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## HOMECOMING Weekend in Review

The theme of this year's Alumni weekend was "Service." Alumni involved in ministry organizations were invited to set up booths around the gym to introduce weekend guests to the exciting opportunities that they are involved in. Booths representing everything from well-drilling and sponsorships for orphanages to ADRA's disaster relief efforts to wellness programs to our own Camp Mivoden, were staffed by dedicated UCA Alumni. A favorite stop for the kids was a colorful "hot air balloon" rising 20 some feet off the floor, brought in by Darin Patzer, station manager for KEEH 104.9 FM - Positive Life Radio. In addition to these booths, a number of community ministries brought in their displays to join us.

The eight community organizations that were able to come on their free



UCA French Horn Choir

weekend time, represented the 50 plus organizations that UCA students regularly serve each year while training in our community service curriculum. It was natural to feature them and the HOPE Task Force Director, Cheri Corder, during our unique worship service this year.

The worship service began with the traditional grand music provided by Steve Canaday, '65 on the organ and UCA Herald Trumpets and Brass. Besides the honor classes, the roll call asked for all who had been on an "Olin Peach mission trip" to stand...then joining them were a sea of alumni who had been involved in some kind of mission trip experience either in school or from their home church.

Linnea Torkelsen, Alumni Director and founder of UCA's service program, interviewed Danny Terry (teacher), Eric Kendall (physician), Renee Harms (Adventist Adoption Agency) and Braden and Joie Pewitt (pioneer missionaries in Cambodia), alumni from the class of 1995 – graduates of one of the first classes to initiate the HOPE Taskforce experience at UCA. They told how their frequent immersion in service projects as students, influenced the choices they have made in their professional and personal lives since leaving UCA.

Following the Alumni testimonies, representatives from the Humane Society, Catholic Charities, Children's Home Society, Ronald McDonald House, Cookie's Retreat Center, Union Gospel Mission, Second Harvest Food Bank, and our UCA neighbor, Dr. Nona Hengen, all expressed deep appreciation for what it



Cherie Corder interviews UCA students representing ministries they serve.

meant to them to have Christian kids and faculty members come to help them make a difference in our community. Also on stage during these interviews were students doing little "improve" vignettes to illustrate the kinds of ministries being talked about. For instance, five clowns who often visit inner city child care centers and nursing homes, tumbled onto stage and down through the audience tossing carnations.

Our community guests were delighted by the experience. "Being on your campus has really inspired and blessed me on a very personal level," said one. "Now I see why you turn out such quality students." One Alumnus said, "I've heard about HOPE Task Force for continued page 2

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## CAMPUS NEWS NOTES



UCA Choraliers

## The Hills Are Alive...

The Palouse hills are always alive with music at UCA! Each year our campus hosts a music clinic, alternating choral with band. Last school year it was choral. UCA's 105 member choir doubled for a few days when more than one hundred seventh through tenth graders from ten Upper Columbia Conference schools, converged on to campus. The clinic explored a wide variety of styles including the classics, like the "William Tell Overture", to the African "Wana Baraka", to the old pop song "Happy Together."

Be it choral or band, the clinics on UCA's campus always culminate with a full concert featuring our ensembles and small groups.

The NPUC band clinic this spring, was held at Walla Walla College. Through personal auditions with director Brandon Beck, eighteen of our UCA students were selected for the privileged spots. With nearly every academy in the North Pacific Union represented, UCA students filled seven of the twelve first chair positions! Thank you Mr. Lange!

Various styles of sacred music were studied, with particular emphasis on the spiritual messages and history of the pieces they were to perform. The seventy-five member clinic band played four pieces for the WWC Church service. It was so much appreciated, that the church was full again at 4 pm for the final clinic concert. One of the grandest and favorite pieces was done with the church pipe organ.

In addition to the larger musical groups on campus, students study with Wafia Kinne, and individual string and harp students study with teachers in Spokane.

If you are interested in being invited to the music concerts on campus or around the conference, please e-mail the Alumni office at alumni@ucaa.org

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years, but I didn't realize how much the students really do, and I'm thrilled to see this happening in our schools!"

A video collage produced by Ian Holm '05, showing students at work on actual service projects, was shown during the offertory and final appeal song, beautifully done for us by Dr. Jeff Baker '85 and his sister, Susan Baker Davis, '78.

The \$4,000 offering was divided between two needs: providing funds for the purchase of a gently-used van to be used in hauling students around on HOPE Task Force service days, and finishing the 2 year Alumni commitment to upgrading our Industrial Technology Department.

## A New Flag Flies on Front Campus

UCA is proud to fly a big, new American flag on front campus. It was donated by John Oss '74 and his parents, Paul '43 and Jeanne, in memory of Elder Melvin Oss, affectionately known in our area as "Mr. MiVoden." The flag measures 8' X 12' and can be flown 24/7 thanks to our friendly Avista Utilites crew who installed a big spot light on the power pole to illuminate the flag after dark, in compliance with respectful flag etiquette.

# The Beginning of the End of an Era

For those of you who have attended UCA during the "Jerry Lange Era" plan to be here on Alumni Weekend 2006, to honor the Lange's as they retire from an amazing career of 42 years of teaching on a boarding school campus! A "Retirement Bash" committee is in the formation stages so if you have a desire to be personally involved in the planning and honors, please contact Linnea Torkelsen at 509-245-3692 ASAP!



Mr. Jerry Lange directing

### 6<sup>th</sup> Annual UCA Fly-In

Early September always brings a buzz to the skies over UCA as Alumni flying buffs and their friends "drop in" for the annual Fly-In and Pancake Breakfast. This event is an opportunity for aviation-oriented Alumni to bring their treasured flight machines and network, while sharing their passion for flying with the UCA Ground School students and their friends.

Traditionally, between 15 and 25 aircraft of varying complexity and age, line the air strip by the UCA church. It is not uncommon to find Stearman Biplanes with radical engines, a Russian YAK, helicopters, kit planes, gliders, amphibious craft, general aviation commuters or even an old Boeing mail plane! The planes and helicopters are proudly displayed and explained with great enthusiasm and some pilots even choose to give students registered for Ground School, rides in their flying machines. If you have interest in this annual event, contact Chuck Paulson. Industrial Education teacher at teched63@hotmail.com or 509-245-3653 to get on his reminder list.

## UCA Students "Change" the World

It was not a surprise, when in response to the reports of the Christmas tsunami, UCA students put their heads together to try and make some kind of a difference. Working with the cafeteria, one group planned a dinner where students agreed to dine on plain rice, beans and water, rather than the more elaborate meals they are usually served. In return, the cafeteria donated the difference in cost to the tsunami relief fund.

About 50 stopped by the HOPE Task Force office to pick up pint-sized jars in which to collect coins. Their change added up to 10,804 coins and \$526.25. One of the jars held over \$82.00! Their efforts were forwarded to ADRA – the Adventist Development and Relief Agency.

## UCA Has a New Sign

Thanks to a monetary gift left by the senior class of 1996 when they graduated, UCA is able to proudly welcome students and guests to campus with a beautiful new brick sign at the entrance.

The project was seriously delayed because the intended designer/builder moved, and because of some flood plain

issues with the county. Permits finally in hand, it became a team effort to stay within the 9 year old budget and keep expenses down! We owe special thanks to our UCA neighbor, George Rasmussen for bringing his tractor over to prepare the ground; to UCA parent, Nic Garcia for donating his expertise and personal labor to pour the cement base; to Bruce & Barb Dietrich, parents of '96 class member Shawn, for installing the lettering on a very cold day; to the Industrial Technology students and their teacher Chuck Paulson, for fabricating the metal lettering as a class project (with equipment donated by alumni) and to Jim Mann, Maintenance Director, for rock placement.

The class of 1953 made the professional landscaping around the sign, their 50 year honor class gift. Their generosity also included lighting and underground sprinklers! Special thanks to several of the classmates for spear-heading that blessing, and especially to Lorell Smick who donated his time to shop for plants, and even dig a few holes.

## Business Executives Honor Academic Excellence at UCA

Each year a significant number of Spokanearea businesses and their executives join in honoring scholastic excellence in area teens. High schools are invited to send their top seniors in each of several categories, to a banquet held in their honor at the Spokane Convention Center. Scholars receive certificates, medallions and some are given scholarships.

Beyond the honor of being chosen, our students enjoy mingling with hundreds of other teens who have chosen to excel. We appreciate Florence Lacey's sponsorship of this program on our campus. Chosen to represent UCA at this prestigious event were:

**Fine Arts** 

Science

English

History

Math

Foreign Language

- Amanda Ward
- Jennifer Johnston
- Amanda Wilson
- Dustin Kelley
- Karissa Kravig
- Ian Holm

## Alumni Weekend 2006 Celebrating 60 Years!

NEXT YEAR'S ALUMNI WEEKEND FALLS on May 5, 6, 7, when we will be celebrating UCA's 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary! Honored Alumni will be from the classes of 1996, 1986, 1982, 1976, 1966, 1956 and 1946 (UCA's first graduating class!) In addition to the UCA classes, all Yakima Valley Alumni Pioneers are honored.





## **Scholarships!**

Do you know a student who might need assistance attending UCA? We have several unique opportunities to help them get that Christian education!

**Single Parent** Scholarships – for students from qualifying single parent homes **Pathways** Scholarships from the Commonweal Foundation – for students who have never experienced boarding school before, and meet the financial need requirement

**Industrial Technology** Scholarships – for students wanting to develop skills in pre-engineering or hands on mechanical stuff!

**Gifted Musician** Scholarships – for students wishing to take instrument lessons and play in the band. Auditions and an interview are required. Financial need is not a requirement.

**UCA Foundation** Scholarships – if you have financial need and are willing to work hard and experience UCA to the fullest ... apply!

## Yakima Valley Academy Reunion

It was a wonderful Sentimental Journey! 50 former YVA faculty and students met at the Village Adventist Church in College Place, WA on September 8, 9th and 10th for a banquet and entertainment, Friday activities, special speakers, worship services, lots of visiting and a time of recommitment to friendships with each other and with Jesus. If you attended YVA but are not getting their mailing, please contact us: torkelsen@ucaa.org or 509-245-3692.

## Welcome to New Alumni Members



UCA senior class officers '05, from left: (front row) Nichole Morgan, chorister; Tara Trefz and Kristine Garcia, student council representatives; Greta Jarnes, girls' sports coordinator; (middle row) Ian Holm, Historian; Brittany Blankenship, secretary; Josh Wallace, president; Joe Jenks, vice-president; (back row) Todd Purkey, treasurer; Kessie Hodgson, boys' sports coordinator; Jarod Franklin, sergent-at-arms; Timothy Workman, chaplain; (not shown) Greg Balmes, pianist.

Thanks to the class of 2005, the traditional UCA medallion worn by the graduates had an old, but new look. Especially designed for the class, it features the UCA School Seal with the pointed oval shape as seen on our newsletter header. Nice touch '05!

## In Loving Memory...

#### **Former Faculty**

Lyle Hanson FF Bud Payne FF Francis Theil FF Millard Wisbey FF

#### YVA Alumni

Leonard Bullis '28 Anna (Allen) Dawes '33 Walter Littler '35 Howard Schoepflin '35 Belle O'Neil '38 Phyllis (Berg) Hull '39 Blanche (Randolph) Johnson '39 Don Pester '39 Dolores (Lynde) White '39 W. Vincent Davis '40 William Squier '40 Clarence Powell '42 Max Qualley '44 Ardella (Hagele) Michaelson '45

#### UCA Alumni

Vera (Ireland) Peters '52 Harold Schultz '55 Bernadine (Tapley) Bald '60 Nancy (Colglazier) Robinson '61 Jacqueline (Coy) Vanatta '63 Shirley (Ginter) Pellow '66 Eric Molstead '80 Jeremy Thomson '94

Memorial funds have been set up to honor Eric Molstead and Jeremy Thomson for those who wish to honor them in this way.



Mike Osborne '64 to Ivonne Young '65 Darrell Rudebaugh '70 to Chris Rogers Bryce Bower '76 to Lorna Dore Debra Stentzel '80 to Karl Pankaskie Stuart Wagner '80 to Stacie Sachs David Sanford '81 to Neriza Lory Giddings '91 to Jay Alido Jeremy Nelson '91 to Kim Henon James Pellow '92 to Julie Winkle Shane Anderson '94 to Lisa Lesniak Ryan Rohloff '95 to Heidi Thomas Roni Sue Scott '95 to Derek Leazer Alysia Wresch '95 to Derrick Carlson Alisa Bowker '96 to Brooks Uniat Jason Hunt '96 to April Nelson LeAnn States '96, attn to David Brown George Twigg '96 to Christy Canaday '98 Jennifer Wagner '96 to Ben Griner Summer Bartholomew '97 to Ariel Fleming Jon Evans '97 to KaDene Garrett Yvonne Gruber '98 to Mark Hoover Steve Porter '98 to Jessica Campbell '00 Jennifer Toews '98 to Daniel Matoske BJ Bower '99 to Kerra Graham Lisa Eslinger '99 to John McMackin Julie Hogue '99 to Brent Conger Denae Hunt '99 to Jason Cramer (9/25/05) Allison Bacon '99 to Aaron Jenks attn '96 Mike Kyle '99 to Jenny Reiber Stephen Lundquist '99 to Kyndre Corbett '99 Beth Porch '99 to Kelly Clarke Margo Ford '99 to Walter Cox Kelly Hamilton '00 to Kirt O'Connor '01 Heather Kuiken '00 to Shannon Skelton Jennifer Swisher '00 to David Royer Andrew Perrin '00 to Jaci Cress Chrislyn Clayville '00 to Wes Lutz Sarey Beard '01 to Mark Robinson Jonathan Engelman '01 to Terra Johnson Jason Campbell '02 to Stacy Uttecht Erica Cruz '02 to Ed Campos Joe Schlehuber '02 to Hillary Stahlheber Rhonda Coy '03 to Trevor Nelson Ashley Shelton '04 to Joe McIntosh Heather Scull '05 to Lane Gambill FACULTY

Phyllis Starr (faculty) to Vernon Bretsch Amy Wolfsen (former faculty) to Todd Norton

## A New Name for Mrs. Starr

It came as a total shock to her unsuspecting colleagues when long time UCA faculty member, Phyllis Starr announced in faculty meeting that she was engaged to be married! Those with guicker response mechanisms grabbed cell phones so they could be the first to tell SOMEONE! Pictures accompany this report for those who still can't believe it! They were married July 10, 2005, in a private family ceremony at the home of the grooms' son in Portland, OR. The bride looked lovely in her ice-blue dress...she carried white roses, and...Elder Vernon Bretsch is the lucky man.

Vern is a long time church administrator, having served at the Review and Herald, Voice of Prophecy, the General Conference, as Montana Conference Secretary, as the President of the Vietnam Mission during the war, as President of Christian Record Braille and currently, is working for Voice of Prophecy from his new home on the UCA campus!



Gregory Wilkinson, Grandson of Phyllis Starr, gives the bride away.



Elder and Mrs. Vernon Bretsch

"The Lord re-introduced us," Phyllis says. "Our families worked together in the Montana Conference years ago...and we continued to exchange Christmas cards over the years, but that was about it." Some time after his wife died, Vern was telling the Lord how lonely he was, and asking Him if there might be someone, somewhere that could share his life. Guess whose name came to mind in the middle of the night!

It took Vern several months of continued prayer and some discrete research by his sister, Bev Klein (UCA former faculty) before he decided to write that 'fateful' letter...and the rest is history!

Congratulations may be sent to Vernon & Phyllis Bretsch at the school address: 3025 E Spangle-Waverly Road in Spangle, WA. 99031.

## **New Alumni Directories**

Many of you have participated in the new Alumni Directory program, done for us by University Publishing. If you responded to the information update card they sent you in the mail, you were entitled to a free directory. Seven hundred and fifty of you sent in an optional donation to the company to help defray the expenses of the production. Since these funds did not come to the school, "donors" to this project are not listed on the Annual Report. There has been some confusion on this, and we want to clarify.

The Alumni office has the last 50 directories, so if you would like one, they are available for a \$10 fee.



Edited by Laura Grinnell '02

Miriam Bergh '38 writes from Oakhurst, CA. that she and her husband still enjoy traveling, and are doing a trip around the US for 6 weeks this fall. She reports that their new passion is helping to support orphans in Africa.

**Orvall Driskell '44** has recently moved to Greenbier, TN to be near his family. He loves being back in the South and says the Lord has blessed him with good health.

Edward Esteb '44 and his wife Carol Ann live in El Cajon, CA. He is a semiretired physician. He enjoys fishing and building computers.

**Eldon Stratton '44** and his wife Barbara live in El Centro, CA. He has served as a Pastor, Boy's Dean, Viceprincipal, Academy Principal, Dean of Students at Columbia Union College, and presently on the Executive committee for the Southeastern California Conference.

William '46 & Meribeth Wagner '49 McFarlane write from College Place, WA. Bill is a dentist and Meribeth, a nurse. Of the many blessings they have had in their lives, their 12 years of mission service is at the top of the list.

Kathryn Dizney Conley '49 has achieved a very special life time goal, that of writing a book about her husband. It's called *The Gene Conley Story One of a Kind.* And was published by was Advantage Press. She and Gene have enjoyed the experience of book signing tours, and are heavily involved as founders and board members of the NBA Legends Foundation.

**Dick and Ruth Sleeter Tucker**, both **'53**, celebrated their 50<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary in September of 2004 at a reception hosted by their children at the Sandpoint, ID Adventist church. They met at UCA and married in 1954. Dick worked as a civil engineer until he and Ruth opened their own engineering firm and logging company in 1968. They partially retired in 2000.

Betty Wood '54 and her husband Bob both retired in 2004, and are filling their time with remodeling projects and canoeing. A 100 mile adventure on the water-ways in Maine was last summer's great accomplishment!

Wilma Coy Boulieris '57 has spent the last 20 years as a missionary on the island of Guam. She served as an Optomotrist at the Guam Adventist Clinic, and was the department director for part of that time. She has now come back to the Northwest, permanent return. She intends to settle into her new home and enjoy catching up on her grandchildren.

**Don Murray '60** finished off his career as Dean of Men at Columbia Union College. He and his wife are retiring in Michigan, and the "to do" list is growing.

James Schoepflin '60 retired in May as Professor Emeritus from 29 years of teaching at WSU. During that time he served 3 times as the Director of the School of Music. He plays with the Spokane Symphony, 12 years as a core member, and in several other ensemble groups as well. Jim established and has performed world-wide with the Mulfeld Trio for the last 20 years. Their recording of the Muczynski's Fantasy was featured in United Airlines in flight audio systems during the 90's. He is an original member of the International Clarinet Assoc. and was the original publisher of "The Clarinet" magazine for the first 12 years of its existence. Jim and his wife Nancy, newly retired Assistant Attorney

General for the state of WA, love playing 4-hand piano music for their own "amazement" and are enjoying exploring the world right now.

JoAnn Werth Wiggins '64 is a professor of business at WWC and the chair for the grievance committee and faculty senate. She serves on the City of College Place Planning Commision and was awarded their Service Award in 2004, for involving the Students in Free Enterprise in a community outreach program for their town.

**Bob Bolton '65** has completed climbing all of the highest points in Washington State.

Leaving the world of talk radio and broadcasting behind, **Richard Clear '65** and his brother-in-law have established a new business in the Spokane area selling vinyl windows and siding called "Clear Brothers."

Kathy Johnson Coleman '66 writes that she and her husband Joseph have always loved the beach, so they chose Ocean Shores, WA when they retired a few months ago.

Len '70 and Hazel Lingscheit Burns '72 are immersed in a ministry to the orphans of Bangladesh. It supports an orphanage, boarding school and receiving center for babies. Visit their web site at www.banglahope.com. if you are interested in helping with sponsorships, or donating "like new" baby clothes, especially for little girls, or supporting the Pollywog ministry that provides work/ income for women in need.

**Carrie Brown Ferguson '76** has just graduated from Walla Walla College with her BS in Special Education and she will be teaching in Montana at an SDA grade school.

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**Laurie Ortiz Hosey '76** is currently a principal at a junior academy and is a director of Alaska's summer Camps.

**Bob Hare '77** has reportedly developed a stand up comedy routine about "Nurse Bob" that has had at least *some* of his classmates in stitches.

Brett Robinson '80 currently makes his home in Salem, OR. He has developed a web site for ministry-driven Sabbath school classes based on a model he has been personally involved in for a number of years. A unique blend of service-oriented activities and Biblical study can be followed at www.sabbathschool.org.

**Eric Molstead '80**, on the way home from his 25<sup>th</sup> reunion at UCA, was killed when his single-engine plane crashed not far from the Portland International Airport. He was the only occupant. Eric had always loved planes and flying, and he was an airplane mechanic at Pearson Air Field in Vancouver. He had more than 20 years of flying experience.

**Greg Robinson '81** and his family live in Gresham, OR. "Spare time" finds him leading out or helping with pathfinders and his kids' Sabbath schools.

**Eric '87 and Michelle Stout Haeger '90** have moved from Guam Adventist Clinic to join the medical group in Brewster, WA. Their daughter, Carley Caye became a big sister when the family welcomed baby Jonathan Zachary in June.

**Scott Neil '88** is back home in Spokane, WA. where he is working towards the executive director position at the Waterford Retirement community.

Julie Rathjen Christiansen '88 and her husband Fritz are working in Guam at Adventist World Radio where her husband is an engineer.

Kelly and Stacy Smith Santee, both '88, have moved their fast growing Santee Granola, Inc. business to UCA. Kelly is also the Assistant Food Service Director in the cafeteria. The new industry is located in the old broom shop and will employ 4-6 UCA students initially, with hopes of expanding to 8. Stacy is VP for sales and marketing and directs the daily operations. The company produces 75,000 pounds of granola a year or 800 pounds a day. You will find eight flavors available through santeesgranola.com on the internet, or at the local Adventist Book Center, Huckleberries', Albertsons' or Rosauers' markets, as well as on the breakfast menu of any number of local Spokane hotels.

Kristy Sue Alm '89 lives with her husband, Robert, in Columbia Falls, MT. She works in Labor and Delivery and teaches childbirth education. She and her husband also own a landscaping business.

Karen Dawes Cote '89 and her husband, Bill, live in Jonesborough, TN. They welcomed Andrew Benjamin into their family in April of 2004 and Karen is enjoying being a full-time mom.

Sharon Oakley '89 has returned from England, where she received her PhD from Oxford University in Engineering. Her work and thesis topic was a project relating to the fatigue of aero-engine compressor blades after foreign object damage. The European-funded study required extensive travel which she enjoyed. Previous to her doctoral studies, she was employed on the Millennium project – an extension of the SkyTrain sytem - in Vancouver, BC. Sharon is back living in Vancouver now, and is working on the RAV Line – a passenger rail project.

Melinda Klein Carneal '91 lives with her family in Alexandria, VA. She sells Time Share Condos and takes care of their new baby girl, Sally.

Edee Burns McClosky '91 and her husband Mark make their home in Lake Stevens, WA. He works in Aviation maintenance and she home-schools their two older children Ethan and Elena. Baby Malia completes the family.

**Robin Foss '92** has recently returned from Doha, Qatr where she worked as a civilian for the US military. She donated a flag to UCA that had been flown over Afghanistan and Iraq. It is framed with its certificate of authenticity in the Ad Building.

Jeremy Toms '92 has just moved from New York to the Walla Walla area in August, where he has joined the staff at WW General Hospital as an Anesthesiologist. His wife Sara is an Occupational Therapist, and the couple is settling in and report they are happy to be back in the Northwest.

**Anthony Mohr '93** is located at Point Mugu in California. He works with radar systems for Navair.

Marilyn Hillman Hanley '93 and her husband Clint, help to operate the mission in Francis Sirpi, Nicaragua, for the Tasba Raya Adventist Clinic. Marilyn is an RN and the sole medical help within a 2 1/2 hour drive. She does everything from delivering babies to sewing up machete wounds. Clint teaches the villagers how to make concrete block and how to build with them.

Lisa Moller '93 is teaching high school English at Redding Adventist Academy and finds it challenging and enjoyable.

**Shannon Sorrells Peterson '93** and her husband Terry recently moved their 3 boys back to his family farm in Iowa. The boys will be the 6<sup>th</sup> generation to grow up there. Shannon intends to polish up her nursing skills and put them to use.

Jaime Schultz Schmidt '94 is currently in Newman Lake, WA and works as a Licensed Massage Therapist at a wellness center.

Jeremy Thomson '94 lost his battle with cancer and died in his adopted home town of Lahaina, Maui during the first part of August. Jeremy spent his final days surrounded by his family and many local and UCA friends. His funeral was a celebration of his life, and the hope of the resurrection, conducted by his childhood St. Marie's, ID pastors, Mark and Colette Pekar. Services were held in the Adventist church in Lahaina. According to one of the 9 classmates who were able to fly in, the place was "bursting at the seams." Jeremy was buried at a cemetery 12 miles down the road to Hana, overlooking the ocean that he loved.

Rodney '95 and Jennifer Rathjen '88 Bartholomew are involved in the family well-drilling business, where most recently, they drilled to provide clean water for the International Children's Care orphanage and school near Poptun, Guatemala. Nichole Bonfietti Eby '95 spent two years as a student missionary in the Marshall Islands. Her time there inspired her to pursue a degree in Elementary Education.

**Jim Edwards '95** recently graduated with his Master's in Electrical Engineering & Computer Science with an emphasis in graphics.

**Grant Flaiz '95** is currently living in Bangkok Thailand. He teaches social studies at Ekamai International School and is the Principal of the elementary school!

Alisa Bowker Uniat '95 and her husband Brooks have recently moved to Eagle, ID.

Jason Neil '95 works in construction management in developing sites through demographic studies, for retirement communities.

**Chris Drake '96** is the director of Media Design for Walla Walla College. For some reason, whenever you see him, he always has a camera to his eye!

**Caroline Nicola Clark '96** is back in Yakima where she and her husband Mike have bought her childhood home. Caroline is a nurse practitioner at the local clinic.

**Corry Current '97** is a graduate of the Masters in Social Work program at WWC, and is serving as a counselor at Project Patch, a ranch for teens at risk. He is often seen working with the teens in rock climbing, woodworking biking, and team activities.

Daphne Williams Meza '97 graduated from Walla Walla Community College last spring, with her degree in nursing. She and her family have now moved to Mexico.

Julie Kellogg '97 received an Academic Excellence Award at her graduation from Loma Linda School of Dentistry on May 29. The award recognizes students who achieve scores above the national mean on the National Board part II exam. Julie is the third generation to choose dentistry as a career and she joins her dad and uncle in the family practice in Walla Walla. Lalita Byrnes '98 is making her home in Seattle, WA where she is working on a degree at Central Community College.

Joel Dickerson '98 and his wife Heather are living in Staten Island, New York. Joel says they love exploring the east coast! Rumor has it that his love of flying may lure them back to the west coast, leaving his music career for a time.

Nathan Kay '98 is in a year long training program, learning to fly K213C KC's out of Fairchild Air Force Base in Airway Heights, WA. He has 1,000 plus hours of flight time through WWC where he was a flying instructor for 2 years.

**Trent Morgan '98** is a Navy Seal. He has recently served in Iraq and is now living in San Diego.

**Yvonne Gruber Hoover '98** met her new husband Mark, through an Adventist website! They are happily married and live in Jonesboro, TN where he is a family practice physician. Yvonne is going back to school for advanced training in Nutrition at Eastern Tennessee State.

Andrew Mason '99 is currently working for the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration's National Centers for Coastal Monitoring. In addition, he is working on his Master's degree in Marine Estuarine Environmental Science.

**Sara Jacobsen '99** is living in College Place, fighting fires – literally, and studying hard to finish her degree in nursing.

Matt Byrd '00 lives with his wife Sarah Gonzales Byrd '02 in Caldwell, ID. He is a mechanic and says that taking Industrial Tech from Paulson, especially the Auto Mech., strongly influenced him to choose this career. Sarah works as a teacher's aid with emotionally disturbed children.

Josh '00 and Cassi Shrock '98 Surprise have just moved back to Spokane from Minneapolis, MN where they spent their first year of married life. They are house and job hunting and settling into familiar territory again. Alina Fullerton '00 writes from Vancouver, WA. where she is working at a loan company. She is especially thankful for the UCA teachers who invested in her during a really difficult time in her life.

Maranatha Hay '03 and Amanda Jehle '03 have committed a year of their lives to be student missionaries in Pragh, Czecoslovakia for this coming school year.

## **Former Faculty**

**Correction: George and Ruth Crumley** retired in Surprise, AZ. Their ministry for the Adventist Church has taken them to Washington, Wisconsin and Michigan as well as Washington DC where George was treasurer at the North American Division headquarters, not the General Conference as reported.

It's hard to believe, but **Mike and Nancy Martling** have taken a call and moved to Georgia Cumberland Academy, 2 hours from Atlanta. Since first coming to UCA in 1989 both Mike and Nancy have worn a number of different hats from task force worker to long-time History teacher. Can you imagine what Mike's Civil War classes will be like now that he lives in the South?!

John Winslow, Former Faculty, has accepted a position as the new principal for Campion Academy in Colorado. John and his wife Allison took up their duties after they attended UCA's graduation to tell everyone good-bye. They are working with campus chaplain, **Benjie** '95 and Kartini Maxson, also former UCA faculty.

Retiring from the cafeteria once again is **Sharon Robinson**, mom of former students and surrogate mom to many. She intends to keep her husband company on his trucking trips! You will be missed Sharon.

Retiring, but not completely ... is **Clyde Sample**, who was responsible for initiating vegan meal time options for our students ... and expanding the salad bar. These improvements are not going away ... Mr. Sample will be working part time. Thank you Mr. Sample.

## AMMUAI Report Grand List of Donors

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