**, are both Evergreen alumni, and Christina is a member of The Evergreen State College Board of Governors. His granddaughter Morgan currently attends Evergreen.

**Bruce “Subiyay” Miller**, a Skokomish tribal elder, died February 5. Miller was known locally and nationally as a cultural treasure, and recently was one of ten individuals in the nation to receive the 2004 National Heritage Award from the National Endowment for the Arts. He was a key supporter of the programs at The Evergreen State College, having

conducted numerous ceremonies on behalf of the Longhouse and our Native programs; more recently he conducted traditional ceremonies at the groundbreaking and opening of the new Seminar II building. As an artist, educator and spiritual leader, he was unparalleled in the gifting of his knowledge and wisdom.

**Mark Noble ’78**, of Olympia, died January 15. An Olympia firefighter for more than 20 years, Noble died from a form of brain cancer linked to the toxins he breathed as a firefighter. His illness was deemed occupational under legislation enacted the month before his May 2002 diagnosis.

In the three years since then, Noble fought to advance safety standards for fire departments everywhere to protect more firefighters from breathing in the kind of carcinogens that brought on his tumor. He worked until the end to prevent other firefighters from sharing his fate. A safety video he helped prepare can be seen at [www.ergometrics.org](http://www.ergometrics.org). Ergometrics donated its time to produce the video, which will be sent to fire departments across the country.

Noble’s photos can be seen at <http://nobleview.com>. Noble’s sons, **Shane** and **Luke**, are both Evergreen students, who took time off to help care for him.

**Julie K. Young ’81**, a Vancouver, Wash. resident and dedicated member of The Evergreen State College Alumni Association Board of Directors, passed away on November 4, 2004. She was 45 years old.

Young joined the Alumni Association Board in 2002 and volunteered her time and skills in several areas, including the Finance/Fundraising and Scholarship/Grants committees. She was also a well-known figure on the Vancouver political landscape. A passionate public servant and a staunch advocate of The Evergreen State College, Young will be deeply missed by all who had the pleasure to know and work with her.

Gifts in her name can be made to The Evergreen State College Foundation. To properly direct your gift, please add “Alumni Association Discretionary #9064” to the lower left memo line.

a worker’s rights activist with the labor advocacy group America in Solidarity. As chair of the education committee, his job is to educate members and the wider community about current events and how people can work for change.

**Dianne Dupuis**, Tumwater, is a registered nurse for the Juvenile Rehabilitation Administration. The Integrated Treatment Model is being utilized with the institutions of JRA to help incarcerated adolescents heal and constructively move forward in life.

**Tami Moffatt**, Olympia, is living happily on Olympia’s west side with her two sons Tegan, 8, and Tristen, 3. She teaches Spanish full-time at Clover Park High School in Lakewood.

**Elizabeth Naccarato**, Las Vegas, Nev., relocated to Las Vegas after staying in Olympia for a few years after graduation. She was a community health educator and public affairs coordinator for Planned Parenthood, and is now a full-time law student at the William S. Boyd School of Law at the University of Nevada, Las Vegas. She loves it there, although it is challenging both intellectually and personally.

**Jeremy Rice**, Paradise, Calif., lives in the foothills of the Sierra Nevadas among oaks and ponderosa pines. He is the construction technology instructor at Paradise High School

where, in a year-long class, he teaches nine students to build a home from the ground up.

## 2001

**Jennifer Serne**, Kent, married Jonathan Wiggs, the lead software developer for BeOn Media in Seattle, on November 7, 2003. She recently accepted a position at Amgen in their environmental, health and safety department.

**Jessica Smith**, San Rafael, Calif., is completing her master’s degree in somatic psychology at California Institute for Integral Studies in San Francisco and has started her clinical training at the Center for Somatic Psychotherapy. She plans to graduate in December and will go on to complete her requirements for Marriage and Family Therapy (MFT) licensure. In her spare time she can be found wandering the Bay area hills or gathering with fellow pagans in the Reclaiming Community.

**Jessica Tabakin**, Seattle, moved from Olympia and now lives with fellow Greener **Joshua Rosenstein ’00**, as roommates in North Seattle. She works in the food industry in the Jewish community, teaching 6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> graders to cook at a synagogue, and waitresses and works in catering. She worked for YouthCare with their homeless youth drop-in program as well as in an independent living group home

for 15 to 17-year-olds. She has begun attending Seattle Central Community College’s culinary arts program.

## 2002

**Rachel Matana**, Cleveland, Ohio, married Jonathan Brent Kaplan, also of Cleveland, on May 29. Rachel grew up in Olympia and graduated from Capital High School. At Evergreen, she majored in French and minored in Russian. For two years she studied French and, in her four years abroad, has traveled in 17 European countries. She is currently a private French tutor. Jonathan was co-owner of Cleveland Arts and Antiques for 14 years before joining his father at their fourth-generation family business.

## 2004

**Andrea Daly**, Pahoehoe, Hawaii, operates an organic farm on the “Big Island.” She would like to be in contact with other Greeners in the Puna district who would be interested in seed swapping, grafting workshops, or sharing any ideas/information about organic farming and permaculture relevant to tropical regions.

**Natalie Ray**, Piermont, N.Y., is a graduate student at the San Francisco Art Institute.



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**Temporal Sequence I by Evan Phillips '05.**

Phillips, a photography and film studies major from Newberg, Ore., created this piece during the spring Photo Projects program taught by visiting faculty member and coordinator of photographic imaging, Steve Davis. The advanced program is designed to train students to create a coherent body of work, suitable for exhibition. They're studying techniques and the work of other artists, while also learning about the business, with guest speakers representing photographers, curators, and lawyers.

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