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Being People of Prayer

The George Fox community is discovering anew that prayer is "a way of bringing God's power to bear in other people's lives"

It began with a simple request:
"Would it be OK if we prayed for you?"

With the nodded approval of those attending George Fox University's weekly Faculty Lunch, student chaplain Josh McPherson went to the doors of the Cap and Gown Room and opened them to his classmates.

"It was like a movie," he says. "They just started flooding in. Big smiles on their faces, backpacks on their backs — just out of class — and they just started coming in and coming in."

The students circled the room and began filling in the aisles between tables. "Every faculty member there had at least one student laying hands on them. The room was packed."

What happened that Tuesday noon in October had its start at the students' fall retreat, but the emphasis on prayer is occurring across campus. Students are praying for faculty. Parents are praying for students. Volunteers are praying for the University and its campaign.

In President David Brandt's experience, prayer is "central" at the University. "It's not on the margins," he says. "It's a pervasive thing. People are depending on prayer."

Prayer at George Fox has been a traditional foundation. Many classes begin with prayer by the professor or students. Students gather in weekly organized campus-wide prayer and praise sessions, this generation holding "Over the Edge" on Sunday evenings. Many University committees and meetings — from the board of trustees to ad hoc task forces — open with a time of prayer. Student living areas have formal and informal prayer and Bible study groups. That is the norm, the routine.

What has happened this year goes beyond.

For McPherson, a senior from Leavenworth, Wash., praying for professors in Faculty Lunch was an attempt to bridge a gap—a generational gap, a gap caused by different preferences for worship styles in chapel. As he sees it, faculty and staff sometimes are intimidated by students' passion, by their ability to be relational, while students can be intimidated by their



**PREPARING LEADERS WITH
VALUES AND VISION**
See inside for our special insert on
George Fox University's
Legacy Campaign

Debbly and Norm Magnuson, and Lonnie and Matthew Heckinger (from left), parents of George Fox students, participate in a prayer walk on the University campus. "We felt it was important to be in touch with what's happening at our kids' school," says Lonnie. "We didn't want just to be aware, we wanted to be involved."

CHUJO TAKEDA

professors' position and experience.

He and his friends wanted to connect with faculty and administrators but didn't know how.

Understanding came when psychology professor Gale Roid attended the retreat. Students were astonished, McPherson says, when Roid humbly apologized on behalf of faculty for the

times he and his colleagues may have put their curriculum in front of the students themselves, in front of even Christ.

"He said, 'We ask you to pray for us because we need a lot of help. We're human just like you. We have the same struggles, the same hurts,'" McPherson

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A School by Any Other Name

Fifty years ago this academic year, Pacific College changed its name to George Fox College, honoring the founder of the Friends Church

In the late 1940s, the Quaker college in Newberg — then called Pacific College — grew tired of its frequent confusion with Pacific University in nearby Forest Grove.

College leaders and constituents spent a year debating a name change. A committee was appointed. It agreed upon a unanimous recommendation. A majority of the student body agreed. The college board of trustees agreed: The name of Pacific College would be changed to ... Friendswood College.

But the name swap could happen only if approved by the college's highest governing body — the Corporation of Pacific College.

The reasoning behind the Friendswood College recommendation was presented to the corporation at its meeting June 10, 1949. The name already was in use by a Portland pastor, who introduced Pacific's choir on his radio broadcast as the Friendswood Echoes. "Friendswood" described the forested campus and identified the college's denomination.

At the corporate meeting a four-page letter was read from 1944 graduate Arthur Roberts. The future religion and philosophy professor at George Fox wrote from Kansas City to argue against Friendswood — which his wife thought

sounded like a girls summer camp — and for reviving the George Fox name suggestion.

"George Fox" had been an early favorite of the alumni and administration but earned just two votes out of 107 ballots in a spring 1948 student poll. Later that year, the name George Fox — and all other suggestions — had been rejected by the corporation.

In November of 1948, a supportive letter from professor Roy Clark in *The Crescent* inspired the student newspaper to endorse George Fox, but by spring the paper jumped aboard the Friendswood bandwagon.

Roberts' letter spent two pages critiquing the Friendswood suggestion and two pages championing George Fox.

"George Fox would be a fitting tribute to one whose insight of the message of Christ transformed worlds," he declared. He argued George Fox's historic and religious significance made the Quaker leader an appropriate person to honor, noting schools such as Lewis & Clark College, Whitman College and Fuller Seminary all were named in honor of significant figures in history. Naming the school in honor of George Fox would provide opportunities to share about the man and his message.

In the 17th century, George Fox transformed from a disillusioned youth to a major figure of the Reformation. The Englishman began preaching that God's truth was not restricted to Scripture as

interpreted by a priest or minister. He said Jesus was alive and any believer — through prayer and meditation — could hear the voice of God and share the message with others.

In less than a generation, 50,000 joined the Society of Friends. A detractor mockingly labeled them Quakers after the way they shook before God. In worship, they waited silently for the spirit of the living Jesus to prompt them to deliver a message or concern.

George Fox vigorously agitated against the English government and religious establishment and was jailed eight times, spending a total of six years in prison. Part of his legacy includes a church that has worked to eliminate slavery, promoted religious and political freedom, provided aid to war victims, and practiced peacemaking.

Following the reading of Roberts' letter, former President Levi Pennington spoke passionately in favor of Hoover College — in honor of the school's most

famous former student — but finished by announcing his support had shifted to George Fox. The momentum had turned. A final ballot was drawn up with four names: George Fox, Hoover, Friendswood and Northwest Friends.

Minutes later, the college in Newberg had a new name: George Fox. A few weeks later, students began classes with little fanfare or observance to note the change.

— Rob Felton



The Class of 1950 enrolled at Pacific College but graduated from George Fox College.

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PRESIDENT'S PEN

"I'll pray for you" comes easily from most of us when talking with someone in great need. I hear the same commitment when talking with someone about George Fox University. Prayer is a word used often and easily by Christians. I find it too easy to promise to pray, but then to "forget."

Prayer is at the heart of our Christian faith. We depend on it, but are also sometimes disappointed when we don't like the "answers." Prayer is mysterious. I don't hear God's response in clear English, and often it seems God doesn't answer at all. I pray for people, institutions, and situations where — I think — God needs to heal, provide resources, or eliminate violence. It seems that often God doesn't answer, or his answers are so different from what I would like.

This issue of *Life* makes it clear that George Fox University is committed to prayer. The article gives examples of students praying for George Fox employees. I recently spoke at the seminary chapel and was blessed by a time of special prayer for me and academic vice president Robin Baker.

It has become clear to me that when George Fox alumni, donors, students, faculty, staff, and other friends promise to pray for me, they do. In a recent chapel where students reported on Serve Trips over spring break, a group of students remained after chapel to pray for a homeless person found on the beach by one of the serve groups. Whatever we don't understand about prayer, this community is committed to praying.

I recently read Jim Cymbala's book, *Fresh Wind, Fresh*



President David Brandt

Fire, where he contends that the heart of the church should be prayer, not preaching, teaching, etc. Cymbala deplors the demise of the weekly prayer meeting in many churches. He is convinced that prayer is the real source of spiritual power and should be central to all churches. I think the same holds for Christian universities.

This issue of *Life* also presents the Legacy Campaign. The campaign talks in practical terms — money already raised, dollars still needed, and the costs of different parts of the campaign. The success of the campaign is very important to the University. Success will allow us to improve the quality of education we are able to provide our students.

What we must never forget, however, is that money without prayer misses the point of who we are. The very identity of George Fox University requires us to be people of prayer. I am deeply grateful the friends of George Fox understand this and that the generous gifts we get are properly bathed in prayer.

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If You Build It . . .

The renaming of the Ross Art Gallery honors a longtime campus architect

A man who has left a lasting visual impression on George Fox University has been recognized with the naming of a campus gallery in his honor.

The Donald H. Lindgren Gallery was dedicated Jan. 20 to honor the Vancouver, Wash., architect who designed 12 buildings on the Newberg campus over a three-decade span.

From 1962 to 1986, Lindgren was the architect for all but one of 13 campus buildings constructed during that span. Internationally renowned architect Pietro Belluschi designed the other — the Wheeler Sports Center. Lindgren was responsible for planning 200,000 square feet of floor space added to the campus.

The naming ceremony was held in the gallery adjacent to Bauman Auditorium, in the Ross Center. The gallery was created at the time the auditorium was added to the Ross Center complex, but was never named and, over the years, was called the Ross Gallery to note its location.

The naming of the gallery was

approved by the George Fox University board of trustees to recognize the contributions of Lindgren, who was initially contacted by former George Fox President Milo Ross.

It was an association that was not planned, but one that just grew, Lindgren says. He recalls being introduced to Ross by a pastor. Ross, then a Friends Church minister, was helping construct a church in Seattle. Lindgren, then an architectural student at the University of Washington, stopped by periodically to visit Ross and the church construction site.

After Ross assumed the George Fox presidency, he remembered the young architect when the campus started with its modern development. Lindgren was asked to help with the buildings, and two decades later he was still helping as the unofficial “official” architect.

Although such a relationship is not unheard of, Lindgren termed it “a little more unique.” Some major universities employ a full-time architect to supervise campus construction and meet with other contracted architects. But for smaller

universities, such as George Fox, full-time relationships are rare and longtime associations not common. Lindgren believes his George Fox relationship was not equaled in the Northwest.

Lindgren calls the Ross Center, a two-phase complex with the auditorium, his most challenging. The classroom and office building for religion and fine arts opened in 1978, gutting and transforming a former gymnasium, followed with the 1,150-seat auditorium in 1982.

Lindgren was given almost total freedom in design of buildings, with few limitations: they had to meet the needs of those who use the building, and in the central campus core, they had to have a Willamina brick finish to maintain a campus visual identity and unity. His buildings are different, yet they maintain similarity, with most having two-story vertical window walls.

Lindgren has other ties to George Fox. His wife, Genevieve, was a member of the class of 1947, and three of their four daughters are graduates. Their youngest also attended.

Lau Named Student Life Vice President

A Pennsylvania college administrator who has held student life positions at four colleges or universities nationally has been named vice president for student life at George Fox University.

Brad Lau, associate dean of students at Lancaster (Pa.) Bible College since 1994, will begin work at George Fox in July.



Brad Lau

Lau was one of three finalists selected by the University's seven-member search committee and brought to the Newberg campus for interviews with students, faculty, staff and administrators.

Lau is completing a doctor of education in educational leadership and policy studies at Temple University in Philadelphia, Pa. He did his undergraduate work at Liberty University in Lynchburg, Va., receiving a bachelor of science degree in Christian thought. He then earned a master of arts in religion at Liberty University, and a master of science degree in higher education student affairs at Colorado State University.

Lau previously was director of residence life at Sterling College, a Christian college in Kansas; served as a student housing associate director and manager at Colorado State University; and was assistant dean of men at Liberty University.

He has held faculty rank at Lancaster and taught several courses there, including public speaking, Bible hermeneutics, and a freshman orientation course on how to succeed in college.

At George Fox, the student life office is responsible for a wide range of programs. Among them are residence life, health and counseling services, athletics, campus ministries, campus security, student government, and programs for special student populations, such as multicultural and international students.

Lau replaces Eileen Hulme, who resigned last October to take a position at Baylor University in Texas. Craig Taylor, associate professor of health and human performance and George Fox's director of athletics, has served this year as interim vice president for student life.



Above: George Fox President David Brandt (with plaque) congratulates Donald and Genevieve (G47) Lindgren. Over the last three decades, Donald designed 12 campus buildings, unofficially establishing him as the George Fox University architect. Left: Lindgren addresses the gathering at the newly renamed gallery. He said he long enjoyed his close association with the University, not only because of his architectural work, but also due to his family's involvement.



The Lindgren buildings on George Fox's Newberg campus:

Shambaugh Library (now Murdock Learning Resource Center)	1962
Pennington Residence Hall	1962
Calder Center (now Lemmons Center)	1964
Edwards Residence Hall	1964
Heacock Commons (and later expansion)	1965
Hobson Residence Hall	1968
Hoover Academic Building	1977
Macy Residence Hall	1977
Sutton Residence Hall	1977
Milo Ross Center	1978
Video Communication Center	1979
Bauman Auditorium	1982

To Russia With Love

Professor Sharon Linzey describes the struggles of post-Soviet Russian Christians

Herbert Hoover Would Be Proud

The nation's 31st president was an engineer by training, and now his alma mater is adding a four-year program in engineering.

"To the engineer falls the job of clothing the bare bones of science with life, comfort and hope," Hoover said.

For more than a decade, the University has offered a "3/2" engineering program in which students attend George Fox for three years, taking most of their general education, mathematics, science and lower-division engineering courses. Then they transfer to an engineering school, where they spend two years in specific engineering curricula, including aerospace, chemical, civil, computer, electrical or mechanical engineering, or engineering management.

But next fall, George Fox will offer a four-year bachelor of science degree in engineering, with concentrations in electrical or mechanical engineering. The University projects an eventual enrollment of at least 90 students in the engineering major. While the 3/2 applied science program will still be available, it is expected that the new major will be preferred by students.

Current faculty are associate professor of engineering Robert Harder, (mechanical engineering), and assistant professor John Natzke (electrical engineering). The four-year phase-in of the major calls for hiring two faculty in fall 2002 and one instructor in fall 2003.

'Rhodes' Scholar

A program at a Tennessee college that seeks to strengthen ties between church-related colleges and their parent denominations has selected a George Fox professor to join the discussions.

Paul Anderson, associate professor of biblical and Quaker studies, will participate in the third phase of the Rhodes Consultation on the Future of the Church-Related College. The consultation, which began in the mid-1990s, is coordinated by Rhodes College, a Presbyterian institution in Memphis, Tenn.

Participants in the Rhodes Consultations represent a diverse group of teacher-scholars who are full-time faculty members at Catholic or Protestant colleges.

"The advisory board was impressed with the experiences, skills and interests you bring," wrote Steve Haynes, director of the program. "We know you have the potential to make an important contribution to the national conversation on the future of church-related colleges."

"I believe," Anderson says, "as do many here at George Fox, that we must have great concern for the Church. We believe that we can serve the world best by serving the Church first."

"I have been very concerned about the place of the church-related college in America and Europe for some time now, as it seems so many once-Christian institutions have either fallen by the wayside or have diminished the central religious concern underlying their institution's mission. Anything we can do to support one another in the venture of not only restoring original missions, but also reinterpreting them as we enter a new century and millennium, will be time well invested."

Anderson said George Fox already strongly emphasizes its church ties. "Frankly, George Fox is where other institutions need to be. I would be surprised if George Fox doesn't become a model (for church relations)."



In her latest book, professor of sociology Sharon Linzey warns that a new "state church" may be replacing communism as the chief oppressor of evangelical Christianity in Russia. With contributions from more than a dozen experts with many different opinions, *God in Russia* investigates the issues dividing Orthodoxy and Protestantism in the former Soviet Union and East Central Europe.

Christians in Russia are facing a crisis, with their church now imperiled, says a George Fox professor who is an authority on religion in post-Soviet Russia.

Having survived decades of oppression and persecution, the Christian church — after more than a dozen years of perestroika — is in danger of being replaced by the "state church," says Sharon Linzey, professor of sociology.

The old patriarchy — the seat of the official Russian Orthodox Church — is now furnished with a state budget, offices, and even limousines and has emerged as the official government religion, Linzey says.

This new state church could well replace communism as the oppressor of evangelical Christianity in Russia, according to Linzey.

"Even some Orthodox churches are being denied basic rights," Linzey says. "The patriarchy, an arm of the government, is forbidding some clergy to offer liturgical services, to write and publish, and to do radio evangelism. The rights to free speech continue to be bridled."

Linzey supports her findings in her recently published book, *God in Russia: The Challenge of Freedom*.

"The Western clergy needs this book," Linzey says, "but I hope scholars and a wide range of lay people will be intrigued and also learn from it."

A recipient of two Fulbright fellowships, the energetic 50-year-old professor is a leading expert on the topic of modern Christianity in Russia. Linzey gained unique insights about Russia's tumultuous religious landscape while researching her three books. The first, *The East-West Directory*, published in 1992, is an almanac of the Western Christian organizations active in the former Soviet Union. *The Directory of Indigenous Christian Organizations of the Former Soviet Union and East Central Europe*, her second effort, documents upwards of 3,000 indigenous Christian groups in the former Soviet Union and was published in 1996.

Nothing remotely similar to Linzey's two directories had ever been attempted — anywhere in the world.

David Moberg, professor emeritus of sociology at Marquette University, who first met Linzey 16 years ago at a science and religion conference, describes *God in Russia* as a remarkable and comprehensive work. "Dr. Linzey is beyond a doubt one of the leading authorities on religion in post-Soviet Russia," he says.

Linzey taught at Moscow State University as a representative of the International Institute for Christian Studies during 1992–93, then again on a Fulbright Fellowship in 1993–94. She also directed the Christian Resource Center for World Vision International, a Christian relief organization, in Moscow. Before leaving

Russia in 1994, she hosted a historic meeting of nearly 175 Western Protestants, Orthodox professionals and clergy. The conference spurred dialogue among reform-minded Orthodox clergy and scholars and gave Linzey the idea for *God in Russia*.

Published in December 1999 by University Press of America, the scholarly tome is a collection of articles and essays written by more than a dozen leading scholars. Guided and co-edited by Linzey, *God in Russia* provides a penetrating look at the issues dividing Orthodoxy and Protestantism in the former Soviet Union and East Central Europe.

Linzey selected writers who would contribute authentic points of view, different as those views were from her own. For example, Andrey Kourayev, widely recognized as the patriarch's right-hand ideologist, initially declined, yet he is represented in the book in two articles. Although his attitude toward Western Protestantism is hostile, Linzey felt he had valid points that Westerners needed to hear.

Yakov Krotov, a church historian and author known as the C.S. Lewis of Russia, speaks highly of *God in Russia*. "The facts and analyses of Dr. Linzey are accurate and precise," Krotov said. "I don't see any Russo-phobia in her article, but instead, a painful desire to tell the truth."

Although Linzey acknowledges that it is very Western to offer pat answers, she sees no easy solutions. State law declares that every Orthodox church belongs to the patriarchy, so some congregations are protesting by being registered in individual priests' names. Linzey explains that these reform-minded clergy are viewed as dissidents, further splintering the church.

Also disturbing, Linzey says, is the possibility that Orthodox and Protestant leaders simply cannot work together in many places because of mistrust.

Linzey's deep fascination with the study of Russian religion was stirred when, as a 13-year-old, she read the book *God's Smuggler*, written by Brother Andrew.

Linzey's interest deepened in her college years, and she earned master's degrees in religious studies and sociology and a Ph.D. in the sociology of religion from Indiana University. Before living in Russia, she taught at Seattle Pacific University.

Linzey hopes *God in Russia* will enlighten Westerners who plan to work in the former Soviet Union. Avoiding blunders in the culturally Orthodox Eastern territory is a must if Western Christians are to be credible and do good work, she says.

Jim Foster, dean of graduate and adult education, says Linzey was so deeply committed to her work on the church in Russia that, at times, she put her own money into the project. "Unlike secular scholars, Sharon's energy and focus grows out of Christian commitment and a call to minister," he says.

Paul Anderson, associate professor of biblical and Quaker studies at George Fox, says Linzey brings the international concern of Christianity in Russia to the university as few have. "Sharon's approach and research are rooted in primary investigations of religion rather than second-hand observations. She's a very significant contributor."

— John Rumler



LEGACY CAMPAIGN

*Preparing Leaders With
Values and Vision*

Leaving a Legacy

A \$22 million campaign will provide for the physical and financial needs of George Fox while expanding the University's influence

A new student services and technology-rich classroom building will be the most visible result of a \$22 million campaign currently under way at George Fox. However, when the fund drive is complete, the University will also enjoy a bolstered endowment, new dollars for student scholarships and faculty development, resources for institutional technology, and a completely renovated Wood-Mar Hall.

To date, \$18 million has been raised. After conducting the non-public "quiet phase" of the campaign for the past two years, George Fox staff and volunteers are ready to spend the next 20 months building support from a broad base of constituencies. A dinner in February at the Portland Hilton Hotel served as the formal kickoff for those efforts.

While the campaign will provide facilities and equipment and increase the long-term financial stability of the University, George Fox President David Brandt sees another benefit.

"In addition to the obvious benefits the campaign will provide George Fox, it also will expand the influence of the University," he says. "One of the goals of the kickoff dinner was to increase our visibility in Portland, so there's a sense in which the campaign becomes a positioning tool."

The cornerstone project for the campaign is the \$7 million Edward F. Stevens Center, a student services and classroom building to be located on the southwest corner of the campus.

Named in honor of the longtime George Fox president who died in 1998 of cancer, the center will provide 40,000 square feet of floor space and contain six "technology rich" classrooms and a new institutional technology center. Moved to the building will be the enrollment services areas of admissions, registrar, financial aid and student accounts, and the student life areas of student activities, residence life, campus ministries, career services and multicultural services.

Brandt sees the Stevens Center as "a very important building on campus in terms of how we serve students." Construction is expected to start this summer, with the building set to open in fall 2001.

Other campaign goals include \$6 million for endowment, with \$2 million designated for student scholarships, \$1 million for faculty development, and \$3 million for general support. The campaign includes another \$4 million for the University Fund; \$1 million for technology improvements; \$750,000 for renovation of the lower floors of Wood-Mar Hall, the University's "Old Main"; and \$3.25 million set aside for special and designated projects.

While some of those goals are less visible than a building, they are no less important.

According to Don Black, director of student financial services, earnings from a larger endowment will help replace the portion of tuition revenues the University gives to students as unfunded scholarships.



Former Sen. Mark Hatfield (right), the Herbert Hoover distinguished professor at George Fox University, exceed the campaign kickoff dinner that was attended by 400 guests, including board of trustees member Ken Austin and his wife, Joan.

"By building up the endowment, it allows us to fund student scholarships with endowment dollars rather than tuition dollars," he says. "That frees up tuition monies for other sorts of things, like hiring more faculty or buying better equipment."

"The bigger the endowment we can grow, the less tuition-dependent we become. That's good because at some point some day, we won't necessarily have to increase tuition at the rate we do in order to keep ourselves economically viable."

Money for faculty development is another less visible campaign goal that will nevertheless ultimately benefit students.

Robin Baker, vice president for academic affairs, says funds to support summer research, leave of absences for research, and involvement in professional conferences help expose George Fox externally to broader constituencies and keep faculty current in their fields.

"The more you engage your discipline, the more you will be able to communicate with students the life that you're about — the life of the mind," he says. "Professors who are engaged in research themselves bring their students along and involve them in their efforts. Instead of education being a passive experience, education becomes an active, ongoing learning process."

Groundwork for the Legacy Campaign was laid beginning in 1998 when staff began contacting the University's major donors, submitting proposals to foundations, and conducting campaigns with faculty and staff and with board of trustee members.

Early gifts included \$3 million and two \$1 million gifts from separate anonymous donors; a \$1.5 million gift from Margaret Edwards of

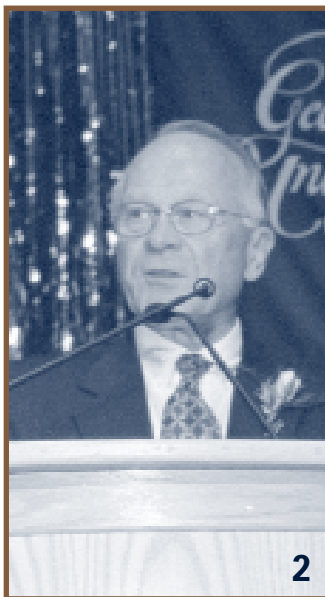
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"GEORGE FOX SHINES" was the caption in a column in Oregon's largest newspaper, *The Oregonian*, when popular columnist Gerry Frank told his readers about the public kickoff of the University's \$22 million Legacy Campaign.

Frank joined more than 400 others in downtown Portland on Feb. 10 — and he clearly caught the enthusiasm.

Those who attended the gala at the Portland Hilton left the evening program impressed by the role George Fox is playing in the academic and spiritual life of the Northwest. Thanks to the glowing words from Frank, the rest of the state was exposed. As an author, longtime political aide, and fourth-generation member of one of Oregon's largest retailing families, Frank is one of the most well-known and influential people in Oregon.

"The dinner was a very special defining moment for both the campaign and George Fox," says Dana Miller, vice president for advancement. "We have received very positive response, much of it from people who were unable to attend but have heard of the success of the event."

The Legacy Campaign is for facilities, scholarships, faculty development and technology enhancement. The campaign, now with \$18 million already raised, is the first since 1994. It is a comprehensive campaign, including all gifts to the University until Dec. 31, 2001.

By the time the dinner took place, George Fox University already raised nearly two-thirds of the total in a non-public "quiet phase." The public kickoff was hosted by former Oregon Sen. Mark Hatfield and his wife. The dinner featured greetings and remarks by the Hatfields, performances by the University's choir and other student and alumni performers, a campaign video, and comments by President David Brandt.

Those attending the dinner heard about two big gifts that had just been confirmed. They are a \$1 million anonymous donation, and a \$300,000 challenge gift from George Fox board member and campaign steering committee co-chair André Iseli and his wife, Gail, who called for it to be matched by any of those attending the dinner.

The Iseli gift is not yet included in the campaign tally because it is a matching gift, but already matching donations totaling \$177,000 have been raised, said Miller.

1. George Fox student musicians provide entertainment for the campaign dinner reception.

2. George Fox President David Brandt addresses the crowd of 400 who attended the public launch of the Legacy Campaign.

3. Former Sen. Mark Hatfield greets members of the University's Concert Choir at the conclusion of the banquet.

4. André Iseli, campaign co-chair, visits with Andrea Cook, George Fox University's vice president for enrollment services.

5. Grace Kuto, an employee of Oregon Health Sciences University, and her husband, Paul, who works for 1st National Consumer Bank, talk with George Fox board member Fred Gregory (right), a non-profit agency executive from Seattle, Wash.

6. *The Oregonian* columnist Gerry Frank (center) with Dick Reiten, president and C.E.O. of NW Natural, and Dick's wife, Jeanie.

Legacy Campaign Goals

Endowment: \$6 million

The long-term financial stability of any university is dependent upon building an adequate endowment. The endowment provides a permanent resource base and helps minimize pressure to increase student tuition that could make it impossible for many deserving students to attend George Fox.

University-funded student scholarships represent George Fox's next-to-largest annual budget expense, second only to payroll. Adding an additional \$2 million to the endowment for scholarships will ease the growing tension between the cost of education and available financial aid.

Faculty are the lifeblood of higher learning, and their continued professional development is essential to ensuring top-rate academic scholarship. A designated endowment of \$1 million will provide a financial foundation to partially underwrite the continued development of their individual and corporate intellect.

While George Fox has been blessed with 10 consecutive years of record enrollments, this will not always be the case. An additional general endowment of \$3 million will help to ease dependence upon student tuition and minimize the effect of enrollment fluctuations.



Stevens Center: \$7 million

A key component to George Fox University's long-range campus development plan, the Stevens Center will house classrooms and essential student services — truly becoming a much-needed center for the university community. Named in memory of longtime George Fox president Edward F. Stevens, the 40,000-square-foot building will be located on the southwest edge of the campus quadrangle. It

will contain six "technology-rich" classrooms and a new institutional technology center. Moved to the building will be the enrollment services areas of admissions, registrar, financial aid and student accounts, and the student life areas of student activities, residence life, campus ministries, career services and multicultural services.



Institutional Technology: \$1 million

A vital resource to high-quality education today, technology demands a major investment for the University to continue current programs and expand into new, emerging educational opportunities that will ensure excellence. Tech-

nology for its own sake is meaningless. However, it is highly valuable as it is integrated with the exchange of information in the classroom and university setting.



Wood-Mar Renovation: \$750,000

This beloved building has played a central role in the growth of George Fox over the years. Wood-Mar Hall still exists because of the creative concept, design and construction of the adjacent Edwards-Holman Science Center. While Wood-Mar's top floor has been converted into a beautiful 250-seat theater, the Edwards-Holman project did not include reno-

vation of Wood-Mar's first two floors, leaving them dated, worn, and under-utilized. Funding for this project will restore the quality, beauty and functionality of this historic structure, providing more classrooms and faculty offices and transforming administrative space into academic areas.



University Fund: \$4 million

Every year, the University Fund helps bridge the gap between what students can pay and the cost of education at George Fox. It underwrites the operational expenses of the University and provides for the University's most basic needs,

including student financial aid, faculty salaries, and instructional support. Because these monies are so essential, for the next several years the University Fund will be wrapped into the Legacy Campaign.

Special Projects: \$3.25 million

During the Legacy Campaign, special projects of a lesser magnitude, but every bit as important, need to be addressed. Funding in this category provides the University with needed resources for specific and designated projects,

such as purchasing specialized science equipment, remodeling Bauman Auditorium, and purchasing and renovating the Edwards House to serve as the new home for George Fox University's president.

The funds generated by the Legacy Campaign will be allocated toward needs such as (from top) student scholarships and faculty development; construction of the Stevens Center — a student services and classroom building scheduled to open in fall 2001; institutional technology; and the renovation of the University's "Old Main": Wood-Mar Hall.

Total Campaign Goal: \$22 million

LEGACY CAMPAIGN

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University

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Vice President for University
Advancement, George Fox
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The Legacy Campaign benefits greatly from leadership provided by (from left) George Fox University President David Brandt and his wife Melva, John and Marilyn Duke, André Iseli, Antoinette and Mark Hatfield, and Barbara Palmer.



Legacy: Different strategies planned for campaign's public phase

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Portland; \$750,000 from the M.J. Murdock Charitable Trust of Vancouver, Wash.; \$500,000 from the Meyer Memorial Trust of Portland; and \$300,000 from the Collins Foundation of Portland.

George Fox employees to date have given \$460,000, with an 81 percent participation rate.

In addition, in March the University received verbal confirmation of a gift from the Teagle Foundation of New York for \$260,000, designated toward meeting technology needs identified in the campaign.

Dana Miller, vice president for university advancement, says the fact George Fox University had 70 percent of its goal raised at the time it publicly launched the Legacy Campaign is due to several factors.

"One is the fact that the goals of the campaign are compelling," he says. "Secondly, the mission of the University is relevant and even urgent. And thirdly, I think the donors believe in the University's leadership, including President Stevens and now President Brandt."

While Brandt, Miller and their staff will continue to talk with individuals, other methods will be used in order to reach a broad base of constituencies.

"We're going to be sending out 11,000 videos and 24,000 campaign brochures," Miller says. "We'll have some targeted phoning, some direct mail, lots of personal visits, challenge grants, and six regional events."

The Legacy Campaign title was selected, according to Brandt, because it conveys continuity in the University's values and purposes. He said it implies there is a passing of something of value from one generation to another. The campaign is subtitled, "Preparing Leaders with Values and Vision."

Honorary co-chairs for the campaign are former Oregon Senator Mark Hatfield and his wife, Antoinette, and John and Marilyn Duke of Rogue

River, Ore. John Duke is an investment manager and former George Fox board member. Mark Hatfield teaches at George Fox as the Herbert Hoover Distinguished Professor.

Co-chairing the steering committee are André Iseli, president of Iseli Nursery, Inc., Boring, Ore., and fellow George Fox board member Barbara Palmer, Newberg, senior vice president for private banking for Bank of America, Portland.



Kent Thornburg, chair of the George Fox board of trustees, seats his wife at the start of the Portland dinner that publicly launched the Legacy Campaign.

Prayer: Groups are intentional in praying for each other

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recalls. “So we prayed for faculty for an hour that night, in small groups. It started there.”

A few weeks later at Over the Edge, McPherson invited students to pray for their professors in person at Faculty Lunch.

The experience repeated itself spring semester when faculty, administrators and staff were invited to chapel so students could pray for them. As they stood in the aisles of Bauman Auditorium, students surrounded them and laid hands on them while McPherson and other students led in a time of prayer.

McPherson doesn't want community to just be talked about rather than experienced. He and others discovered prayer has a way of bridging gaps.

Colleen Richmond, assistant professor of writing and literature, was impressed by the sheer numbers of students involved and grateful for the appreciation they expressed. “Somehow that community sense of having so many students there all at once, just that physical presence of all of them surrounding us — that made it really feel neat,” she says.

and member of the campaign's steering committee.

Ankeny chairs the committee's prayer group. Despite his many years in development work, he says, “This is the first campaign I've been associated with where they have a prayer component. With other campaigns, we prayed, but it wasn't structured that way.”

Dana Miller, vice president for university advancement, makes prayer part of the campaign, he says, because “it really goes to the heart of who we are as an institution and our dependence on God for all things.”

He asked Ankeny to lead the group because of his knowledge and understanding of the University and, most importantly, “because of his heart for God and his leadership abilities.”

Ankeny attends meetings of the steering committee and then meets every six weeks with his seven-member prayer committee. He shares specific prayer requests — concerns such as upcoming applications with foundations — and they pray for staff to receive favorable receptions, for wisdom, and also for the

our kids' school,” says Lonnie Heckinger of Camas, Wash., co-chair for the event. “We didn't just want to be aware, we wanted to be involved.”

Letters were sent to 1,400 parents inviting them to join in the day of prayer, while faculty and staff were invited to submit requests and items for praise and thanksgiving. Parents gathered in seven regional sites at the same time that others met on campus during a Saturday afternoon.

During a three-hour period, the parents at George Fox prayed together, in small groups, and as part of a prayer walk. Topics included students' needs and well being, University leadership, faculty relationships and spiritual life, and blessings and guidance for the administration, alumni, and community outreach efforts.

The prayer walk was a first for Debby Magnuson of Eugene, Ore., chair of the Parents Council. “It was a great feeling to know we were praying for people I had never met,” she says. “We were praying for their success in their Christian walk.”



Beth Yancey, parent of a George Fox student, came to the Newberg campus for a parents' day of prayer on March 11. On that day, parents at eight sites in the Northwest gathered to pray for the University, its students and staff.

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President Brandt calls the time of prayer by the students a “unique experience,” one he's not had before.

“It was a very wonderful time in the sense that it was a powerful way for the students to express their thanks, their appreciation, for faculty and staff,” he says. “We often wonder how to express thanks, and the students, in my opinion, did it in the best possible way.”

Religion professor Howard Macy likewise says he can't recall another time in his 25 years of teaching when students gathered to pray for faculty as a whole.

“I always regard prayer as an expression of love for others, a way of bringing God's power to bear in other people's lives,” he says. “I know that for a number of us, it was deeply moving for students to show that kind of concern for us as faculty.”

An emphasis on prayer as a part of the University's Legacy Campaign is also unique, according to Harold Ankeny, a George Fox alumnus, former employee,

students. After praying as a group, members take a prayer list home with them.

“I think staff members — the people who do the calling — feel buoyed by the fact that there are people praying for them on specific calls,” Ankeny says.

Miller tells of being challenged by a member of the steering committee to depend upon God for a \$1 million gift for which they had no knowledge or expectation. “And we received a gift that fit that criteria exactly,” he says. “It's really pretty amazing.”

A parents' day of prayer held March 11 also may have been the first of its kind at George Fox University. The idea for a specially designated day of prayer was initially generated at a Parents Council meeting last fall.

“As parents, we felt it was important to be in touch with what's happening at

“I believe that power, given by God, comes through prayer. It comes through our asking. God knows what our needs are, and all we have to do is ask. What better way to communicate with him than on our knees in prayer?”

As small groups of parents walked the campus, stopping to pray in front of residence halls, classrooms and the library, they were modeling for students what students want for themselves.

“We pray for faculty regularly...we break into small groups, and we pray for them,” McPherson says. “We're not really about one-time things. We want it to become a lifestyle of being people of prayer.”

— Anita Cirulis

Making Good

Alumni award winners honor the University through their service and leadership

ALUMNUS OF THE YEAR

Kent Thornburg

Now a world-class medical professor and research scientist, as an earnest young freshman at George Fox, Kent Thornburg didn't imagine he was forging a bond with his alma mater that would span into five decades.

For Thornburg, graduating from George Fox in 1967 with a bachelor's degree in biology was the first step in a journey that has culminated in a distinguished career and placed him in a pivotal position with the University.

As chair of the Academic Affairs Committee of the board of trustees at the time and now as chair of the board, Thornburg played a key role in the selection process that brought David Brandt to George Fox as president.

Now, the University's Alumni Association has honored Thornburg as its 2000 Alumnus of the Year, an honor recognizing individuals who achieve distinction through dedication and exemplary character and service — while supporting the mission and goals of the University.

A professor of physiology and pharmacology at Oregon Health Sciences University, Thornburg also is director of its Heart Research Center, director of research in the Division of Cardiology and Department of Medicine, professor in the Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology, and professor for the Division of Informatics and Outcome Research.

He has earned the respect of his peers around the world and won accolades for excellence in teaching and research. Among them is being named Fulbright Scholar for his sabbatical work at the University of Manchester in the United Kingdom in 1989.

In spite of the incessant demands of his profession, Thornburg has carved out time for his alma mater. "I don't want to get buried in the laboratory," he says. "It's a priority for me to make sure other people get the kinds of opportunities I did."

A board member since 1983, Thornburg continues to serve as an informal advisor to the University's science programs. He takes this role to heart, he says, because many institutions haven't done an adequate job of preparing young students for the tremendous opportunities in science-related fields.

"We need to do absolutely all we can to provide a top level of expertise for our students and to encourage them at every level," Thornburg says.

GFES ALUMNUS OF THE YEAR

William Vermillion

Late this summer, Bill Vermillion and his wife, Diana, are packing their bags for Moscow, where the couple will stay until sometime in late 2003.

There the couple will embark on a new adventure in evangelism. Bill, a graduate of the former Western Evangelical Seminary (now George Fox Evangelical Seminary), will begin serving a three-year term as interim dean of the OMS International Seminary in Russia's capital city. Diana, who earned a master's degree in counseling from the semi-



Alumni award winners for 2000 (from left) Steve Wilhite, Bill Vermillion, Kent Thornburg and Steve Strutz.

nary, will no doubt play an important role as well.

Currently the senior pastor of Valley View Evangelical Church in the Clackamas area, Vermillion is stepping down in June to prepare for the move.

To leave a comfortable and satisfying life to face unknown challenges in an unfamiliar environment isn't easy at any age. Vermillion, 53, didn't hesitate when this latest opportunity presented itself.

Todd McCollum, the seminary's director of enrollment services, describes Vermillion as "upbeat, big-hearted and energetic" and says he wasn't surprised when he heard the news.

"Bill's always had a strong world vision and a taste for adventure. This isn't out of character at all for him."

For his exceptional service, vision and outreach, Vermillion was named the seminary's alumnus of the year for 2000.

A pastor, professor, commissioned officer, counselor, writer and speaker, Vermillion insists on being called "Bill."

A deep interest in people led Vermillion down several paths. In 1976, after obtaining a master's degree in comparative literature from the University of Washington, Vermillion completed his master of divinity from the seminary. Three years later, he was ordained by the Evangelical Church of North America and became a clinical member of the American Association of Marriage and Family Therapy.

In 1980, he earned his Ph.D. from the University of Washington.

Vermillion has shined in many ways: teaching, mentoring, researching, and enthusiastically carrying out pastoral ministries at Valley View Evangelical Church and Oregon City Evangelical Church.

He also served at the seminary as dean, professor of pastoral studies, director of the graduate department of ministry, and as acting dean during the merger with George Fox.

In 1997, following the seminary's merger with George Fox, he returned to pastoral ministry.

DISTINGUISHED ALUMNUS

Steven Strutz

A student-athlete at George Fox College from 1972 to 1976, Steve Strutz was known as a fearless competitor who would give his all for his teammates.

In addition to his many athletic achievements and awards, he was named the most inspirational leader of both the Bruin basketball and baseball teams — while still a junior.

"It was a joyful time. I learned to go beyond what I thought I could do, and to never give up," Strutz says.

Today, as pastor of Faith Evangelical Church in his hometown of Billings, Mont., Strutz says teamwork is even more important in the body of Christ than it is in competitive sports. Under his leadership, Faith Evangelical Church exemplifies the kind of vibrant, growing and active Christianity that is so desperately needed.

It is active in missions, evangelism, Christian education, youth and children's ministries, and social action. Church attendance has nearly doubled to 850 people in recent years. In 1988, when Strutz became senior pastor, Faith Evangelical Church planted a new church in Billings — Hope Evangelical Church — and is opening yet another — Harvest Church — later this year.

Strutz earned a bachelor's degree in psychology and sociology in 1976 and three years later graduated from Western Evangelical Seminary (now George Fox Evangelical Seminary). After marrying his college sweetheart, Janice Camp, the newlyweds moved to Billings.

Active on many fronts, Strutz has provided leadership in the Evangelical Church of North America in a variety of positions. He has served as Western Conference director of youth and director of stewardship and finance.

He's currently serving as the Western Conference director of evangelism and on its board of ministry, as well as on the Evangelical Church's Commission on *The Discipline*. He is active in his local community, serving as chaplain of the

Billings Police Department and as a member of the advisory board of the Billings Crisis Pregnancy Center.

DISTINGUISHED ALUMNUS

Steven Wilhite

It didn't take Steve Wilhite long to make history for George Fox University. Right after earning his bachelor's degree in biology in 1963, Wilhite and two fellow graduates became the first George Fox graduates admitted to medical school.

A former George Fox football captain and basketball standout, Wilhite has created a legacy of success not only as a physician and surgeon, but also as a missionary and entrepreneur.

Wilhite took his medical training at the University of Oregon Medical School (now Oregon Health Sciences University) and, following an internship in Fresno, Calif., joined the United States Public Health Service. Gaining the rank of commander, he served as a physician to Native Americans and the U.S. Coast Guard in Juneau, Alaska.

In 1970, Wilhite and his wife, Nancy (also a George Fox graduate), and their family moved to East Africa, where he directed the Kaimosi Hospital in Tiriki, Kenya. Under his leadership, the facility blossomed: out-patient services were revived, maternal and child welfare public health clinics were established, a nursing school was started, and international scholarship recipients and other medical students were recruited.

After nearly six years in Africa — three at the Friends United Mission in Kenya — the Wilhites returned to Oregon, where Steven continued his medical service in private practice.

Today, Wilhite is president of the McKenzie Surgical Group in Springfield, Ore., which provides comprehensive services to McKenzie-Willamette Hospital, including a Level II Trauma Service. He is a Fellow of the American College of Surgeons, a member of Lane County Medical Society, and a member of the American Medical Association.

— John Rumler



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Katie Greller's junior year featured a record-setting season, a trip to the NCAA Division III national tournament, NWC player of the year honors, and Academic All-American status. What could possibly beat that? Greller says that in her senior year she wants to go back to the NCAA tournament: "We know what it takes to be the best... we want to win it all!"

Junior Achievement

1999-2000 turns into a storybook season for Katie Greller

NO one had to "sell" Katie Greller on coming to George Fox University. She will tell you the school pretty much sold itself. "I knew this was the place I wanted to go the first time I visited it," says Greller, from Orange City, Iowa. "The campus atmosphere, the wonderful people, the beautiful Portland area — I fell in love with it all."

Now Bruin basketball fans have fallen in love with her, too.

Greller led her team where no George Fox team has ever been before: a Northwest Conference title (shared with Pacific Lutheran) at 14-2 in the conference. The team also set school records for wins (23) and winning percentage (.821, 23-5) and went to the "Sweet 16" of the national NCAA Division III championships in its first year of NCAA eligibility.

Greller's skills and leadership played perhaps the major role in the Bruins' best season ever.

Five times during the season, Greller, a 6-0 junior post, was named Northwest Conference player of the week. At the end of the regular season, she led the conference in scoring (16.3 points per game), and was second in field goal percentage (.534), third in rebounding (8.9 per game), and fourth in free throw percentage (.795). She was easily the choice of the league coaches as Northwest Conference player of the year.

Ask Greller about her part in all this, though, and she will immediately deflect the attention away from herself.

"I definitely never expected anything like player of the year to happen to me," she says with a modesty bordering on shyness. "I just never considered myself to be that kind of ballplayer, and would never have anticipated what I've accomplished. I have to credit my teammates for any success I may have had — they make me a better player — more than I would my own ability."

Greller's superior skills were not readily apparent when she first came to George Fox in the fall of 1996. New coach Scott Rueck, who had just taken over the program, knew virtually nothing about her.

"I wasn't really recruited by anybody," Greller recalls with a laugh. "I was pretty much a role player in high school and played very little until I was a senior, when I became a regular. The only school that even talked to me was Northwestern College in my hometown, and they knew about me because my dad worked at the college and I used to play a lot in their gym."

But, like many young people raised in a college town, Greller decided she wanted to get away from home to go to school.

"I just wanted to explore, and had always wanted to go to the west coast just to see some place different," Greller says. "I probably would have come here whether I played basketball or not."

That almost became a reality. She suffered a foot injury her freshman year, forcing her to sit out the entire 1996-97 season as a redshirt. Rueck still didn't know if she could play or not, but he and the rest of the Northwest Conference quickly found out the next year.

In her freshman season, Greller set a new team record for field goal percentage (.582) and was named Second Team All-Conference. As a sophomore, she raised her scoring average from 13.0 points a game to 14.2 and earned First Team All-Conference honors. Now, after a spectacular junior year, she will enter her senior season ranked sixth all-time in scoring with 1,122 points and fifth in career rebounds with 615.

She will also come back to campus next fall with a new name. On New Year's Eve, she received a surprise proposal at midnight on a crowded boat in the middle of Puget Sound from Ben Lacey, her brother Michael's best friend from back home and a senior at Northwestern.

"Oh, no, he's not going to make me give up basketball," Greller assures all Bruin basketball fans. "He likes the game and wants to see me play more. He's going to move out here for my last year, and then, who knows?"

Lacey wants to go to grad school in premed.

Greller, a fashion merchandising/interior design major, spent the past two summers as a marketing intern with the Jantzen Swimwear Company in Portland. She hopes to secure a position with a sports retail firm such as Nike or adidas upon graduation. Her classroom success will help — she capped off her 1999-2000 season by being named to the CoSIDA (College Sports Information Directors of America)/GTE Academic All-America Team, District VIII, College Division.

Conference player of the year, Academic All-American, a record-setting season and the NCAA Tournament for her team — and a marriage proposal. It would be hard to have a senior year that could top all that. But Greller says there is one more thing she'd like to add to it.

"Now that we've been to the national tournament, we know what it's like and what it takes to be the best, and all this does is whet our appetites for more," she says. "We want to come back and not just show up. We want to win it all!"

— Blair Cash

Women's Basketball

A trip to the NCAA Division III women's basketball national championships and a spot in the "Sweet 16" in their first year of NCAA eligibility was the result of a record-breaking season by the 1999-2000 George Fox University Bruins.

The Bruins tied a record for best start to a season when they won their first four games. After going 7-2 in non-conference play, the Bruins opened Northwest Conference play with a loss at Linfield on Jan. 7. They did not lose again until Feb. 18 at Whitworth, winning a record 11 straight in between.

The winning streak included two wins over nationally ranked Pacific Lutheran and enabled the Bruins to vault to the top of the NWC standings and into the national rankings.

The Bruins closed the season with three straight wins to clinch the conference co-championship with PLU, both ending 14-2 in league play. It was the first title for the women's team since joining the Northwest Conference in 1995. They finished the regular season with a No. 21 ranking in the d3hoops.com national poll and a No. 3 ranking in the NCAA Division III West Region.

Receiving a bid to the NCAA championships, the Bruins posted home-court victories over Linfield and California Lutheran to advance to the West-South Sectional in Abilene, Texas, where the season came to an end with a 76-64 loss to fourth-ranked St. Thomas.

The final 23-5 record set new school records for wins in a season and for best winning percentage (.821). The team was second in the nation in three-pointers per game (7.6) and set a new team record for threes in a game, with 16 at Lewis & Clark — the highest one-game output in the nation all season in Division III women's basketball. Their three-point field goal percentage of .370 ranked eighth in the nation.

Junior center Katie Greller of Orange City, Iowa, was named NWC player of the week five times during the season, then captured NWC player of the year honors. She led the conference in scoring (16.3), ranked second in field goal percentage (.534), and was third in rebounding (8.9) and fourth in free throw percentage (.795). She currently ranks sixth all-time at George Fox in points scored (1,122) and fifth in rebounds (615).

Starting wing Nicole Prazreau of Portland and point guard Becky Thompson of Colton, Ore., both sophomores, also received NWC accolades, Prazreau making second team and Thompson honorable mention.

Head coach Scott Rueck was named NWC coach of the year. In four seasons at the George Fox helm, Rueck has fashioned a 72-30 record, a .706 winning percentage.

Men's Basketball

A 4-2 record to start the 1999-2000 season had the George Fox men's basketball team hoping for big things, but a lack of size proved to be the Bruins' undoing as they settled for a final 8-16 record. Bigger Northwest Conference opponents proved especially tough on the Bruins as they ended with a 4-12 conference mark and an eighth-place finish in the nine-team league.

Freshman forward Dan Weber of Newberg earned NWC player of the week honors with an auspicious debut the first week of the season. The Bruins finished third in the nation in three-point field goals per game (11.1).

There were several impressive wins, including a stunning 102-96 upset of defending conference champion and pre-season league favorite Linfield before a homecoming crowd of 2,100.

The biggest story of the season for the Bruins was the play of junior wing Jordan Green of Cashmere, Wash. In a small lineup that usually had to rely on outside shooting, Green was the Bruins' leader on the perimeter, firing in an average of 18.6 points a game, second in the conference. He also ranked second in the NWC and 10th in the nation in three-pointers per game (3.42), and was third in the league in free throw percentage (.839) and assists (4.58) and 20th in rebounding (4.5).

His steals-per-game average of 3.62 (87 in 24 games) led the conference, was seventh in the nation, and set a new George Fox record. Green was named First Team All-Conference for the second year in a row.