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HISTORIC RUN

Congratulations to Seattle University women's basketball on its first-ever NCAA Tournament appearance. The Redhawks won the WAC Championship for the first time in program history, beating CSU Bakersfield, 57-54, on March 10 at The Orleans Arena in Las Vegas. With the win, they earned a spot in the NCAA Tournament, where SU fell to Oregon to cap an unforgettable season.

Read more about the team and SU athletics at GoSeattleU.com.



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An illustrative take, from designer Marissa Leitch, on diversity and a vision for inclusive excellence at Seattle University.

PHOTO BY YOSEF CHAIM KALINKO

DID YOU KNOW



Dr. Quinton Morris



Emily Fix, '18



PERFORMING ARTS TOPS THE CHARTS

OnStage Blog and Musical America Worldwide recognize Seattle University's theater program and music faculty member Dr. Quinton Morris.

OnStage Blog named Seattle U as the best undergraduate theater program in Washington state. OnStage, which recognizes one university or college program in each state, uses criteria that includes tuition, facilities, academic rigor, performance opportunities and career support.

Musical America Worldwide has named Associate Professor Morris (violin/director, chamber and instrumental music) as one of the top music professionals in their 30 Movers and Shapers. Morris is the founder and director of Key to Change, a nonprofit organization that ignites positive change around the world through music and education.



NURSING DEAN ELECTED TO KEY POST

College of Nursing Dean Kristen Swanson has been elected to the board of the American Association of Colleges of Nursing (AACN). Swanson will serve a two-year term as an at-large member.

CONTINUING EDUCATION, LIFELONG LEARNING

A member of the first graduating class from Seattle U's School of New and Continuing Studies (NCS), Emily Fix, '18, will receive a bachelor's degree from the Digital Technology and Cultures program. The 32-year-old single mother has completed the undergraduate degree she started at another university 15 years ago and been accepted to a competitive Master's program in Library and Information Science.

Having lost her mom as a teenager, Fix entered college as an English major, but began to struggle by her junior year and ultimately dropped out. She started working, got married, had a son and became a stay-at-home-mom.

After her divorce in 2017, she needed a career. She sought out a flexible degree program that would allow her to work part-time and raise her now 7-year-old son, Elliot.

And NCS's degree-completion program fit the bill. *Learn more about the School of New and Continuing Studies at ncs.seattleu.edu.*

Representing 810 schools of nursing nationwide, AACN establishes quality standards for nursing education, influences the nursing profession to improve health care and promotes public support of baccalaureate and graduate nursing education, research and practice.

A noted scholar, Swanson is well known for her research on pregnancy loss and the Swanson Theory of Caring, which

SEATTLE U HONORED FOR TRANSFER STUDENT PROGRAM

The national honor society Phi Theta Kappa has recognized Seattle University among four-year institutions for its work in attracting and supporting community college transfer students. Seattle U was the only university in the state to be included in the honor society's 2018 Transfer Honor Roll.

Phi Theta Kappa, the oldest, largest and most prestigious honor society for transfer students, recognized just 112 colleges and universities in the nation this year.

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- SEATTLE U IS A TOP PRODUCER OF FULBRIGHT SCHOLARS.

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is used internationally as a guide for research, education and practice. She has long been actively involved with AACN, having previously served on its board as well as chair of the Nominating Committee, member of the Doctoral Conference Program Committee, mentor of the New Dean Mentoring Program and a North Carolina state grassroots liaison.



Manager Marc Parrish, '09



THE CAMPUS STORE THAT SU DESERVES

SU'S CAMPUS STORE OPENS IN GLEAMING NEW SPACE ON BUSY CORNER

By Mike Thee

When you walk into the Seattle University Campus Store's new location at 12th and Madison, you're immediately blown away. From the bounteous natural light streaming through the windows to the eye-catching displayed merchandise, the store pulls you in.

After years on the main SU campus, the store made its move down the street to 1125 12th Ave. and, thanks to the hard work of its staff, reopened for business on this busy Capitol Hill corner.

The move and what it means for SU—and its neighborhood—is not lost on store manager Marc Parrish, '09. Parrish not only bought his textbooks at the store as he earned a degree in mathematics, but also worked there as a student employee.

Seattle University Magazine caught up with Parrish to talk about the new location and more.

Q. What are some of the benefits of the store being at 12th and Madison?

Marc Parrish: "First, it claims the intersection of 12th and Madison as the entrance to campus from the northeast side. The seasonal banners and the permanent illuminated signs can be seen from blocks away. No longer is Seattle U the best kept secret on Capitol Hill. Also, our store has so much exposure. I

frequently see people looking in through our large windows—we never had the luxury of windows before."

Q. As for the interior space itself, what are some of the features that stand out for you?

"Frankly, it is everything our previous store wasn't. Lights, carpeting, fixtures, paint—it's all brand new and in school colors. The quality of every component is outstanding. I'm especially impressed by the gift and apparel departments. The product is merchandised in ways we couldn't before. We've actually had a lot of customers ask if we put out new product in the store. Another feature I like is our new food department. It's much larger than before and by the time Vi Hilbert Hall opens in the fall, we will be ready to offer an expanded assortment of fresh and frozen options for students, faculty and staff."

Q. What feedback have you been getting from customers?

"The positive feedback—from students to faculty, staff and administrators—has been overwhelming. And this is only the beginning. This new store is the campus store that Seattle U deserves. Students, faculty and staff have wanted this for quite some time and I'm thrilled to see it."

Q. You've worked at the store for some time now. Can you share a little bit of the roles and experiences you've had so far?

"I've worked at the Campus Store for more than 12 years now, since I was an 18-year-old work-study student. During that time, I've held a variety of roles in the store. I've been tasked with leading the team here through a transition in operations of the store two years ago and now the transition in location. In both cases, the task seemed insurmountable at times, but it is due to my incredible team and the familial bond that we have that we were able to make it through it all...I have always received tremendous support from the SU community that I have gotten to know so well. I feel a strong sense of gratitude to be a part of this great community."



ACADEMIC LEADER

SU NAMES SHANE MARTIN, DEAN AT LOYOLA MARYMOUNT UNIVERSITY, AS NEW PROVOST

Shane Martin, PhD, of Loyola Marymount University in Los Angeles, has been selected as the next provost of Seattle University. Martin currently serves as dean of both the School of Education and Graduate Studies at LMU and will join Seattle U on June 18.

“Shane brings extraordinary experience in higher education, a lifelong commitment to Jesuit values and a vision for moving our university forward to meet the opportunities and challenges before us,” says President Stephen Sundborg, S.J. “He understands keenly both the challenges now confronting all institutions of higher education and how Jesuit colleges and universities, in particular, are uniquely positioned to navigate and thrive in this climate.”

The new provost is an educational anthropologist by training and an expert in the areas of intercultural education, cultural diversity and the spectrum of public, charter and Catholic schools. At his core an educator and prolific scholar, he has authored three books and has contributed to many peer-reviewed publications on the topics of cultural diversity in Catholic schools, technology and learning and social justice in education. Martin has received numerous awards and distinctions for his excellence as a leader and educator, including a 2015 fellow of the Pahara-Aspen Education Fellowship.

Martin, a product of Jesuit education, spent 23 years at LMU in various positions. There his leadership

was frequently sought on a number of critical initiatives including chairing the committee that guided the university’s accreditation process as well as a committee on technology. Additionally, he has served as chair and a member on many boards, including as a state commissioner to the California Commission on Teacher Credentialing and a number of Catholic and Jesuit organizations. “I am honored and humbled to become the next provost at Seattle University, an institution that has a strong reputation as a premier university in the Northwest and is poised to rise to greater heights,” Martin says. “I look forward to working in partnership with the Seattle University students, faculty, staff and alumni who are making a difference throughout the greater Seattle region, the United States and the world.”

The provost serves as the university’s chief academic officer and is a champion for academic excellence. The provost ensures that all graduate and undergraduate students experience a challenging and rewarding education consistent with the university’s mission. Reporting to the president, this person is responsible for academic planning and budgeting; recruitment and development of deans; providing support to the teaching, research and service activities of the faculty; engaging faculty in shared governance; program development and promotion; and recruitment of a talented and diverse student body.

SWAN SONG

RETIREMENT MEANS NEW ADVENTURES FOR BELOVED CHOIRS DIRECTOR JOY SHERMAN

By Tracy DeCroce

For years, singers came to her like unmolded clay. And, by the time they were ready to leave, Joy Sherman, known to most as “Doc,” had formed them into more than fine singers—she welcomed them into an extended choir family.

This year many in that family returned to bid Sherman farewell as she retires after 27 years as director of Seattle University Choirs.

Maddie Cary, '12, an alto who sang with the choir throughout her college career, is one of 14 alumni singers who rejoined the choir this academic year. Many others returned for concerts.

“Sometimes I wonder if Doc fully understands the deep impact she’s had on so many students’ lives, including my own,” says Cary, now vice president of Client Services at Point Lt. “Doc has helped shape me into being a better leader. She also changed my relationship with music. Doc helped me understand that you make art because it feeds not only your soul, but those of the people who get to experience you creating it.”

Sherman’s vision, discipline and sheer force of will built the university’s choral program. When Sherman arrived in 1991, the program was comprised of 35 singers in two choirs. Today the four one-credit choir courses—University Chorale, Bella Voce, Cantemus and Chamber Singers—draw 100 to 130 singers who make a four-year commitment to at least one of the groups. Sherman keeps the program on track by working 60 hours a week and requiring her singers, including faculty and staff, to adhere to high organizational standards.

Albers Professor Bill Weis, PhD, remembers being astounded by the quality of the choirs just one year after Sherman took over the bare-bones program. A lifelong singer himself, he joined the University Chorale and was equally impressed by her management style. Today, the choirs have 13 scheduled performances a year and are called upon for funerals and special events.

“I learned more about effective leadership from observing Joy and being taught and directed by her than I have from the volumes of leadership tomes that

clutter my bookcase,” he says, “and from decades of working around leaders who, while effective, were simply not in the same league that Joy operated in.”

Most students arrive with no vocal training or intention to pursue a music career. Along with Assistant Director Lee Peterson, Sherman drills technique while instilling a love for music.

“Having the opportunity to sing with and under the direction of Doc has not only been a revealing experience for how I view myself musically but also how I view music overall,” says Haneia Simpson, '20, an internal business major and alto in the University Chorale and Bella Voce.

Former opera singer Jamie Dye, '94, is a College of Education alum who helped train female voices during the years she sang with the university choirs.

“Joy has dedicated her life to students and music,” Dye says. “I don’t know anyone that works harder than Joy.”

Fine Arts Instructor Monica Bowen, who was drawn to join the university choirs after hearing them rehearse while she was teaching class, says Sherman’s own work ethic raises the level of her students. “I am struck by how Joy maintains discipline and authority in her classroom, but also is very loving and compassionate,” she says. “The positive environment helps to foster creative expression through music.”

What’s next for the program will be up to the director who is selected to take Sherman’s place.

Looking to her retirement, Sherman admits, “I’ve given so much to this (program), it’s going to be a huge adjustment.” True to form, she has prepared. Travel is on the horizon, as is finding a way to meld her love of teaching music with community service.

As for her Seattle U legacy, here’s how she would define it: “The love and passion to live above the ordinary and to produce above the ordinary and to lift those who hear us above the ordinary. I’ve never been interested in mediocrity.”

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—Monica Bowen, Fine Arts instructor



PHOTO BY JOHN LOK

SEATTLE UNIVERSITY CHOIRS: BY THE NUMBERS

4

Current active choirs.

189

Seattle University Choir concerts directed by Sherman.

55

Times the SU Choirs have performed at the Mass of the Holy Spirit, Baccalaureate Mass and Red Mass under Sherman's direction.

100

Singers in the choir today, up from 35 when Sherman was hired in 1991.

FEATURE

ALUMNI AWARDS

ALUMNI AWARD WINNERS SHINE



HONORING LEADERS AND INFLUENCERS

Seattle University recognizes the men and women who are making a difference in their fields, in communities and in the lives of others. Here are the 2018 Alumni Award recipients:





ALUMNI OF THE YEAR

JIM, '69 AND JAN DWYER, '70

Jim, '69, and Jan Dwyer, '70, are being honored as Alumni of the Year for their lifelong commitment and leadership at Seattle University and their influence on the university and the greater community.

Although both are graduates of the university, Jim and Jan didn't actually meet while students—they connected after Jim returned to Seattle from law school in California. Both were involved in volunteer commitments with their jobs and the community. The couple, who married in 1976, decided to volunteer together at their alma mater.

Jim believes Seattle University taught him the “importance of critical thinking skills and giving back to the community. I loved the Jesuits who'd push you in the classroom, but become friends on the outside,” says Jim, who is president and CEO of Delta Dental of Washington.

Both have served extended terms on the Alumni Board of Governors and Board of Regents and Jim served on the Board of Trustees. Additionally, they have chaired the Seattle University Gala and have volunteered their time for numerous fundraising campaigns for the university. Jan is an avid supporter of women's athletics, having served as president of the Key Club for women's basketball, and is co-chairing with Jim the Red Tie celebration for Athletics this spring.

Jim has served on the Center for Leadership Formation Advisory Board and has volunteered as a mentor and a CLF Fellow for the Albers School of Business and Economics. Among other volunteer efforts, the couple chaired the initial fundraising efforts for Seattle Prep's St. Ignatius Building.



OUTSTANDING RECENT ALUMNA

SHASTI CONRAD, '07

Shasti Conrad, '07, is a dynamic change maker. After serving as a field organizer for Barack Obama's 2008 presidential campaign, she became a White House intern and then moved to a job in the West Wing with senior adviser to the president Valerie Jarrett. As a Princeton Graduate Fellow earning her master's in public affairs, she worked with The Malala Fund, eventually traveling with education activist Malala Yousafzai to the Nobel Peace Prize ceremony (Malala is the youngest Nobel laureate).

Conrad surprised many by joining the top three vote getters when she ran for Washington State's 37th Legislative District Senate seat despite being the youngest of eight candidates. Currently she serves as state committeewoman to the Washington State Democratic Party and works alongside Nobel Prize laureate Kailash Satyarthi as the U.S. campaign manager for the 100 Million Campaign. Fellow Sullivan Scholar DJ Weidner, '07, says of Conrad, “Shasti is an advocate, leader and a perfect example of a person dedicated to others.”



←← COMMUNITY SERVICE
BERNADETTE O'LEARY, '97

Bernadette O'Leary, '97, principal of St. John Catholic School, is described as one of the finest educators and school leaders whose talent and dedication rises to the top. Her impact is felt far beyond the classroom. A graduate student and mother, her proudest moment was graduating from Seattle U with her oldest son, Shane O'Mahony in 1997.

"Bernadette exemplifies all the best qualities of a Jesuit-educated graduate," says former colleague Katrina Freeburg. "She is a woman for others with a clear commitment to social justice."

O'Leary models this to her students through her volunteerism. Described as a tenacious, impactful leader, her greatest legacy is her leadership in raising funds for St. George Catholic School's gym, known as the "Miracle Gym." O'Leary is an inspiration to all who come in contact with her and is respected for her integrity, kindness and compassion.



←← DISTINGUISHED FACULTY
DAVID MADSEN, PHD, '69

On any list of favorite or most impactful faculty members among students and alumni, Professor David Madsen, PhD, '69, rises to the top. With degrees in Latin and Greek, Madsen graduated from Seattle University in 1969 and joined the faculty in 1981 as an assistant professor of humanities in Matteo Ricci College. Associate professor in the history department since 1996, Madsen has directed the University Honors Program, moderates the Naef Scholars and has served as Grand Marshall of Convocation, Commencement and other notable Seattle U events for the past 18 years.

Though demanding of his students, his main focus is their success, encouraging them to meet with him outside of class. Madsen is known as the "go-to guy" having served on committees at all levels of the university. His entire family graduated from Seattle U. He and his wife, Mary Anne, '95, are loyal donors and members of the Legacy Society. Alumnus Izzy Gardon, '16, says of the professor, "Dr. Madsen is the epitome of distinguished faculty. There will never be a professor more deserving."



UNIVERSITY SERVICE

PETER LEE, PhD, '64

Peter Lee, PhD, '64, is one of Seattle University's earliest international students and one of our most actively engaged international alumni. Lee led the way for Coca-Cola to be the first international company to re-enter China and became the first president of Coca-Cola China.

Lee has demonstrated extraordinary dedication to his alma mater. He says, "When you drink water, you must think about its source. A good person should always remember the source of his success."

A chemistry graduate, Lee donated to scholarships for chemistry students and led the Hong Kong alumni chapter for 17 years. Through his efforts, President Stephen Sundborg, S.J., was the first Seattle University president to visit Hong Kong. Lee also made the lead contribution and secured the remaining funds for Seattle University's Asian Studies Program and later established the Peter L. Lee Endowed Lectureship in East Asian Culture and Civilization.

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PROFESSIONAL ACHIEVEMENT

MAJOR GENERAL BARBARA HOLCOMB, '87

Major General Barbara (Bonine) Holcomb, '87, is the Commanding General of the U.S. Army Medical Research and Materiel Command (MRMC) and Fort Detrick, Md., and is Chief of the U.S. Army Nurse Corps. She is the first nurse to serve as commander of MRMC and Ft. Detrick. As a cadet in ROTC, she was denied the role of battalion commander because the cadre said that a nurse would never be a commander. Maj. Gen. Holcomb proved them wrong when she became commander as a captain and subsequently commanded at every rank thereafter, including as the first nurse to command Landstuhl Regional Medical Center in Germany. Maj. Gen. Holcomb was deployed to Desert Shield/Desert Storm, Macedonia and Kosovo. In 2010 she took her dream job as commander of a Combat Support Hospital in Iraq in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom and New Dawn. She has been highly awarded and decorated throughout her extraordinary career.

PHOTO BY LORI SALVATORE

#TOGETHERWE SOAR

METEORIC RISE FOR MEN'S HOOPS

Under the leadership of head coach Jim Hayford, men's basketball had a winning season with renewed energy and spirit. The Redhawks finished the home portion of the regular season 16-3, capped by a huge win over WAC leader New Mexico State. The team's record (20-14) marked the most wins during the program's modern day D-I era while competing against a full D-I slate of opponents. After playing in the WAC tournament, the team continued postseason play, hosting Central Arkansas, March 14 at Connolly Complex. Although it was a fight til the end, the Redhawks' season came to a close in a 92-90 overtime loss.

A LEAGUE OF HER OWN

Sophomore softball player Madison Cathcart, '20, is in the midst of a terrific season, ranking in the top 10 in eight different statistical categories as of press time.

SOCCER STAR JOINS THE SOUNDERS

Seattle University senior Alex Roldan, was drafted by and signed with Seattle Sounders FC. Roldan joins his older brother Cristian Roldan, who was the Sounders' MVP in 2017.

Alex is the fourth player from SU to be picked in the draft and the first Redhawk to be a first-round choice.

HONOR FOR BASKETBALL LEGEND

Seattle University men's basketball and NBA great Elgin Baylor was honored by the Lakers with a statue in his likeness that was installed outside the Staples Center in Los Angeles in April. Baylor was part of the unforgettable 1958 men's basketball team and was pivotal in taking the Chieftains to the NCAA national championship game.

◀ Morgan Means, '20



• *Madison Cathcart '20*

• *Alex Roldan*

WAC CHAMPS & THE BIG DANCE

A huge congratulations to women's basketball, led by Coach Suzy Barcomb, who won its first-ever WAC Championship in March, earning an automatic bid into the 2018 NCAA Tournament. Senior Alexis Montgomery led the team in points, rebounds, assists and blocks on her way to being named All-WAC First Team.

! For more on Seattle University Athletics, including spring sports, schedules and tickets, visit www.GoSeattleU.com.

• *Alexis Montgomery, '18*



MEDIEVAL MEETS MODERNITY

By Tracy DeCroce

PHOTO BY YOSEF CHAIM KALINKO

By day, Assistant Professor Dave Lillethun, PhD, teaches and researches some of the most future-focused subjects in the field of computer science and software engineering. By night—and sometimes on the weekends—he goes back in time by way of a medieval martial arts practice he calls “historical fencing.”

His weapons of choice are a two-handed long sword, a rondel dagger (the one that looks like an ice pick) and occasionally a spear or pole axe. Lillethun follows what is believed to be the earliest documented complete fighting system as outlined by Fiore de’i Liberi in a 15th Century treatise.

Lillethun took up historical fencing a few years ago while earning his doctorate at Georgia Tech. Hired by Seattle U in 2016, he continues practicing at Lonin, a Historical European Martial Arts club in Seattle’s Georgetown neighborhood.

“We’re looking to do the technique in a way that would work in an actual fight,” Lillethun says. “But this is for fun. There’s a sort of scholarship to it as well.”

There are parallels between Lillethun’s hobby and his academic career. While he might not be dressed for knightly combat in the classroom, Lillethun must engender a certain agility when preparing his computer science students to compete in an industry that is “always moving and changing.”

Following the convention of the computer science field, Lillethun grounds students in the fundamentals before moving into the more subtle realms of teaching them “to learn new techniques as they go.”

“It’s that learning how to learn, to continually keep up on everything that’s new, that’s important,” he says.

In his research, Lillethun is working with aspects of the industry he believes are here to stay and looking at how to take those technologies to the next level. Working with an SU undergraduate, Lillethun is developing a software platform that involves the next iteration of cloud computing—large, remote network servers that manage data—into what he calls “fog computing,” which Lillethun likens to “little bread crumbs” of personal computer resources. His platform would bring those personal resources together with a variation of the Internet of Things (IoT). IoT connects everyday objects via computers. Lillethun’s “municipal” IoT would link objects across domains.

“The goal is to work toward a platform for developers creating these municipal IoT applications to use,” Lillethun says. “It would provide them with abstractions to facilitate developing these apps and help to manage the underlying fog computing and IoT resources such as the sensor devices and communication channels.”

Seattle University’s emphasis on teaching is what drew Lillethun here. After attending large schools for undergraduate (Northwestern) and graduate school and teaching for a year at Georgia Tech, Lillethun knew what he was looking for. In addition to teaching in the College of Science and Engineering he also served as an adviser for the college’s Project Center his first year, guiding an undergraduate team that partnered with a nonprofit organization to work on an app for diabetes management.

“I wanted a smaller school with a focus on teaching and close interaction with my students to get to know them,” he says. “We have a really strong community here.”

FACULTY

NEWS & NOTES

ALBERS SCHOOL OF BUSINESS AND ECONOMICS

Senior Instructor **Sarah Bee** and Assistant Professor **Gabe Saucedo's** article, "Accounting Conversations: A Case Study in Auditor Communications," co-authored with Iram Jafry (PMBA alumna), was accepted for publication by the *Review of Business*.

Assistant Professor **Ajay Abraham** and Associate Professor **Matt Isaac** had their article, "Implementing the Challenger Sales Model at Cars.com: A Case Study," co-authored with Elaine Richards, (EVP of Business Operations, Cars.com) accepted for publication by the *Journal of Business and Industrial Marketing*.

An article by Assistant Professor **Vlad Bejan**, "Primed for Death: Law Enforcement-Citizen Homicides, Social Media and Retaliatory Violence," co-authored with Assistant Professor **William Parkin**, Associate Professor **Matthew Hickman** (both of SU's Criminal Justice department) and Veronica Pozo, (Utah State University), has been accepted for publication in *PLOS One*.

Assistant Professor **Claus Portner's** article, "Income Shocks, Contraceptive Use and Timing of Fertility," co-authored with Shamma Alam (Dickinson College), has been accepted for publication by the *Journal of Development Economics*.

COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES

Associate Professor **Sven Arvidson**, director of Interdisciplinary Liberal Studies, published "The Field of Consciousness and External Cognition" in *Human Studies: A Journal for Philosophy and the Social Sciences*. The overall purpose of the article is to answer the question "Where is the mind?" Using Gestalt psychological theory, phenomenology and recent philosophy of cognitive science.

Professor **Elaine Gunnison**, of Criminal Justice, has a new book *Community Corrections*, published by Carolina Academic Press.

Associate Professor **Charles Tung** presented a paper, "Apocalyptic Alternate History," at the ASAP/9 Conference hosted by the University of California, Berkeley. At the conference, he also presented work on the politics of multitemporality in a seminar called "Impossible Times."

COLLEGE OF EDUCATION

Professor **Jeffrey Anderson** and **Stacey Jones**, senior instructor in economics, coauthored the article, "The Influence of Service-Learning on the Civic Attitudes and Skills of Japanese Teacher Education Candidates," which has been accepted for publication in the *International Journal of Research in Service Learning in Teacher Education*.

Professor Emeritus **John Gardiner** has received the Albert Nelson Marquis Lifetime Achievement Award. Presented by Marquis Who's Who, publisher of biographical profiles, the award takes account of the recipient's position, noteworthy accomplishments, visibility and prominence in a field.

COLLEGE OF SCIENCE AND ENGINEERING

An article coauthored by Professor **Phil Thompson**, "The future is now: Graywater treatment for a commercial building," was published in the December 2017 issue of *Water Environment & Technology*. Thompson is director of the Center for Environmental Justice and Sustainability.

SCHOOL OF THEOLOGY AND MINISTRY

Christie Eppler was named Educator of the Year by the Washington Association for Marriage and Family Therapy (WAMFT). Eppler is professor and program director of the Couples and Family Therapy Program.

COVER STORY
**DIVERSITY AND
INCLUSION**



CULTIVATING A CULTURE OF INCLUSIVITY

“By consciously striving to create an inclusive institutional environment that takes into consideration the complexity of intersecting identities and their impact on people’s lives, we are modeling for our students how to understand and practice justice in a society that is tremendously diverse and also inequitable.”

—Hye-Kyung Kang, PhD, associate professor/director, Master of Social Work

By Tracy DeCroce

Last fall, the week before students arrived back on campus, a standing-room-only crowd of faculty, staff and administrators squeezed into a classroom to discuss how riots in Charlottesville, Va., related to Seattle University and its students. The event was organized by Natasha Martin, the university’s vice president of diversity and inclusion, who said the Charlottesville events signaled the importance of Seattle U’s work toward “inclusive excellence.” This is defined, Martin says, as an environment “where there is no dichotomy between academic excellence and growth on the one hand and inclusion, diversity and equity on the other hand.” When students returned, inspired by Martin’s leadership, they initiated an event giving them the chance to discuss how Charlottesville and other issues had affected them.

Those two sessions were among the first of many that took place over the course of this academic year as the university took a significant step toward creating a campus that fosters a greater sense of belonging for all. From September through May, more than 2,000 students, faculty, staff and community members participated in events addressing diversity, inclusion, race and equity. The campus-wide effort represented partnerships with multiple groups including the Office of Multicultural Affairs (OMA), the Center for Jesuit Education, the Institute for Catholic Thought and Culture (ICTC), Athletics, Academic Affairs and Student Development. In addition, university leaders participated in more student-led events and student leadership had the ear of the highest levels of university administration, including the president.



Natasha Martin talks with a student during a session.



Faculty and staff gather for the inaugural dialogue session in September.

Making the campus more welcoming for people of diverse beliefs and backgrounds was, in part, a response to the work of the task force on diversity and inclusive excellence, including a 2015 Campus Climate Survey. The survey identified significant disparity in the campus experience between majority group populations and underrepresented populations on campus including historically underrepresented minority faculty, staff and students. More broadly, the university's efforts to improve inclusivity mirror those happening nationwide as universities recognize the value of preparing students to navigate and feel connected in an increasingly polarized world.

In a recent issue devoted to diversity in higher education, *INSIGHT Into Diversity* magazine wrote, "...higher education institutions in the U.S. bear greater responsibility when it comes to ensuring a bright, sustainable and economically viable future for our country." Seattle U understands that the work happening today on campus prepares students for success in their professional and personal lives.

"Most of our graduates will work in organizations with employees of widely different backgrounds," says Management Professor Marilyn Gist, associate dean of Executive Programs for the Center for Leadership Formation at Albers. "Employers today expect that people hired can work well with others and treat everyone with respect."

Student Body President Pa Ousman Jobe, '18, says these discussions and the groundwork done this year were a solid start, but more can be done. "I give Seattle University a 'B minus.' (W)here you invest your resources tells a lot about where your interest is."

As a Jesuit institution, Seattle U has long tradition of practiced, civil discourse. Martin placed her faith in that foundation despite concerns, given how the rules for civil engagement are seemingly disappearing in general society.

"Part of our responsibility as an educational institution is to create an environment where a robust exchange of ideas can flourish, which invites people in rather than excludes," Martin

says. "Having courageous conversations is an acknowledgment of the humanity of each of us. Universities are microcosms of society. We all bring the world with us, but we are not all similarly situated."

Most of the year's events focused on race, which Martin explains is a necessary starting point to broader conversations of inclusion. "Race is the dividing line that results in many of the educational and economic disparities that exist," she says. "To have discussions about inclusion, equity and justice... without talking about race is to engage in a dishonest dialogue."

Rounding out the topics were immigration, xenophobia, Catholicism and gender equality, among others.

Having such conversations increases the likelihood that students will find support when dealing with a world that is pressing in on them, says Alvin Sturdivant, EdD, vice president of Student Development.

"As our national climate shifts, students are fearful of what that means for their day-to-day lives," he says. "On this campus, our students are calling us to action. What many students want is a place to share their stories without fear of reprisal. There is a desire to have more connection and engagement."

Lucas Sharma, S.J., a lecturer for a Core sociology class, says students are responding well to having faculty across disciplines engaged around these topics. Associate Professor Hye-Kyung Kang, PhD, director of the Master of Social Work program, says the university and faculty must set an example for students.

"By consciously striving to create an inclusive institutional environment that takes into consideration the complexity of intersecting identities and their impact on people's lives, we are modeling for our students how to understand and practice justice in a society that is tremendously diverse and also inequitable," Kang says

What follows is a snapshot of some of the ways Seattle U has cultivated a culture of inclusion over the past year.

THE UNIVERSITY'S DIALOGUE IN ACTION



“Places of dialogue are where students can be seen for their full selves. Dialogue sessions are spaces of deep transformation for students.”

—Jimmy McCarty, PhD, interim director,
Office of Multicultural Affairs



Student leaders organized the first-ever Student Mission Day, "Moral Responsibility in an Intersectional World."

FACULTY/STAFF DIALOGUE SESSIONS

Educating for Justice in Complex Times: Meeting the Challenge to Build Inclusive Community

Lucas Sharma, S.J., was presenting at a faculty/staff dialogue session where an attendee said the session helped him understand that the Civil Rights Movement had not solved racism. That, as well as other faculty events he facilitated, triggered an “aha” moment.

“It highlighted in the larger political climate and at the university the need to examine how racism is operating in ourselves and in our country,” says Sharma, himself a person of color. “People said, ‘I thought we’d come to a place where we’d solved these issues,’ but I realize they need further examination. That’s the biggest positive impact I see of the faculty and staff dialogue. We are recognizing our blind spots so that we can work together to be more inclusive.”

The dialogue sessions drew about 50 faculty, staff and administrators each month around a specific topic. Sessions typically included a presentation followed by breakout conversations and a large group wrap-up.

OFFICE OF MULTICULTURAL AFFAIRS (OMA) SEATTLEU.EDU/OMA/

With the establishment of the Office of Diversity and Inclusion (ODI), SU’s Office of Multicultural Affairs (OMA) was able to focus on its core mission this year of supporting students on the margins, says Interim Director Jimmy McCarty, PhD. Established in the 1960s, OMA became a one-stop shop for diversity and inclusion work over the years as the university grew and faculty and staff also needed resources, McCarty says. Creating a space for students to share stories is central to OMA’s work. And that, McCarty says, has been able to thrive this year.

This year, OMA’s programming has been intentionally collaborative and intersectional, McCarty says. OMA co-sponsored the Martin Luther King, Jr. Day celebration with Students for Disability Justice. In the fall, OMA had the flexibility to pivot to provide support for undocumented students, he added.

In a September Presidential update, Stephen Sundborg, S.J., affirmed the university’s solidarity with students affected by President Trump’s decision to end the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals program (DACA). He outlined political action he and the university were taking in support of DACA and referenced numerous campus resources available to undocumented students.

Learn More

Office of Diversity & Inclusion: SEATTLEU.EDU/DIVERSITY

Men's basketball players in a show of solidarity earlier this season.



“Conversation is the first step toward change and making this country and this world a better place.”

—Jordan Hill, '19, MA Fine Arts in Arts Leadership candidate, SU Men's Basketball Team

BASKETBALL TEAMS RAISE AWARENESS

Observing the controversy surrounding some NFL players “taking a knee” during the national anthem, the Seattle U Men's Basketball team felt that media coverage was missing the point of the players' protest. In response, the team went beyond locking arms during the national anthem—they made a video featuring senior players giving voice to their ideas of “what justice means.” In addition, players wore T-shirts during pre-game warm-ups on which they had printed the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. quote, “Injustice anywhere is a threat to justice everywhere.”

“If society got along like our team got along, this wouldn't be an issue. We have guys from different races, different backgrounds, other countries and who speak languages other than English. We all work better together because of our differences,” says Coach Jim Hayford.

The Seattle U Women's Basketball team put its own stamp on a national movement within college basketball in which teams were expressing a range of views on racial inequity. The women's team wished to show respect for everyone's viewpoint. They printed pre-game warm-up T-shirts with the quote, “We Stand for Equality,” a message that mirrored their decision to stand for the national anthem.

GENDER JUSTICE CENTER

FACEBOOK.COM/GENDERJUSTICESU

Haleema Bharoocha, '18, felt that Seattle University had no spaces for marginalized gender identities. So, she and a few other students organized a liberating space called the Gender Justice Center with a mission “to promote, empower and cater to the needs of women, gender non-conforming, trans people and other marginalized groups—especially people of color.” The student-led organization collaborates with faculty, staff, students and the greater Seattle community “to combine forces,” says Bharoocha, the group’s director. “A lot of folks come to Seattle U and other universities with diverse identities. We celebrate that, but there’s not necessarily a system in place to support them. We’re making intentional spaces to be as supportive as possible.”

Since its founding in December 2016, the group has put a lot in place—a campus community center, a lactation space, a community food pantry and a wide array of events such as sign making for the Women’s March and makeovers for transgender and gender non-conforming.

CATHOLIC HERITAGE LECTURES

That We May Be One: Racial Justice and the Catholic Church
SEATTLEU.EDU/ICTC/

“We want to make it clear that one of the ways we live out our Catholic identity is through our commitment to diversity and inclusion,” says Catherine Punsalan-Manlimos, PhD, director of the Institute for Catholic Thought and Culture.

The Institute for Catholic Thought and Culture (ICTC) devoted its Catholic Heritage Lectures this year to the topics of diversity and inclusion. Its three lectures—the racial divide in the U.S.; xenophobia and immigration; and the radicalization of Islam and the media—addressed aspects of racial justice through the lens of the Catholic Church. Each lecture drew more than 100 people, including members of several local faith communities. The events included panel discussions and Q&A sessions.

REAL TALK

Real Talk is a bi-quarterly opportunity for undergraduate and graduate students to speak directly with Natasha Martin and give voice to their experiences at SU in a supportive environment. The students are invited to explore what an inclusive and welcoming campus community would look like and how to get there. Real Talk served as one of the catalysts for the monthly faculty/staff dialogue sessions when students identified the need for faculty and staff to better understand issues facing students.

Common Reading

Notes from No Man’s Land by Eula Biss was this year’s common text. Required reading for incoming freshmen and transfer students, the collection of essays highlights conversations about race in the U.S. from the perspective of the author, who is white. Read more about the common text at www.seattleu.edu/news/.

BY THE NUMBERS

1,800+

Students, faculty, staff and community members who participated in SU conversations around diversity, inclusion, race and equity.

400

Faculty and staff who joined a monthly dialogue session.

120

Undergraduate and graduate students who attended quarterly Real Talk conversations.

150

Campus and community members who attended a lecture about the Catholic Church and the racial divide in the United States.

1,200

Students, faculty and staff who read this year’s common text, *Notes from No Man’s Land*.

82

Percentage of students that felt that *Notes from No Man’s Land* raised topics that were “appropriate and useful to our campus.”

A portrait of Aeric Shimizu Banks, a woman with short, curly, light-colored hair, wearing a black turtleneck sweater and a black and white patterned scarf. She is looking directly at the camera with a slight smile. The portrait is framed by a large, dotted white circle. A white arrow points down from the top center, and another white arrow points up from the bottom center, both intersecting the dotted circle.

PAVING THE WAY

GOOGLE'S AERICA SHIMIZU
BANKS, '10, IS HELPING GUIDE
WOMEN ENTREPRENEURS

By Tracy DeCroce

“Seattle U really solidified my values for living and engaging locally but thinking outwardly and globally.”

—Aerica Shimizu Banks, '10

All her life, Aerica Shimizu Banks, '10, has been helped by women who took an interest in her. Beginning with elementary and high school teachers and including mentors she met through Seattle University, women have stepped in on her behalf. “I didn’t plan on having these connections—they came into my life,” Banks says. “They accelerated my growth. I’ve often wondered, ‘Why me?’”

As the daughter of a Japanese-immigrant mother and an African-American father, Banks was a go-getter from a young age. “My parents instilled that nothing will be handed to you as a mixed girl. That’s a stalwart of Asian culture and the Black-American experience,” she says. “You have to work hard for what you want.”

When a federal government shutdown pushed her out of public service and on to a new career path at Google, Banks saw the chance to leverage the company’s commitment to community service to lift up other women.

In 2016, she initiated the Google-funded initiative BEACON, whose goal is to make Washington, D.C. the #1 city in America for women entrepreneurs. The successful collaboration with Georgetown Law and the D.C. Mayor’s Office landed Banks on this year’s *Forbes* 30-under-30 Social Entrepreneurs list.

BEACON’s cadre of successful women entrepreneurs helps the owners of fledgling start-ups overcome the odds against them. Like this: Just 10 percent of venture dollars nationally go to female business founders, according to *TechCrunch*. Or this, from *The Project Diane Report*: Black female entrepreneurs received only 2 percent of venture dollars.

In those statistics, Banks sees the potential to improve lives. As a child, she and her brother would “step into the houses of the wealthy and see how they lived” when accompanying their mother to her housecleaning jobs in Sacramento, Calif. For years, Banks was embarrassed to admit what her mother did for a living.

Only after founding BEACON did Banks come to see her mother as a small business owner, one who overcame language and cultural barriers.

“I thought about my mom as an immigrant having to figure out this labyrinth system and how hard that must have been,” says Banks. “I see BEACON as a legacy to her hard work and to all the hard, silent, lonely work a lot of women do.”

Although she had never heard of Seattle University, she remembers how a recruitment postcard struck a personal chord. “If you care about social justice,” it read, “if you care about seeing the world, consider applying for the Sullivan Scholarship.”

Awarded the full-ride Sullivan award, Banks earned a bachelor’s degree in Environmental Studies with a minor in Public Affairs. At an SU event, Banks met a director at the Puget Sound Clean Air Agency, who was so impressed that she created an internship opportunity for Banks.

Planning to continue environmental policy work, Banks also received the prestigious Truman Scholarship for graduates intent on public service careers.

Gordon Miller, PhD, then director of SU’s Environmental Studies program and Bank’s academic adviser, says the *Forbes* honor recognizes the character and talent Banks displayed as a student.

“Aerica was the epitome of the whole person envisioned in the university’s mission,” Miller says. “(A)nd it’s clear ... that the incisive light of her mind and the humble warmth of her heart continue to guide her ever-more productive path in the world.”

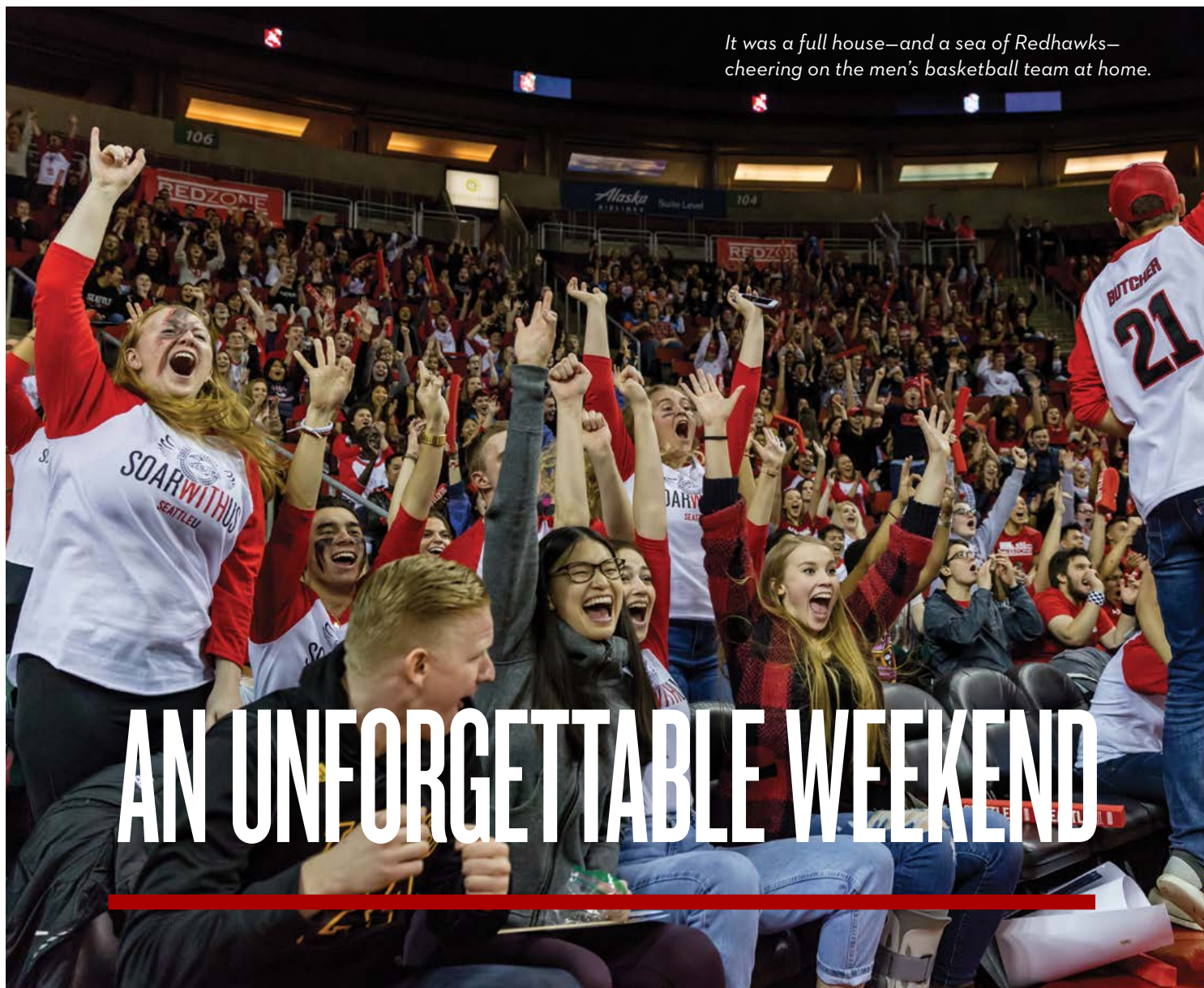
After graduation, Banks worked for the Obama Administration in the Office of Management & Budget. She then won a scholarship to the University of Oxford, where she earned a Master of Science in Nature, Society & Environmental Policy.

When a government shutdown thwarted her plans to return to the White House, Banks broadened her job search to include values-driven corporations, which led her to Google in 2013. Currently serving as a Patent Policy Analyst out of D.C., she credits SU with giving her the “intellectual flexibility” to change her career course.

“Seattle U really solidified my values for living and engaging locally but thinking outwardly and globally,” Banks says.

Today a confident leader in a global company where she can live out her values, Banks is grateful to the women who were there to “hold the door open” for her as she was finding her way. As she rounds the corner to 30, it is her turn to lift up the next generation.

It was a full house—and a sea of Redhawks—cheering on the men’s basketball team at home.



AN UNFORGETTABLE WEEKEND

The tradition lives on. Homecoming Weekend at Seattle University brought together Redhawk and community pride with the inaugural Crosscut Festival and a highly energized men’s basketball game.

(Pictured, l-r):

SU’s VP for Communications Scott McClellan shares his insights as a former White House press secretary along with former Bush and Obama speechwriters David Frum and David Litt (not pictured), on the “All the Presidents’ Men” panel at the Crosscut Festival.

A tradition of Homecoming is the selection of the Redhawks court.





Another Homecoming tradition—the Red Umbrella Parade, which is fitting for Seattle’s climate.



Rising political star Julian Castro, who is former Mayor of San Antonio and one-time Urban Development secretary for President Obama, headlined the Crosscut Festival.



The music was loud and spirits high as the Umbrella Parade procession moved through campus.



“Sometimes you have to walk through the door and claim your calling. Other times it calls to you and you have to answer.”

—Angeline Overturf Thomas, '11

LIFE CHANGING MOMENTS

LAW SCHOOL GRADUATES FIND EACH OTHER AND MUCH MORE THROUGH SERENDIPITOUS EVENTS

By Tracy DeCroce

The day an ex-Marxist-turned-Christian woman walked into Angeline Overturf's Los Angeles hair salon changed her life forever. At the time, Overturf was reinventing herself after leaving the evangelical church and saw a mentor in this woman who had transformed herself.

About a week later, the woman's son, Stephan Thomas, called Overturf at the salon after his mother had told him how much he and Overturf had in common. Both had mixed-race parents, both shared similar Christian values and both were preparing to go to law school.

Hearing from Thomas, Overturf suspected the son was a ruse to draw her back to the evangelical fold. She cut the call short.

When Thomas called again a few days later Overturf let her guard down. The conversation led to emailing that sowed the seeds of a romance—only to have it nearly unravel on their first date. A second date rekindled the spark and within a year of that first phone call, their fate was sealed.

Six months before meeting Overturf, Thomas was in Chicago concluding seven years of what he describes as his “monk life,” a solitary existence of prayer spent in parts of the U.S., New Zealand and Asia. It was his most serious attempt yet to overcome addiction.

Having barely graduated from high school, Thomas did not have many options for college. Fortunately, his mother worked for Wheaton College, giving Thomas affordable access to higher education within the evangelical college network. He chose Azusa Pacific University (APU) in Los Angeles.

At APU, Thomas developed what became lifelong friendships. One of those friends saw something special in Thomas—a destiny to help the poor. Thomas felt it too. During his solitary retreat, he flirted with the idea of a religious vocation before deciding law was his best route to achieve social change.

Less than 30 miles southwest of Los Angeles, Overturf had a very different experience at Biola University, an evangelical college where she chose to pursue a career as a foreign missionary.

From age 14, Overturf saw the evangelical church as her ticket out of a financially unstable upbringing. Of her own volition, Overturf chose the church as her “safe space” to help reach that goal.

The dream fell apart, Overturf says, when she discovered her faith “wasn't rooted on a deeper level of addressing social injustice.” A college trip to Latin America triggered her social barometer and she began asking questions. When church leaders ignored her, she learned another hard truth. “There was no place for women leaders in the faith.”

By then financially indebted, she had no choice but to complete her degree. She returned to hairdressing after graduation to plot a legal career that would enable her to effect real change in the lives of vulnerable and marginalized people.

After months of emailing, Overturf and Thomas decided to meet in person in Los Angeles.



Unexpected circumstances brought School of Law graduates Angeline Overturf Thomas and Stephan Thomas together.

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The weekend got off to a bumpy start. Honesty being a ground rule, Overturf told Thomas he wasn't her type and he responded the same. But neither could deny their effortless conversations.

The stakes raised, Thomas went all out for the second date. It included lunch in Mexico and a tour around San Diego where he had worked after college for an organization serving the poor.

By the end of the day, future plans were in full swing.

Once settled in as a couple, there was a lot to do: study for the law school entrance exam, choose a law school, move to a new city. Oh, and get married. They enrolled at Seattle U one week after their wedding. The honeymoon came four years later.

The Thomases have been married 10 years now and have a 3-year-old son, Xavier.

Through their respective careers in the nonprofit and legal sectors, the Thomases are living up to the goals they set for themselves years ago.

As executive director of Washington Appleseed, Overturf Thomas marshals volunteer attorneys to address policy and legal initiatives that redress historical power imbalances. Previously, she managed the law school's foreclosure-prevention program.

A King County prosecutor, Thomas serves as director of Community Justice Initiatives, a role in which he advises King

County's elected prosecutor on restorative justice, community partnerships and criminal justice reform. He also volunteers for the King County Prosecutor's Choose 180 program, sharing stories from his own troubled youth to inspire young offenders to make better choices.

Thomas says his SU mentors helped him understand how the prosecutor's office ensures fairness in the criminal justice system. The lesson fit with the school's social justice mission that drew him to SU. "It was where I wanted to be," he says.

Overturf Thomas knew nothing about public interest law before coming to SU, but quickly discovered it was her calling.

Today the couple's professional roles are overlapping as Washington Appleseed makes a foray into the criminal justice arena with its Foster-Care-to-Prison Pipeline initiative, which examines why so many state-raised children end up in prison as adults.

It's an ironic situation for two people who once couldn't have imagined working in criminal law.

"Sometimes you have to walk through the door and claim your calling," Overturf Thomas says. "Other times it calls to you and you have to answer."

MEET JONATHAN BROWN

NEW AVP OF ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

“Perhaps most exciting is the opportunity to contribute to a community where we all share the common bond of receiving an education from an excellent institution that inspires students to lead, serve and grow.”

—Jonathan Brown, '92, '94 EdD



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The new leader of Seattle University's Alumni Association is himself an alum—a double alum, to be exact.

Jonathan Brown, '92, '94 EdD, has been named the Assistant Vice President, returning to his alma mater from Highline College. At Highline he was associate dean for the Center for Service & Leadership, Engagement and Assessment. He served at the college from 2001 and last year was named Employee of the Year.

In his role as AVP, Brown says he is most excited about engaging with the alumni community—78,000 strong—which he refers to as “the world’s finest alumni.”

“Perhaps most exciting is the opportunity to contribute to a community where we all share the common bond of receiving an education from an excellent institution that inspires students to lead, serve and grow,” says Brown. “Now, that feels worthy of being my life’s work.”

Brown, who earned a bachelor’s in philosophy and English (Honors) in 1992 and a master’s in Student Development Administration in 1994, has been active at SU since graduation. He founded and led an alumni chapter for graduates of the student development program and has taught graduate courses at the College of Education.

The opportunity to return to Seattle U to lead the Alumni Association was one Brown couldn’t pass up.

“I’m not sure I ever wanted to leave in the first place,” he says. “Seattle U has always been a home space for me. And ... to return to a campus I adore, work with people I admire and connect with fellow alumni to build meaningful communities attracted me to this position.”

In this role Brown says he is here to serve the alumni community and strengthen connections with the university.

“I am returning at a time when the university wants to hear the voice of alumni. We want to feel the presence of our graduates, new and old, engaged and active, with meaningful connections back to the school and as agents for positive change,” says Brown. “I want alumni to know there is still space at the Seattle U table and our alumni team will help you find it.”

In his first year, Brown plans to listen and learn from alumni and volunteers and to focus on fortifying systems of engagement.

In his free time he enjoys spending time with his wife Rochelle and kids Max and Elise, distance running and cooking.

—Tina Potterf
(Caitlyn Joyce/Alumni Association contributed to this story.)

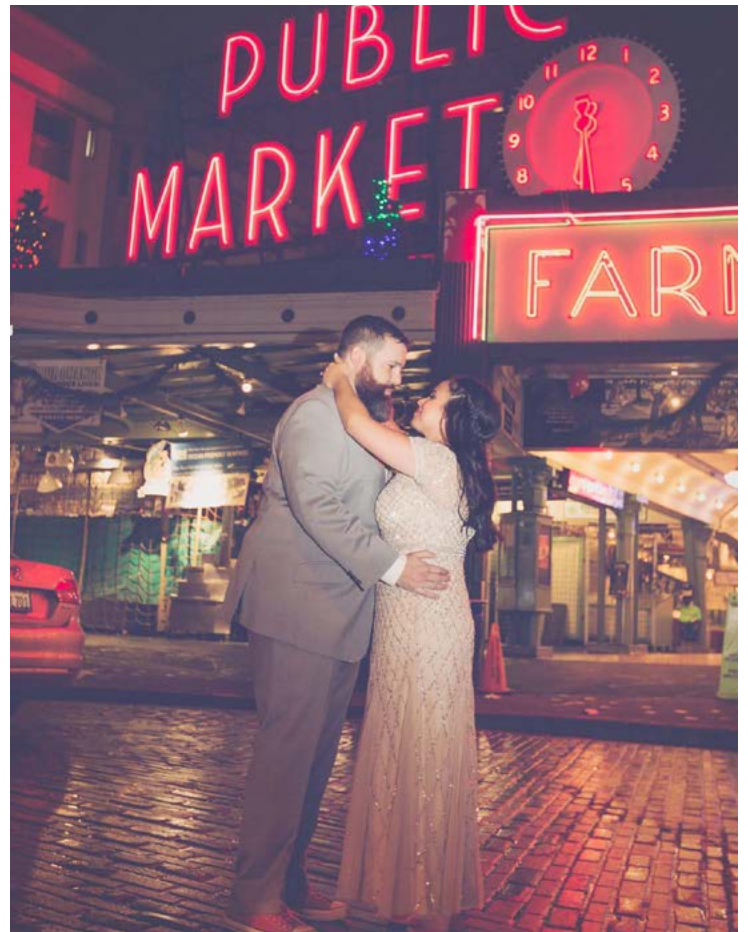
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CLASS NOTES



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Jennie (Habersetzer) Schwartz, '11, married **Zac Schwartz** August 19, 2017 at Chamber's Bay in Tacoma. Several alumni and guests attended including **Roald Dietzman**, '11, **Nick Spada**, '10, **Haley (McGoldrick) Dietzman**, '10, **Eric Braun**, **Carlo Itchon**, '11, **Kerianne (Quioco) Cole**, '11, **Max Cole**, '11, **Mari (Paonessa) Braun**, '11, '15 **JD, Winny Chao**, '10, **Michele Liang**, '12, **Jen (Cobb) Spada**, '11, **Holly (Cameron) Bullock**, **Molly Bailey**, '10, **Brenden Bullock**, '12, **Shawn Jake Lee**, '11, **Kiley Brehm**, '11, **Brandon Hexel**, '12, **Brittany (Maynard) Pedersen**, '11, **Quang Lam-Quach**, '10, **Stephen Freeman-Jackson**, '12, **Kim (Sandhu) Cox**, '11, **Stephanie (Parrish) Saracevic**, '12, and **Jessica (Fisher) Avery**, '11.



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Angie Connell, '09 **MBA**, married **Carissa Morris** August 29, 2015, on Whidbey Island. Connell is a senior manager of technical support, Global Programs and Operations, at Tableau Software in Seattle's Fremont neighborhood. The couple recently bought a home in West Seattle and are working on starting a family.



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Angelica Germani, '04, and **Cody Peck** were married December 2016, at Beecher's Loft in Seattle. Cody is a graduate of American Military University. The Rev. John Whitaker, uncle of the groom, performed the intimate ceremony in the presence of family and close friends. The couple honeymooned in Boracay, Philippines.

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Nathan Oliver, '05, married **Michael Ball** June 29, 2017, on a yacht in Saint-Jean-Cap-Ferrat, France, with 50 of their closest friends and family, including Seattle University alumni **Heather Satoris**, '04, and **Brandon Kinports**, '04. Nathan and Michael reside in San Francisco and Sonoma, Calif.

1954



Dick Manning is the 2018 recipient of the Legal Foundation of Washington's President's Award. Manning, who is pictured with State Attorney General Bob Ferguson, has a long and impressive career in the legal community. Formerly he was president of the Washington State Bar Association, the King County Bar Association and the King County Bar Foundation. Currently Manning is on the board of the Campaign for Equal Justice, the Endowment for Equal Justice and the Clallam-Jefferson Pro-Bono Lawyers Board of Directors. He resides in Port Angeles, Wash., and continues to be an invaluable mentor, inspiring and coaching young lawyers.

1961



Faculty member Rosa Joshi's directorial debut, *Henry V*, opened February 24 at the Oregon Shakespeare Festival in Ashland, Ore., and featured some friendly faces in the audience. Among those in attendance: Alumnus **Jim Dykeman, '61** (pictured far right), daughter Tamara, granddaughter Sadie, College of Arts and Science Dean David Powers, Professor Ki Gottberg and **Katie Chapman, '98, '17**, who cheered on Joshi during the play's opening weekend.

1977

Christopher C. Harmon, now professor at the Daniel K. Inouye Asia Pacific Center for Security Studies, Honolulu, is co-author of a new book. *The Terrorist Argument: Modern Advocacy and Propaganda*, from Brookings Institution Press in paperback and e-book form, fuses media studies and terrorism studies by a scholar with long reach. Harmon's political science PhD dissertation was about terrorism and he has written five books on the topic. Harmon, who's lectured often to SU's ROTC unit, has been speaking on the new book in the D.C. area at think tanks, graduate schools and the State Department.

1988



Marilyn Leck, MBA, was honored as the recipient of the 2017 Award of Distinction by the Seattle Opera Guild during a Seattle Opera Guild 60th Anniversary celebration. Leck was recognized for her leadership and fundraising. She says, "Thank you, Seattle University MBA, for including the importance of community in our leadership training!"

Toni Napoli, MA, LMHC, has gone from a single practice to the founder of a group practice called Counseling West Seattle.

1989

Tom Brubaker, JD, a graduate of the School of Law and Kent City Attorney, received a lifetime achievement award from the Washington Association of Municipal Attorneys last fall. Brubaker, who has been with the city since 1990, received the Earnest Campbell Award for

Excellence in Municipal Law, the highest honor from the association.

1991

Captain Benes Z. Aldana, chief trial judge of the U.S. Coast Guard, has been selected as president of the National Judicial College.

1994

Randy Kessler, MBA, was recently named as executive director for the Northwest region of StandWithUs, an international, nonprofit Israel education organization. Kessler says, "... In this role, I bring speakers, films and print materials to deliver engaging, fact-based education efforts across the community. We provide these resources to churches, schools and community organizations and also promote fair and balanced treatment of Israel in the public square. I'm thrilled to combine the business skills that I honed in my MBA program with my passion for telling Israel's story!"

1996

Allison Kemmis-Price sent along this professional update and note: "Hope all is well in Seattle. Congrats to Father Steve for 20 years of service! I've taken up the leadership of the development operations for St. Stephen's School of Rome. Grazie!"

2000

In July 2017, **Steven Stolle** (School of Law) opened the Stolle Law Group, P.S. in Seattle, specializing in insurance coverage and litigation.

2005

Ashley J. Hayes, managing and principal broker of the UrbanAsh Team with Pointe3 Real Estate, has joined Noticed, an invitation-only service for distinguished professionals. Hayes has been chosen as a Distinguished Real Estate Professional based on peer reviews, ratings and accomplishments throughout her career. Today the focus of her work is urban homes and condos in the downtown core and nearby neighborhoods. Hayes is also a leasing specialist and COO of Seattle Rental Group.

Seattle University remembers those in our alumni family
and university community we've lost.

1947

Monica Rose Roller (December 5, 2017)

1948

Mary Croce (December 3, 2017)

1949

Mary "Mac" (Claes) Duhamel
(January 22, 2018)

John Robert "Bob" Lariviere
(December 5, 2017)

Margaret Mary (Siemion)McHugh
(December 16, 2017)

Dr. Harry Martin Nelson (October 8, 2017)

John Spellman (January 16, 2018)

Lois Elizabeth Murphy Spellman
(January 25, 2018)

1950

Robert "Bob" Hill (November 8, 2017)

Rita G. Hooper (January 24, 2018)

Daniel James Novak (December 26, 2017)

1951

Walter W. Hoyer (May 13, 2017)

John Patrick McGillicuddy
(February 27, 2018)

1952

Brian Joseph Ducey (November 5, 2017)

Dr. Francis "Frank" Vincent Yanak
(December 3, 2017)

1954

Patrick S. Gray (January 9, 2018)

1958

Susan F. Baker (December 25, 2017)

Michael Joseph Sullivan
(November 19, 2017)

1959

Paul Larson (December 15, 2017)

1961

Darlene Stromme Haggemiller
(October 3, 2017)

1962

Frank Michael Lemon (January 12, 2018)

1963

Jeanne Kramer Butsch (August 17, 2017)

James Alexander Gow (December 7, 2017)

1964

Michael Anthony Hawkes
(December 25, 2017)

1965

William Clifford Farrow (December 11, 2017)

Roger Lamar Ramsey (January 15, 2018)

Michael John Shanks (November 9, 2017)

1967

Jo-Anne Marie (Cassidy) Rabitoy
(September 25, 2017)

1968

Stephen Frederick Norman
(January 5, 2018)

Bruce Paul Radue (November 10, 2017)

1969

John Richard Ghiglione
(December 26, 2017)

1971

Edgar M. King, MEd (March 19, 2018)

1972

Andrea Mahealani Cummings
Hamilton (July 21, 2017)

Philip Christian Kuder (January 10, 2018)

1973

Thomas Hugh Bennett, MBA
(November 17, 2017)

Daniel F. Turner (October 31, 2017)

1974

Michael Lee Gillespie (June 15, 2017)
David F. Hebb (July 19, 2017)

1975

Wayne James Melonson (December 9, 2017)
Martha Conlon Robeck (January 14, 2018)

1976

Lorraine R. Lopez (December 2, 2017)
Valerie Ann Marshall (March 17, 2018)

1978

Robert Paul Bonnar, JD (December 15, 2017)
Barbara Jean Purvis (January 22, 2018)
Sister Jude Van Baalen, MA

1981

Frank Pennylegion (December 1, 2017)

1982

Monte Addison McVay (October 30, 2017)

1988

Mary Christine Ajzenman
(November 13, 2015)

1987

Donna Jacqueline Powers, JD
(March 22, 2018)

1991

Sister Laurice Heybl, MAPS
(November 6, 2017)

1992

(staff) Rose Zbiegien, '99 (March 23, 2018)

1994

Janice "Jan" Harlow, EdD
(January 26, 2018)

2008

Clarice Galvez-Heilbron (October 18, 2017)



PAINTING THE POPE

**SEATTLE ARTIST
PAUL MULLALLY, '71,
GETS ONCE-IN-A-
LIFETIME REQUEST**

By Tracy DeCroce

Seattle artist Paul Mullally, '71, already had one of his paintings—that of St. Therese of Lisieux—rumored to be hanging in Pope Francis' private Vatican residence when he received a request that topped even that: paint a portrait of Pope Francis.

From then on, the experience only got better.

Last fall, Mullally, his wife and two daughters were honored guests for the painting's unveiling in its new home, the Pontifical Orientale Institute, a Jesuit Catholic organization that acts as a bridge between East and West Catholic churches in service to the poor. The institute commissioned the work to commemorate its 100th anniversary.

In attendance for the unveiling, Pope Francis stood with Mullally and his family in front of the painting. As the draping was lowered, the artist found himself glancing sideways to check his rendering against the religious leader now standing before him.

"I remember shaking his hand and thinking, 'Yes, that really is him,'" says Mullally.

When choosing an artist for the portrait, Mullally was the first and only choice of Bill Watson, S.J., a member of Seattle U's Jesuit community who serves as vice president of the Gregorian University Foundation (GUF), which supports the institute. An art connoisseur, Father Watson has admired Mullally's work for decades.

"Paul is one of the best in the United States in this type of classical art. He is a great portrait painter." —Bill Watson, S.J.

Visited at his home by Fr. Watson, the Orientale president and the GUF president to finalize the offer, Mullally was deeply humbled. "I went all kind of numb and fuzzy," he says. "Who could refuse?"

Over the course of his career, Mullally has produced just two other paintings with religious themes. He painted St. Therese at the behest of his Catholic father. The portrait later passed on to

Fr. Watson, who ministered to the elder Mullally upon his death, and was subsequently gifted to the Vatican. Mullally's other religious piece, "Madonna Angelica," was privately owned until it was bequeathed to Carroll College in Helena, Mont.

One of 12 children, Mullally showed his artistic gifts early. More adventurer than traditional student, however, he struggled through Catholic elementary school and dropped out of Seattle University twice before graduating with a Fine Arts degree that he says "fueled my direction." Immediately following graduation, he traveled and eventually settled in New York to study and pursue art.

In the late 1980s he returned to Seattle and his career took off. Today, as a Master Signature Member of the Oil Painters of America and a Fellow in the American Society of Marine Artists, his representational works capture their subjects with striking realism and emotion.

When considering how to portray the pontiff, Mullally, with the Jesuits' blessing, elected to depict him ministering to Syrian refugees. To accurately capture his subject, the artist worked from Vatican photographs of the pope at refugee camps in Greece.

The resulting composition is of the pope in tight formation with a small group of adults and children, their hands extended and sometimes clutching one another. The arm reaching from the painting's lower corner is modeled on Mullally's 87-year-old father-in-law. Mullally gave the honor of naming the painting to the institute's Jesuits, who christened it, "Under His Mercy."

Before traveling to Rome, the painting spent a month at the Jesuit community residence at Seattle U.

Mullally, his wife Bente and daughters Annelise, 9, and Ise, 7, received the royal treatment during their nine-day visit to Rome.

The crowning glory came during a special mass for the institute's anniversary. His daughters were shepherded to the altar where Pope Francis himself conferred the sacrament of first Holy Communion upon them.

"That moment when our girls walked up to the altar ... was the closest feeling to heaven on Earth that I've ever experienced," Mullally says. "There's nothing that will top that."



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