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The University cleaned up, set up, and put out the welcome mat for Bill Clinton and Al Gore this summer.

Cultivating the City
Through EnviroCorps, Portland State students and others are learning about the environment, teamwork, and community pride.

Where There’s Music
A week-long summer music camp for inner-city children is the brainchild of music Professor Mary Kogen.

From 78s to CDs
In celebration of Portland State’s 50th anniversary, we’ve profiled five students whose educational experiences span the years.

They Bowlled us Over
Thirty years ago, four PSC students and their faculty coach brought home the G.E. College Bowl trophy.

Big Skies Ahead
New Athletic Director Jim Sterk is leading Portland State into the Big Sky Conference.

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Cover: PSU President Judith Ramaley joined President Bill Clinton and Vice President Al Gore on stage at a Park Blocks event during the Pacific Rim Economic Conference. See story on page 4. Photography by Marc Olson.
Evaluating Oregon's criminal programs

Portland State and the Oregon Department of Corrections have signed a master agreement which will allow University researchers to evaluate ongoing and new criminology programs run by the state.

The master agreement comes at a time when the Department of Corrections must deal with the recent passage of measures aimed at getting more tough with criminals. The number of inmates under their supervision could increase by 50 percent over the next four to five years.

The agreement grew out of a six-month evaluation PSU's Center of Urban Studies conducted on the Department's Oregon Summit prison boot camp program. The evaluation, released in May, indicated that the boot camp program is cost effective and in full compliance with the Oregon Legislature's intent.

"There are monumental changes taking place in corrections," says Norm Solomon, project coordinator for the Department of Corrections' Office of Budget, Research and Evaluation. "Many of these changes are going to have to be evaluated."

Putting it on the Internet

Greater access to governmental, historical, and educational information over the Internet is the goal of a $1.5 million, two-year grant received by Portland State and the Oregon Historical Society from the Department of Education.

The Internet project is being administered by PORTALS (Portland Area Library System), a PSU-based consortium of 14 academic institutions and libraries in the Portland area and southwest Washington.

PSU and PORTALS will upgrade the PORTALS electronic network statewide. The Oregon Historical Society is cataloging and placing online thousands of historical documents, photos, maps, and other items. As part of the grant, 10 rural communities will also receive funds to purchase the computer equipment needed to access PORTALS and the Internet.

Studying quality of life

Oregon's stable economy and celebrated quality of life may be seriously impaired by some current population trends, according to a report recently published by the Center for Population Research and Census (CPRC) at Portland State.

Among the key findings in the center's report entitled "Do All Trails Lead to Oregon? An Analysis of the Characteristics of People Moving To and From Oregon" are: the number and proportion of Oregonians living below the poverty level has increased over time; a greater proportion of out-migrants have college degrees than in-migrants; the number of elderly moving into the state has increased over time; and a greater proportion of people moving into the state have poor English language skills.

The report provides an analysis of 1990 U.S. Bureau of the Census data, as well as more current data.

"These variables, taken together, could threaten Oregon's ability to compete in national and international arenas, and they may herald serious drains on the state's service agencies and other resources," says Howard Wineberg, assistant director of CPRC.

Coming attractions

T. Coraghessan Boyle, author of The Road to Wellville, a satirical novel about turn-of-the-century inventor and health impresario, John Kellogg, will give a free lecture Thursday, Oct. 12, at 7:30 p.m. in 355 Smith Memorial Center.

Ethical issues and legal implications regarding genetics, technology, and behavior will be addressed at a free public symposium entitled "Genetics and Behavior" on Thursday, Oct. 19, at 5:30 p.m. in 75 Lincoln Hall. Special speakers include Irving Gottesman, author of Schizophrenia: The Origins of Madness.

An alumna who made good, Michael Kazin '74, will give a lecture on "The Populist Persuasion in American Politics" Monday, Oct. 23, at 1 p.m. in 296 Smith Center. Kazin's recent book, The Populist Persuasion, has been acclaimed by the popular and academic press as a significant contribution to the understanding of American political history and our contemporary political situation.

Portland State is again one of the sponsors for the Science, Technology and Society Lecture Series that brings renown scientists to Portland and Eugene.

The Portland schedule includes Jane Goodall, "My Life with the Chimpanzees," Nov. 10; George Johnson, Climbing the Stairway to Heaven, Dec. 8; David Pearce Snyder, "The Great Experiment Continues: a tour through the trans-millennium, Jan. 12; Ralph Abraham, "Euclid's Voyage into Chaos, Feb. 12; Richard Leakey, "The Sixth Extinction," March 1; Richard Dawkins, "Universal Darwinism," April 3; and Jean Clottes, "Prehistoric Cave Art at Vallon," May 10.

All lectures are at 7:30 p.m. in the Arlene Schnitzer Concert Hall. Reduced season tickets (less than the full nine lectures) are available through FASTIXX, 224-8499. Abraham and Leakey will also be on campus in February to give special evening lectures.
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This year, Portland State University celebrates its 50th Anniversary. A major birthday is a good time for reflection and self­examination. We began this process two years ago when we were one of the first institutions invited to join the Pew Roundtable by the Institute for Research on Higher Educa tion at the University of Pennsylvania. The Roundtable's goal is to support the efforts of colleges and universities in adapting to new demands and chal­lenges as the role of higher education in society undergoes dramatic change.

Due to a fortunate relationship between the timing of our regular 10-year reac cre ditation process and our impending birthday, we have engaged in an extensive self-study of all aspects of our institution over the past 19 months. We have emerged from this introspection confident that what we are doing makes sense. We are affirmed in this belief by a group of our most discerning peers in higher education. We truly are creating a new institutional type—the urban univer­sity—based on our own traditions and our own experiences.

One thing often leads to another. Now we are part of a new 26-institution effort supported by the American Council on Education and the Kellogg Foundation to continue the reform of higher education and build on the ex­pe ri e nce of the Roundtable. Just recently, we were invited by the National Association of State Universities and Land Grant Colleges, to join a presidential commission to examine the future of the urban university and the land­grant university.

Why are we being asked to play a major national role? Why is PSU's name mentioned whenever people start talking about innovation and change and community involvement? I am fond of explaining that the reason for all this is that we are already doing what most other institutions are just beginning to talk about.

Last year we began our exciting new undergraduate curriculum, the University Studies Program. This interdisciplinary, team-oriented approach to the core curriculum for all undergraduates has drawn comments and inquiries from campuses across the country and very positive reactions from our students and their families. One parent echoed my own feelings when he said he wished he could start college all over again, just to experience the new curriculum.

The faculty who are participating in this new venture and the students who have served as mentors and partners have a special look of excitement about them. It is rare for one to observe a true transformation, but I can honestly say to you that this new way of learning has indeed opened up new understanding, new options, and a new sense of vitality. It is deeply satisfying and wonderfully rewarding to know that ideas do matter and that learning can be fresh and even transform­ing in our day.

This summer I read a biography of Emerson and was drawn back to some of his early writings, especially Nature, his first major work, published in 1836. In his introduction, Emerson complained that in his age, scholars were building on the work of others and not encountering the world directly. In fact, the transcendentalist movement grew, in part, out of a profound weariness with the dry teaching of the time. As Emerson wrote, "Why should not we also enjoy an original relation to the universe? Why should not we have a poetry and philosophy of insight and not of tradition? The sun shines today also. There are new lands, new people, new thoughts."

As PSU enters the second half of its first century, we feel the way Emerson did. We are using the experience of our own times as a text, as a classroom, as a stimulus for learning. It is exciting. It is unsettling. It is placing us in the forefront of a reform move­ment that is slowly changing the nature of undergraduate education, and, before long, the nature of graduate and professional education as well. The needs, values, goals, and motivations of our advanced students have been slowly changing. Likewise, the needs of society for educated citizens have also been changing. PSU is one of the first institutions to recognize this and to act upon it.

Last year, our fall faculty workshop addressed reforms in undergraduate education. This year, we are tackling an even more formidable challenge, graduate education. We have asked ourselves how well are we responding to the needs and goals of our students and the needs of their current and future employers? How can we best build a successful relationship between graduate education and research? How can we create and support effective and quality programs, employ new modes of program delivery, and address the needs of our community for access to quality graduate education on a funding base that will, at best, remain constant.

I will keep you informed as we work this year to answer these and other important questions about the future of Portland State. What is so unusual about us is that we are willing and able to ask ourselves difficult and often painful questions in order to better serve citizens who expect us to act in their best interests.

Judith A. Ramaley, President
Cramming for Clinton

In the peculiar stillness of 3 a.m., Secret Service teams with specially-trained “sniffer” dogs began sweeping Smith Memorial Center, where the Pacific Rim Economic Conference would begin in four hours. As one team scoured the offices of the Vanguard recalled John Fowler, head of Campus Safety and Security, a sniffer dog became excited, indicating it had found something.

Cautiously the agents investigated, only to discover a long-forgotten sandwich tucked into a nook.

It was but one of many glitches the campus handled with aplomb this summer when President Bill Clinton, Vice President Al Gore, cabinet officials, and 250 of the West's most powerful CEOs converged on campus June 27 for the Pacific Rim Economic Conference.

"We had a glitch a minute," says the unflappable Fowler, "but you expect problems when you're putting on an event of this magnitude. What we didn't have were any 'stoppers,' something that we couldn't solve or find some way around."

Fowler may have seen flaws, but the outside organizers had only praise for PSU employees. "I've done over a thousand presidential trips," says Steve Leroy, president of Group 2000, which specializes in organizing spectacular events like the 1995 V Day celebrations in Europe and the former Soviet Union. "I would definitely put PSU at or near the top in terms of how much they volunteered, how well they did what they volunteered, and how quickly they did it."

Perhaps most significantly, though, the frantic three weeks pulled PSU employees together in a way more typical of a great crisis, say, an approaching hurricane. "The unsung heroes of this campus made things happen that I didn't know could happen," says Janis Nichols, director of Public Relations, "and they did it with a great deal of panache."

More than 225 PSU employees worked directly to ensure the success of the conference. Others worked as

It was an intense three weeks getting ready for a visit from the White House.

By Melissa Steineger

Smith Center Ballroom was transformed for the White House conference with rented stage and custom-built table and backdrop.
The biggest burden of preparing for the conference fell on the PSU Facilities Department. While some department staff concentrated on keeping the rest of the campus running, about 80 percent of the department’s employees shifted their attention to transforming Smith Center into a specialized conference facility.

Crews put all planned summer maintenance of Smith at the top of their work list. Painters tackled the hallways, conference rooms—even elevators. Rooms were continually added to the “must-paint” list as conference demands oozed out to include areas or breakout sessions.

Meanwhile, crews fork-lifted rented stage material onto the Smith Center balcony, then hammered it together in the ballroom to create an 18-inch high stage for the conference table. Crews laid 600 yards of new carpet on the stage and ballroom. (The carpet later was removed and used in classrooms and offices scheduled to be recarpeted this year.)

Glenn Gauer, professor of theater arts, designed a camera-savvy backdrop depicting the Pacific Rim (which will be used for other conferences). Risers for select media blossomed along a wall. (Other reporters watched the proceedings on closed circuit television in the cafeteria.)

The camera-savvy backdrop for the conference was designed by Professor Glenn Gauer, theater arts.

Prodigious amounts of special wiring and telecommunications equipment were installed. To accommodate media cameras, the entire Smith ballroom was lit as precisely as a stage production. Parkway Common, the ground-level cafeteria, became the media war room with more than 200 telephones, faxes, and other special telecommunications equipment installed.

Rob Dausch, associate professor of electrical engineering, put his own twist on communications by arranging to use a campus computer to display the conference live over the Internet, a first for a presidential conference, he believes.

About a week before the conference, advance teams from Washington, D.C., flooded the campus. More than 100 strong in all, there were 10-person advance teams for the president, vice president, each cabinet member, the White House press corps, the general media, the site, telecommunications, and safety. With their arrival, preparations moved from fast track to hyperspeed.

Decisions came down continually, and changes followed almost hourly.

Facilities staff met daily to ensure that word of the changes reached the right ears—like the decision days before the event to re-orient the arrangements in the ballroom by 90 degrees. Stage, risers, table, carpeting, all shifted one-quarter turn.

Meantime, grounds crews began sprucing up the exterior, concentrating on Smith Memorial Center and the views the media and top officials would see as they stepped onto the balcony for a break or stood on the
Listening to the West

The Pacific Rim Economic Conference brought together on PSU's campus the nation's highest ranking elected officials including the president and vice president, with government, business, and community leaders from the five western states. Their agenda to discuss ways of improving the living standards and economic security of middle-class Americans.

No direct policy statements resulted, but none were envisioned when the president convened the conference in June. Instead the event was a chance for those inside the "Beltway" to listen to people from diverse backgrounds talk about the effects national policy has on a rancher in Madras or a jet modem working families, and change in an era of open markets. A free-wheeling discussion with the president and vice president filled the rest of the day. Speakers urged the president to create high-wage jobs, lower trade barriers, and sifting through ideas and concerns. The conference was an important, visible part of the president's process of decision-making.

"For me the significance of this conference was threefold," says Ramaley. "We saw that our mission as an urban University is compatible with national purposes. Secondly, many people on this campus saw just how good they are—their normal standard of work astonished the White House teams. And thirdly, in the eyes of our community—City of Portland, people who drive past every day or who attended class here 20 years ago—PSU grew in stature...I only wish it were possible to individually thank everyone who made this event possible, including the people who kept the campus running for everyone else."

Perhaps, that's not necessary. "Everybody's proud of what we did and to have been a part of this event," says Brian Chase, facilities director. "It was a lot of work, but we did a lot of bonding, and we got a lot out of it. Not too many people get to do something like this for the president of the United States. It's once in a lifetime chance."

(Melissa Steiger is a Portland freelance writer.)

Security: 'What If?'

On the rooftops of PSU buildings, shadowy figures aimed high-tech spotter scopes on the placid West Hills. Elite security teams poked into every cranny at Smith Memorial Center. On one of the hottest days of the year, every window in unconditioned buildings facing the Park Blocks was shut tight. Glass-fronted Millar Library withstood a request to close during the busy summer school session. Welcome to Presidential security in the 1990s.

For John Fowler, head of Campus Safety and Security, preparing for the nation's top elected officials meant supplying answers to hundreds of "what if" questions from the Secret Service.

What if the 32-car motorcade comes under sniper fire while alongside campus buildings and drivers must efficiently move their passengers out of harm's way? What if terrorists deploy onto the campus and the president, the vice president, and cabinet members must each be moved to safety by different routes? What if bad guys infiltrate PSU work crews as they move through secure area?

"It's one thing to talk in the abstract about presidential security," says Debbie Murdock, PSU assistant to the president for Government Relations, "but when a Secret Service agent talks about setting up an escape route for President Clinton and designating a room to provide medical services, that was pretty sobering."

Campus security increased exponentially four days before the event as expensive security equipment and the national media began arriving. The department's 11 uniformed officers went on overtime shifts, and six Student Campus Watch Patrol members helped provide "eyes" around campus.

The day of the event, with anti-sniper teams on the rooftops, Secret Service agents issued limited-movement security passes to everyone with business in Smith. Security was so tight, that Ron Ritchey, assistant director of Facilities, was banned for more than an hour from entering the area where he was needed to open doors for the Secret Service. Eventually, an agent with authority gave Ritchey a badge permitting him to roam freely through the secured areas.

"The stand-out thing in my mind," says Fowler, "was the flexibility and spirit of cooperation of the PSU staff. We were all working 12 and 14 hour days or longer under very stressful conditions. There were changes and problems every minute, but nobody moaned or groaned or got angry. We just worked together and got it done."
Cultivating
the city

It's a sultry late spring afternoon in northeast Portland's Alberta Park. Members of EnviroCorps, the Portland State-based component of President Clinton's AmeriCorps national community service program, ready themselves for yet another project—and yet another lesson about urban life.

Five EnviroCorps members, dressed in gray T-shirts emblazoned with the big "A" AmeriCorps emblem, are standing among a couple hundred young shrubs and trees that await planting to form Alberta Park's latest improvement: a bird-attracting berry garden.

Rake in hand, EnviroCorps member Richard Melo surveys the scene. Melo, who's pursuing a master's degree in English at PSU, can tick off the plant names as if he were a veteran botanist: kinnikinnik, blue elderberry, creeping Oregon grape, evergreen huckleberry, mock orange.

Suddenly, a slightly bewildered Melo and his companions turn to see an army of 200 youngsters from nearby Vernon Elementary School marching their way. Within minutes, EnviroCorps members will be helping the youths plant the shrubs and trees. In the process, they'll try to teach the youngsters the skills of planting, the art of teamwork, and the benefits of planting native vegetation in an urban environment.

Welcome to EnviroCorps—a program that rolls environmental education, civic improvement, college financial aid, student mentoring, and leadership skills into one. In September 1995 the program concluded its first year.

"Our members are learning about career possibilities and are passing their knowledge to youths, showing them there's a way to advance and make a difference in their community," says Jennifer Thompson, EnviroCorps project coordinator. "As the year went on, you could see the members' enthusiasm build."

EnviroCorps exists through the combined efforts of Portland State, Metro, the USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service (formerly the U.S. Soil Conservation Service), and the East Multnomah Soil and Water Conservation District. Its official mission is to complete habitat restoration projects in north Portland's Columbia Slough wetland, but in reality it goes far beyond that.

For some, it provides needed direction toward a new career. For others, it helps pay for a college education, spark a renewal of spirit and purpose, or kindle a greater appreciation for Portland's neighborhoods and urban environment. For most, it provides all of the above.

"Passion," says 20-year-old EnviroCorps member Robert Smith, who begins his second year at PSU this fall, "I've got the passion to get involved more...I want to do much more."

To be eligible for EnviroCorps, members must be at least 18 years old and high school graduates. The majority of the 20-odd first-year EnviroCorps workers were in their twenties, but participants' ages ranged from 18 to 66. Members included English and economics majors, a budding opera singer, a botanist, a social worker, a biologist, and a former north Portland gang member who aspires to a career in performing arts and writing. Add to the mix Avis Dunas, a 66-year-old former KABC Radio publicist, ethnic
dining expert, marketing specialist, and Los Angeles author.

All EnviroCorps members get health insurance and a minimum wage. Those completing the program also get an additional perk—money to be applied toward college tuition or financial aid loans.

During the past year, 10 full-time members each logged 1,700 hours earning $7,600 in wages plus an educational award of $4,725. Some of these people were fresh out of high school and others had already gained college degrees.

Another 10 members, currently enrolled at colleges and universities in the Portland area, worked part time during the school year. (Five were from PSU.) They each earned $4,023 in wages, plus an additional $2,363 toward their schooling. The crew went to a full-time schedule over the summer.

As with any first-year program, not all went smoothly for EnviroCorps. Some members, says Dunas, were frustrated that their expertise wasn’t used more fully. And, at times, projects unfolded on a piecemeal basis because of bureaucratic snafus, lack of supplies or logistics problems. But many EnviroCorps members came out with a new appreciation for teamwork, and several emerged with a new understanding of their urban community.

“I’d never heard of the Columbia Slough and Smith and Bybee lakes before I started this program,” says 25-year-old Tamra Cochran, who grew up in northeast Portland and graduated in 1993 with a B.A. degree in psychology from Lewis & Clark College.

Cochran served as one of two EnviroCorps team leaders. She’d already worked several years in social work, as a counselor and coach for Self Enhancement Inc., a social service agency.

Smith, a graduate of Portland’s Jefferson High School and a survivor of years of gang life, also came into the program with limited knowledge about the environment.

“When I stepped in, my understanding of vegetation was trees, flowers, grass, and bushes. Now I can walk through the forest and say, ‘That’s a cottonwood. That’s a dogwood,’” he says. “Knowledge is something that can be used forever. It’s all about knowing how things tie in together.”

But EnviroCorps has meant more to Smith than learning about the environment or developing a résumé. This summer, he and 15 other EnviroCorps members worked one-on-one with high school students hired through the Private Industry Council, a Portland-area organization that helps youths build career opportunities.

The teens worked side by side with EnviroCorps members at the work sites, planting vegetation, removing weeds, building trails, and learning about the educational options available to them.

Working in concert with such groups as the Nature Conservancy, Friends of Trees, Metro Parks and Greenspaces Program, and Portland Parks and Recreation Bureau, EnviroCorps crews worked on projects at the Tualatin Hills Nature Park, southeast Portland’s Beggars-tick marsh, and West Linn’s Camassia Natural Area.

The physical work was rough. Workers found themselves wading in wetlands for hours on damp February days, or struggling through thorn-
Infested weeds on hot summer afternoons. But it wasn't all hard labor; occasionally, environmental experts gave the group informal lectures about the importance of native species and the problem of invasive species in the urban environment.

In early 1995, two professional planning consultants worked with EnviroCorps to complete a master plan for property owned by the Halton Tractor Co. along Whitaker Ponds. EnviroCorps members learned mapping and surveying techniques, eventually producing three landscaping plans. Consultants merged the plans into one that is now being implemented. Halton Tractor is contributing supplies and materials to make the plan a reality.

One unusual project involved the city of Portland Bureau of Environmental Services. EnviroCorps assisted bureau officials in disconnecting downspouts on homes throughout north Portland. The program is part of the city's efforts to reduce the amount of rainwater funneled into the city's overburdened sewer system. EnviroCorps workers canvassed homeowners about the project, drew maps of downspout sites, helped with disconnections, and taught neighborhood volunteers how to disconnect downspouts.

"This project was a pretty good match of our needs and EnviroCorps' needs," says Barbara George, manager of the disconnection program. "Typically, our program has had a small staff. It would have taken us many weeks to do what the EnviroCorps people did in a much shorter time."

"It's been fun for us to watch their enthusiasm," she adds. "They quickly learned what needed to be learned."

Indeed, the downspout disconnection program gave Envirocorps workers an opportunity to see an environmental problem from a different perspective.

"It helped them see how people contribute to a pollution problem," George says. "The physical activity of cleaning up a slough or reducing weeds is fine, but this helps them learn other ways that human beings cause pollution."

Such experience is not lost on Erik Steffens, a 21-year-old Concordia University student who expects to graduate next year with a bachelor's degree in environmental remediation and hazardous material management. Steffens learned about environmental rehab not only from experts in the field, but also from fellow EnviroCorps members.

"Each member brought different areas of expertise to the program," he says. "Several crew members already knew a lot about biology and wetlands. We drew on each other, asking questions of each other."

Steffens also realized that he doesn't want to work in an office, and he learned about teamwork.

"I'm a pretty individualistic-minded person, so it was good for me to learn how to work in a group setting," he says.

Steffens was more surprised at what he gained from the one-on-one work with high school teens in the summer Youth Partners program co-sponsored by the Private Industry Council.

"When I first joined EnviroCorps, I thought this program would be totally environmental, but much has been human- and community-oriented," Steffens says. "It's not so much that I'm teaching them about the environment, but they're teaching me about things as they learn how to improve their lives."

For Melo, EnviroCorps is both practical and ideal. The program's education monetary award is a necessity as he pays off student loans from undergraduate work at San Francisco State University while dealing with car payments and assorted other bills. But EnviroCorps' altruistic elements are likely to have a more lasting impact.

"In the back of my mind, I always wanted to join the Peace Corps. I was ready to drop everything to join, but I also believe that some of our greatest problems are domestic. I was looking for a job when the EnviroCorps opportunity came along," Melo says.

Melo's experience convinced him to follow a career in community service. As of this August, he wasn't certain what work he would be doing when the program's first year ended in September, but he was confident of getting something in community service.

"My own résumé is blossoming into something special from references I can list. It would have taken years of different jobs to get the list of references I compiled this past year," he says.

Melo believes the benefits of EnviroCorps are long-term. Many of the team's projects are just getting off the ground, he says. There's optimism that they can be completed if EnviroCorps is allowed to evolve.

Says Avis Dunas, the former radio publicist, "What we did in our own little ways did help the community. It did make a difference."
Learning, fun, and confidence building are all part of the summer music camp.

By Valerie Brown

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On the last day of summer music camp, 75 Lincoln Hall hummed with several kinds of preparation. From a big, black grand piano center stage, choral director Judy Rose ran a throng of kids through her original song, "We've Got the Spirit," and the pop tune "You Gotta Be." Around the periphery, technicians set up the sound system, the drum kit, and the music computer. In the audience, videographers recorded the scene for the evening news and the camp's archives. Self Enhancement Inc. (SEI) staff members wove in and out, keeping the kids focused and lavishing individual attention on those who needed it. Everyone wore black T-shirts printed with the vividly colored camp logo.

The camp, a week-long venture between Portland State and SEI, is PSU music Professor Mary Hall Kogen's brain child. Supervising the camp activities, she's never at rest—gesturing, hugging, laughing, exhorting not only kids but also her friends and colleagues, her hair dancing around her head like a visible sign of the ideas bubbling in her mind.

The mid-summer music camp for 8-to-10-year-olds, is part of PSU's commitment to work with SEI in providing cultural enrichment for at-risk inner-city children. For that week, 30 kids swarm over Lincoln Hall learning rhythm, melody, ensemble singing and playing, and performance. Kogen harnesses their abundant energy in the service of creativity with the help of volunteers, including choral director Judy Rose, percussionist Joel Bluestone, and composer Cynthia Gerdes.

As a professor of piano pedagogy, Kogen has made a career of teaching music education students how to teach budding musicians. She's as interested in passing on qualities of competence and curiosity as she is in instilling the details of rigorous musical performance. As it happens, early in her career Kogen herself took a detour into teaching from her original goal of piano performance. Kogen's very early ambition to be a stewardess was stifled when she found out she was prone to airsickness.

All through her childhood she took piano lessons, some from a "crazy lady in Mill Valley" who taught her the principles of harmony. Her musical talent was obvious, but when she reached the college-level musical environment at Northwestern in Chicago she was in for a shock.

"I was best at my high school but at Northwestern I was the worst," Kogen remembers. That realization made her believe she wasn't good enough to make performing a career. Kogen's profound disappointment turned to anger at "the system," growing deeper with each year of her college education. She decided to give up music and go into the Peace Corps.

"I was cutting class, acting out," she says. Finally one of her professors, Dr. Guy Duckworth, took her aside and asked her what was going on. "I let
Children and teachers work with donated keyboards.

him have it," Kogen says, about all the things that were wrong with the university and the country. But to Kogen's surprise, Duckworth said he was grateful for her honesty and offered to make a deal with her. He had to agree to attend his classes, but would be free to challenge him every time she thought he was wrong. This arrangement worked out so well that the next year Kogen became his assistant.

"He said, 'I know you could be a gifted teacher," she says. "I saw him work and was amazed." Kogen earned a master's degree in music education and has incorporated Duckworth's methods into her own teaching ever since.

From there, Kogen's life fell into a predictable pattern—marriage to a college professor, two children, life in Illinois college towns. Concentrating on her family, Kogen didn't start teaching until an opening came up at Eastern Illinois University. Four years later, she had won the outstanding faculty award and was a confirmed music education professional. During the same period she had begun to explore another interest—group dynamics and communication. One day, sitting in her car at a stoplight, she says, she realized "it's all the same."

If you're a parent, spouse, teacher, friend—we all teach the same thing."

In 1979 Kogen's life changed profoundly. Her marriage had ended and she wanted a change of scene. Without any solid job prospects, she moved to Portland, mostly because she has some family here. But she immediately knew it was the right thing to do. "I drove down the Gorge on July 4 and cried," she remembers. "It was like I'd come home."

Fortuitously, a half-time position opened up at PSU almost immediately. At her interview Kogen was asked to

play the piano. "I said, 'No. If you want a performer, don't hire me. Why hire me? Because I will establish the finest pedagogy program on the West Coast.'" Instead of performing, Kogen taught a sample lesson for the hiring committee to observe. She got the job. Since then Kogen has worked hard to fulfill her boast. Enrollment in PSU's piano pedagogy program has risen from six students in 1980 to 30 last year. "Too big," Kogen laughs. About a third of the participants are piano teachers from the Portland area. Fifty students have completed the graduate program.

Two years ago Kogen's life took another significant turn. Knowing PSU President Judith Ramaley was pushing for more community involvement, specifically with SEI, Kogen decided to put together a week-long event with the Portland social service organization. She began rounding up volunteers and donations. Nine pianos were placed in nine students' homes so at least some kids could practice during the year. Thirty electronic keyboards were donated for use at the camp. T-shirts were designed and videos made. Even in its fledgling year the camp was impressive, winning three education prizes.

"We didn't really know what we were doing," Kogen laughs. That hasn't mattered too much so far. The camp seems to inspire not

Mary Kogen (center) intends for the camp to build self confidence along with a joy of music.
only the kids but the many adults who are involved, from the SEI staff to Kogen's musical helpers. Judy Rose is one who has blossomed under Kogen's mentorship. In addition to involving Rose in the camp, Kogen has encouraged Rose to follow her musical talent, stay in school, and keep pushing to earn a master's degree in music education.

"Just from the word go we really hit it off and clicked and bonded really fast, as student and teacher and also as friends," Rose says. "She's been very influential in some of my decisions."

Rose is a gifted singer and songwriter who seems a bit surprised at the affection she inspires in the kids. "You can generally tell after a day of being around them which kids are going to take the week a little bit more seriously than just a camp," she says. "By Thursday, the light bulbs start clicking and kids are saying, 'Oh, I get this concept.' It's just a wonderful process to watch. You think they're not going to get it, and then all of a sudden, wham! They understand."

At the moment, Rose is taking time off from school to earn money, working at Payless, teaching, and conducting around town. If Kogen has anything to say about it, Rose will soon be back at PSU, and she'll never be far from the camp.

"I plan on doing it for the rest of my life," Rose says. "If I'm still working at Payless, I'll take my vacation to do the camp. I get so much from it."

Rose's testimonial sums up what Kogen is able to do with people. Her energy matches that of the kids in both quantity and quality.

"My whole life has changed because of this camp," Kogen says. "I've never been so happy and never felt such purpose. I owe a lot of this to Judith Ramaley. She started the PSU community focus."

The camp is a work in progress, and Kogen is already turning over ideas for improvement so that next year can be better. Some of the composition lessons this year didn't go so well, and Kogen wants to improve the way the camp teaches the basic concepts of note patterns—step, skip, repeat—and to bring in some of her piano pedagogy students in practicums. But for Kogen, room for improvement simply means room for ideas, room for fun, room for community bonding. She plans to keep teaching forever. In old age, she says, "I'm going to buy a house in northeast Portland and give free lessons. Be a funky old lady."

(Valerie Brown, a Portland freelance writer, is a frequent contributor to PSU Magazine.)

She's got the beat

Sprinavasa Bell (right) and Summer Martin earned 1994 scholarships that entitled them to music lessons all year.

If you ask Sprinavasa Bell's teachers what she might be doing when she grows up, they'll probably mention music. At ten, Sprina is a two-year veteran of the PSU/SEI Summer Music Camp. She's also been helping Mary Kogen teach piano teachers by being a sort of generic student in Mary's pedagogy classes. When she sings Judy Rose's song "We've Got the Spirit" or pop idol Des'ree's "You Gotta Be," she overflows with relaxed confidence, moving gracefully to the music and sending the melody out loud and clear.

On the other hand, if you ask Sprina what her future plans are, you'll hear something different. She has no less than three careers planned, and music is not at the top of the list. First, she says, she aims to be an Olympic swimmer; then an Olympic gymnast; then an architect. As for music, she says, "If I lose a job I can make a side job playing music."

Sprina doesn't sound, look, or act like a kid from a tough, inner-city neighborhood. That's probably because her mother, Valda, and Self Enhancement Inc. have been doing their jobs very nicely. Valda clearly knows just how much she has to enrich Sprina's environment to provide what many kids take for granted. She's made sure that Sprina is exposed not only to music, but also to the other arts, science, and sports. It's working.

Where Sprina ends up when she can fly on her own may surprise everyone—but whatever she does, she'll be building on the habits and values she learns from music. After all, it's well known that music and architecture share many qualities. And, Sprina adds, "Music is kind of like swimming."
From 78s to CDs

From Vanport to the Park Blocks; from 3-D glasses to CD ROM; from World War II to Vietnam and the Persian Gulf, Portland State students have seen it all—and lived it too.

For a look at how times have changed since the Vanport campus opened in 1946, we profiled five students whose educational experiences spanned the five decades since Portland State’s founding. The result was surprising: While the student body is more complex and diverse than ever, its needs and lifestyle are much the same today as in 1946.

Even 50 years ago, many of this school’s students didn’t fit the stereotype. Then, as now, the collegiate lifestyle revolved most often around work, family, and studies, rather than the more traditional preppy pastimes of parties, beer kegs, and hot dates.

Vanport Extension Center was born as a temporary campus to handle the overflow of World War II veterans entering school on the GI Bill, an across-the-board college scholarship program for ex-soldiers, funded by the federal government. Officials planned to shut Vanport down once the student glut ran its course. Instead, the institution slowly built itself from a stopgap social program to a metropolitan University.

The former and current students profiled here agree that Portland State’s programs, its ties to business and government, and its mission as an inner-city campus community—one that serves students on many levels outside the classroom—puts PSU square on the cutting edge of higher education.

And looking back, perhaps it always has.

1946: In the Beginning

When the Vanport Extension Center of the Oregon State System of Higher Education opened in 1946, those who had spent their childhood in the hungry Depression years and come of age during the second World War already knew a few things about pain, hard work, and planning for the future.

Supplies were limited; classrooms were packed. But the young veterans’ enthusiasm, wedded to a newfound maturity, infused the abandoned-factory-turned-makeshift-campus in north Portland. Its affordable student housing was a critical resource, serving bachelors and many newly married couples.

John Hakanson was 25 years old when he left the South Pacific battlegrounds of WWII as a captain in the infantry. In 1946, he and his bride, Helen, enrolled in college; she in nursing at Oregon Health Sciences University, he at Vanport. “We knew, for one thing, a lot more about life than we had known before the war,” he says. “I think it’s quite true that the more experience and background you bring with you the deeper the education.”

The war experience gave many students a liberal political perspective, remembers Hakanson. Meeting people of other races and cultures changed the way these young men—the Generation X of half a century ago—saw their home state and its citizens. After fighting in Japan, the Philippines, New Guinea, and the Hawaiian Islands, “We were awakening to the realities of racial prejudice in Oregon,” he says.

Hakanson—who in 1949 wrote the legislation, adopted by state lawmakers, to make Vanport a permanent institution—retired as president of Clackamas Community College in 1984. A past member of the PSU Alumni Board, he’s been married to Helen now for 49 years, and they enjoy their four children and 10 grandchildren.
1950s-60s: Years of Prosperity

Clarence Porter ’61, now dean of Basic, Applied and Health Sciences at Montgomery College in Takoma Park, Md., had three reasons for choosing Portland State College in 1959: It was near his home, it was affordable, and the professors were good.

The campus of Porter's day was tiny compared to the present; in fact, when he graduated there were only four buildings, stretched across as many city blocks—the Park Blocks. The simplicity of even class registration in those days was mind-boggling: no computers. Students simply lined up for registration cards, went from building to building and signed up for classes.

The student cafeteria in College Center (later renamed Smith Memorial Center), was the big hangout with tables that became social centers for students of similar interests. “At that time there were few African American students,” says Porter, but like the Jocks, or the Drama Club or what have you, they always dropped in at their chosen table. “We were all the community we had time for,” he recalls.

Then came 1961. “That was the era JFK came along,” says Porter. “Civil Rights were important, but there was not a lot of student activism then.” Porter subsequently got his doctorate at Oregon State in 1966, then came back to Portland State that year as a science instructor. The student body was larger and becoming more diverse—and more politically active.

Looking back, Porter stresses the significance of one thing above all others in his education at Portland State: mentors. He names professors of long ago who, he says, steered him toward advanced degrees and opened up a world he would not have found on his own. Now Porter takes care to teach the professors of his department the same value of mentoring he learned as an undergraduate in Portland.

1970s: Times of Social Change

There were two ’70s at the newly-renamed Portland State University: one of social change, barricades, and women’s studies; and the other of budget slashing attacks on higher education, class cutbacks, and reduced student aid.

Kathleen Clayton ’75 first attended Portland State in the 1960s when the University, born from a time of war, went back to the battlefield—this time in Southeast Asia. All the students had to be affected, says Clayton, when so many young men “put on a uniform instead of going for their degree.” It was a time when the student body came into its own as a powerful political force; the school has never been the same since.

Clayton went back in the early ’70s to finish her English degree. The war was over but another social crisis caused ripples on campus: Watergate. Nevertheless, Clayton kept her mind on home, school, and family, getting up at 6 a.m. to be in class by eight and at work by 1 p.m. She was home at 5 p.m. taking care of kids and homework until 1 or 2 a.m., then back up and ready for school a few hours later.

It was the birth of the “Superwoman:” wife, mother, student, career professional. Women’s liberation was an economic fact of life for many young couples; with fewer scholarships and grants available, more students worked outside jobs to finance school. Clayton’s crack at higher education was part of the plan she and her husband drew up for their family’s future. First she worked to put him through school (also at PSU), then he did the same for her.

Today Clayton is human resources manager for Freightliner Corp. She and her husband recently celebrated their 30th wedding anniversary. After all these years they are college sports fans for the first time—something they never had time for as students.

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1980s-90s: In the Community

Ron Pesner talks on the phone and tends his six-year-old son, Tyson, with the skill of a professional doing quadruple duty: He's a single father, a full-time student with a part-time job, and—as if that doesn't explode enough stereotypes—Pesner is a liberal Republican interning with an environmental issues public policy firm.

Pesner has a B.S. in political science and is a graduate student in the School of Urban and Public Affairs. He works days at Stanford's Restaurant downtown and at his internship with the public policy firm of McKeever/Morris; nights he takes a full graduate course load.

He has his criticisms of the University, but above all, he feels PSU's identification with the urban landscape—and the community within it—make for the best educational advantages in the state.

"Getting a degree doesn't get you a job," he says. "Being in a community, having connections—that's what gets you a job. And those kinds of things make PSU more attractive than the other universities in the state, which are so much more self-contained."

"We live in a society where everything is so fast," says Pesner, "from burgers to information. Families, too—when it doesn't work out right away, we just give it up." Right now Pesner chooses to spend all his free time with his son. "I don't have the luxury of a social life," he says.

The University should do more to support parents in general, says Pesner, especially those struggling with family limitations. "Where PSU has a lot of advantages, it still has to work on more ways to accommodate children in this day and age. Childcare is such a critical issue," he concludes.

1996: Follow the Leader

When Gretchen Beretta graduated from Heppner High School in Eastern Oregon two years ago, she was 17 years old, the mother of a one-year-old daughter, and the school's class president.

A Tlingit Indian, Beretta is in her sophomore year at Portland State studying education with the help of an Under-Represented Minority Achievement Scholarship. So far she is beating the odds: Beretta has found good childcare for her toddler, Courtney, 3, and she has completed Freshman Inquiry.

Now if she can only kick the Heppner-Portland culture shock.

No matter where she lives, this young mother will be a stand-out example of brains and courage. In an age when unwed teen mothers are universally criticized, Beretta was a student leader who earned the respect of her small-town peers and teachers while continuing school with a newborn baby at home.

Then Beretta pulled up deep family roots and, with her baby, moved to a new home near PSU's campus. The homeless panhandlers, the hectic city pace, and a sense of isolation worsened by the web of bureaucratic procedures, made her almost quit school in her first year. Once she found the United Indian Student for Higher Education office, their specialized support helped her cope.

This fall Beretta will take day classes while her daughter is cared for close-by in the classic, stone-bricked St. James Catholic Church. The pastor knows Beretta's pastor in Heppner. The little family walks to church services every Sunday from their apartment near the Park Blocks.

While she had criticism for the red tape involved in registration and financial aid, Beretta plans to stay at Portland State. Her ultimate goal is an advanced education degree and a career in school administration. □

(Lisa Loving is a Portland freelance writer.)
They bowled us over

Thirty years ago, four PSC students and their faculty coach brought home the G.E. College Bowl trophy.

At 4 a.m., 700 well-wishers filled the Portland Airport. Members of the Portland State College band struck up a march and the rally squad led cheers as a sleepy but elated PSC team walked off the plane and into the spotlight.

"It was like we'd won the Rose Bowl," says Jim Westwood. "Like we were heroes."

On that March morning 30 years ago, amid a fervor of national and local acclaim, Westwood and three other students brought a G.E. College Bowl trophy home to Portland State College. The New York Times and Time magazine covered the story of the four young men from the hinterlands who defeated the East's top contenders. ("What in the tunkit is Portland State College?" asked a bewildered Time.)

Gov. Mark Hatfield proclaimed a Portland State College-G.E. College Bowl Appreciation Day, and team captain Westwood addressed both houses of the Oregon Legislature.

The team will be recognized again Oct. 20 as part of PSU's 50th anniversary year celebration when PSU and Reed College recreate a College Bowl competition at the noon meeting of the City Club of Portland.

The popular G.E. College Bowl competition pitted four-person teams from the nation's colleges and universities in grueling half-hour sessions every Sunday on live television. Winning teams advanced to take on a new challenger the following week. Any team winning five straight contests automatically retired as a champion.

PSC's 1965 victory made it the second team to earn a championship in the 1964-65 television season and only the 18th team in seven years to retire undefeated. Their victory was decisive: The team broke every five-game record in the history of the competition and won the final match by a lopsided 415-60.

Today, team member Jim Westwood is a partner in the law firm of Miller, Nash, Wiener, Hager and Carlsen. Mike Smith, who Smith Memorial Center is named for, died in 1968 from cystic fibrosis. Coach Ben Padrow, associate professor of speech, died in 1986, and the whereabouts of team members Robin Freeman and Larry Smith are unknown.

"It was a thrilling experience for a boy from Oregon who'd never been east of Idaho," says Westwood, who turned down law school at Harvard to go to Columbia University, based on his College Bowl taste of New York. "It changed my life."

A New Game

As part of Portland State's 50th anniversary celebration, PSU and Reed College (a 1960 College Bowl participant) will celebrate the original concept of the G.E. College Bowl series with a competition before the City Club of Portland at noon Oct. 20 in the Marriott Hotel, 1401 SW Front Avenue. The meeting also will be broadcast on radio station KOPB (91.5 FM).

"The original College Bowl contests were extremely competitive," says Pat Squire, director of PSU Alumni Relations. "This time the event will be of a friendlier nature, but we will be demonstrating some serious points as well, like the collaborative spirit among schools of higher education in the Portland area, that mental prowess, can be just as much fun as athletic prowess and that learning is a life-long endeavor. And it should be great fun."

For information on attending the event, call the PSU Office of PSU Alumni Relations, 725-4949; or call the City Club for reservations at 222-2582.
New officers, members on the Foundation Board

Stella Lillicrop, a Portland civic leader, was recently elected president of the PSU Foundation Board of Directors. Serving with Lillicrop on the executive committee are Gary Cole, partner with Ball Janik & Novack attorneys; Rick Hawkins, Arthur Andersen; CD Hobbs, CEO of Hi-Tech Publications and past president of the Board; Elie Kassab, Prestige & Company; Robert Philip, Schnitzer Steel Industries Inc.; Doug Stirling, President and CEO of Rollins Hudig Hall of Oregon Inc.; and Ed Truax, partner with Coordinated Financial Planning.

The 33-member board of directors has also recently added six new members. They are Janie Brown, corporate controller for Merix Corp.; David Harris, president of Truax Harris Energy Company; Ron King, executive vice president of Western Family Foods Inc.; Dave Leland, president of Leland Consulting Group; L. Wayne Purdy, partner and principal with Ferguson, Wellman, Rudd, Purdy and VanWinkle Inc.; and David Hoffman, vice president and BPI with PacifiCorp.

Engineering fund grows

The H. Chik Erzurumlu Engineering Scholarship has reached $60,000 thanks to the recent donations by CH2M Hill, Intel Corporation and Intel Foundation, Art James of Arthur M. James Engineers Inc., Tom Mackenzie of Mackenzie Engineering, Sequent Computer Systems, Tektronix Foundation, and Mo Zareh of Sandwell Inc. The endowment honors founding engineering dean, Chik Erzurumlu, who retired in June.

Verne and Marjorie Rupp and their daughter (center) Karen L. Coe '75

"Since Marjorie and I never graduated from college, we thought it would be quite rewarding for us and for Portland State to establish gift annuities in honor of our daughter, Karen. Coe '75.

"In our generation (going back to the early- and mid-'30s), a good high school education along with hard work and perseverance usually sufficed, but times have changed as everyone knows. It seems to us that education is a vital necessity in this day and age. It behooves one to obtain as much knowledge as possible in order to compete in the fast-moving and changing ways of our technology, where skills are of the essence if one is to remain competitive.

"It pleases us that we can help Portland State University educate future generations by dispersing some of our resources now for an endowed scholarship. While making an outright contribution was attractive to us, we realized that we could only afford to make a major donation that would provide us income in return. We are very satisfied with the handling of our gift annuities by the PSU Foundation. Our donations resulted in sizable income and tax deductions, and, in addition, we will receive fixed income payments for the rest of our lives.

"We not only benefit at tax time but for the rest of our lives, and we have the satisfaction of knowing that the University also receives a benefit. Our charitable gift annuities will help PSU maintain a high level of education. We hope to contribute again in the future, depending on our financial resources."

Charitable gift annuities make it possible to transfer cash, mutual funds, or marketable securities such as stocks or bonds to the PSU Foundation. In exchange, the donor receives an income tax deduction in the year of the gift and fixed payments called “annuities” for life. (Editor's note: As PSU Magazine went to press, Verne and Marjorie Rupp decided to establish a third charitable gift annuity with the PSU Foundation.)
Jim Sterk became Portland State's new athletic director Aug. 1 on the heels of PSU's inclusion in the Division I Big Sky Conference.

The 39-year-old former linebacker and graduate from Western Washington University was most recently senior associate athletic director at Tulane University in New Orleans. While there, he led a remarkable fund-raising campaign, bringing in 3,200 new donors and an additional $12 million. Since his arrival in Portland, he has hired Ritchie McKay, an assistant coach at the University of Washington, to resurrect the men's basketball program; and Kevin Bryant as PSU's associate athletic director. Bryant was athletic director at Whitworth College in Spokane.

Happy to be back in the Northwest, Sterk looks at the job ahead as PSU enters Division I.

Q: How will you raise the additional $2.5 million needed to compete in the Big Sky Conference?

A: Revenue will come from three streams: ticket sales for football and men's basketball, individual donations, and corporate support.

Q: Which is more vital to your fund-raising efforts: alumni or private/corporate support?

A: There are equal opportunities for both. There are 54,000 alumni in the Portland area alone, and there are people out there who want athletics to succeed. Three former PSU players—Loren Remy, Neil Lomax, and Jeff Long—have said they will each head a team scholarship drive to get five-year pledges. I started to do this at Tulane, where we got 15 alumni who each went out and got $50,000 in pledges. Jack Garrison (co-owner of Nautilus Plus) is also heading a special Big Sky fund-raising project which already has 16 community leaders pledging $10,000 annually over five years.

Q: Where will PSU teams play?

A: I've received a proposal, which is now in negotiations, to play every men's basketball home game in the Rose Garden and host some women's basketball events there as well. There are some good things that can come out of that—some great advertising opportunities. If we can get corporate support, there's a possibility we could put together a special track meet and hold it in the Coliseum. As for football, we have a three-year agreement to play at Civic Stadium.

Q: As part of the Division I compliance period, PSU will not be eligible to participate in regional or national championship competition until 1998-99. Will this negatively affect recruiting and fund raising?

A: I don't think it's going to hurt fund raising as such. People understand that we have this compliance period. When you recruit freshmen, they understand that they will be in a building process and they wouldn't participate nationally during that period anyway. For basketball the period is longer—eight years—and that's being used against us in the recruiting wars. But if you have a very successful team, you can receive an at-large bid from NCAA and be able to play nationally.

Jim Sterk, new PSU athletic director

Conference stats

- Portland State will begin competing in the Big Sky Conference in 1996-97.
- The University is adding men's basketball, men's and women's indoor track, men's tennis, and possibly women's golf.
- Current PSU sports are football, wrestling, track and cross-country, baseball, and golf for men; volleyball, basketball, track and cross-country, soccer, softball, and tennis for women.
- Student athletes will have five years to play four years of sports—a slightly more rigid system than exists under Division II.
Serving the community

Thank you for the privilege of serving as the 1995-96 president of the PSU Alumni Association. As a proud graduate of Portland State, I am honored.

The year promises to be another productive one as we continue our efforts to build friendships for PSU. One of the Association's goals is to support the University's urban mission of community service through our programs and activities. A major new Association initiative is a mentoring opportunity with the Portland Public Schools; we'll be matching alumni volunteers with children in need of caring adult friends through a program established by the Oregon Department of Human Resources and the Oregon National Guard. Through the program, alumni can give something back to the University and to the community.

Our showcase event, PSU Weekend, is scheduled for Oct. 27-29. Now in its sixth year, this unusual version of homecoming will bring an array of speakers to campus for the enjoyment of the community. A full day of seminars on topics ranging from "Juvenile Justice" by alumnus and Portland Police Chief Charles Moose, to "Making Good Decisions" by PSU President Judith Ramaley, is open to all, free of charge. A luncheon featuring National Public Radio commentator Daniel Schorr will be offered for a nominal charge.

As we help the University celebrate its 50th anniversary in the coming year, we'll be honoring outstanding faculty and alumni. Please join us in proudly supporting Portland State by participating in our programs and events.

Jo Ann Smith '90, President PSU Alumni Association

NPR's Schorr to speak

Veteran reporter and commentator Daniel Schorr will give the keynote speech for PSU Weekend, Oct. 28, at noon in Smith Center Ballroom. Schorr interprets national and international events for National Public Radio, and is heard regularly on "All Things Considered" and "Weekend Edition."


Schorr won three Emmy awards in 1972 for his on-the-scene coverage at the Senate Watergate hearings, which coincidentally turned up a Nixon "enemies list" with his name on it, as well as evidence that the president had ordered an investigation of him by the FBI.

In 1979, Schorr was asked by Ted Turner to create the Cable News Network. He left the network in 1985 after a dispute over an effort to limit his editorial independence, and has worked primarily for NPR since then.

The luncheon begins at noon in the Smith Center Ballroom. Cost is $17.50 for the luncheon and $5 for lecture seating only. Reservations are required and may be obtained by calling 725-4949.

PSU Weekend supporters are also invited to meet Schorr at a special patron reception on Friday, Oct. 27, at the Oregon History Center. The gathering, which will also feature PSU President Judith Ramaley, is from 5:30 to 7 p.m. and includes complimentary hors d'oeuvres and drink tickets.

The $50 patron price includes the Friday evening reception, admission and preferred seating at the Saturday lecture and luncheon, an identifying patron ribbon, and recognition in the Seminar Day program.

The talk of the town

PSU Weekend's Seminar Day will feature a mix of PSU faculty and local luminaries talking about everything from Northwest food and wine to the history of Timberline Lodge.

Lecturers on Saturday include PSU Historian Gordon Dodds, Portland Police Chief Charles Moose MPA '83, Ph.D. '93, Tom McCall biographer Brent Walth, restaurateur Ron Paul, and Steve Amen '86 of OPB's Oregon Field Guide. Each lecture is 50 minutes long in a classroom format, beginning every hour from 9 a.m. and ending at 4 p.m.

The lectures are free and open to the public. The Alumni Association requests advance reservations be made by mailing the return envelope in the PSU Weekend brochure. For a complete list of Seminar Day lectures, call the Alumni Office at 725-4949.

Other weekend events

For the first time as part of PSU Weekend, 13 departments in the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences will hold Friday afternoon open houses for alumni and friends of the university. Many of the gatherings will feature department tours, a chance to talk with current and emeriti faculty members, and refreshments. The School of Business Administration and the Accounting Department will also hold Friday receptions.

Sunday brings several PSU outings to choose from, including a walking tour of downtown Portland architecture, a day trip to nearby Oxbow Park on the Sandy River guided by wildlife expert alums, and a winery tour that includes tastings and a gourmet lunch.

PSU Weekend committee members are Chair Sue Purpura '77, Joan Johnson '78, John Eccles '69, Brian Black '69, Merrie Ziady '80, MST '82, Linda Macpherson MPA '80, and Professor Al Sugarman.
Celebrate PSU Weekend: Oct. 27, 28, 29, 1995

Schedule of Events

**Friday, October 27**
School and Department afternoon gatherings and open houses for alumni, faculty, friends. See Alum Notes section for listing of times and places.

PSU Showcase volleyball tournament, Friday and Saturday, 1:00 and 7:30 p.m., PSU Gym.
Patron reception with keynote speaker Daniel Schorr and PSU President Judith Ramaley 5:30–7:00 p.m. at the Oregon History Center; reservations required; $50 per person includes Saturday luncheon. Sponsored by West One Bank.

**Saturday, October 28**

**Seminar Day** 9:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m., various locations in Smith Memorial Center (SMC)
Seminar Day is open to the public free of charge.

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**SESSION II, 10:00 A.M.**
Portland’s Historical Personality
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The Changing World of Business
From Rosie the Riveter to Superwoman
Juvenile Justice

**SESSION IV, 2:00 P.M.**
Mél-O-Rama: The Portland Jazz Scene
Technology and the Individual
PSU: New Directions
An Oregon Journey: In Search of Tom McCall
The Environmental Legacy of Chernobyl

**SESSION V, 3:00 P.M.**
Tales of Timberline Lodge
Myth and Magic of Food and Wine
Getting Caught in the Web
Men and Women: Can We Talk?
The Viking Way: Slide Show and Remembrances

Lunch with broadcast journalist Daniel Schorr: Forgive Us Our Press Passes, Noon, SMC ballroom, $17.50 for lunch and lecture; $5 lecture only; reservations required.

Seminar Day Reception, 4:00 p.m., Browsing Lounge, 2nd floor, SMC, wine and cheese reception honoring Dr. Stephen Epler, founder of Vanport Extension Center.

Big Sky Pre-view, 6:00–9:00 p.m., Mulligan’s, 210 SW Yamhill, televised viewing of PSU Viking Football at Boise State.

**Sunday, October 29**

Oxbow Park Tour, 8:30–4:00 p.m., $20 includes lunch, transportation
Walking tour of downtown architecture, 10:00 a.m.–Noon
Wine country tour, Noon–5:00 p.m., $40 includes transportation, gourmet buffet picnic, wine tastings and tours.
PSU Soccer vs. Concordia at Delta Park, 1:00 p.m.

For more information, consult the PSU Weekend Brochure or call the Alumni Relations office at 725-4949.

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New Board officers

Jo Ann Smith '90, owner of Jo Ann Smith and Associates Employment Consultants, is president of the Alumni Board of Directors for the 1995-96 year. Smith has been vice president and chaired PSU Weekend '93.

Other officers include Vice President Sue Purpura '77, manager of Prepaid Health Plans for Sisters of Providence; and Treasurer Brian Black '69, a vice president with U.S. Bank of Oregon. Committee chairs include: Joan Johnson '78, chair of PSU Advocates; Nancy Fargo '82 and Joe Gonzales '91, chairs of Outreach; Lee Jenkins '79, chair of Student Affairs; Gail Dundas '87 and Leo MacLeod '90, chairs of the Marketing/Communications Committee; and Purpura, chair of PSU Weekend '95.

Alumni serve as mentors

When Alumni Board member Terry Hunt '65 talks about the Beech Elementary School fourth-grader he mentors, he beams with obvious pride. "I look at him sometimes and think this kid has the potential to really be somebody," he says. "I mean, really be somebody."

Eight-year-old Ryan has obviously made a strong impression on Hunt, who once a week leaves his downtown law office to spend his lunch hour with Ryan. "This is the kind of kid," Hunt continues, "who could be an All-American quarterback and a Rhodes Scholar."

In cooperation with the Portland Public Schools, the PSU Alumni Association is seeking alums to be mentors to young students. A mentor is a grown-up friend, someone to talk to, someone who cares.

Hunt recalls some of the activities he and Ryan have experienced together: a look at the animal skeletons in one of PSU's science buildings, Ryan's first trip on MAX, toying with an electric motor kit, and a visit to the public library to find books about insects. "It doesn't take much to have a kid appreciate your time," Hunt says.

After receiving special training, volunteers are asked to work with one child for one hour a week during the coming school year.

The Alumni Association sees community service, such as the mentoring program, as another way that the University enhances city life, giving children a better future.

Call the PSU Alumni Office at 725-4948 with questions or to volunteer, and join other PSU alums in helping children.

Helping alumni children

The Portland State University Alumni Association will offer a full scholarship this year to the son or daughter of a PSU graduate. The Jane Wiener Memorial Alumni Scholarship covers the cost of tuition and required fees and will be awarded winter term 1996.

Lee Jenkins '79, chair of the Student Affairs Committee of the Alumni Board, administers the scholarship program. According to Jenkins, "the Alumni Association attempts to enhance the PSU student experience whenever possible. Offering this scholarship to a son or daughter of an alum is a win-win situation; it helps PSU students and helps our alumni."

Applicants for the scholarship must qualify on the basis of need, meet specific academic requirements, and do volunteer work at one of PSU's research institutes. The scholarship is renewable on an annual basis.

The scholarship is named in honor of the late Jane Wiener '68, a Multnomah County Deputy District Attorney and alumni board member. Wiener, a quadriplegic, fought for the rights of the disadvantaged. The Alumni Association hopes to continue to build the endowment for the scholarship fund so that it can provide additional scholarships to more children of PSU alumni.

Alumni who would like to contribute to the scholarship program and those who have questions about it can contact Ben Schonberger, assistant director of Alumni Relations, at 725-5073.

Salute to retirees, welcome new members

The PSU Alumni Board of Directors recognized retiring board members at its final meeting in June. Leaving the Board after serving two terms were: John Eccles '69, chair of the Board's Outreach Committee and a founder of the PSU Weekend event; Deanna Hotchkiss '88, a past treasurer and host for alumni receptions at Intel; Jan Kurtz '87, past Board president and chair of the Student Affairs Committee; and Linda Marshall '83, who was recognized for her outstanding service as chair of the PSU Advocates Committee for the past three years.

"These four people accumulated an incredible amount of hours in their service to the Alumni Association and the University," says Alumni Director Pat Squire. "And while they are officially retired, we know they'll all stay active with PSU. They're a permanent and important part of our family."

Newly elected board members include: Steve Amen '86, director of production at Oregon Public Broadcasting; Glen Beckley '68, president of Beckley & Associates, an information systems consultant; Vicki Chase '78, vice president/Securities at Standard Insurance Company; Dan Gemma '64, senior vice president of dealer banking at First Interstate Bank; Mary Mertens James '78, an attorney with Amburgey & Rubin; Stan Payne '73, controller at Container Recovery Inc.; Don Rickel '65, an account executive with Channing L. Bete Co., educational publishers; and Ellen Wax '82, MURP '92, a planner with city of Portland.

The volunteer Alumni Board of Directors meets monthly to plan and direct the activities and programs of the Alumni Association. Each board member serves on at least one committee, as well as supporting University events and activities.

For information about the Alumni Association, call Alumni Relations at 725-4948, or stop by the office at 506 SW Mill, Suite 239.
Compiled by Myrna Duray

John Aha is a senior staff engineer at Hughes Space and Communications, a division of Hughes Aircraft in Los Angeles. Aha recently stopped by the Alumni Office while visiting his daughter in Portland.

Harry Thompson is chairman of the board at Thompson Construction and Sidra Property Management in Portland.

'50s

Alice Brettauer ‘58 writes that she retired after teaching for 20 years and since then has “travelled the world over.”

Jon Bish ‘59 farms near Hillsboro, raising walnuts and hazelnuts. Bish also has a small antique shop, specializing in oriental porcelains.

'60s

Elinor (Woods) Hill ‘60 and her husband, Glenn ‘62, founded Learning Works following their retirement from Gresham Grade School and Portland Public Schools, respectively. The Hills, who live in Eagle Creek, provide tutoring for math and reading.

Gary Barrett ‘61 is president and co-owner of Hot Springs Resort, a family-owned business in Calistoga, Calif. Barrett was a pilot with Pan American Airlines for 30 years.

Elizabeth Grimes Marshall ‘61 is semi-retired and an assistant manager of Harry and David, a retail food and gift shop. Marshall previously was an administrative medical technologist. She resides in Sunriver.

Carl Perkins ‘61 has been elected president of the Multnomah Dental Society. Perkins practices general dentistry in Gresham.

Dan Gemma ‘64 has joined the PSU Alumni Board of Directors. Gemma is a senior vice president at First Interstate Bank. He and his wife, Rosalie, live in Portland.

L.B. Day ‘66 has been appointed to the board of directors of Micropip Technology, a semiconductor chip manufacturing company in Phoenix, Ariz. Day is president of Day-Floren Associates, a management consulting firm in Portland.

Donald Franklin ‘66 teaches social studies at Molalla High School. Franklin “thanks Dr. Charles White, Dr. Manning, and Portland State for being there and making my goals possible.” He has been an educator for 29 years.

James McCreight ‘66 has been appointed to the board of trustees of the Maryhill Museum of Art and to the Beaverton Arts Commission. McCreight is president of Future Focus, which distributes video and audio training programs to corporations.

Leonard Mei ‘66 is president of Sunelt Design, an architectural design firm in Tigard.

James Vogland ‘66 is president of Pacific Rim and Trim International, an importing firm in Portland.

Pamela Erickson ‘67 is the development project manager at Metropolitan Exposition Recreation Commission in Portland. MERC manages the Performing Arts Center, Convention Center, Exposition Center, and Civic Stadium.

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PSU Weekend Open House

Visit us Friday, Oct. 27, from 4 to 6 p.m. (unless otherwise noted)

Accounting alumni bowling, 5:30-9:00 p.m., Viking Lanes, Smith Memorial Center (SMC)

Anthropology, 141 Cramer Hall (CH)

Biological, 2nd floor lounge, Science Building II (SBII)

Business Administration Reception, First floor lobby, 631 SW Harrison St.

Economics, 241 CH

English, 407 Neuberger Hall (NH)

Environmental Programs, 218 SBII

Geography, 424 CH

Geology, 17 CH

History, 441 CH, dedication of the George Hoffman Library, 447 CH at 5:30 p.m., sponsored by Friends of History

International Affairs, 112 Sixth Ave. Bldg., 1950 SW 6th

Philosophy, 473 NH

Physics, 201 Science Building I

Political Science, 117 CH

Psychology, 317 CH

Sociology, 217 CH

Vanguard student newspaper, Vanguard offices, 429 SMC

Thomas Bryant ‘68 is owner of Bryant Well Drilling and Pump in Newberg.

Don Dickinson ‘68 MBA ‘72 has established a new Beaverton-based marketing communications firm named D.Marcations. Dickinson is a 27-year veteran of Portland advertising and was senior vice president and partner at Gerber Advertising Agency.

Donald Morgan ‘68 MBA ‘71 and Richard Grant MBA ‘71, co-founders of GMA Research Corporation, note that the company will celebrate its 25th anniversary this year. GMA is an independent marketing research firm based in Bellevue, Wash.

Stephen Murawski ‘68 is president of Rigg Products Inc., a wholesale distributor in Portland.

Miriam Selby ‘68 MA ‘70 is owner and publisher of Sibyl Publications in Portland. Sibyl is a feminist press, “dedicated to giving voice to women.” Selby welcomes queries and manuscripts.

Michael Call ‘69 MA ‘73 is deputy general manager in the government relations department with Mitsubishi International in their Washington, D.C., office.

Leandra Fox ‘69 is the MetroQuest reference librarian for the library information network of Clackamas County. MetroQuest provides back-up reference service to all Clackamas County libraries.

Steven Kolb ‘69 and Kevin Kolb ‘73 are partners at Plastikoil of Oregon, a book bindery business in Milwaukee.

Rev. Joel Lewton ‘69 is program coordinator for the Yakima Valley Partners Habitat for Humanity in Wapato, Wash. Lewton also is a volunteer chaplain at Valley Memorial Hospital in Yakima. He is writing a book about his great-great grandfather’s journey across the Oregon Trail.
Bonnie McCay Merritt '69 is a professor of anthropology at Rutgers University in New Jersey. Merritt served on the National Academy of Sciences Committee on protection and management of Pacific Northwest anadromous fish from 1992-94.

Sandra Nigro '69 writes, "It recently returned to the PSU campus as a visitor with my Japanese exchange student. It was exciting to see all the wonderful improvements and additions to the University, but also to still enjoy the nostalgia of many familiar sites." Nigro is credit manager at KATU-TV in Portland.

Chris Stanley '69 is the new head coach of women's volleyball at PSU. Stanley started the women's volleyball program at the University of California-Berkeley and accrued a record of 155-119 over nine seasons.

Linda Tross '69 writes that she is pursuing free-lance writing and sculpting following nine years of teaching English at Willamette University and five years at Oregon State. She lives in Salem.

Michael Heston is vice president of development with C.E. John Company, a shopping center development firm in Vancouver.

Jane Storey Jones MA is an educator with the Multnomah Education Service District in Portland. Jones teaches at Helensview High School, a school for teen mothers.

Janet M. Manson MA '77 attended the inauguration of John C. Stockwell as president of the University of South Carolina-Spartanburg April 28, 1995, on behalf of President Ramaley and PSU. Manson and her husband, Wayne Chapman 72, MA 77, are both professors at Clemson University in South Carolina.

Michael Reilly is vice president of Beaver State Machinery, a machine tool sales company in Portland. Reilly officiates for high school and NAIA level football in Oregon and Washington, as well as at Portland State games.

Dr. Rebecca Tolly is the sole proprietor and physician at Yamhill Valley Medical Center in McMinnville. Tolly is also the Yamhill County Medical Examiner.

Wilhelmina VanGrunsven is owner of ELP (European Language Program), a translation service firm in Portland. ELP also provides consultation to companies producing software manuals. Tineka Bierna '82, MA '86 is a translator and bookkeeper at ELP.

Dr. Stanley Vermilyea is assistant professor of restorative prosthodontics and endodontics at Ohio State College of Dentistry in Columbus. Vermilyea retired in 1992 after 21 years with the Army Dental Corps.

Bruce Wassom is president and owner of Jetcraft Boats, an aluminum boat manufacturer in Woodford.

Joseph Bernt served as a delegate for President Judith Ramaley at the inauguration of Robert Glidden as president of Ohio University October 1, 1994, in Athens, Ohio. Bernt is a journalism professor at the E.W. Scripps School of Journalism, Ohio University.

Dennis Birenbaum is sales manager with J & P Wholesale, a lumber wholesale firm in Klamath Falls. Birenbaum is also an airplane pilot.

Peace Corps Volunteer in Lodi, Poland, in April. Cabrler will be working at the Polish Academy of Sciences, Warsaw Business School, teaching undergraduate and MBA level business and management courses.

Michael Crouse is owner and publisher of Loggers World Publications in Chehalis, Wash. Crouse publishes two magazines relating to the logging industry.

John Dillingham is the zone engineer for the Siuslaw National Forest and is stationed at Waldport. Dillingham received the Pacific Northwest Region 1994 Engineering Technician of the year award.

Joan Kilcup is secretary-treasurer and partner of V.K. Enterprises, a rental complex in Sitka, Alaska. Kilcup lives in Sitka during the summer months, but winters in Waldport, where she and her husband operate a fishing trawler business, Ironwood Inc.

James King is the owner and operator of Shogun's Gallery, an Asian arts and antiques store in Portland. King formerly owned the U.S. King's American English School in Japan.

Herb Kuhn retired in April after 24 years with Bonneville Power Administration, most recently as director of accounting and finance. He resides in Dundee.

Glenda Landgraver is an employer relations consultant with the State of Oregon Employment Department in Portland. Landgraver returned in 1994 after two years with the Peace Corps in the Republic of Armenia, where she served as a small business advisor at the American University of Armenia.

Elisabeth McCrea served as a delegate for President Judith Ramaley at the inaugural ceremony of David Marker as president of the University of Osteopathic Medicine and Health Sciences in Des Moines, Iowa, October 7, 1994. McCrea is a children's librarian at Kirkendall Public Library in Ankeny, Iowa.

Annette Olson is a marine ecologist working in a marine policy group at the University of Washington. Olson is married to a terrestrial ecologist and they have a four-year-old daughter.

Joanne Robinson of Portland, is a triathlete in training for a 100-mile race, that will start in Squaw Valley and end in Auburn, Calif. Robinson formerly was a teacher with the Tigard and Honolulu school systems.

Linda Snyer is director of mini-computer operations for Bank of America in San Francisco.

Renee (Spada) Antrim is secretary-treasurer and dispatcher for Jim Antrim Trucking. The Antrims also own and operate a nursery in Lebanon.

Janet Deardorff MS is the district librarian for the Corvallis School District.

Toni Morrow Ferguson is a social worker at Edison Elementary School in Walla Walla, Wash., and was a recipient of the Washington award for excellence in education. Ferguson also works part time as an adoption worker. Her husband, Edward '73, is the district conservation and energy services manager for Bonneville Power Administration.

David Fowler was recently elected president of the Association of Feed Ingredient and Cottonseed Products Dealers Inc. Fowler is vice president of the Chicago-based Cereal Byproducts Company. He works out of the company's Portland office.

L. Colleen (Ury) Karimi MA '75 is the executive director of Alamo Area Mutual Housing Association, a non-profit multi-family housing corporation in San Antonio, Texas.

Donna (Drayen) Larimore is the program manager for the educator excellence program at Business-Education Compact in Beaverton. Her husband, Mike '71, is general manager of ADC Wireless Systems, a division of Kentrox, in Beaverton.

Bryce McCollum is a clinical psychologist in Vancouver, Wash. In his spare time, McCollum is active in boating, Toastmasters, and theater arts.

Thomas Simonson is president of Sentinel Cremation Societies Inc., in San Francisco.

Renee (Alexander) Tissue PhD '81 is a psychologist and the research director at Episcopal Center for Children in Washington, D.C. The facility treats emotionally troubled children.
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Ina Jane Wundram MA attended the inauguration of William Chace as president of Emory University April 5, 1995, in Oxford, Ga. Wundram is an associate professor of anthropology at Oxford College of Emory.

Martin Abbott PhD '84 attended the inauguration of E. Arthur Self as president of Seattle Pacific University April 21, 1995, in Seattle, Wash. Abbott is dean of the College of Arts and Sciences at Seattle Pacific University.

Robert L. Armstrong was appointed to the Oregon State Board of Accountancy in 1994. Armstrong is president-shareholder of Robert L. Armstrong, a public accounting firm in Tualatin.

Shirley Bass is the first attorney in Oregon to become certified in elder law, which deals with legal problems affecting the senior population.

Wayne Gungl writes that after leaving PSU, he taught mathematics, then received his general contractors license and worked in construction. Gungl currently is the senior building inspector for the city of Redding, Calif.

Grace Vaniman Johnson MS and her husband were presented the Niskanen Award as outstanding leaders of the Scandinavian community who "teach others appreciation for Scandinavian ways." Johnson lives in Tigard and is a retired educator.

Stephen Duncan MBA '83 is an accounting instructor at Navarro College in Corsicana, Texas.

Gerald Hubbard is leading a delegation of facilities managers to New Zealand and Australia in August 1996. Hubbard led a similar facilities group to China in 1988 and 1994. He is director of facilities at the Museum of Science and Industry, Chicago.

Kathleen (Nicholas) Litzinger was appointed to a position on the Chemical Demilitarization Citizens Advisory Commission from 1993-95. The commission works with the Army and community to rid the Umatilla depot of chemical weapons. Litzinger is a homemaker living in Hermiston.

Michael Simpson was promoted to plant manager of Smucker's in Woodburn. He is a member of the Institute of Food Technologists and Northwest Food Processors Association. He and his wife, Delene, have two children and live in Canby.

Aileen E. Davis retired after 18 years as a first grade teacher at East Gresham school. A family member writes, "She is one of those persons who went back to college in later life (54 years old when she graduated with honors and 72 when she retired). She's a person who believes in 'Just Do It.'"

Julie (Peters) Klapstein is senior vice president at Sunquest Information Systems, a software firm in Tucson, Ariz. In her spare time, Klapstein enjoys showing her four Arabian horses.

Glenn Albus is vice president and general counsel at Evergreen International Aviation in McMinnville.

Rick Hassmann MS is the assistant principal and athletic director at Sherwood High School.

Terry Horn MST is the director of business and health services management at Chemeketa Community College in Salem.

Susan (Brickey) Purpura is president of the Oregon Donor Program, manager of prepaid health services for Providence Medical Group in Portland, and vice president of the PSU Alumni Board of Directors. Her husband, Gary '71, is owner and president of Liberty Capital Investment Company, as well as president of Coliseum Kiwanis and treasurer of Portland Impact.

George Van Patten is owner of Van Patten Publishing in Washougal, Wash. Van Patten is an author and publisher of seven books on gardening. He has attended universities in Spain and Mexico, and speaks fluent Spanish.
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‘78

Vicki Chase has been elected to the PSU Alumni Board of Directors. She is vice president-securities at Standard Insurance Company. Chase and her husband, Brian ’64, a retired Centennial High School art teacher, live in Gresham.

Kathryn Derwey is a postal inspector in areas of crime prevention, employee theft, and financial audits with the U.S. Postal Inspection Service in San Francisco.

Christine Jacobs Goodwin is owner and president of Advanced Fitness and Conditioning Services in Myrtle Creek.

‘79

William Eng represented PSU President Judith Ramaley at the inauguration of Eddie N. Moore as president of Virginia State University in Petersburg October 2, 1994. Eng is a podiatrist.

Charles Gray is the sales planning and distribution manager with Chrysler Corporation in Beaverton. Gray notes that “PSU was a great school. I was well prepared for the business world.”

Rick Reese is a corporal with the Santa Ana, Calif, Police Department.

E. Elaine Von Wald is a tax manager with Beemer, Johnson, Smith and Company, a CPA firm in Portland. Von Wald has 14-years volunteer service with United Workers Federal Credit Union and I.B.E.U. and is a member of Oregon Toastmasters #424. She has a 10-year-old son, Scott.

VaLera Washburn is one of 10 Oregon artists whose work will be shown at the 1995 International Colored Pencil Exhibition in Cleveland. Washburn has had work published in The Best of Colored Pencil II. She works as a secretary for the infertility division at Oregon Health Sciences University.

‘80

Robert Fahlman has been named vice president and general manager over daily operations at PacificCare of Oregon.

James D. Francis is owner of Home Improvement Services, a remodeling company in Beaverton.

Velma Johnson MST has been selected as the principal at Lincoln High School in Portland. Johnson previously was vice principal at Marshall High School for nine years.

Dianne Olson and her husband are raising four children, hazelnuts, Christmas trees, and timber on their 79-acre Olson Farms outside of Forest Grove. The Olsons also own a logging operation.

Janet Ratzman is a systems and materials manager at James River Corporation in Portland.

Robert Weber is a retired State Farm insurance agent. Since 1982, he has operated Weber Happy Valley Apairies in Portland as a second business and maintains a regular clientele for Oregon-grown honey and beeswax.

‘81

Susan Garrett-Joye is a social work intern for the Temporary Assistance for Domestic Crisis Center in Las Vegas, Nev.

Patricia Rumor PhD attended the inauguration of Arthur E. Levine as president of the Teachers College at Columbia University in New York November 17, 1994.

Diane Saunders is vice president of communications and public affairs at Nellie Mae, a non-profit student loan corporation located in Brainintree, Mass. Her husband, Charles ’83, is an employment consultant with Center for Careers in Boston.

Waren Tessier MBA was appointed executive director of the Valley Health Network, a physician-hospital organization affiliated with St. Elizabeth Hospital Medical Center in Youngstown, Ohio.

Carol E. Wheeler BA ’87, MA ’89 is an office assistant at the Catholic University of America in Washington, D.C. Wheeler, a composer, debuted two new compositions on May 13: a four-part setting of “Sigh No More Ladies” for women’s voices, and a humorous love song for the 17th anniversary concert of Bread & Roses, Feminist Singers.

‘82

Richard Carson, a descendent of Kit Carson, has been named to the board of directors of the Kit Carson Historical Foundation in Taos, N.M. Carson is Oregon City’s director of community development and was instrumental in the development of the End of the Oregon Trail Interpretative Center.

William (Bill) Derville MBA has been elected president of the national Industrial Distribution Association. Derville is president of General Tool and Supply Company in Portland.

Douglas Donkel authored a book entitled The Understanding of Difference in Heidegger and Derrida, published by Peter Lang Publishing Inc. Donkel is an adjunct professor of philosophy at the University of Portland.

Douglas Goodrum is the district sales manager for Contacts Influential, a Portland publishing company offering prospect building. Goodrum was named the top district sales manager for three consecutive years.

Mary (Grandberry) Omereife is owner of Cascade Business Office Management Services in Portland.

Ellen Wax MURP ’92 has been elected to the PSU Alumni Board of Directors. Wax is a city planner with the city of Portland.

‘83

John C. Allen III MS represented PSU President Judith Ramaley at the inauguration of Gladys Styles Johnston as chancellor of the University of Nebraska-Kearney September 16, 1994. Allen is an assistant professor in the agricultural economics department at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln.

Ruth Dobberpuhl completed her volunteer service with the U.S. Peace Corps in July.

Carolyn Johnson-Bell is a commercial artist and decorative painter in Portland. Johnson-Bell’s works include acrylic, water colors, sponge painting, and murals.

Timothy Keniley represented PSU President Judith Ramaley at the April 29, 1995, inaugural ceremony of James M. Dennis as president of McKendree College in Lebanon, Ill.

‘85

Elyce Benham MS ’94 is the assistant coordinator at Bridgeview Community Mental Health Services West in Portland. Bridgeview provides housing for the chronically mentally ill, who would otherwise be homeless.

Capt. Ann Marie Childers, a psychiatrist with the U.S. Air Force at Trapper Army Medical Center in Honolulu, has been awarded a fellowship to study child and adolescent psychiatry.

Gena (Pelletier) Cruciani is the senior technical writer at GTECH Corporation, an electronic processing firm in Bristol, R.I. Cruciani has lived in New England for nine years and enjoys working on her seaside cottage and garden, and sailing the waters of Narragansett Bay and Martha’s Vineyard Sound.

Susan Lambert Gates is a deputy sheriff with the Multnomah County Sheriff’s Office in Portland.

Brenda Hanson is owner-operator of Arctic Circle, a fast-food restaurant in Prineville. Hanson previously owned the Arctic Circle in Hillsboro for nine years.
Leah Natwick Davidson is a retail advertising account executive for The Oregonian. Davidson has been a member of the Oregon Repertory Singers for 10 years.

Anne Kadin MBA is a realtor at Marcus Saul Properties in Portland. She specializes in the sale of multi-family and office properties.

Kirsten (Lilibridge) Kaiser is a homemaker and home schooling mom who writes, "It is my joy to use my education in service to my family, church, and community." Kaiser lives in Silver Spring, Md.

Zaher Mekkaoui was sworn in as an American citizen on July 4, 1995. The native of Lebanon states "the first thing I plan to do is register to vote." Mekkaoui is a civil engineer for the city of Bothell, Wash.

Eric Svarer is a management analyst for the city of Seattle. He also writes and publishes an underground newsletter titled The Philosopher-Bureaucrat.

Mitch Yoder is the dispute resolution coordinator for Providence Vantage MCO, a workers' compensation managed care organization in Portland.

Jennifer Johnson is a self-employed ice skating coach and instructor at the Dorothy Hamill Skating Centre located in Clackamas Town Center.

Lisa Mosher is a teacher at George Washington and Simon Sanchez high schools in Guam. Mosher teaches special education, health, Guam history, U.S. history, world geography, and also is the Future Educators of America advisor.

Lt. Daniel Bruce is chief of logistics programs at Beale Air Force Base in California.

Suzan (Dereil) Eskenazi is part owner and vice president of Kosher Clothes, Inc., in Mercer Island, Wash. Kosher Clothes carries clothing and table linens with designs for Jewish holidays.

Barb O'Neil MST '90 is a health teacher at Franklin High School. O'Neil received the Franklin Award for lifetime achievement at the school in 1994.

Mary Patterson MST represented PSU President Judith Ramaley at the inauguration of William H. Harris as president of Alabama State University April 28, 1995. Patterson is an adjunct professor of biology at Faulkner University in Montgomery, Ala.

Heather Sargent of Wilsonville, has been appointed the Oregon state coordinator of the International Childbirth Education Association 1995-96.

Robert Garrison MPA is fire chief at the Redmond Fire Department.

Todd Hanson represented PSU President Judith Ramaley at the inauguration of Philip W. Conn as president of Dickinson State University April 21, 1995, in Dickinson, N.D. Hanson is president of Innovative Ideas in Bismarck, N.D.

Shelly Pittman is the sole proprietor and founder of S.J. Pittman Projects, a market research and personal coaching firm in Portland.

Amy Roberts MS and her husband, Steven Locke MS, served as delegates for President Judith Ramaley at the inaugural ceremony of former University of Oregon president Myles Brand as president of Indiana University in Bloomington, Ind., January 19, 1995. Roberts and Locke are both working on their doctoral degrees at Indiana University.

Mark Sheridan is a design engineer at Gunderson Inc., in Portland. Gunderson is a sailcar manufacturer.

Titanawan Tjong MBA is vice president of Bank Central Asia in New York.

Marie Wehage is entering her second year of internal medicine residency at Good Samaritan-Emmanuel Legacy Hospitals in Portland. Wehage celebrated 20 years as a registered nurse upon her graduation from OHSU medical school in June 1994.

Verna Black is the director of the Estacada Family Resource Center, which serves the community's underprivileged.

Terri Caldwell is co-owner of ABC's of Travel and Cruises in Portland.

Ivy Chilcote has been named director of finance and human resources at the Urban League of Portland.

Marguerite Doxtator MPA is the state chairman of USA Gymnastics-Oregon, the governing body for women's gymnastics competitions. Doxtator lives in Portland.

Andrea Ferrante-Chandler is a flight attendant with Reno Air. Chandler also is subcontracted by Human Resources Specialties through her own firm, AndiCo, to proofread affirmative action plans and employee handbooks.

Anna Harris-Fort is a model room coordinator with InSport International in Beaverton. InSport manufactures clothing for runners, cyclists, and triathletes. She also volunteers as a costume designer for community theater.

Enedelia Hernandez-Rodriguez MA is principal and attorney at Hernandez-Rodriguez law office in Cornelius.

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**ALUM NOTES**

**Michael E. Lynch** MT is a partner and CPA with the accounting firm of Yergen & Meyer in Astoria. He is also active in the Warrenton Sunrise Rotary Club, the Astoria Public Library, and Star of the Sea School.

**Sandra Taylor** MSW '93 is a clinical social worker at St. Vincent Hospital in Portland.

**Douglas Gershon** Aaron MSW '95 has begun preparations for ordination as a rabbi at Yeshiva University in New York City.

**Barbara Barber-Kemper** is the salon coordinator at Evolution Hair Design in Portland.

**George Cress** MPA has been appointed director of planning and development for the Port of Longview, Wash.

**Keith Hancock** is a veterans claims representative for the U.S. Department of Veterans' Affairs in Portland.

**Keith Nichols** is the credit supervisor for Jubitz Corporation, a commercial fuel and tire sales company. Nichols lives in Washougal, Wash.

**Jay Skiles** MPA has accepted a position as securities compliance officer with the Licensing and Registration Unit, Oregon Division of Finance and Corporate Securities. Skiles received his J.D. from Willamette University College of Law and was admitted to the Oregon Bar in 1994.

**Valerie Warren** buys, sells, and refinishes antiques at Portland Restoration.

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**Tom Boyd** is a photojournalist for The Columbian newspaper in Vancouver, Wash.

**Cindy (Cannard) Gillingham** is a commercial photographer with B & C Gillingham Photography in Vancouver, Wash.

**Kipyo Han** is a supervisor for Korean Art at the Dallas-Fort Worth airport in Texas.

**Raymond Nejeres**, a second-year medical student at University of Washington, has been named a 1995 Academic Medicine Fellow. Brystol-Myers Squib sponsors the fellowship, which honors medical students who show promise in research and academic medicine.

**Jana Setzler** is the planned giving officer for The Nature Conservancy, a non-profit environmental agency in Portland.

**'93**

**Douglas Gershon** Aaron MSW '95 has begun preparations for ordination as a rabbi at Yeshiva University in New York City.

**Karen Storey** is the past year. He will also be the beat reporter for the Hood River county school district.

**Brian Hunter** is a laboratory technician at Wheat Lab in Portland. Hunter samples wheat from ships, looking for fungus or other foreign material. Wheat Lab conducts these studies for the Department of Agriculture.

**'SPORTS SCOREBOARD**

**(March 1 through June 30)**

**BASEBALL (19-36)**

The first season for new head Coach Dave Dangler was a rough one with only three returning starters. The Vikings were within two games of first place with less than two weeks to go, when the team lost six of its last seven games. PSU plays in the PAC-10 Northern Division in baseball against Oregon State, Washington, Washington State, University of Portland, and Gonzaga. Sophomore pitcher Greg Wooten was the best pitcher in the league and signed with the Seattle Mariners following the season.

**SOFTBALL (19-8)**

Despite an excellent record, 26 rainouts cost the team any chance at a post-season bid. Coach Teri Mariani reached her 400th career win with the season's first victory. Mariani is only the seventh, active Division II coach to attain this record. This year's team broke the school record by batting .310, with six players hitting over .300. Leading the way was shortstop Sheli Spees with a .416 mark.

**TRACK AND FIELD**

Robin Unger won the national heptathlon title at the NCAA II championships to lead the women's team to a 21st place finish. Ron Foster finished third in the decathlon, Andhy Maris fourth in the 5,000 meters, Mike Mahoney sixth in the 1,500 meters, and Dave Island sixth in the javelin to gain a 17th place finish for the men's team. This sport, which has minimal funding, is showing continual improvement thanks to the hard work of coaches Ken and Keith Woodard.

**WOMEN'S TENNIS (5-10)**

Sophomore Heba El-Mansy had a 9-6 record to lead Coach Shaun Ball's team to one win better than 1994. All six regular starters won at least four matches and all are eligible to return next season.

**MEN'S GOLF**

Junior Dan Kempken won the NCAA District VIII title in Hilo, Hawaii. The Vikings also finished eighth at the Oregon Invitational, ahead of UCLA, USC, BYU, and Washington. PSU ranked 15th in the nation much of last season and Coach Eric Stinson expects his team to make a run at district and regionals in 1996.

**VOLLEYBALL HOME GAMES**

7 p.m., PSU gym. Call 725-3307 for tickets (* Pacific West Conference match)

Oct. 13-14  Hawai'i-Hilo*
Oct. 16-17  Chaminade*
Oct. 20  Western Oregon
Oct. 27-28  PSU Showcase, 1 & 7:30 p.m.
Tickets for dance, theater, and music performances are available at the PSU Ticket Office, SW Fifth and Mill, 725-3307, or at the door.

**Performing Arts**

**Noon Concert Series**
75 Lincoln Hall, free.

- **Oct. 17** Deborah Lee, jazz vocal; Gordon Lee, jazz piano
- **Oct. 19** Pacemaker Jazz Ensemble
- **Oct. 24** David Jimerson, baritone; Marie Rogndahl, soprano; Ralph Wells, baritone; Sylvia Killman, piano
- **Oct. 26** Duo Allegro, flute and harp
- **Oct. 31** Michael Barnes, piano; Richard Convisor, violin; Dale Tolliver, cello

**Concerts**
175 Lincoln Hall (except where noted), call 725-3307 for cost.

- **Oct. 22** Florestan Trio Concert, 4 p.m.
- **Nov. 20** University Choir & Viking Women's Choir, 7:30 p.m., 75 Lincoln Hall, free
- **Nov. 28** PSU Jazz Combos, 7:30 p.m., 75 Lincoln Hall, free
- **Nov. 30** PSU Jazz Lab Band, 7:30 p.m.
- **Dec. 1** PSU Chamber Wind Ensemble, 8 p.m.
- **Dec. 2** PSU Symphony Orchestra, 8 p.m.

**Chamber Music**
8 p.m., 175 Lincoln Hall, $19/$10/$5.
- **Nov. 20** 21 Ying String Quartet

**Theater Production**
8 p.m. (Nov. 12, 2 p.m.), 175 Lincoln Hall, $8/$6/$5/$2.50.
- **Nov. 9-12** "Bedroom Farce" 15-18

**Piano Recital Series**
4 p.m., 175 Lincoln Hall, $16/$14/$9.
- **Nov. 19** Lorin Hollander

Oboe Blow-out
PSU campus, call 725-3179 for a schedule.
- **Dec. 15-17** Oboe master classes, concerts, and workshops

**Visual Arts**
Autzen Gallery
8 a.m.-6 p.m., Mon.-Thurs.; 8 a.m.-5 p.m., Fri., 205 Neuberger Hall, free.
- **Sept. 25**-**Oct. 28** paintings
- **Nov. 2**-**Dec. 8** sculpture (reception Nov. 2)

Gallery 299
8 a.m.-6 p.m., Mon.-Thurs.; 8 a.m.-5 p.m., Fri., 299 Neuberger Hall, free.
- **Sept. 25**-**Oct. 28** prints and paintings

Littman Gallery
- **Nov. 4-7** p.m., weekdays; noon-7 p.m., Thurs.; 250 Smith Center, free.
- **Oct. 5-27** Lisa Brinkman, paper works
- **Nov. 2-29** Judith Reifman, sculpture
- **Jan. 4-26** Blue Sky Gallery Megashow

**Lectures**
Friends of English
7:30 p.m., 725-4736 for information, free.
- **Oct. 12** T.C. Boyle, author of The Road to Wellville, 355 Smith Center


Friends of History
1-2:30 p.m., 296 Smith Center, free.
- **Oct. 23** "The Populist Persuasion in American Politics," Michael Kazin '74

Science, Technology, and Society Lectures
7:30 p.m., Schnitzer Concert Hall, 224-8499 or 1-800-992-8499 for tickets.
- **Nov. 10** "My Life with the Chimpanzees," Dr. Jane Goodall

"Climbing the Stairway to Heaven," George Johnson

Lectures, music, and events planned throughout the year in celebration of Portland State's founding.
- **Oct. 20** "The Renaissance of Geography Education in America," Gil Grosvenor, president of the National Geographic Society.
- **Nov. 16** Piano concert with Lorin Hollander and the PSU Chamber Choir and Orchestra.
- **Dec. 1** PSU Ultimate Tailgate, dinner and auction.

**Economic Policy**
Fridays, 2 p.m., 109 Urban and Public Affairs Bldg., free. Call 725-5175 for Oct. 6, 13, and Nov. 17 topics.
- **Nov. 3** "Columbia River Salmon and BPA," Trudy Ann Cameron

**Special Events**
**Women and AIDS**
2-4 p.m., 126 Smith Center, free, 725-5672.
- **Oct. 17** "Minority Women, HIV and AIDS"

**Women's Health Fair**
1-5 p.m., 126 Smith Center, free, 725-5672.
- **Oct. 18** Workshops with providers and advocacy groups

**Genetics Symposium**
5:30 p.m., 75 Lincoln Hall, free, 725-3499.
- **Oct. 19** "Genetics and Behavior: Ethical Issues and Legal Implications"

**College Bowl Contest**
Noon, Portland Marriott, 1401 SW Front; 222-2582 for reservations.
- **Oct. 20** PSU Alumni vs. Reed College Alumni

**Friends of Library**
6:30 p.m., 338 Smith Center, $20, 244-5899 for reservations.
- **Oct. 26** Unveiling of Jean Black memorial and dinner meeting

**PSU Weekend**
PSU's answer to homecoming for alumni and friends, 725-4949 for reservations.
- **Oct. 27-29** Lunch with Daniel Schorr, seminars, receptions, and outings. See schedule on page 21.
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Mary Shiffer, PSU Alumna
BA 1969, MS 1988

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