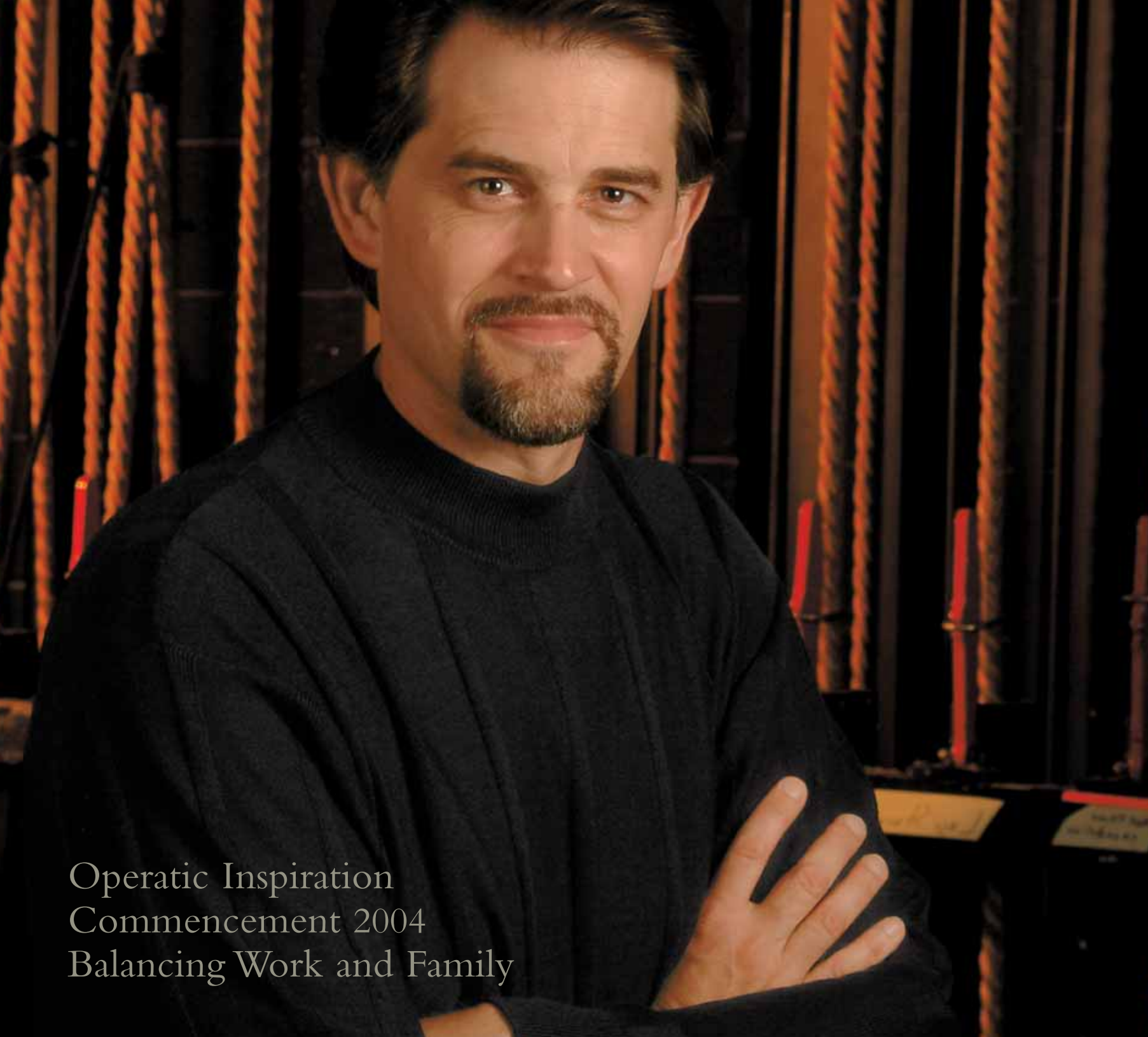




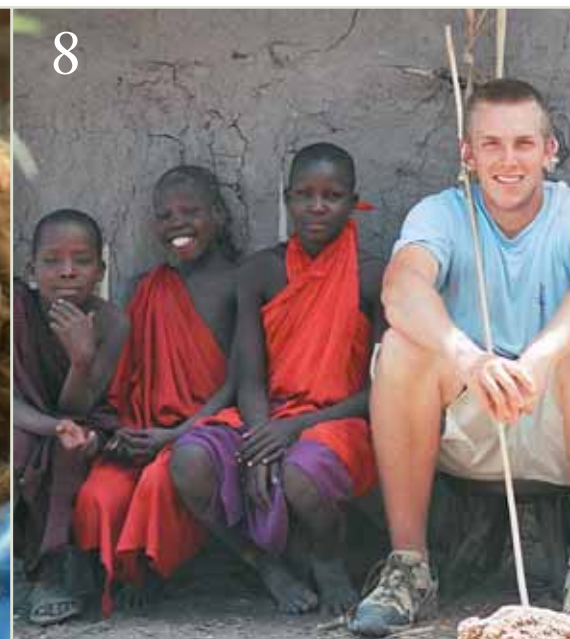
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You may not have noticed, but every issue of *Wheaton* magazine has what we call the “transitional feature,” two pages, light on copy but graphically compelling. Situated after the campus news and sports, it serves as a bridge between the “front matter” section and the “feature well.”

This issue’s transitional feature (pages 14–15) is written by Wheaton alumnus Kenneth N. Taylor ’38, Litt.D. ’65—author, Bible translator, and founder and CEO of a successful publishing company. His assignment was to write about anything he wished. So what does he choose to tell us, as he acknowledges growing old and nearing heaven—this gentleman with four honorary doctorates, numerous awards, and countless accomplishments? He returns to the basics of the gospel of Jesus Christ, to a faith simple enough for a child to understand.

Our magazine’s layout places this transitional feature before President Litfin’s baccalaureate address to Wheaton’s graduates of 2004. Just like Dr. Taylor 66 years ago, these young men and women are now beginning their life adventures. National rankings place them among the brightest graduates in the country, recognizing them as having one of the finest educations in the world. But how can that be? How can higher education based on a faith simple enough for a child to understand, be possible? Some would say it isn’t, that an education based on absolute truth is contradictory to the very definition of the liberal arts. But Dr. Litfin has many thoughts on this subject, and you can read some of them in his continuing series on Christian higher education on page 64.

Thus the paradox for Ken Taylor and for Wheaton College: unapologetically standing for the simple, but not simplistic, gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ—relying on Truth so complex that we spend our resources, energy, and intellect delving into its unfathomable intricacies, boldly questioning what confounds the wise, and resting in the knowledge that in due time He will make all things known.



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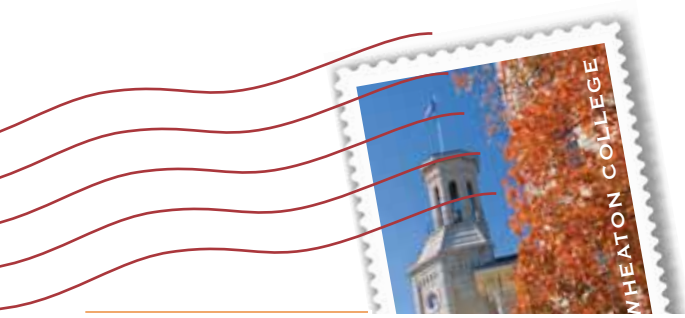
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**Pass It On**

I give my *Wheaton* magazine to the couple in charge of youth ministries here, because I think it gives a good understanding of Wheaton to prospective students and their parents.  
*Margaret A Pittman '63, WSH '62  
Waxhaw, North Carolina*

Editor's note: *It's a great idea to "recycle" your Wheaton magazines to friends and family (after you've pored over them, of course)—perhaps you could even place them in church and high school libraries or waiting rooms in offices or ministries.*

**Pulling Out All the Stops**

It was with special interest that I read of the wonderful new Casavant Freres Opus 3796 Organ given to Wheaton. It must be a serious change from what we had back in Edman Chapel in 1965, which was also a fine instrument. Your new Casavant has 50 stops and 70 ranks. I had the honor of singing with the Skinner/Schlicker Organ(s) in the First Congregational Church of Los Angeles. It has far more stops, 350 ranks, and over 20,000 pipes. For seven years I was tenor soloist against that behemoth, not only for the two Sunday services, but also for the "Los Angeles Bach Festival." There may be structural differences, but "four-manual, dual-console mechanical action organ" fits each one.

Sincerest congratulations on receiving such an outstanding gift. No doubt it

will be played very well "to the glory of God." I look forward to hearing it.  
*Hedley Nosworthy '65  
Palos Verdes Peninsula, California*

Editor's note: *What grand performance opportunities you've had! Organ professor Dr. Edward Zimmerman is familiar with the Skinner/Schlicker organ and clarifies the differences between the two: Wheaton's organ has mechanical and electric actions that can be played from two separate consoles—not just mechanical.*

**More Memories of C. F. H. Henry**

My wife and I went through the new edition of the magazine with unusual interest. Especially did I enjoy the piece on Carl Henry, including the picture from the Berlin Congress on Evangelism. I met Dr. Henry while being attached to the Congress as German media secretary, when, as a missionary with Greater Europe Mission, I was on loan to the Billy Graham Evangelistic Association.

*Wayne Detzler '59, M.A. '61  
Charlotte, North Carolina*

Congratulations on another great issue of *Wheaton*. I appreciated Dr. Litfin's address on Carl F. H. Henry in the spring issue. He was one of the special lecturers with the Air Force overseas when I was a chaplain, and I often asked him to speak when I was stationed at Headquarters Command in Washington, D.C. What a giant intellect and

tremendous man of God. When I was working in the alumni and church relations department at Northern Baptist Theological Seminary (from which he earned two doctorates), we awarded him the Alumnus of the Year Award.  
*Robert Maase  
Alhambra, California*



Carl F. H. Henry

**You're Welcomed Back, Anytime**

You should be commended for a great issue of the *Wheaton* magazine! To an alumnus of the Class of 1948, it showed "the feel" of the Wheaton campus in this modern age.

I made a conscious effort to distance myself from Wheaton and its activities when I had a bad situation happen with my attempt to enroll my daughter in 1976. It appears that Wheaton has changed, and my only regret is that my family's tradition of education at Wheaton was broken for so many years.

An interesting sidelight: the daughter of whom I write was delivered into this world by Dr. Charles Edman, oldest son of our Prexy Edman, Wheaton's president when I was a student.  
*Bob Wells '48  
San Diego, California*

## **The Cost of Higher Ed**

I see that once again Wheaton takes perverse pride in a cost increase (7.6%) that is many times the rate of inflation and the average increase in earning power in this country, and then takes comfort that costs are equally out of control at peer institutions. It would be interesting to see a year-by-year comparison of Wheaton's cost increases with inflation. The end will be (probably already achieved) that Wheaton and its peers are places only for the wealthy.

What I know for sure is that Wheaton was not to be considered for any of our five children (all of whom have at least bachelor's degrees elsewhere), and it will be completely unthinkable for any of our nine grandchildren (the oldest of whom is a sophomore elsewhere).

*Allen J. Hubin '58*

*White Bear Lake, Minnesota*

Editor's note: *Thanks for letting us know your concerns. I asked Dave Johnston '65, Wheaton's Senior Vice President for Finance, to respond:*

You are correct in noting that in recent years Wheaton's tuition charges have increased at a more rapid rate than the rate of inflation in the general economy. But to use the rate of inflation as a measure is not useful. Here's why: Over the eight years from 1995 to 2003, the consumer price index rose by an average 2.4% per year while tuition for full-time undergraduate students at Wheaton rose by an average 4.9% per year. Wheaton, like all of higher education, experienced larger increases in its operating costs

than were experienced in the economy as a whole. Such factors as expanded use of technology, a strengthened faculty, and improved facilities increased our operating costs and led to above normal increases in tuition.

Nevertheless, it does not follow that these tuition increases have made Wheaton a place only for the wealthy. Wheaton commits a very significant amount of funding each year to ensure that students who wish to attend are able to do so even when their families are unable to pay our stated charges. As a result of this commitment, nearly 60% of our students receive institutionally funded grants and on average those grants cover nearly 40% of the tuition charge. Furthermore, it is important to note that Wheaton's tuition is quite reasonable. This year 6 of the 13 members of the Christian College Consortium and 49 of 50 colleges ranked similarly to Wheaton by *U.S. News and World Report* charge higher tuition than Wheaton does.

## **What's in a Name**

I want to tell you a story that is particularly interesting because of its Wheaton connection.

Last summer I was asked to speak to the MBA students and faculty at Karunya Institute of Technology, a Christian university in Coimbatore, India. I found myself seated on the platform next to Billy Graham—but this Billy Graham is about 5 feet 8 inches tall, with black hair and an Indian accent.

You see, back in the early 1950s the sermon by a young preacher in America (and Wheaton alumnus) named Billy Graham was printed in a tract that was accidentally dropped by a Baptist missionary in Thailand. A young Buddhist woman picked it up off the roadway, read it, and accepted Jesus Christ as her Savior. Time went by, and she met and married a young Indian man who was a Christian. She vowed that if she had a child and it were a boy, she would name him after the man who led her to Christ. Her son, the Billy Graham whom I met, is now serving Christ in this Christian college in India.

It reminded me of Paul's words in 1 Corinthians 3:6: "I planted the seed, Apollos watered it, but God made it grow." When we are faithful to serve Him, God can bring results in ways that transcend time, space, geography, language, or culture.

*Tom Lindholtz '69*

*Elk Grove, California*

## **Write Us**

*We want to hear from you. Send us your letters and e-mails as they relate to material published in the magazine. Correspondence must include your name, address, and phone number. The editor reserves the right to determine the suitability of letters for publication and to edit them for accuracy and length. Unfortunately, not all letters can be published nor can they be returned. Editor, Wheaton  
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CAMPUS NEWS

**Lecture Series Features Harvard Prof**

Dr. Armand Nicholi, an associate clinical professor of psychiatry at the Harvard Medical School and the Massachusetts General Hospital, will visit campus from November 3-5, 2004, as part of the annual Staley Lecture Series, sponsored by the Thomas F. Staley Foundation of Larchmont, New York. Dr. Nicholi will speak on C. S. Lewis and Sigmund Freud, comparing and contrasting the biographies and beliefs of these two widely influential intellectuals. His visit includes three morning chapels and two evening sessions, in addition to a public lecture co-sponsored by the Chaplain's office and the Marion E. Wade Center.

For years, Dr. Nicholi has taught a course on Lewis and Freud at Harvard to

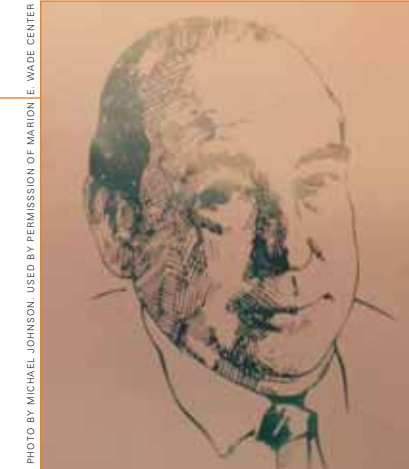


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undergraduates, and more recently to medical students, as well. The popularity of this course led to the publishing of the 2002 book, *The Question of God: C.S. Lewis and Sigmund Freud Debate God, Love, Sex, and the Meaning of Life*.

Dr. Nicholi is highlighted in a new four-hour PBS television film series, which airs in two parts on September 15

and 22, from 9-11 p.m. In conjunction with his visit, a one-hour version of the series will be shown on campus on Wednesday, November 3, at 7 p.m.

**Beamer Student Center Dedication Takes Place Homecoming Weekend**

Returning students will find far more space for studying, meeting, and relaxing this year when the Todd M. Beamer Student Center opens its doors, thanks to the generous support of Wheaton alumni, parents, friends, employees, and students. To celebrate the occasion, a dedication ceremony will be held Friday, October 1, 2004, during Homecoming weekend. The festivities will begin at 11:45 a.m., after a special chapel service, and will include the ribbon-cutting ceremony with the Beamer family, live music, refreshments, and comments from various dignitaries. The Center is dedicated to

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**Fire Erupts at Billy Graham Center**



More than 100 firefighters from Wheaton and surrounding communities responded to an alarm at 6:30 p.m. on June 8, when a fire ignited on the roof of the Billy Graham Center above Barrows Auditorium. Fire crews were able to evacuate an estimated 200 people from the building without incident, and only one minor injury was sustained by a firefighter. The

blaze was extinguished around 8:00 p.m.

Although damage was limited to the auditorium and its roof, with the areas below receiving only smoke and water damage, costs for reconstruction range from \$750,000 to \$1 million. Fortunately, the Billy Graham Center Museum and archives housed in the building were

unaffected. No official cause has been established for the fire.

"The fire department's response was quick and effective," said President Duane Litfin. "If they had not responded in such a timely fashion and with the expertise they did, the building would have sustained more damage. We are thankful for their work."

the memory of the three Wheaton alumni who lost their lives on 9/11— Todd Beamer '91, Jason Oswald '95, and Jeffrey Mladenik, M.A. '95. Participants will include their families, faculty and staff members, donors, trustees, alumni, parents, and other friends.

*For more information about the new Todd M. Beamer Student Center visit [www.wheaton.edu/beamercenter](http://www.wheaton.edu/beamercenter).*



### **Pardon Our Dust**

Despite the absence of students during the summer, campus was alive with activity due to a number of construction projects.

### **In the Trenches**

Navigating around campus was tricky, to say the least, this summer, even if you followed the bright orange signs.

Between the makeshift fencing, men with hard hats, and maze of trench

work, visitors to Wheaton might have felt like they were walking through a military training camp. Massive trenches 12-15 feet wide and 6-7 feet deep were dug from the rear of the BGC, across College Avenue, through the front lawn of Blanchard, and all the way to the Student Services building to make way for a new heating and cooling plant on the southwest side of the BGC. When construction is completed by the summer of 2005, the plant will connect the current piping distribution system to main campus.

### **Preparations for the Plaza**

The closing of Chase Street and the construction of a new plaza between the Student Services building and Anderson Commons brings a peaceful conclusion to years of pedestrian/vehicle conflict in the high traffic area, just in time for the opening of the Beamer Student Center. The Soderquist Plaza, named after Donald and JoAnn Pollard Soderquist (both '55), will consist of two parts: a family-room-style section at the north end with areas for mingling and seating, and a more formal area to the south, including ascending, monument stairs and a Wheaton College sign, not unlike the one on front campus. According to campus architect Bruce Koenigsberg, the plaza will be similar to that of Edman Chapel, and will be used for informal gatherings, bookstore sales, cookouts, small performances, and a variety of other outdoor events.



## Tougher Turf

Installation of new artificial turf fields is nearing completion for soccer and football in East McCully and McCully fields. The new long-bladed turf will replace grass and will allow for more frequent use of the fields. Coaches took the lead in the effort to fund the project, with contributions coming by and large from former Wheaton athletes.

## Conference Emphasizes Faith and Learning

Christian scholars from across the disciplines and representing a number of academic institutions were on hand for the Scripture and the Disciplines Conference, which took place May 24-27 on Wheaton's campus. The conference offered an opportunity for evangelicals in the



humanities and social sciences to dialogue with their colleagues in biblical and theological studies, and to promote the use of Scripture in scholarship.

In addition to hearing plenary speakers, conference participants attended panel discussions and focus sessions for specific disciplines such as theological studies, economics, English, history, political science, psychology, and sociology, coordinated by professors from Wheaton, Hope College, Trinity Evangelical Divinity School, Regent University, and several other institutions.

To obtain a CD or MP3 of the conference, call Media Resources at 630.752.5061.



As a freshman class of 569 individuals (selected from 1,847 applicants), the potential in the Class of 2004 was clear from the beginning: 80 percent graduated in the top 20 percent of their high school classes, and 51 were National Merit Scholars.

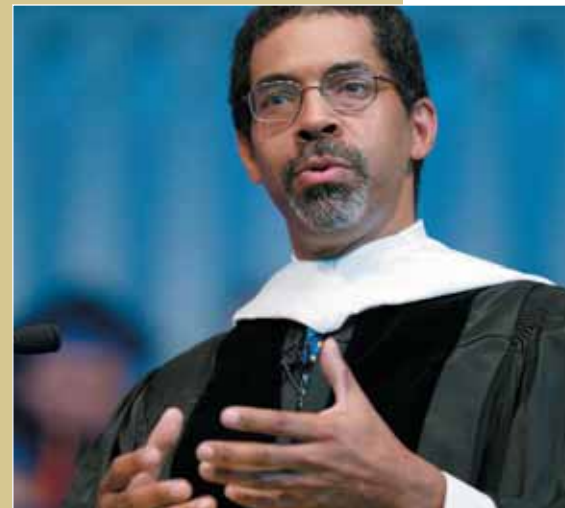
## Newly Packaged Wheaties

After four years and hundreds of credit hours, the majority of Wheaton's newly minted alumni earned their degrees in business/economics, English, communications, and psychology.

**Congratulations to the outstanding students of the Class of 2004!**

**Commencement speaker Stephen L. Carter, William Nelson Cromwell Professor of Law at Yale University, delivered addresses at both the graduate and undergraduate exercises on May 8 and 9.**

**Dr. Carter has been referred to by the *New York Times* as one of the nation's leading public intellectuals, addressing contemporary issues such as how religion can play a role in the nation's politics, law, and culture. He is also recognized by *Time* magazine as one of the 50 leaders of this century.**



*"There's a reason why these young people have been led to be educated as excellently as they have, and the reason is to go out and do Christ's work in the world."*

Stephen L. Carter in his message at the undergraduate ceremony.

by Jessica L. Allen

## Faculty Enriched Through HNGR Participation

**Nathaniel Robinson '04, visited in Tanzania by Dr. Kristen Page (biology):**

"Dr. Page's visit was great. We were able to see a lot of wildlife, and visit the home of one of my good Maasai friends. Our time was very encouraging. I was helped in putting together my interactive map of the vegetation zones, which will be used in the meetings coming up with USAID and African Wildlife Foundation representatives from Washington who are visiting in two weeks. Dr. Page was helpful to me in coming up with specific plans for the rest of my time and study here."

**Sarah Pavelko '04, visited in Sri Lanka by Dr. Sandra Joireman (politics and international relations):**

"[Dr. Joireman's] time here was extremely beneficial. . . she helped me set up a project to do. I will be updating a report that [my hosts] have entitled Human Rights and the Christian Community in Sri Lanka. While Dr. Joireman and I were visiting. . . we had a time of prayer. Afterward she had me go off for a few hours by myself to pray. . . and to come up with goals. . . I was impressed with a deep need to seek to understand, rather than seeking to be understood. . . . To really learn from people here and to properly do my research, I need to learn to understand."

**Micah Hughes '04, visited in Uganda by Dr. Paul Robinson (HNGR director):**

"We sat under the lush citrus trees at my [host] father's house enjoying the cool shade that protected us from the unforgiving equatorial sun. . . with all my brothers, most of my sisters, and both my host father and mother.

It was a time of laughter and acknowledgment of the blessings of the Lord. . . . I will never forget that time, our laughter, the joy on my [host] mother's face as she told [Dr. Robinson] that I was her son.

I did not know what the visit was going to be like, and I did not anticipate it to be such an exploration. . . . It was an unbelievable [time] of verbal processing of the seemingly unending sea of emotions, experiences, and questions of my first three months."

Few things are as comforting as a familiar face, especially for someone who has spent three months overseas in a relatively unfamiliar culture. Living, learning, and serving in some of the world's poorest communities, Wheaton's latest crop of HNGR (Human Needs and Global Resources) interns experienced a touch of home when 20 faculty members traveled to 18 countries in Africa, Asia, and Latin America to visit

them in August.

In the 26 years since its creation, HNGR has sent more than 500 students overseas to developing countries in the two-thirds world. And this figure does not even begin to reflect the number of people who have been personally touched by the program. What began as faculty initiative to encourage student involvement in solving critical global needs has developed into a rigorous, interdisciplinary program that challenges both professors and students.

This year's group of 28 interns represents 13 different fields of study. After completing two years of preliminary coursework in everything from anthropology to research methods and global urban perspectives, interns spend six months abroad integrating that knowledge with practical experience in their areas of interest.

While the HNGR program's mission is rooted in the gospel, HNGR internships are by no means simply missions trips. Dr. Paul Robinson, the director of HNGR since 1999, emphasizes that it is an academic program designed to give students significant work experience in countries plagued by various socio-economic challenges. "As far as I know, this is the only program that sends students out individually in an immersion situation," he says. "I've been involved in cross-cultural and semester-abroad study programs for two and a half decades, and I know of no other program at the undergraduate level that comes anywhere near this."





### Statistically Speaking . . .

Forty percent of HNGR alumni responded to the program's most recent survey (conducted in 2001), on the effect the internship had on their lives:

**88%** reported that the HNGR experience had a significant impact on their careers.

**93%** acknowledged that HNGR had a significant impact on their lifestyle decisions.

**94%** indicated that HNGR has contributed positively to their spiritual walk.

**95%** said their lives are related to development work or cross-cultural experience.

**98%** said that HNGR helped to shape their worldview in relation to everyday living.

Dr. Lindy Scott, associate professor of Spanish and former chair of HNGR's faculty advisory committee, has taken nearly a dozen trips to Central and South America to visit interns over the past eight years, including his latest trip to Peru this past summer.

"My biggest joy is seeing students have an experience overseas where they are stretched incredibly—emotionally, academically, and personally; where they are loved by the local church; where they witness many tough things like poverty, illness, and broken families; but where they see deep levels of spirituality, of love, and of generosity," he says, explaining that his visits offer wonderful times of individual discussion with interns. Though interns correspond with professors throughout the six months, visits provide an opportunity for them to observe the intern at work, in the community, and at home with his or her host family.

"The visits complement and enrich my relationship with students," Dr. Scott continues. "They're a time of friendship, of sharing, and of exploring one-on-one with each student, and that doesn't happen as much as it should on campus. It doesn't happen as much as it should in the classroom." He adds that interacting with the interns also keeps his teaching at Wheaton fresh with illustrations of what students are doing, and what organizations are accomplishing in Latin American countries. Having lived in Latin America for 16 years prior to moving to the United States, he is also able to personally connect students with

individuals and ministries there.

A number of HNGR contacts are established through alumni of the program and current staff members, but Dr. Robinson notes that many are also the product of faculty networking. "It really is a community effort," he says. "When I and other faculty travel we are constantly asking questions and proactively looking for organizations and individuals who are working in some of the places we go. . . . As we are in contact with them, we remain in touch with the rapidly changing needs in this world."

Dr. Sandra Joireman, associate professor of politics and international relations, says her visits with HNGR interns on the field have been not only rewarding, but also fruitful. In the summer of 2002 she traveled to Rwanda to visit a student and conduct collaborative research on the Gacaca genocide courts and their effect on long-term conflict resolution in the country. Together she and her student wrote a paper that was published in *African Affairs* journal and reviewed by *Foreign Policy*, a prominent publication on international relations.

"The visits are not only helpful and encouraging to students, they are encouraging to us and to the organizations that these students work with," she says. "When it comes to the long-term sustainability and well-being of HNGR, faculty advising and mentoring visits are critical. . . . They demonstrate how seriously we take this program."



Micah Hughes '04 is treated like a member of the family during his trip to Uganda (opposite page and above left).

1. Ricky Colquitt '04 makes friends with a little girl in Kenya.
2. Dr. Kristen Page and Nathaniel Robinson '04 photograph wildlife on the savannah.
3. Nathaniel interacts with Maasai children in Tanzania.
4. Dr. Paul Robinson laughs with one of Micah's hosts during his faculty visit.

## STUDENT NEWS

### Seniors Receive Alumni Association Scholarships

Thanks to generous donations to the Alumni Fund, six members of the Class of 2005 will have lighter financial loads this year. These outstanding seniors received the Alumni Association's annual Senior Scholarship Awards. All were chosen by the Alumni Board of Directors from nominations provided by faculty and staff.

■ **Holly Elzinga** of Byron Center, Michigan, is an art major with a community art and missions concentration. She serves as a resident assistant, and is a member of the College's wind ensemble, as well as a member of the art selection committee for *Kodon* literary magazine. Holly has participated in the Youth Hostel Ministry, and is also completing a HNGR internship in Uganda. She hopes to use her artistic skills and other abilities to bring healing and economic advancement to impoverished

communities and developing countries.

■ **Steven Harsono**, of Granite Bay, California, is a double major in international relations and economics, with a minor in French. He is the editor-in-chief of the *Wheaton Record*, president of the Men's Glee Club, chair of the Wheaton chapter of the Council on Faith and International Affairs, and a development assistant with Wheaton's advancement office. In addition, Steven is a member of Pi Sigma Alpha, the political science honor society, and the Model United Nations. He is an Emmanuel mentor, and tutors in both French and English. Steven has also participated in Wheaton in France and Wheaton in the Black Hills summer study programs. He recently completed a summer internship at the International Centre for Reconciliation at Coventry Cathedral in England, where he would one day like to work. He aspires to be a diplomat, peacemaker, and pastor, restoring broken

relationships in war-torn countries.

■ **Kari Oftedal** of East Hanover, New Jersey, is a biology major with a minor in Spanish. She has participated in the Honduras Project, Wheaton in Spain, and Concert Choir. In addition to serving as a volunteer ministry coordinator at LaRabida Children's Hospital, she works as a receptionist for the admissions office. Kari attends Bible studies at Grace Church of DuPage, and hopes to start a "Women in Science" Bible study and prayer group. A biology teacher's assistant, Kari has also studied at Wheaton's science station in the Black Hills. She plans on attending medical school after graduation, and would like to become a doctor in an urban setting where she can use her Spanish-speaking skills. Her dream is to open a clinic for the impoverished in New York City.

■ **Chris Upham** is an international relations and philosophy double major from New Hartford, New York. His involvements include Pi Sigma Alpha and Phi Sigma Tau (honor societies for political science and philosophy), Men's Glee Club, and the Honduras Project. In addition, Chris has served as a teaching assistant and Stupe worker, and has interned with the International Center for Reconciliation. He hopes to complete a graduate program in Middle Eastern studies, and a doctoral program in political theory or ancient philosophy, and eventually become a professor. After graduation, he plans to get married and move to Israel.

■ **Kimberly Gilsdorf** of Fort Collins, Colorado, is an international relations major. She has participated in the



Six seniors chosen by the Alumni Board of Directors received Senior Scholarship Awards (from left): Jeremy Weber, Holly Elzinga, Chris Upham, Chuck Hogren '58 (Alumni Association President), Kimberly Gilsdorf, Steven Harsono, Kari Oftedal.

### Music and Communication Students Tour England

The London School of Theology and Emmanuel Church, Northwood, hosted a group of Wheaton students for one month as a part of the Arts in London program. Courses included world music, London music theater, European theater, and English Cathedral music. Outside of their studies, students attended concerts (including a performance of the Royal Philharmonic Orchestra); productions like *Anything*



*Goes and Stomp*; evensong services at St. Paul's Cathedral, Kings College, and the British Library; Diaghalev ballets at the Royal Opera House; a concert of African music at Royal Festival Hall; and other events.

"London is the perfect setting for arts studies," said Conservatory director Tony Payne. "You can see the students maturing right before your eyes as they measure one experience against the other."

Honduras Project, International Justice Mission, Plowshares, and Model United Nations. In addition, Kimberly is a teaching assistant in the politics and international relations department, and a member of Pi Sigma Alpha, the political science honor society. In the future, she hopes to work with an international micro-enterprise and development organization locally, before joining the Mennonite Central Committee and moving overseas. Eventually, Kimberly plans to pursue graduate studies, and then become a college or university professor in a developing country.

■ **Jeremy Weber** of Elkhart, Indiana, is a communications major (with an emphasis on media studies), and a Bible/theology minor. He has participated in the Honduras Project for three years, serving as logistics manager and then project director. A teaching assistant for the communications department, Jeremy is the graphic designer for the department chair, as well as a member of Lambda Pi Eta, the communications honor society. His other activities include serving as a small group leader for the high school youth ministry at his church, founding Club Ultimate Frisbee, and contributing as a staff writer for the *Wheaton Record*. Jeremy also participated in the Summer Institute of Journalism in Washington D.C. He hopes to pursue a career in journalism, beginning as a newspaper reporter, and eventually using journalism to support international missions work. In a few years, he would also like to attend graduate school.

### FACULTY NEWS

#### Professor Appointed to Library of Congress

McManis Professor of Christian Thought Dr. Mark Noll has been appointed by the Library of Congress as the Cary and Ann Maguire Chair in American History and Ethics at the John W. Kluge Center. The Center was established in 2000 to bring together the world's best thinkers to stimulate, energize, and distill wisdom from the Library's rich resources, and to interact with policymakers in Washington. Dr. Noll is the third recipient of this honor, following Judge John T. Noonan of the U.S. Court of Appeals, and Jean Bethke Elshtain of the University of Chicago.

With his one-year appointment effective in September, Dr. Noll will be able to pursue research on the significance of the Bible in American public life and ethical issues associated with American history. These may include the conduct of politics and government, as well as the role of religion, business, urban affairs, law, science, and medicine in the ethical dimensions of leadership.

"We are pleased to have in the Maguire Chair a historian who has written about and added so much to the rich history of the roots of American Protestantism," said Prosser Gifford, head of the Office of Scholarly Programs, which oversees the Kluge Center. Dr. Noll, who is also co-founder and adviser for Wheaton's Institute for the Study of American Evangelicals, has been called the premier evangelical church historian in the United States.

### Faculty Members Promoted

The Wheaton College Board of Trustees has acknowledged the hard work and dedication of 15 faculty members by bestowing promotions, tenure, and emeritus status, which became effective in July.

*Faculty member promoted from associate professor to professor:*

**W. Jay Wood**, philosophy

*Faculty members promoted from assistant professor to associate professor:*

**Amy Black**, politics and international relations

**Lynn Cohick**, Bible, theology, archaeology, and world religions

**Steven Kang**, Christian formation and ministry

**Christina Bieber Lake**, English

**John Monson**, Bible, theology, archaeology, and world religions

**Sally Morrison**, education

**Carlos Pozzi**, psychology

**Clinton Shaffer**, foreign languages

*Promotion from instructor to assistant professor:*

**Terry Huttenlock**, library science

**David Malone**, library science

*Tenure:*

**Greg Beale**, Bible, theology, archaeology, and world religions

**Steven Kang**, Christian formation and ministry

**John Monson**, Bible, theology, archaeology, and world religions

**Sally Morrison**, education

**Clinton Shaffer**, foreign languages

*Emeritus:*

**Walter Elwell**, Bible, theology, archaeology, and world religions

**Kathy Marshall Pederson**, foreign languages

**Thomas Kay**, history

by Michael Murray

## Bouncing Back

Two basketball players share the valuable lessons learned along the road to recovery.

### Sarah Harris '03, M.A. '04

All things considered, no one would have blamed Sarah Harris '03, M.A. '04 for walking off the basketball court for good.

Prior to her sophomore season at Wheaton, she suffered a torn anterior cruciate ligament (ACL). Two seasons later, she ruptured two discs in her lower back. And last fall, returning to play after already completing her bachelor's degree, she tore the meniscus in her "good knee."

"Those injuries were all huge disappointments," Sarah reflects. During the recovery process, she realized more fully that "the one security that I have is in the Lord."

Resolving to return to the game, Sarah rearranged her studies in order to play a fifth year at Wheaton. She decided on the accelerated M.A. program, allowing her to earn a bachelor's degree in Spanish in May 2003, and an M.A. in

intercultural studies/TESOL the following summer.

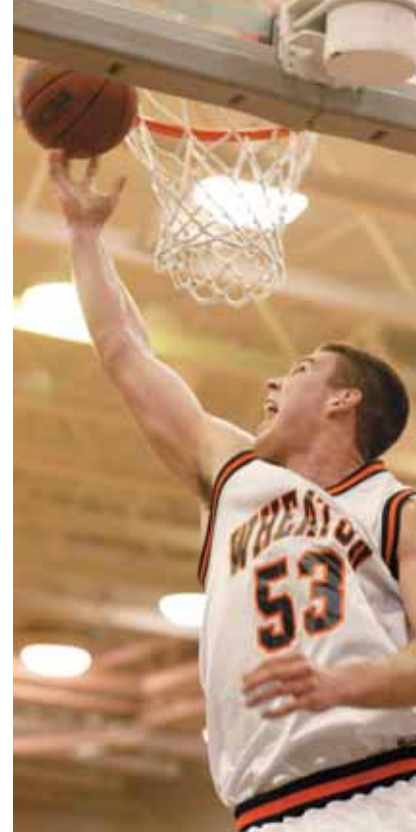
Sarah, a 5' 11" forward, was a tri-captain during her final season. Scoring 8.8 points a game and averaging 4.9 rebounds, she had the second highest set of numbers on the team, in spite of decreased playing time due to her injuries.

But Sarah is not discouraged by these setbacks. "One of the greatest lessons I've learned, especially this year, is that I am not alone," she says. "I have incredible teammates with amazing gifts, and I was able to rely on them."

### Joel Kolmodin '04

Two out of three is undeniably amazing for men's basketball tri-captain Joel Kolmodin '04. As a senior, the 6' 8" center earned All-American honors for the second consecutive time in his three-season playing career at Wheaton, averaging 17.3 points and 9.5 rebounds a game.

Such success is impressive for any athlete in prime condition, and doubly impressive for one plagued by injuries. When Joel entered Wheaton as a freshman, he had already had three arthroscopies to remove cartilage and meniscus from his knees. After playing one season, he sat out his sophomore year, hoping to recover and make a strong return as a junior. But before his senior year, Joel underwent three additional



"Joel's character is impeccable, and he is incredibly disciplined when it comes to keeping himself healthy," says Coach Harris. Joel, who earned his degree in biology/pre-med, plans to begin medical school in the fall of 2005 and specialize in orthopedics.

knee surgeries, for a grand total of six.

Temporarily unable to play, Joel says, "I realized how much basketball was a part of my life. . . . It wasn't just the game, it was being here at Wheaton, the camaraderie with my teammates, and learning from Coach [Bill] Harris. It was an experience I didn't want to miss."

He emphasizes that the rehabilitation process also taught him perseverance. "It was really difficult for me to lose basketball, but I was reminded that the Lord is my strength and I can do all things through Him," he explains.

Joel adds that he was inspired by Hebrews 12:11, one of Coach Harris's favorite verses. "The Lord teaches me through things that aren't always pleasant," Joel says. "He has a bigger plan for me, and that puts things into perspective."



This fall Sarah will attend the University of North Carolina at Greensboro, pursuing a second master's degree in sports psychology and working with the women's basketball program. The daughter of Wheaton's men's basketball coach Bill Harris, Sarah adds, "I'd like to eventually become a college basketball coach—it must run in the family!"



*Will the men's soccer team, led by the NCAA's winningest soccer coach, Joe Bean, top last year's 16-4-2 finish?  
Come support them (and the other Thunder teams) this fall.*

## wheaton's fall sports schedule

### Football

Sept. 11	Gustavus Adolphus College
Sept. 18	Greenville College
Sept. 25	at Hope College
Oct. 2	North Central College
Oct. 9	at Millikin University
Oct. 16	Elmhurst College
Oct. 23	Illinois Wesleyan University
Oct. 30	at Carthage College
Nov. 6	North Park University
Nov. 13	at Augustana College

### Men's Soccer

Sept. 3	Gordon
Sept. 4	at Messiah
Sept. 10	Roanoke (at Esprit DIII Tournament in Cary, N.C.)
Sept. 11	Sewanee (at Esprit DIII Tournament in Cary, N.C.)
Sept. 15	North Central
Sept. 18	at Millikin University
Sept. 22	Benedictine University
Sept. 25	at Augustana College
Sept. 29	at Dominican University
Oct. 1	Wisconsin-Oshkosh
Oct. 6	at North Park University
Oct. 12	at University of Chicago
Oct. 15	Illinois Wesleyan University
Oct. 16	at Carleton College
Oct. 18	at Wisconsin-Whitewater
Oct. 20	Elmhurst College
Oct. 23	Washington University (Mo.)
Oct. 27	at Carthage College
Oct. 29	Macalester
Nov. 2	CCIW Tournament Semi-Finals TBA
Nov. 5	CCIW Finals TBA

### Women's Soccer

Sept. 3	Washington University (Mo.)
Sept. 4	Hope College (at DePauw University Invitational)
Sept. 7	North Central College
Sept. 10	Christopher Newport University (at Esprit DIII Tournament in Cary, N.C.)
Sept. 11	Emory University (at Esprit DIII Tournament in Cary, N.C.)
Sept. 15	at North Park University
Sept. 18	at Millikin University
Sept. 23	at University of Chicago
Sept. 25	at Augustana College
Sept. 29	Illinois Wesleyan University
Oct. 1	Aurora University
Oct. 5	at Wisconsin-Stevens Point
Oct. 8	University Wisconsin-Oshkosh
Oct. 16	at DePauw University
Oct. 18	at Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology
Oct. 20	Elmhurst College
Oct. 23	University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire
Oct. 27	at Carthage College
Oct. 29	Macalester College
Nov. 3	CCIW Women's Soccer Tournament Semifinal TBA
Nov. 6	CCIW Women's Soccer Tournament Final TBA

### Women's Volleyball

Sept. 1	Wheaton Tri-Match
Sept. 3-4	at Dominican University Tournament TBA

Sept. 8	at Carroll College Quad TBA
Sept. 10-11	at Aurora University Tournament TBA
Sept. 18	Thunder Classic
Sept. 21	Augustana College
Sept. 24-25	Wheaton Invitational Tournament
Sept. 28	Carthage College
Sept. 30	Illinois Wesleyan University
Oct. 5	at North Central College
Oct. 7	Elmhurst College
Oct. 9	Orange and Blue Tri-Match
Oct. 12	at Millikin University
Oct. 15	at Rowan University TBA
Oct. 16	at Eastern University Tournament TBA
Oct. 20	North Park University
Oct. 26	Lake Forest College
Oct. 29-30	at Calvin College's "Midwest Classic" TBA
Nov. 2	CCIW Tournament Prelim Match
Nov. 5-6	at CCIW Championships, hosted by North Central

### Men's and Women's Cross Country

Sept. 5	at North Central College Invitational
Sept. 24	at Augustana College Invitational
Oct. 1	at Pre-Nationals Meet
Oct. 8	at Benedictine University Invitational
Oct. 30	at CCIW Cross Country Championships at DuPage River Park (Naperville, Ill.)

Nov. 13	at NCAA Division III Midwest Regional Championships (Davenport, Ill.)
Nov. 22	at NCAA Division III National Championships (Eau Claire, Wis.)

### Women's Golf

Sept. 2	at Augustana Invitational
Sept. 3	at Carthage College Invitational
Sept. 10	at Knox College Invitational
Sept. 11	at Monmouth College Invitational
Sept. 24	at Carthage College Invitational
Sept. 25	at St. Ambrose University Tournament
Sept. 28	at North Central Invitational TBA
Oct. 1-2	CCIW Championships (at Carthage)

### Women's Tennis

Sept. 4	Wisconsin-Whitewater
Sept. 6	at Elmhurst College
Sept. 11	at Carthage
Sept. 11	Lake Forest (at Kenosha, Wis.)
Sept. 17	at Cornell (Iowa)
Sept. 18	at Augustana College
Sept. 24-25	ITA Regional TBA
Oct. 1	Illinois Wesleyan University
Oct. 2	North Central
Oct. 2	Millikin University
Oct. 8-9	CCIW Tournament (Bloomington, Ill.)

**Kenneth N. Taylor** was born to godly parents in Portland, Oregon, May 8, 1917, the second of three sons. He met his future wife, Margaret West (Wheaton College Class of 1939), when they were freshmen at Beaverton High School. They were married in 1940. He attended Dallas Theological Seminary for three years and graduated from Northern Baptist Seminary. Most of his adult life has been spent in Christian publishing, beginning with InterVarsity, and followed by 13 years as director of Moody Press. In 1962 he founded Tyndale House Publishers in order to publish *Living Letters*, the first portion of what eventually became *The Living Bible* in 1972. The Taylors have 10 children, 28 grandchildren, and 22 great-grandchildren.

## ON AGING

BY KENNETH N. TAYLOR '38, LITT.D. '65

When *Wheaton's* editor asked me to write a short article, I guess I was feeling grumpy that day and tried to decline. But she is a good sales lady; and as she opened the possibilities (“You can write on anything you want to”), I began to think about the fact that not many people are old enough to write with authority on Old Age. This fact was further driven home when my wife of 64 years, Margaret, had only seven of her classmates plus spouses show up for their 65th class reunion at Alumni Weekend in May. So being one of the “last roses of summer,” I surely should be able to share a few helpful thoughts.

One of those thoughts is that when I am laid to rest in the next two or three years (or will it be weeks?), not many people will give it more than a passing thought other than to say, “Sorry to hear it.” This is a reminder to me that we do not live for praise but to help others, so whatever needs doing must be done now.

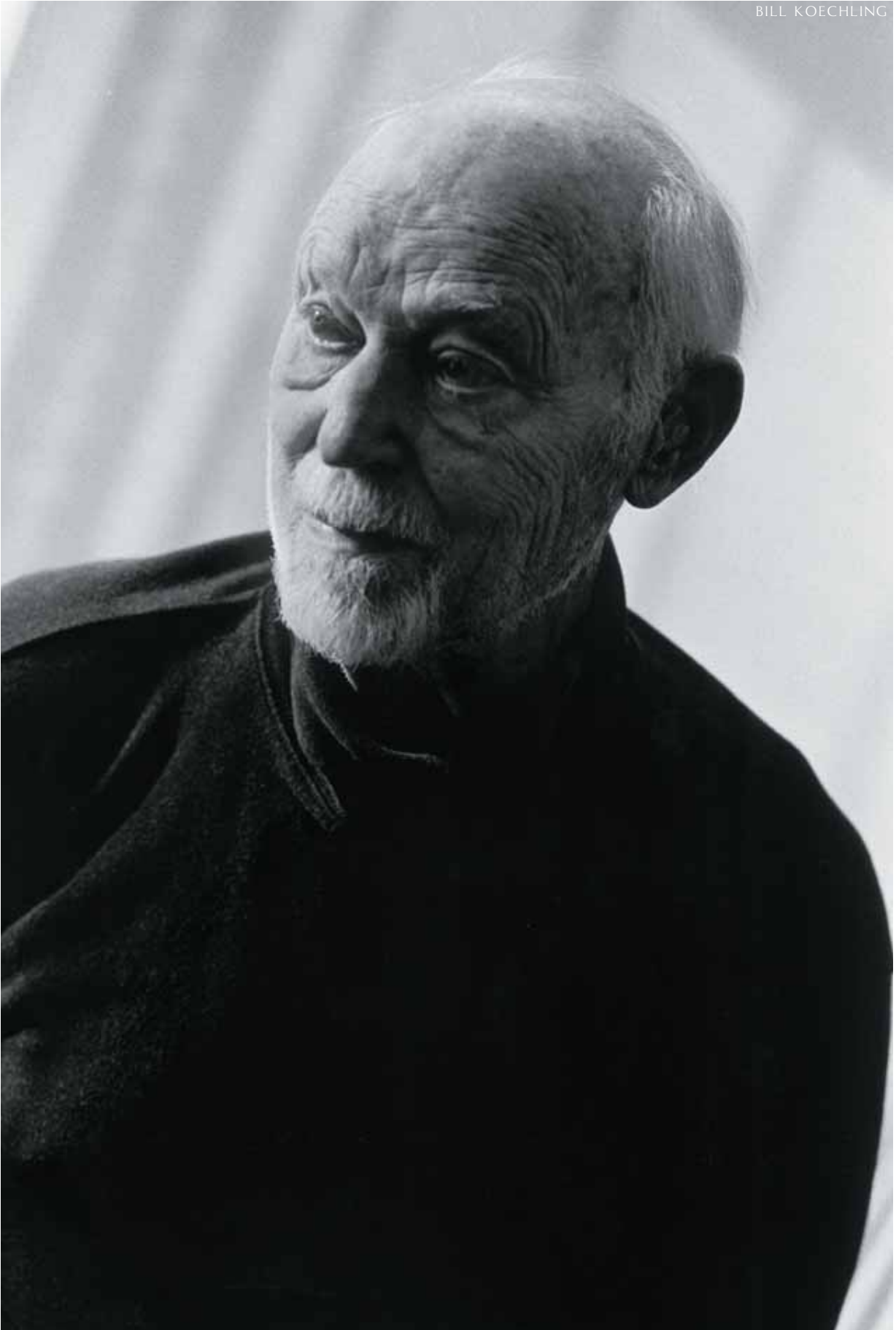
My life’s work of translating and paraphrasing the Bible has been helpful to many through the years, and I pray that even now in whatever remaining time there is, others will be helped.

What, then, remains for me to do? That is what God must tell me. My remaining time, brief as it may or may not be, is as always in God’s hands. I will be His servant to the end, and then suddenly be transformed from a servant into a son! Then I can serve Him even better, and please Him even more. Meanwhile I want to love Him more, and *feel* the warmth of His love for me as well as *know* that His love surrounds me. I want to see my stumbling prayer life grow strong. (I’ve begun—again—a prayer notebook to remind me of things God has told me to pray about, and I check them off with thanks when the answers come.) I want to fill my life with prayer and daily readings of the Scriptures—from Genesis to Revelation—just as I have so often preached to others to do.

So here I am, just past my 87th birthday, anxious beyond all things to enjoy Christ’s love for me, to express my love to Him, and His love to others.

I hope this is your desire, too. Glory to God. See you “up there.”

BILL KOEHLING



BACCALAUREATE ADDRESS TO THE CLASS OF 2004  
BY DR. DUANE LITFIN  
PRESIDENT OF WHEATON COLLEGE



*Large crowds were traveling with Jesus, and turning to them he said: "If anyone comes to me and does not hate his father and mother, his wife and children, his brothers and sisters—yes, even his own life—he cannot be my disciple. And anyone who does not carry his cross and follow me cannot be my disciple.*

*"Suppose one of you wants to build a tower. Will he not first sit down and estimate the cost to see if he has enough money to complete it? For if he lays the foundation and is not able to finish it, everyone who sees it will ridicule him, saying, 'This fellow began to build and was not able to finish.'*

*"Or suppose a king is about to go to war against another king. Will he not first sit down and consider whether he is able with ten thousand men to oppose the one coming against him with twenty thousand? If he is not able, he will send a delegation while the other is still a long way off and will ask for terms of peace. In the same way, any of you who does not give up everything he has cannot be my disciple.*

*"Salt is good, but if it loses its saltiness, how can it be made salty again? It is fit neither for the soil nor for the manure pile; it is thrown out.*

*"He who has ears to hear, let him hear."*

*Luke 14:25-34 (NIV)*

# THE PRICE OF SALT



We live in that kind of world. We're in a hurry for everything, it seems. Internet connections that five years ago would have seemed lightning fast are now agonizingly slow. We have a passion for the immediate, a dislike of waiting for anything. Everything in our world, it seems, tends to be measured against the short term.

Well, not everything. Not if you're a Christian. In fact, I suspect that beneath it all there exists in the universe something we might call a "significance ratio." It runs like this: *The more important something is, the more likely it can only be measured against the long term.* It's a ratio I want to think about with you.

You graduates are finishing your four years at Wheaton College. You may feel it's been a long road and now you're in a hurry. You've got all of the enthusiasm of youth. You're impatient to see what lies ahead—to find answers, to see what the road map of the rest of your life may look like. And you want it to happen, if not right now, then tomorrow.

But here's a passage (Luke 14:25-34) that says, "Hold it. Wait a second." It's a passage that is crucial, I think, for those who are just starting out, newly minted graduates facing their "commencement." But also, no less crucial, I suppose, for those of us who are already far along on our own journeys.

We find Jesus on the move in our passage, with large crowds trailing him. They appeared to be flocking to Jesus, but how many were there for the right reasons? They seemed to be thronging Him, but how many truly understood what it meant to be His disciple? They were eagerly seeking Him out now, but how many would be there with Him in the end? Jesus designed the words of this passage as a "gut-check" for all who consider themselves His disciples. He wants to remind us that serving Him is not just something for the short term.

Jesus' words to this crowd are some of the harshest He ever spoke. "If any man comes to me," He said, "and does not hate his own father and mother, his wife and children, brother, sister—yes, even his own life—he cannot be my disciple. Anyone who does not carry his cross and follow me cannot be my disciple."

There is an old story about a fellow who witnessed a farmer feeding his hogs. But this was no ordinary farmer. This farmer also had orchards, and he would take his hogs one by one out to the orchard and hold them up so that they could pluck the apples from the tree on their own. Puzzled by this bizarre scene, the fellow finally asked the farmer, "What are you doing?" The farmer said, "I'm feeding my hogs." "But," the fellow protested, "won't that take a long time?"

"Oh well," said the farmer, "what's time to a hog?"

A farmer with no pressure of time, no sense of hurry—how utterly out of step with our day. The humor of that story grows out of the image of someone completely oblivious to the pace of things. What possible place could a fellow like that have in the world in which we live, a world someone captured this way:

This is the age/of the half-read page,  
And the quick hash/before the mad dash.  
The bright night/with the nerves tight.  
The plane hop/with the brief stop.  
The lamp tan/in a short span.  
The Big Shot/in a hot spot.  
And the brain strain/and the heart pain.  
And the cat naps/till the spring snaps—  
And the fun's done.\*

“...THINK OF THE PRESENT IN TERMS OF WHAT IT ALL WILL MEAN IN THE END. THAT WILL KEEP YOU FROM UNDUE HASTE ABOUT THE THINGS OF THIS DAY, YOUR COMMENCEMENT. YOU ARE IN THIS FOR THE LONG RUN, AND THAT REQUIRES PATIENCE AND STEADINESS AND A LONG-TERM COMMITMENT. . . .



THAT’S WHAT IT WILL TAKE FOR YOU TO STAY SALTY.”

**Y**ou may be assured that Jesus does not want us to hate anyone, much less our loved ones. These hard words are designed to remind us that serving Christ costs us everything. Compared to our allegiance to Him, all other allegiances, no matter how important, pale into the background. They’re like stars in the daytime, outshone by a far brighter thing. When you set out to follow Jesus Christ, there was no fall-back plan, no parachute clause—all other bridges were burned. In fact, Jesus says, without that, you *cannot* be His disciple. Nothing less will do. No half-heartedness, no competing allegiances. With Jesus, it’s all or nothing.

When we became Christians, that’s what we signed on for. That’s why Jesus proceeds to speak of the one who builds a tower: “Suppose one of you wants to build a tower? Will he not first sit down and estimate the cost to see if there’s enough money to complete it? For if he lays the foundation and isn’t able to finish it, everyone will ridicule him.” Jesus is reminding us that when we bowed the knee to Him, it

was for the long run. You can't start out and then quit. You have yet a very tall tower to build, but that's what you embraced when you accepted Christ. You received forgiveness from His hand and set out to serve Him. And that's not something for the short term. Serving Jesus Christ is a long-term commitment.

Which is why, again, Jesus offers the account of the fellow who sees a stronger king coming upon him. "Will he not first sit down and consider whether he is able, with 10,000 men, to oppose the one coming against him with 20,000? If he's not able, he will send a delegation while the other is still a long way off and will ask for terms of peace. In the same way, if any of you does not give up everything he has he cannot be my disciple."

If you're a Christian, that's what you did when you came to Jesus—you surrendered to Him. You recognized someone against whom you could not resist. You acknowledged Him as your rightful sovereign; you gave everything to Him willingly. Otherwise, Jesus says, you could not become His disciple. Now you have to see it through, all the way to the end.

This *seeing it through to the end*, this *staying faithful to Christ over the long run*—this is what it means for the salt to remain salty. "Salt," Jesus said, "is good, but if it loses its saltiness, how can it be made salty again?" Salt that is not salty is worthless. Christians are called to be salt in the world, but we'll do that only if our allegiance to Jesus is unalloyed, unmixed—and remains unmixed over the long term. No room for excuses, no place for casual, half-hearted Christians who lose their saltiness by compromising their commitment to Christ. The Christian life is not for the short term. It's a life for those who are in it for the long haul.

We need to be reminded of this, I think, because we live in such an instant society. But there are no shortcuts to Christian discipleship. There are no easy steps, no prescriptions for quick success. The Christian life is a marathon, not a sprint; you can't be in a hurry. You gave your life to Jesus Christ and now you're living it out. You're serving Him today, and you'll be serving Him tomorrow wherever you go. That's the price of salt—the price of staying salty. "He who has ears to hear," Jesus says, "let him hear."

It's the "significance ratio" at work: *The more important something is, the more likely it is that it can only be measured against the long run.* And there is nothing more important in the world than your allegiance to the Lord Jesus Christ. That's why, if you're to make a difference for Christ, you've got to put Him first, and you've got to keep Him first.

That's been a relatively easy task, I think, for you here at Wheaton. Perhaps too easy. One of the hazards of being in an environment like this, where everyone around you is a Christian, is that it becomes too easy and you become lax. But I can almost guarantee that it will not be so easy in the place where you're headed. You're going out to who knows where, perhaps grad school, maybe a job, maybe overseas,

## ACCORDING TO LEGEND...

the baccalaureate ceremony began in 1432 at Oxford University with a requirement that each student deliver a sermon in Latin as part of his academic exercise. Because the early universities in the United States were founded primarily to educate ministers, the British practice continued here. Today the baccalaureate is a farewell address delivered as a sermon to a graduating class. At Wheaton, it has traditionally been delivered by the President on the morning preceding the afternoon Commencement.

perhaps the military or into a ministry. But wherever you're going, it's almost certain that it will be less easy for you to stay salty—for you to remain unmixed in your allegiance to Jesus Christ over the long run.

You've completed this first step, but a long road remains ahead. The salt is being shaken out of the salt shaker, but it will only be your ongoing, unmixed allegiance to Jesus Christ that will keep you salty. That's why it's so important, I believe, for you to take a long-term perspective on your lives, particularly at this time of transition. Think of the part in terms of the whole; think of the present in terms of what it all will mean in the end. That will keep you from undue haste about the things of this day, your Commencement. You are in this for the long run, and that requires patience and steadiness and a long-term commitment.

You graduates are completing today only an early leg of your journey. You've done well and you should relish this day. But there is much more to come. I want you to experience a sense of accomplishment today, but also to keep it in the perspective of the long-term commitment you've made to Jesus Christ. If you set out to be a disciple of Jesus, remember: you surrendered everything to Him. Today you're finishing only the foundation of what may turn out to be a very strong tower. So you must be patient. Serving Christ is not just about today's enthusiasm, but about tomorrow's faithfulness, year after year. It's a matter of keeping your allegiance to Jesus Christ unmixed and undiminished over the long haul. That's what it means for you to *be salt*, and that's what it will take for you to *stay salty*.

\* From "Time of the Mad Atom," *The Saturday Evening Post*, 1949, The Curtis Publishing Co.

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voice that seems to rise from deep underground captivates its listeners. Somehow, mysteriously, it connects them to feelings of grief, triumph, and empathy buried and long forgotten. The voice—unamplified and staggeringly beautiful—arouses these feelings, bringing inexplicable tears to the eyes of the audience.

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## *stories of* Love & Death by Jennifer Grant '89

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*For Wendy White '75, Robert Orth '68, and Sheryl Woods Olson '72, this experience inspired a profession. Today, they are recognized as some of opera's finest performers.*

*Looking back over the varied roles they have played, each identifies the lines from a libretto or song that have grabbed hold of their hearts and won't let them go.*

*These lines not only offer a glimpse into each singer's personal story, but also speak to the art of opera itself.*

*Wheaton alumni use their vocal gifts to charm audiences  
with opera's stories of love and death.*



SHERYL WOODS



STEPHEN MORSCHECK



BOB ORTH



WENDY WHITE

## Verdi's Nabucco

*Mezzo-soprano, Wendy White*

*Nabucco* begins with the Israelites mourning the Babylonian occupation of Jerusalem, a metaphor Verdi used to illustrate the Austrian occupation of Italy. Ferena is the daughter of Nabucco (Nebuchadnezzar). She falls in love with the Israelite military leader, releases Hebrew hostages, converts to the Jewish faith, and is sentenced to death. In the final scene of the opera, she sings:

“Oh, the firmament is opened up!

My soul longs for the Lord . . .

He smiles upon me and reveals to me

hundred upon hundred of joys everlasting!

Oh, the splendor of the stars, farewell!

God floods me with His holy light!

From this mortal body that, heavy as lead, detains us here,  
my soul escapes already and wings its way to heaven!”

*Nabucco, Part IV, scene 2*

Wendy White '75 has played Ferena many times for New York's Metropolitan Opera House. Evaluating more than two decades of work in opera, including about 40 productions at the Met, she finds no piece of music as compelling to sing as this one.

## selected recordings

### Wendy White

*Parsifal* by Richard Wagner,  
conducted by James Levine

*La Traviata* by Giuseppe Verdi,  
conducted by James Levine

*Luisa Miller* by Giuseppe Verdi,  
conducted by James Levine

### Robert Orth

*Dead Man Walking* by Jack Heggie,  
conducted by Patrick Summers

*Harvey Milk* by Stewart Wallace  
conducted by Donald Runnicles

*The End of the Affair*  
by Jake Heggie (forthcoming)

### Sheryl Woods

*Thérèse Raquin* by Tobias Picker



STEPHEN MORSCHECK



WENDY WHITE



SHERYL WOODS



SHERYL WOODS

“I have wept every time I sang this aria. This is the hope we have in Christ Jesus,” she explains.

Wendy lives with her husband and daughter outside of New York City. While debuting at the Met, she learned of her pregnancy and risked rejection by her agent and producers when she drastically modified her travel schedule. Fourteen years later, she is still employed there and has crafted a life that also allows her to raise her daughter, now 13.

When she came to Wheaton, she knew she could sing. But Wendy credits Dr. Harold Best, Conservatory dean emeritus, for recognizing the magnitude of her gift. In addition to singing at the Met, Wendy has performed leading roles at the Chicago Lyric Opera, Cincinnati Opera, Washington Opera, Lincoln Center, and the Hamburg Opera.

## Heggie’s *Dead Man Walking*

*Baritone, Robert Orth*

*Dead Man Walking* is based on the true story of Sister Helen Prejean, a nun from Louisiana. In the opera, she serves as a spiritual advisor to death row inmate Joseph De Rocher. The character of De Rocher is a composite character of a number of inmates that Sister Prejean visited and to whom she brought the love of Christ. Not long after De Rocher admits his guilt for the first time, Sister Helen sings:

“ I want you to look at me. Look at me,  
Joe. I want the last thing you see in this  
World to be a face of love. Look at me,

Joe. I will be the face of Christ for you.

I will be the face of love for you.”

*Act II, scene 7*

Robert Orth '68 plays Owen Hart (a character he created), whose daughter had been murdered by De Rocher.

“Like many people, I’m most touched by acts of love, gentleness, self-sacrifice, and forgiveness. I see it often in places and in people where I may not expect it,” Robert said. “I’ve met with Sister Helen Prejean often. She is a person whom I admire greatly.”

*Dead Man Walking* is but one of a number of modern, North American operas Robert has performed—and his American repertoire is growing fast. Although he is considered one of the world’s greatest “Barbers”—referring to his portrayal of the title role in Rossini’s *The Barber of Seville*—Robert is also frequently asked to create roles in productions of new operas, including *Dead Man Walking*, *Harvey Milk*, and *Lovers and Friends*.

After receiving his degree in music education, Robert taught public school for nine years and spent summers performing in operas. In 1977 he took a leave of absence to sing full time. He never returned to teaching.

Today Robert and his wife, Jane Oehms '68, whom he dated at Wheaton, live outside of Chicago. They have two grown sons and one grandchild.

## Puccini’s Song of the Souls

*Soprano, Sheryl Woods Olson*

Sheryl Woods Olson '72 graduated with a degree in psychology. Her studies provided a strong foundation for her work in opera, allowing her to delve into the “vulnerability and humanity” of the characters she plays. Sheryl notes that opera asks “the big questions about who we are and why we are here.” Her distinguished career includes leading roles in *Lucia di Lammermoor*, *A Streetcar Named Desire*, *La Traviata*, and *Thérèse Raquin*.

In addition, Sheryl plays the role of mother. She and her husband have an 18-year-old daughter.

A few years ago, Sheryl was taken by the lines of a little-known song by Puccini. The title of the song, in English, is *Song of the Souls*:

“The years, the deceptions, and the illusions all flee;

flowers and hopes are cut down.

In vain and tormented yearnings my brief springs vanish.

But still alive and singing loudly and alone in the night is an Ideal,

as in the depth of starry night a solitary nightingale

## take note

# more operatic Wheaton alumni

Two-time Grammy-award winner **Sylvia McNair '78** is currently focusing her talents on interpreting popular music. Her most recent recordings include: *Love’s Sweet Surrender*, *Sure Thing*, and *Come Rain or Come Shine*.

**Brian Jauhiainen '81** performs throughout the U.S. and overseas, and is the artistic advisor to Opera Hong Kong and The Macau International Festival of Music. He has upcoming roles in *Romeo et Juliette*, *Don Giovanni*, *Stiffelio*, and *Aida*.

**Stephen Morscheck '81**, who is pictured on the front cover, left a teaching career to be a performer. He attended the Lyric Opera of Chicago’s Center for American Artists and most loves performing “beautiful settings” of biblical passages, including Bach’s *St. Matthew’s Passion*.

**Paul Goodwin-Groen '89**, recently sang in Baz Luhrmann’s Tony Award-winning opera *La Bohème* on Broadway. *The New York Times* has described him as a “promising dramatic bass.”

sings forth praises.

Sing, sing, dear Ideal lone and strong;

and through the audacious fog,

wing your flight on high to defy oblivion, hatred, death,

where there is no shadow and all is daylight.”

Sheryl says that these lines “capture the course of this career for me.”

Because she was concerned that singing wasn’t “kingdom work,”

Sheryl initially resisted the profession. Now she recognizes that her work, like almost any, can be given to God, and it has served as “a marvelous outworking of grace, creativity and continued spiritual refining in my life and the lives of those around me.”

# Anticipating the Miraculous

During Alumni Weekend in May, Dr. Harold '54 and Bonnie Jo Adelsman Adolph '55 were honored by the Alumni Association as the Wheaton College Alumni of the Year 2004 for Distinguished Service to Society.

by Jessica L. Allen

**Y**ears ago, an 11-year-old African boy was beaten so badly that he lost his eyesight. While at the hospital, the boy dreamed that a doctor would pray for him to be healed. The next morning, he told the story to surgeon Dr. Harold Adolph, who did so, and by the end of the afternoon, the child could see perfectly. That day, the little boy also received Christ as his Savior.

This is just one of many miracles Dr. Harold Adolph '54 has seen the Lord perform in his almost 50-year career as a physician. Growing up overseas, Harold spent much of his youth working alongside his father, Dr. Paul E. Adolph '23, the medical director of the China Inland Mission. But it wasn't until October 17, 1947, after reading the biography of Adoniram Judson, that 15-year-old Harold became certain he would not only follow in his earthly father's footsteps, he would also follow his Heavenly Father's direction to become a medical missionary.



“I realized that God can use one person to change a whole country.” Dr. Harold Adolph '54



“I saw a great opportunity to win people to Christ through treating their physical needs,” he says, adding that Judson’s evangelistic work also inspired him. “I realized that God can use one person to change a whole country,” he explains.

That understanding was reinforced several years later when he came to Wheaton. “At a spiritual life conference, President Edman’s wife, Edith, said, ‘If only 10 of you will dedicate your life to Christ, He can use you to change the world for His name,’” Harold recalls.

It was also during his time at Wheaton that Harold began earnestly praying for a wife to assist him in his work. When he met Bonnie Jo Adelsman, a sophomore transfer student, he knew the Lord had answered his prayer. Shortly after her graduation in 1955, the two were married.

“I never wanted to be a missionary,” Bonnie Jo says, “but I made a vow to the Lord that I would go anywhere with Harold as his wife.”

While her husband attended medical school at the University of Pennsylvania, Bonnie Jo taught and managed the cafeteria at a local junior high school. After receiving his M.D. in 1958, Harold completed his internship and residency in Panama and began a two-year preceptorship in North Carolina. In the meantime, Bonnie Jo directed the church choir and assisted with vacation Bible school.

From 1964-1966 Harold served as chief of surgery for the U.S. Navy in Taiwan and earned his board certification in general surgery. Soon afterward, the Adolphs moved to Ethiopia, and began their careers as missionaries with Serving in Missions (SIM) at the 115-bed Soddo Hospital. Harold was a surgeon, and Bonnie Jo managed the hospital’s bookkeeping, home-schooled the couple’s children, and taught Bible and sewing classes for the wives of the medical trainees.

In spite of the obstacles and uncertainties associated with the missionary lifestyle, Bonnie Jo says it has been worth it. “The Lord promised me whatever assignment He gave me would not conflict with my role as a wife and mother.”

When political upheaval in Ethiopia forced the Adolphs back to the U.S. in 1975, Harold spent 12 years as a surgeon at Central DuPage Hospital in Illinois, and he and Bonnie Jo continued doing short-term missions projects in

countries such as the Central African Republic, Kenya, Bangladesh, Taiwan, Liberia, China, Zambia, Ethiopia, and Bolivia. In 1988 they returned to Africa, living in Liberia for one year and Niger for seven years, as Harold helped establish the Pan African College of Christian Surgeons.

Four years ago, the Adolphs began building a new 200-bed hospital in southern Ethiopia. When asked about the greatest challenge of his career, Harold, referring to the



hospital, responds, “To begin a 10-year project at age 67 with no evident resources!” But in less than half of the time anticipated for construction, seven of the nine buildings for the facility have already been completed. Harold is the general surgeon on a team of five doctors that also includes a plastic surgeon, an orthopedic surgeon, an OB/GYN, and a general medical officer. He notes, “It is when you are in a difficult place without resources that you have to rely on God completely.”

The Adolph’s legacy will endure not only through their hospital, but also through the work of their children, Carolyn M.A. ’86 and David ’80. Like their parents, both are career missionaries in Africa. And like his father, who was honored by Wheaton in 1959 for his distinguished service to society, Harold is recognized for a lifetime of sacrificially doing the Lord’s work. He and Bonnie Jo have dedicated their lives to serving those in need of both physical and spiritual healing.

“I would hope to be remembered as someone who tried to follow God’s direction through his entire life,” Harold says, “someone who God helped to do many things that weren’t humanly possible, because He is a God of the impossible.”

Evaluating her own example to family, friends, and peers, Bonnie Jo adds simply, “I just hope they would say that I’ve been faithful to what the Lord wanted me to do.”

Nineteen Wheaton students spend their spring break volunteering at one of the largest penitentiaries in the United States.

# Unshackled

“So if the Son sets you free, you will be free indeed.” John 8:36

by Jessica L. Allen



**Thirty miles from civilization in rural Louisiana** sprawls 18,000 acres of rolling green farmland, bordered on three sides by the majestic Mississippi. The inhabitants of this quietly somber, curiously isolated plantation refer to it as Angola, after the homeland of the African slaves who cultivated it before the Civil War. But few of the people sent to live on this stretch of land will ever leave alive, because it belongs to the largest maximum-security prison in the nation.

Last March, nineteen Wheaton students and two staff members spent a week experiencing life within the confines of Angola, formally known as the Louisiana State Penitentiary. The group was one of fourteen BreakAway teams that volunteered through the Office of Christian Outreach to spend their spring breaks on mission fields across the country and overseas.

A first for OCO, the Angola trip was facilitated by Wheaton's newly established relationship with prison warden, Burl Cain, who piqued the interest of many would-be team members after a chapel service in the fall of 2003.

Team leader Dave Haidle, a carpenter with Wheaton's physical plant and a pastor, was also inspired. He has worked with the Billy Graham Center's Institute for Prison Ministries and serves as a mentor to Colson scholars. Although he and several team members had experienced various prison ministries, no one was prepared for what they would encounter in Louisiana.

“It's probably the last place on earth you would expect to see a vibrant church, but it was there,” said Anna Porter '06, describing the strong Christian influence that now exists at Angola. Once the most violent prison in America, Angola is now known for its fully accredited Bible college and for beginning the first prison hospice program—

In 1998, A&E produced an award-winning documentary called “The Farm” about life inside Louisiana State Penitentiary. It reported that 77 percent of the convicts sent to the prison were African American, most of whom are currently serving life sentences.

thanks in large measure to the work of Warden Cain and head chaplain Robert Toney. Many inmates attend nightly worship services, which are also broadcast over Angola's Christian radio station. Some of the Bible college's 70 seminary-trained, ordained graduates have even transferred to other prisons in Louisiana to plant churches.

"Pastors of churches across America should go and see how they do church in Angola," Dave said. "What you'll find is real joy, freedom, and community under circumstances you wouldn't expect."

In addition to touring the facilities, the students participated in seven prison worship services. Before a service for death row prisoners, they visited the "death house," walked through a condemned man's final hours, and saw the cross-shaped table where lethal injections are administered.

"God's grace hit me so hard," said Kristi Golden '07. "I realized that we all deserve the death penalty." She was especially moved during the service by one inmate, shackled in a cubicle, who was clattering his chains to make music to the Lord.

"The very chains that kept him from being free were instruments of praise and worship," Dave observed. "Why doesn't the church outside the walls experience the joy, reality, and freedom that I saw at Angola? Who is really free? What are our chains?"

For Judd Spencer '05, another unforgettable experience was a prayer walk in Camp D, an area of Angola's six-camp facility where two murders had recently taken place. In the midst of intense spiritual warfare, Judd recognized that God supernaturally protected the team so it could focus on encouraging the church.

Dave was impressed by how the Lord used each team member in spite of the initial insecurities some felt about relating to the prisoners.

"We all had a number of opportunities to use our gifts, share testimonies, and do what the Lord wanted us to do," he emphasized. "These men appreciated it so much. . . . I could just see the team blossom in this venue."

Out of the many stories the team heard throughout the week, a particularly sad one was from a man nicknamed Shaq, serving a life sentence for murder. He maintains his innocence, and many Christians in Angola who know his character believe him. Yet out of more than 5,000 inmates, he is likely one of the 85 percent who will die there.

"Unless something changes, he'll spend the rest of his life in Angola," Dave said. "Yet he's praising the Lord for putting him there, because it's where he came to know the Lord. . . . He's an incredibly joyful, talented, and gifted man."

Another inmate, Greg, told the team he also knows God called him to Angola. Once part of a satanic cult, he was convicted of felonies in two states and is serving double life sentences. Today he is saved, and knows his ministry is within the prison, where he has discovered his artistic abilities and even created the glass etchings displayed in the chapel.

"His calling is as real as mine," noted Judd, an aspiring pastor. "It's just that his is geographically-specific." Judd plans to return to reconnect with the pastors and inmates, adding, "Angola will be a part of my ministry for the rest of my life."

Echoing sentiments expressed by other teammates, Anna said, "I'm a lot more conscious of how my physical freedom can have an insulating effect on my spiritual life. Seeing a different part of the body of Christ widened my view of God and who He is. . . . My freedom is not taken for granted."



**While students contributed music, sermonettes, and testimonies to worship services, Manny Mill '90, M.A. '91 (near left) led in preaching. He is founder and executive director of Koinonia House Ministries in Wheaton.**

"Witnessing the joy in the church at Angola affected me in a way that I hope never changes," said team leader David Haidle. "The Spirit of God is moving in Angola, in a way that I haven't seen in a long time . . . maybe never."

The first in a series focusing  
on issues faced by Wheaton families  
in today's complex world.



# Changing Lanes

It's one thing to wish for more time to spend with your family and another thing altogether to make it happen. Here's how one alumni couple carved out more time for baseball games and birthdays, and how reality TV played a part in their decision. *by Katherine Halberstadt Anderson '90*

**I**t's Saturday morning, and David Doig '87 and his son are making their way to Little League practice, where David is the coach.

This might not sound monumental, but for David, his wife, Tami Brooks Doig '86, daughter Olivia (11), and son Clarke (9), it's a huge paradigm shift. As superintendent of Chicago's Park District for the last four years, David found that work had become life. With 3,000 employees and an operating budget of \$350 million, Chicago's Parks Department is the second largest in the country.

"It was like running a good-sized corporation," explains David, who found the work fulfilling. "It was especially gratifying to see some of the inner-city and west-side neighborhoods rediscover the parks after they'd been refurbished."

Perhaps the single most rewarding day came with the grand opening of Soldier Field last September, after four years of planning. David's day began with interviews at 5 A.M., and culminated with a game against the Bears' rival Green Bay Packers, followed by fireworks.

Leaving such an interesting, high profile position might seem unthinkable to some; but in December, David resigned, completely altering the family's life.



“In four years, David took one week of vacation, and even on that one vacation, he was probably the only dad at Disney World to spend the entire lights parade talking on the cell phone,” says Tami, describing life prior to the change. Last-minute press conferences, weekend ribbon cutting ceremonies, and middle-of-the-night calls about accidents were all part of the job.

This harried lifestyle was not at all what the couple envisioned when they began dating at Wheaton. In fact, at the time, both were interested in overseas missions. “We applied for the Peace Corps,” says Tami, but then David was asked to start a development corporation in Lawndale. Subsequently, their lives became rooted in Chicago.

While David and Tami had talked sporadically about making radical changes, Tami believes it was the family’s trip to Morocco for a National Geographic reality series called *World’s Apart* that finally instigated the change.

“I don’t know that David would have embraced being home the way he has if we hadn’t gone,” Tami says. “There, everybody lives and works together. They just do family. It was a powerful motivator.”

For the reality show, the Doigs traveled to a remote village in the Atlas Mountains to live and work alongside Berber families indigenous to the region. They spent 14 days sleeping in a one room, flea-infested adobe home and learning to kill and clean chickens, haul water, dig ditches, repair walls, and harvest potatoes and straw.

With no cell phones, no electricity, no running water, and a three-hour drive to the nearest city, both Tami and David had time to evaluate life as never before. For Tami, immersion in the egalitarian society, where men and women live and work side by side, fanned her desire to go back to work. The effect was equally dramatic for David, who says, “I think it was a great confirmation for me that it was time to do something else.”

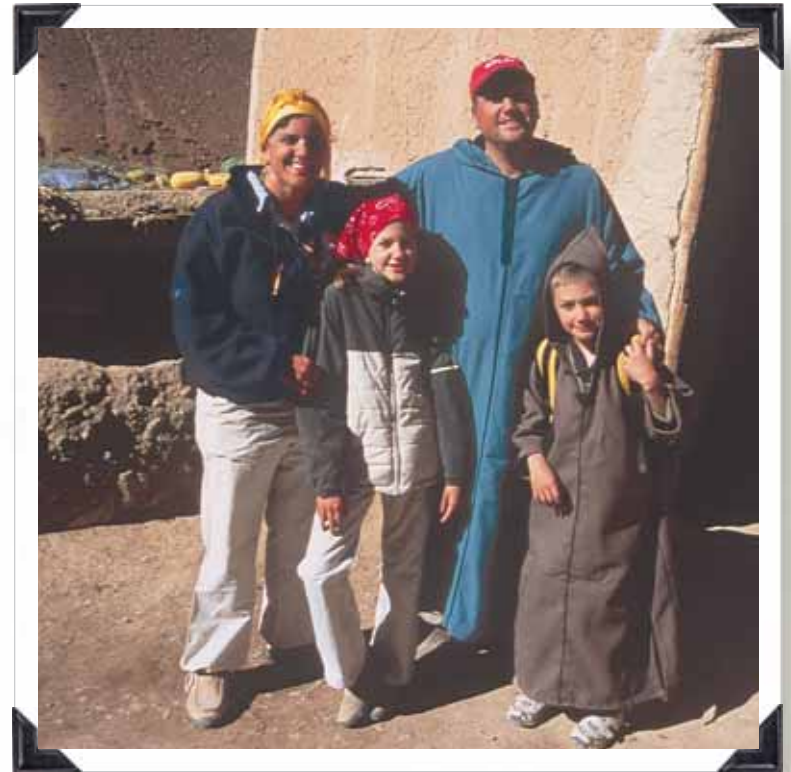
Returning home, the family set change in motion. David resigned from his post with the city to begin GenOne Group, a housing development corporation with two fellow ’87 Wheaton grads, Brad Anthony and Tom Fiddler.

“The pace of my life has been reordered,” he says. “I’m able to schedule things on my own terms, to schedule time for family, and to actually be able to do those things.” This year, for instance, he was home for Olivia’s entire Fourth of July birthday party—for the first time in four years.

David’s more flexible schedule, in turn, allowed Tami the freedom to go back to work. She now serves as an administrator of grants with the Department of Human Services, working with agencies that target kids in crisis or on the edge of delinquency.

But while work and family life have changed significantly for Tami and David, both say their life goals have remained consistent. David addressed these goals when he spoke last spring at an urban ministry luncheon sponsored by Wheaton College Alumni Association.

“What I’ve come to realize is that as Christians—as people who bring



A small Berber community welcomed the Doig family to Morocco, where, for two weeks, they lived in a centuries-old adobe hut home (above). With no electricity or running water, Tami and the children learned to wash their clothes in the river (top). No four-wheel drive pick-up trucks here; David did the hauling with four-legged transportation (bottom). Missing the family’s dog, Olivia cuddled a young kid (opposite page).

the Lord into our communities—all of what we do should be about ministry,” he said. “Whether we happen to be working in the private sector, as a public employee, as a teacher, or directly for a ministry, what we are about is building God’s kingdom.... It’s really about our hearts and what God has laid on our hearts.”

And of course, David sees the real rewards of his decision every day, as he gets reacquainted with Olivia and Clarke. “I pick up the kids from school, and now I can tell you who their friends are and what their days are like,” he says.

Tami reflects, “I think we all look back on our trip as an astonishing point of grace.”

*Editor’s note: The Doig family returned to Morocco in July to visit with the friends they made on their journey.*

## Room to Roam

One couple moves from suburbia to the country in search of the simple life.

by Katherine Halberstadt Anderson '90

Anyone who has ever dreamed of leaving the land of strip malls, traffic, and designer children’s clothes will identify with Dan '85 and Susan Best Lauer '84.

Six years ago, the family traded in their 100 x 150 square-foot lot in Wheaton, Illinois, for 20 acres of meadow in Harrison, Idaho.

“Before our kids got too old, we wanted to be in a place where we could live a simpler life,” says Susan, who adds they were concerned about the growing congestion and affluence of the Chicago suburb.

Both envisioned owning horses, getting back to nature, and sitting around the fire in the evenings, reading stories aloud to their children, Jake, Graeme, and Tessa.

In many ways, these dreams have come true. They do own horses—Dan can even take breaks from his work as a computer consultant to go horseback



“We’ve worked out a new set of family values for ourselves,” says Dan '85, explaining the family’s motivation for moving. (Clockwise from top left) Graeme, Dan, Jake, Tessa, and Susan Best Lauer '84.

riding. They spend a great deal of time outside, and the children have gotten involved with 4-H and are raising their own chickens. Dan even recalls reading the entire *Lord of the Rings* trilogy aloud one winter.

But adjusting to the “simpler life” was more difficult than they anticipated. The couple admits that on cold nights, “we do rock, paper, scissors to see who’s going out to feed the horses.” And many things city dwellers take for granted—like plowed roads and heat—now require their time. The Lauers plow their own roads, and cut, haul, and split the wood for the wood stove that heats the house—in addition to harrowing, spraying, and seeding the meadow to maintain good pastureland. “The first two years were a

huge learning curve,” notes Dan.

But despite the rigors of living in the country, the Lauers say they wouldn’t trade their life. “I think we’ve accomplished the goal of spending more and deeper time together as a family,” says Dan. And Susan concurs, adding that the dramatic life change also forced them to rely more fully on the Lord’s provision.

“I think making a complete shift in lifestyle never turns out like you’d expect, but the good results are exactly what we had hoped for,” says Dan.

*Editor’s note: Dan and Susan’s nearest neighbors are her parents, Dr. Harold and Juel Best. Dr. Best served as dean and professor of music at Wheaton’s Conservatory of Music until his retirement in 1997, and Juel served in the ticket and information office.*



**Marilee A. Melvin '72**  
Vice President  
for Alumni Relations

President Litfin and I recently talked about the outcomes on campus and reactions from alumni regarding the Community Covenant. You can read the interview on the Alumni Online Community at [www.wheatonalumni.org](http://www.wheatonalumni.org), or contact our office for a copy. I have been connected my entire life to Wheaton College through my family, Sunday school teachers, professors, colleagues, friends, and network of constituents. Some of us were apprehensive about several of the changes introduced over a year ago by the Covenant because they appeared to be a significant departure from what we assumed was essential to Wheaton College. President Litfin has clarified for us that the community of learning at Wheaton, formed and nurtured “for Christ and His Kingdom,” must rest on the truth of the gospel alone, and on no other foundation, neither tradition nor people’s opinions—nothing but the Gospel truth. This alone will help us grow to maturity in Christ and come to understand both freedom and responsibility in relationships.

During Alumni Weekend in May the Alumni Association conferred “Honorary Alumni” status on Duane and Sherri Litfin. Leadership at any time is a daunting task; but when you are called upon to lead other leaders, in addition to the challenge of operating a demanding enterprise at a high level, you must accurately cast a vision to prepare for the future. The Litfins have proven to us alumni the best kind of loyalty in describing and encouraging the Christocentric nature of education at Wheaton. Thank you, Duane and Sherri, for your example and your friendship.

We also thank you, alumni and friends, for your prayers and gifts to Wheaton. Some give generously out of their surplus, others give sacrificially out of their resources. We are blessed by every gift and what it says about the giver. You are giving to an enterprise whose significance will outlast time itself—preparing people, mind and spirit, for eternity. May our great God prove to you His ability to provide all that you need through His riches in Christ Jesus.

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## A Hawkeye's View of a Wheaton Reunion

by Jenni L. Muntz

I graduated from the University of Iowa in Iowa City, Iowa; it is a good school where one can get a quality education. But I was one of about 32,000 students, so it wasn't odd for me to have a class in which I never actually talked to the professor. I ceased to be Jenni and took on a numerical value to make the system run more smoothly. The college prepared me academically for the business world, but socially and spiritually, I felt lost.



Because of this background, I was looking forward to experiencing Wheaton's Alumni Weekend, to have the opportunity to witness the fellowship between so many friends and classmates. Why, I wondered, do alumni make the trip back to Wheaton College every year?

The weekend began on Thursday evening with the 1954 Welcome Reception. More than 150 alumni and their spouses met at Anderson Commons to reconnect and fellowship. I moved around during the reception, noticing that people seemed to appreciate the simplicity of time spent together.

Reunion Central in Eckert Hall at the Sports and Recreation Complex provided a nerve center for the weekend's activities. Many attended the Alumni Symposium on Friday afternoon in Barrows Auditorium to hear Dr. Robert Linthicum '59 and a panel of alumni and professors discuss

"relational power." Alumni looked through cherished photos and memorabilia, anticipating their class events on Friday evening. A peek into Hendrickson Gym to glimpse the Class of 1954's Aloha! Remembrance Dinner, yielded a transformation from gymnasium to Hawaiian island. One could almost smell the orchids and taste the coconuts.

King Arena was transformed Saturday morning into a place of class fellowship for the All-Alumni Celebration Luncheon. Math Professor Dr. Terry Perciante '67 emceed and Marilee Melvin '72 shared vignettes of "perseverance," as alumni "rejoiced in the hope of the gospel," the theme for the weekend. Harold '54 and Bonnie Jo Adelsman Adolph '55 were honored as Alumni of the Year and a retrospective video told their story. President and Sherri Litfin were presented with the Honorary Alumni designation by Bob Dye '73, president-elect of the Association. Alumni groups from the Classes of 1954 and 1964 sang in wonderful harmony.

Alumni spent the afternoon in programs, followed by dinners across campus. Members of the Class of 1954 received their 50th-year diplomas at a gala dinner in the evening, where Chuck Hogren '58, Association president, presented the Alumni of the Year Award for Distinguished Service to Society to the Adolphs.

I can't imagine a better way to have ended a weekend full of alumni events than watching the documentary



1. Tower staff reunion—looking through old yearbooks



2. Class of '64 Welcome Reception



3. Class of '54 Men's Ensemble



4. Alumni Punch Reception

5. Alumni Celebration Luncheon—Julia Weaver Davis '54 and friend



6. Alumni Symposium—Bill Seitz '78, Suzy Francis-Thornton '95, and Chuck Hogren '58

produced by Bearing Fruit Productions, “Beyond the Gates of Splendor.” The film portrayed three Wheaton graduates and their friends who gave their lives to reach the Waodani Indians in Ecuador with the gospel. The Class of 1949 turned out in force to remember their martyred classmates. Dave Howard '49 and Marge Saint Van Der Puy introduced the film.

The Class of 1954 returned to Armerding Lecture Hall on Sunday morning for a special time of worship. I was once again amazed by the voices of the Class of 1954 singers; and I enjoyed meditations on courage, perseverance, and love, presented by their classmates, Bob Culbertson, Roger Kvam and Jim Means. I left the worship service thankful that I now have a history with Wheaton alumni and an experience I will not soon forget.

Despite the many changes that have taken place on campus over the years, the spirit of Wheaton alumni has not changed. From homemakers to medical missionaries, from pastors to professors and businessmen, the faithfulness and character of Wheaton alumni is indeed special. Why do people return to Wheaton for Alumni Weekend? They return to fellowship and celebrate their contributions to the rich history of Wheaton College. The love and loyalty shown to their alma mater confirmed for me the commitment alumni have to the place that helped them grow and prepared them for a life-long journey.

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*Faithfully, year after year, alumni volunteers help plan Wheaton Club events around the world. In every issue of Wheaton magazine we write about Clubs, wanting to share our appreciation for our volunteers and to illustrate the ways in which the Lord works through their efforts. In this issue, however, we offer you two stories from their perspective, giving you personal accounts of the memorable time they enjoyed with the Wheaton family this spring.*

evening. Those who came were doctors, professors, an engineer, a seminarian, teachers, stay-at-home moms, and retirees. In all, by mid-event, there were close to two dozen.

Anyone who's thrown a party knows it's not just about arranging food and setting out enough chairs. There's an intangible element—something each person in the mix feels but rarely talks about. Call it “fit.” When it's there, age differences, demographic chasms, or

fact, Dr. Chappell ended up joining in with her own introductions, which led smoothly into the talk and Q&A she had brought for us.

By 11 P.M., the dialogue had waned, and we sensed the fatigue we'd been too busy to acknowledge, as the numbers began dwindling. But as we took to our cars, we had been reminded of how important Wheaton had been to us. We were reminded to pray for Wheaton, even though we hadn't been hounded to do so. Simply by having been with others from Wheaton days—one of whom had been in Romans class with Billy Graham, another of whom had been part of Fisher-Traber pillow wars—we sensed we were part of a continuing journey together. And we sensed anew how important a journey it was.

### “The Same Old Wheaton, Only Better”

*by Stan '59 and Miriam Barnett  
Wheaton Club Volunteers  
Buena Vista, Colorado*

“Brave sons and daughters true” living in Colorado gathered in our Buena Vista mountain home. Head Soccer Coach Joe Bean and Regional Director of Development Dave Lawrenz gave up-to-date reports from campus. The group included Don and Bonnie McCollum Asay '53, Dr. Ivan '60 and Martha Beachy, Dr. Doug '65 and Phyllis Eppler Johnson '65, and Wendell Kent '54. Doug Johnson '65 was master-of-ceremonies.

Parker Woolmington '39, sporting a 65-year-old Wheaton letter jacket, was



#### **Buena Vista Wheaton Club event**

### A Journey Together

*by Michael A. Longinow '82  
Wheaton Club Volunteer  
Lexington, Kentucky*

It was quite a mixture. The alumni who stepped through the front door of the home of Rick and Debbie Kucharsky Endean '82, in Lexington, had graduated in the 1940s, 1960s, and 1980s. One person hadn't attended Wheaton at all—her daughter had, and she just liked Wheaton people so much that she decided to drop by; she stayed the entire

general incompatibilities don't matter. There was “fit” at this gathering.

When we all stepped into a back room of the home and took to chairs, couches, and window seats arranged in a big circle, we introduced ourselves and told some humorous Wheaton anecdotes. The general party veneer fell away; it was the right place to be.

The rightness of it hit home when the speaker of the evening, Dr. Dorothy Chappell, walked in late from her O'Hare airport delay, and the introductions kept flowing, almost without interruption. In

## the votes are in

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the guest of honor. Parker's eyes sparkled as he told Coach Bean about his playing on Wheaton's first soccer team—and that team members made their own uniforms and paid their own travel expenses to play other schools.

As a soccer player under Coach Bob Baptista '44, I queried Coach Bean about his formula for success. "I get good players, and I never yell," said the Coach. When I made the trademark, two-fingers-missing hand sign of soccer teammate Cliff "Nubbs" McGrath, Coach Bean told the story of his coming to Wheaton on Cliff's recommendation.

Coach Bean conveyed President Litfin's current assessment of Wheaton—"The same old Wheaton, only better"—adding that President Litfin is held in high esteem by the current student body. We heard reports that the Beamer Student Center, nearing completion, will facilitate interaction between students and faculty. Members of the group agreed that an outstanding benefit of attending Wheaton is the contact with godly-thinking faculty members and coaches. Joe and Dave gave assurance that Wheaton is working to maintain its historically high standards of pre-medical education. And speaking of the first-ever formal dance at Wheaton, Dave said that "the students were models of decorum."

As the evening came to a close, we asked God's blessing and help for the leaders on Wheaton's campus to maintain the College as a bastion for Christ and His Kingdom—and God's protection for the guests as they drove home in snowy weather.

## 2003–2004 Wheaton Club Volunteers

### Location

### Volunteers

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Wheaton, IL	Dave '95 and Joanne Block McKay '95, JoLynne Johnson Norton '90

### Upcoming Club Events:

**July 17: New & Current Student Picnic (Seattle, WA)**

**July 30: Cubs game at Wrigley Field (Chicago, IL)**

**September 25: Young Alumni Picnic (Seattle, WA)**

**October 23: Head of the Charles (Boston, MA)**

**November 12-14: Mid-Atlantic Retreat (Lancaster, PA)**

**November 17: Loop Breakfast (Chicago, IL)**

**April 6: Loop Breakfast (Chicago, IL)**

**Spring Break '05 (March 4-13)**

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## The Technology Advantage

Members of the Class of 2004 have an advantage . . .

They enter a workforce that is highly networked, techno-centric, and dependent upon large, diverse amounts of information that is more quickly and broadly accessible than ever before. They also join a society that has adapted technology for an endless number of personal uses, including building interpersonal relationships by streamlining the spouse search through a few clicks in cyber-space.

Most of the homes of these young alumni, however, have contained at least one computer since they were in middle school. At Wheaton, they accessed research libraries on the other side of the world without ever leaving their dorm rooms, and daily they met new friends through Internet blogs and chats.

Although the technology has changed,

the need to connect with others remains constant. In fact, many people believe that this desire has increased due to the isolation that the new technology can create.

The Alumni Online Community is a place designed to connect with others and with Wheaton, whether you are technology-savvy or just beginning to communicate via the Internet. You can keep your contact information up to date, share photos, post notes about your lives, publish resumes, or search for job opportunities with alumni employers.

Along with the benefits of a highly networked, information-rich society also come dangers of abuse. The nuisance of unwanted email solicitations and the long-term effects of identity theft and credit card fraud leave many would-be technology users opting for more traditional communication channels.

We share your concerns and are committed to maintaining the utmost privacy of the information you have provided to the College. All resources and services on the Alumni Online Community that contain personal alumni information are password-protected, available only to alumni through a simple, though rigorous, validation process.

But information and resources are online for anyone in the Wheaton family to enjoy (see sidebar below).

Whether you are the class of 1954 or 2004, online resources are available for you, to meet your needs and help connect you with classmates, friends, and the College. Set your homepage to [www.wheatonalumni.org](http://www.wheatonalumni.org), so you have quick and easy access to the online community.

*by Ben Nordstrom*

*Director of Alumni Programs*



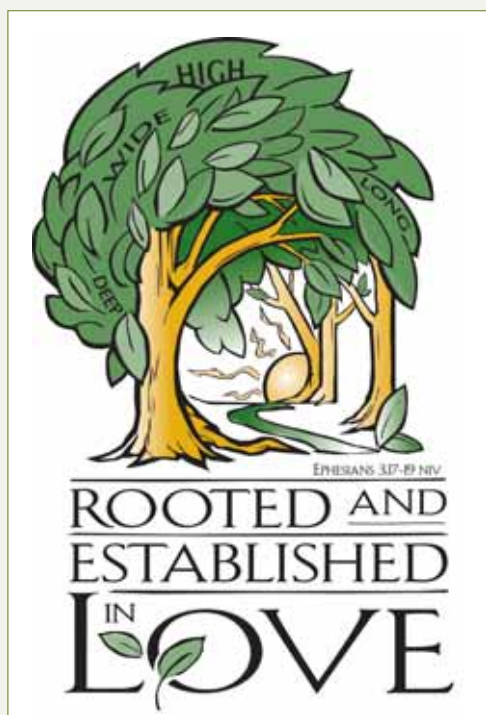
### What's new around the Association and at the College?

**Visit the alumni homepage at [www.wheatonalumni.org](http://www.wheatonalumni.org) to find links to campus web sites, as well as to the password-protected Online Community services.**

**Visit WETN's alumni archive to hear the Alumni Symposium discussion, interviews, chapel messages, and much more at [www.wetn.org](http://www.wetn.org).**

**View photos of classmates and friends taken during Alumni Weekend or register online for Homecoming at [www.wheaton.edu/alumni/](http://www.wheaton.edu/alumni/) reunions.**

**Connect with the Wheaton family in your area by attending a Wheaton Club event at a location near you. Find an event near you at [www.wheaton.edu/alumni/clubs](http://www.wheaton.edu/alumni/clubs).**



# homecoming 2004

## October 1-2

### Rooted and Established In Love

And I pray that you, being rooted and established in love, may have power, together with all the saints, to grasp how wide and long and high and deep is the love of Christ, and to know this love that surpasses knowledge—that you may be filled to the measure of all the fullness of God. Ephesians 3:17b-19 (NIV)

- 1979 25th** Judy Kohl, chair
- 1984 20th** Mary Haddock, Clint Shaffer, chairs
- 1989 15th** Jennifer Merck, chair
- 1994 10th** Kristen Rolund, chair
- 1999 5th** Richard Lyon, Derek Hamilton, chairs
- 2001, '02, '03** Jeff Baxter, chair  
cluster reunion

#### homecoming schedule

##### Friday – October 1, 2004

- 9 a.m. - 11 a.m.** Alumni Hospitality
- 10:30 a.m.** Homecoming Chapel—Steve Saint '72, speaker
- 11:45 a.m.** The Todd M. Beamer Student Center  
Dedication Ceremony
- 11 a.m. - 6 p.m.** Alumni Reunion Central
- 2 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.** Faculty/Alumni Symposium
- 4:30 p.m.** Women's Soccer vs. Aurora University
- Evening Hours** Reunion Class Dinners/Gatherings
- 7 p.m.** Men's Soccer vs. Wisconsin-OshKosh

##### Saturday – October 2, 2004

- 8 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.** Alumni Reunion Central
- 8 a.m.** Student/Alumni 5K Run/Walk  
Departmental Open Houses  
Wheaton Associates Breakfast
- 9 a.m. - 10 a.m.** Alumni Swim Meet
- 9 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.** The Beamer Center Class Gift Dedication
- 10:30 a.m. - 12:15 p.m.** All-Alumni Family Brunch  
Alumni of the Year  
Jim Lane '52 and Arlyne Nelson Lane '52
- 1 p.m.** Football vs. North Central College
- 4 p.m.** Alumni of Color Reunion
- 4:15 p.m.** Hall of Honor Reception
- Evening Hours** Reunion Class Dinners and Gatherings
- 8 p.m.** Conservatory Fall Concert
- 10 p.m.** Student Homecoming Late Night Concert

For more information or to register online, visit  
[www.wheaton.edu/alumni/reunions](http://www.wheaton.edu/alumni/reunions).

**Charlotte Truesdell Marcy '35**

Much of Charlotte Marcy's missionary career was spent in rural towns in Honduras, with no telephones, running water, or electricity.



**Active Service**

After more than 60 years in ministry, home is still on the mission field in Honduras.

To say that Charlotte Truesdell Marcy '35 has lived an abundant life is an understatement. At 90 years old, the widowed wife, mother of eight, and missionary to Honduras still teaches Sunday school at the appropriately named Abundant Life Church that she and her husband, Sidney '36, founded in 1953 with Central American Ministries.

"She is retired on the field," jokes her daughter, Dr. Pearl Marcy '59, who lives with her mother in Honduras. Pearl, the only one of Charlotte's children who has not returned to the United

States, works at a clinic she established in Guinope.

Although Charlotte's career as a missionary with CAM began in 1941, it was 10 years earlier, on Easter Sunday in 1931, when she first realized the Lord had called her to the mission field. While reading a passage from Mark, she felt compelled to go, as the disciples did, to spread God's love and His Word.

She has not forgotten the humble beginnings of the church community in Guinope. "There were only four believers when we first came," Charlotte recalls. "Gradually the Lord supplied, and now we have a pastor and a large group of teenagers and young adults."

Charlotte says the most rewarding aspect of her more than 60 years in ministry has been seeing "people coming to the Lord and growing and having a happy life with Him." In fact, one eight-year-old boy she led to salvation years ago in her Sunday school class is now the pastor of a large church in Tegucigalpa, the capital city of Honduras.

Focusing on such joys, she seems surprisingly undaunted by the difficulties she has faced. "One of the hardest things was sending my children away for seven months of the year to go to school in Guatemala," she says. "But we handled things as they came. There were hard times, but you learn to trust in the Lord and go where He leads."

When her husband died in 1958 from a brain tumor, Charlotte had to decide whether or not to remain in Honduras. "The believers all came and begged me to stay, so I did, because of their encouragement," she says.

Last March she visited Wheaton to celebrate her 90th birthday with family and friends in the area, including her son, Paul, who works as an HVAC technician at the College. She admits she has contemplated returning to the States, but adds that she would miss working with her daughter, teaching Sunday school, and interacting with the people of Guinope. In fact, the mayor of the community recently honored Charlotte by dedicating a bridge in her honor.

As for the future, Charlotte has begun writing a book about her many experiences, and looks forward to more adventures to come.

by Jessica L. Allen

PROFILE



## Wheaton's Downtown Deli

What do the layers of an Atomic Turkey sandwich have to do with the earth's crust? Not much. But that hasn't stopped geology majors Shane Rodgers '96 (right) and Sam Darrigrand '96 (left) from trying their hand at the restaurant business.

As students, neither aspired to own a restaurant, although both worked in food service throughout college and immediately after. However, when Cock Robin property owners decided to re-open the restaurant in downtown Wheaton, Shane convinced Sam that they should take over the operation, and the pair signed a two-year lease. "We both liked the idea of being self-employed," he says.

In addition to offering a vari-

ety of sandwiches, soups, salads, and ice cream, the deli also provides catering. And as to the tastiness of its offerings, the numbers say it all: the deli's business has grown by almost 20 percent a year since opening in January 2002.

Just one of the perks of owning a restaurant, says Shane, is getting to know the community. "I'd say we know about 85 percent of the people who come in now," he says. "Often we'll know your sandwich before we know your name."

Eventually, Sam says, he will introduce himself. "My name is Sam. Up until now you're Cajun turkey on multi-grain. So what's your name?" he says, adding that they like to keep the atmosphere inside the retro-style deli lively.

Although the owners might soon sell the building, the two friends say they may relocate or redevelop. Both are interested in continuing as restaurant owners and expanding their business.



## Eating It Up

These entrepreneurial alumni are in the business of making life more delicious.

by Susan Nelson

### Licorice Niche

Doug Erlandson '68 has loved licorice for as long as he can remember. But it wasn't until his mother stopped sending him licorice treats that he and his wife, Elizabeth, turned his craving into a sweet success.

When Doug discovered a partial order form for Licorice International in his mother's papers, he suggested that Elizabeth "surprise" him.

He couldn't possibly have guessed the result—Elizabeth

not only investigated, she bought the business!

For 16 months Elizabeth and her friend and business partner, Ardith Stuert, operated Licorice International out of their spare bedrooms and basements, before finally moving to a shop in Lincoln, Nebraska, in July 2003.

Doug and John Stuert soon joined their wives, and the four embarked on a business adventure that Elizabeth describes as

serendipitous. From 2003 to 2004 orders have increased three times over, to some 700 online and phone requests a month.

The niche confectionary now boasts one of the largest selections of licorice in the United States—with more than 100 varieties available.

"Licorice International has certainly grown beyond our expectations," says Doug. "It has been a very, very good experience."



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PROFILES



To give is to merely part with something that we possess. To sacrifice is to part with something that we possess, and will miss. There is a certain pain present in sacrifice that is not found in mere giving. . . . God did not merely give us forgiveness, but sacrificed Himself in order to give us redemption. It is this very cross of sacrifice that we are called to take up (*imitate*) in order to follow Jesus.

written by James Franklin Pyles '05

## IN MEMORY

*James Franklin Pyles*

1982 – 2004

**On June 24, Wheaton senior James Franklin Pyles died in a car accident in Israel while serving in a relief and outreach ministry among the Palestinian people, working in a combined effort between the Christian and Missionary Alliance and Samaritan's Purse.**

**He grew up in Owen Sound, Ontario, the youngest of five children. Wheaton alumni in James's family include his parents, Franklin M.Div. '68 and Gay Wyland Pyles '65; his brothers, Christopher '92 and Tim '03; and his sister, Natasha '96. His sister, Anna, was killed in a car accident in 1997, leaving behind her one-month-old daughter Ashley, who was her Uncle James's joy.**

**A philosophy major with a minor in theology, James was passionate about calling fellow Wheaton students to simple living, generous giving, and solidarity with the poor. He also believed he had been directly called by God to evangelize and disciple, particularly to serve among the Palestinian people.**

**"The power of James's ministry was the result of a keen intellect and a humble heart," said his friend Steven Harsono '05, speaking at James's funeral. "He courageously shared and defended the gospel with Muslim sheikhs and members of Hamas. I think James passed into the arms of God at one of the happiest moments in his earthly life."**

I first met James while dragging luggage up the four grueling flights of stairs at Fischer dormitory at Wheaton College, and was pleasantly surprised by the combination of energy and confidence that he exuded. This was the first of three years as his college roommate.

James knew that the Lord wanted him in the Middle East, and he made sure nothing in his life was going to hinder God's plan. He read the newspaper daily to keep abreast of political activity; he read all the necessary books; he even took a class in Arabic to prepare for a life among Arabic speakers.

What I remember most about James is summed up in a phrase from T. S. Eliot's "Choruses from 'The Rock'": "Remember the faith that took men from home / At the call of a wandering preacher." The call James received was not from a "preacher," but rather from Christ—a call to leave home, comforts, extravagance, personal wealth, ease of life, and self-assured piety. Eliot writes a little later on in the same passage, "Nothing is impossible, nothing, / To men of faith and conviction." James was, without doubt, a man of faith and conviction who knew exactly where God wanted him to be. He followed his calling to Israel with joy, trusting in the Lord to guide his path, relying on the Spirit to fill him with words of love and truth.

I hold two memories of James most dearly. The first memory is from my first service at the Church of the Resurrection, and also the first moment when I saw James not just as a roommate, but also as a brother in Christ and fellow servant in the Kingdom. I vividly recall his hands held above his head, eyes closed in worship of His Savior.

A second memory is of an Ash Wednesday service. We sat in a silence broken only by the sound of our voices reciting the prayer of confession, and this same silence continued as James and I walked to the front of the room, sat, and began to wash each other's feet. Out of all three years with him, it will be the feel of his hand rubbing my dry skin that I remember most, knowing that in our wordlessness, we were the closest we had ever been.

James was a man who could speak clearly and eloquently, but the silent moments are what repeat in my mind day after day. He was born to teach and evangelize, but he also had hands ready to serve, ready to sweat, ready to wash feet. And like that evening at church, those same hands now rise, as they were meant to, in ceaseless praise of their Maker.

*David Congdon '04*

Memorials can be sent to The James Pyles Memorial Fund for the Education of Palestinian Pastors, an endowment administered jointly by the C&MA in the United States and in Canada. Address: The Christian and Missionary Alliance U.S.: PO Box 35000, Colorado Springs, CO 80935-3500  
Canada: 30 Carrier Drive, Toronto, ON M9W 5T7

## Unscripted

The producer of the hit holiday movie *Elf*, Todd Komarnicki '87 visited Wheaton's campus and talked with communications students about faith, Hollywood, and the art of writing.

# PROFILE

Dressed in jeans and a denim jacket, with a scruffy beard and hair, Todd Komarnicki '87 might easily be mistaken for a student. Then he starts to talk, and immediately it's clear that he's an experienced storyteller—not by profession only, but in the very way he approaches the world.

"My favorite thing about fiction is that it turned me into a detective: a voracious student of space and time and behavior and the human heart," Todd says. "Collecting that and being able to reiterate it in story form is incredibly gratifying to me . . . and the older I've gotten the more I notice."

Before beginning his own production company, Todd spent 16 years writing full-time, producing three novels and several plays, in addition to scripts and pilots for films, screenplays, and television shows. His first novel, *Free*, was a finalist for the Pen/Faulkner Award, and his third novel, *famine*, garnered critical acclaim.

"The closest I've ever gotten to saying what I wanted to say was with *famine*," he explains, adding that he sees writing as a "muscle that gets stronger through effort, but mostly through prayer and staying humble."

Rather than attempting to instruct or witness through his writing, Todd simply aims to tell the truth. It's advice he received early in his writing career—from author Frederick Buechner. "I was a nobody, but I tracked down his address and wrote to him. He sent back a beautiful, handwritten two-and-a-half page letter," Todd explains.

While Buechner helped shape Todd's goals, it was a professor at Wheaton who initially stirred his interest in becoming a writer.

Todd recalls waking up one morning and realizing that he had squandered his first three years at Wheaton. "I was a disinterested student," he recalls.

In an effort to pack everything he'd missed into his final year, Todd called his sisters, Robin Komarnicki Hubbard '82 and Kristyn Komarnicki '84, to ask their advice on which classes to take. "Anything Dr. Jill Baumgartner is teaching," both told him.

On the day the first assignments were handed back in Advanced Poetry Writing, Dr. Baumgartner returned papers to every student except Todd. After she had dismissed the class, she placed his paper on his desk and took two steps back.

"She looked at me and said, 'Todd if you want to, you can be good at this.'" That moment set the course for Todd's life.

Today, Todd's production company has two more family comedies in the works: *Number One Girl* and *Camp Sagem*. At the same time, his writing career continues to evolve. He just finished writing the movie *Perfect Stranger*, and has been hired to write the remake of *To Catch a Thief*, among other projects.

In his spare time, though, he is "stealing moments" to write the book he's promised his fiancée, Jane Bradbury, whom he says, "deserves a book."

Life for Todd right now is, as he puts it, "A full measure, pressed down and overflowing." His hope is that the success of *Elf*, which grossed \$173 million in the U.S. alone, might open doors for more movies that appeal to 8-year-olds as well as 88-year-olds.

The producer and writer says Christians often ask him how he can work in a place as corrupt as Hollywood, but Todd believes that the movie and television business is no more flawed than any other human enterprise. "It's just that, unlike anywhere else, everybody gets to see Hollywood's flaws all at once," he says.

Though the movies have been good to Todd, he notes that if he had to choose something today to be remembered by, it would be for writing *famine*.

"I love the notion that 150 years from now, a lonely teenager could happen upon a crumpled paperback of *famine* and find some comfort there . . . to remember that they are not alone in the world," he says. "That would be an awesome legacy."

by Katherine Halberstadt Anderson '90

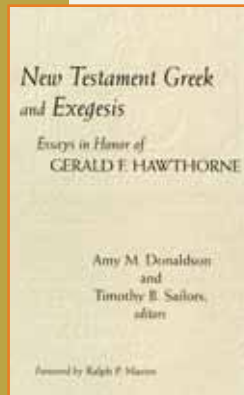


**Todd Komarnicki '87**

Faith is everything," says Todd, who adds, "It's how I see the world. To me writing is such a humbling mystery. It's all prayer centered. I don't expect to sit down and do anything aside from God."

A tribute to professor of Greek emeritus Dr. Gerald F. Hawthorne, *New Testament Greek and Exegesis* (William B. Eerdmans Publishing, 2003) is a collection of essays by notable Christian scholars who expound on a diversity of significant topics relating to New Testament studies. The contributors, all Wheaton alumni who have been directly influenced by Dr. Hawthorne's teaching, combine their sentiments in the book's

dedication: "Gerald F. Hawthorne is a great teacher. We, his pupils, know it... and wish, by the publication of this *festschrift* in his honor, to make it known once more to him." Order *New Testament Greek and Exegesis* and any other faculty books from the Wheaton College Bookstore: on the Web, [www.wheatonbooks.com](http://www.wheatonbooks.com); by phone, 630.752.5119; or by writing, Wheaton College Bookstore, 501 College Ave., Wheaton, IL 60187.



**Recommended Reading from Wheaton's faculty**

Although the primary role of a Wheaton professor is that of teacher, our faculty regularly conduct individual research and publish books and articles. Here are some of the more recent books.

**Dr. Morris Inch**, professor of biblical studies emeritus

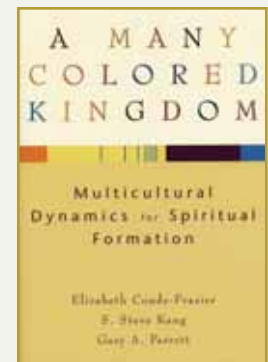
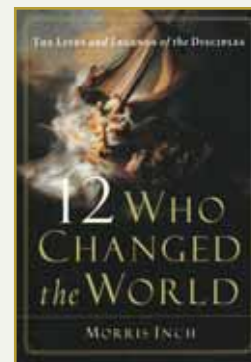
*12 Who Changed the World*  
(Thomas Nelson, Inc., 2003)

A focused look at the personalities, heritage, and ministries of Jesus' disciples—12 very different men who shared the common goal of spreading the gospel of Christ worldwide.

**Dr. Steven Kang**, assistant professor of Christian formation

*A Many Colored Kingdom*  
(Baker Academic, 2004)

A practical resource for multicultural ministry that examines how communities of faith in Christ's kingdom should coexist and transcend the common barriers of racism, classism, and sexism that plague modern culture.



**David C. Wright**, visiting assistant professor of English

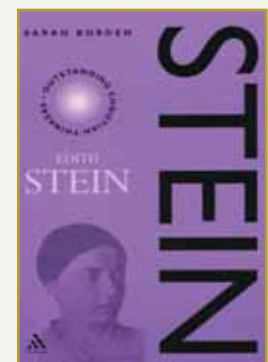
*A Liturgy for Stones*  
(Cascadia Publishing House, 2003)

A volume of poetry that glorifies the subtle wonders of God hidden in the elemental aspects of nature and humanity.

**Dr. Sarah Borden**, assistant professor of philosophy

*Outstanding Christian Thinkers: Edith Stein*  
(Continuum, 2003)

An overview of the life and insights of St. Edith Stein, a Christian thinker who wrote on phenomenology, politics, women's education, medieval metaphysics, and religious texts.



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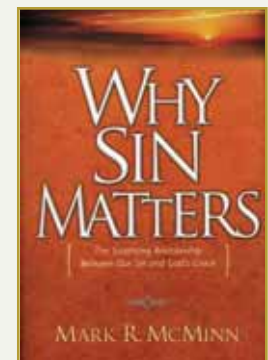
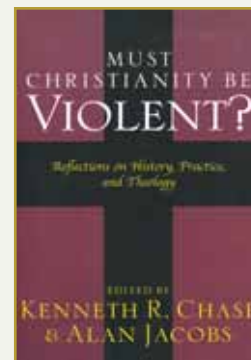
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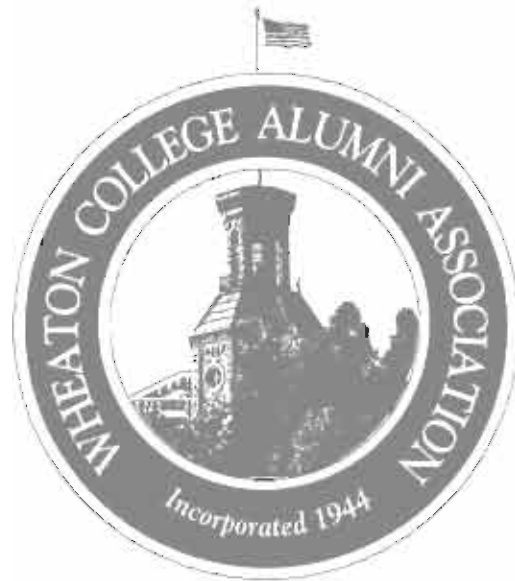
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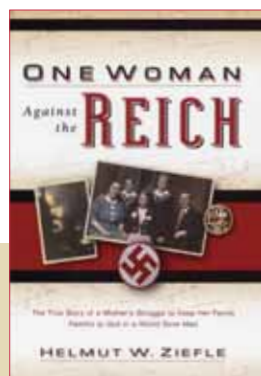


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by Helmut W. Ziefle, professor emeritus of German

## One Woman Against the Reich



Midnight, I lie in a warm bed next to my husband, and I shiver. Yet, it is not the cold of the night that creeps up in me—it’s a death, a poison of which no one speaks, even if asked. Sounds are coming from the distance; the clapping of hands, male voices that sing to the stamping rhythm of the feet of German’s pride and might, but worst, the steady beating of boots upon our cobblestone. I shiver.

The tentacles of the swastika are enclosing even little Sontheim. God, I am afraid. . . give us grace and strength for whatever we must endure.

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Against  
the Reich*,  
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Ziefle.

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Thus were the thoughts of *Hausfrau* Maria Ziefle in the autumn of 1938, as her homeland of Germany marched toward the dark days of World War II. With uncompromising and living faith, she and her husband, Georg, would soon find themselves among the resistance, regarded by the Gestapo as “enemies of the people.” To oppose the Nazis put their lives at risk, and those of their four children Reinhold, Kurt, Ruth, and Helmut.

The following are excerpts from *One Woman Against the Reich*, Maria’s story as told by her son, Dr. Helmut Ziefle, Wheaton professor emeritus of German.

▼ 1939. Winter that year was quiet for the Ziefles. . . . The pressures of the Nazi presence had not subsided, to be sure, but the family was learning to live under the cloud of criticism and intimidation. Reinhold still refused steadfastly to participate in Hitler Youth meetings, and he and Ruth continued to attend Sunday services with their parents. Kurt, however, insisted on being faithful to his

Hitler Youth activities. The initial headiness of the citizens after Poland’s demolition had subsided, and the war now seemed to be a matter of necessary inconvenience. After all, the armies of the Third Reich would soon smother all of Europe, and then peace would be permanent. But life was not normal, by far. Many of the eligible men had been conscripted into service, leaving their families without fathers and husbands. The women of Sontheim did their best to cope without their husbands, but the struggle was very evident in their faces.

Life was hardest for those who refused to compromise their beliefs and cooperate with National Socialism. The psychological pressure was strong, and many times the faith of even the strong collapsed.

▼ By July 1940, the air battles over England were in full fury. Newspaper and radio broadcasts were predicting repeatedly a quick victory.

One warm evening as Georg turned off the radio, he commented to Maria, “This seems so strange to me. If the war

is going to be won so soon, why are the Nazis building all these air-raid shelters? . . . It looks to me as if we’re facing the prospect of a long war.”

“I expect you’re right,” Maria replied, sounding worried. “If that happens, what about our boys? It won’t be long before they will be eligible for the draft. If they are taken into the service, what will happen to them—especially Kurt? We can help anchor their souls when they are here, but what can we do when they are in an army camp far away?”

▼ German optimism waxed strong as Nazi forces swept across Denmark and Norway on the north and France on the west. Encouraged by Hitler’s victories, Mussolini also declared war on the allies. As the German victories mounted, Maria noticed that neighbors who had been lukewarm or indifferent toward Hitler began to increase in apparent loyalty and fervor to the Führer.

The Nazis were no longer persecuting only Jews and staunch Christians but anyone who refused to accept the



(left) Kurt takes little brother Helmut on a carriage ride around the neighborhood. (above) The Ziefle family (Georg, Reinhold, and Kurt, and Ruth and Maria) look out the windows of their home on Ackermannstrasse around 1937, two years before Helmut's birth.

(right) Maria with her oldest son, Reinhold, upon his return as a prisoner of war from 1945-1950. Today, Reinhold and Helmut are the only surviving members of the Ziefle family.

*Deutschglaube* or German way of life, as the only and ultimate religion.

*Deutschglaube* had its roots in two-thousand-year-old Germanic folklore that glorified the national heroism, purity of race, and German destiny to rule the world. Anyone who deviated from these Nazi ideals was either reeducated, harassed, imprisoned, or sometimes even exiled or murdered.

Maria considered these matters as she sat in front of her house and watched the children play with Helmut. What could a parent do to instill in one's children values of decency, respect, faithfulness, and diligence when all around the only thing that seemed to guarantee success was the rejection of such qualities? She presented her frustrations to her God.

*I have no doubt, Lord, that Your grace is sufficient. But I doubt myself. Is my faith sufficient to endure these times?*

In the midst of social turmoil and the tensions of war, Maria had to laugh as she watched Kurt whirl Helmut about their small yard in the battered stroller. There was still happiness in their midst; love and innocence still survived under Maria and Georg's strong determination. But how long would it last? The swastika never retreated; rather, it made itself increasingly more evident as it laid siege against the Ziefle household.

*By God's mercy, I have not lost my husband to the war, but what about Reinhold and Kurt? What about the demands for conformity upon Ruth? And will Helmut enter manhood knowing only war cries and persecution?*

Life would never be as it was, but how Maria longed to return to the times of peace.

She reflected back to what seemed like years ago, to the moments right after the appalling announcement that Germany

had invaded Poland. As Maria had attempted to divert the children's attention from the gruesome subject, Reinhold, his young face filled with bewilderment, had asked, "Papa, what is war?"

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by Dr. Henri Blocher, Gunther Knoedler Chair of Bible and Theology

## Self-Criticism?

“Tell us your impression of the U.S. Is there anything that strikes you?”

As a visitor from “Old Europe,” I am often asked this kind of question. Actually, I have seen very little of the country. I’ve only caught a glimpse, through the Wheaton window.

What I have glimpsed, however, may be worth mentioning. I have been struck by the amount of self-deprecation in current discourse (not within College bounds necessarily), having heard and read a lot of self-critical talk, concerning American ways and values, especially “individualism,” and, in Christian circles, concerning evangelical tradition, or lack of tradition.

Self-criticism is praiseworthy—one hesitates to criticize it! Self-demeaning, to

to acknowledge weaknesses and faults reflects maturity. Combating pride, the ever-present enemy, is always timely—for pride disguises itself as loyalty or gratitude. (Remember the account in Luke 18:9-14. The Pharisee’s thanksgiving met the outward expectation of religious life, and yet, he did not go home justified.) But cannot self-criticism itself become a disguise? When we criticize our tradition, don’t we secretly feel that we thereby raise ourselves above what we censure?

We say “we,” and mean “they.” Of course, I realize that this boomerangs on me just now. Intellectuals in our societies, as they disparage established orders, often vent their frustration and resentment for not wielding power. (Nietzsche was not

“self” critical. In any case, as a general phenomenon of perception, attention is always drawn to what does not work properly, thus fostering exclusively negative assessments, and failing to honor that which is praiseworthy.

What are the marks of sound self-criticism? Balance and nuances, and recognizing that which is valuable and must be maintained—these are hopeful signs. Slogans or catchwords, conformity to fashions, ready-made generalizations, are all red signals. Critics are open to suspicion that keep enjoying the benefits of what they condemn. If it is truly self-criticism, it will entail some concrete steps of action.

The heart, however, is so crooked, “deceitful above all things,” that discernment ultimately belongs to the Lord, the Lord alone (Jer. 17:9). His Word is the “critical” (*kritikos*) agent, to which only we will turn for true and healing criticism (Heb. 4:12).

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some extent in all cultures, and in some cultures hyperbolically so, it belongs to polite demeanor. It oils the wheels of social exchanges. Since every human group or institution tends toward inflated images of self, often bordering on idolatry, correction is salutary.

Individually and collectively, the ability

wrong on all counts.) Blaming the status quo, of which one is a part, relieves hidden anguish and projects the subject’s existential discomfort onto the world. An upcoming generation conveniently makes room for their own ambitions, brushing predecessors to the side. Not waiving their claim on the estate, they become

by Amy Wolgemuth Bordonni

## The Power of Community

Four years ago, if anyone had told Jerry Redfield '05 he would be attending a Christian college and planning for a future ministry in China, he would have said they were crazy. Jerry was an outstanding student at a very competitive high school on Chicago's south side, with his mind set on a top-tier secular university like Duke or Rice. But God had another purpose for this ambitious young student's life.

Jerry heard about Wheaton at a college fair, and his parents encouraged him to apply. Although Wheaton was not his first choice, one thing led to another—including being offered the Don and Ann Church Scholarship—and Jerry accepted the invitation to attend Wheaton.

“At first I was really upset. I was playing the name game and saw my acceptance to Duke as an opportunity of a lifetime,” Jerry remembers. “But my parents stood their ground about going with the scholarship and I am so glad. God, in His grace, broke me of my pride and brought me here. I couldn't have made a better decision.”

As he begins his senior year, Jerry recognizes that community has been the key to his positive college experience and spiritual growth. In addition to competing on the track team and participating in a performance dance group called The Red Army, Jerry has also served as a resident assistant.

Last March, he spent spring break

on a BreakAway missions trip to New York City.

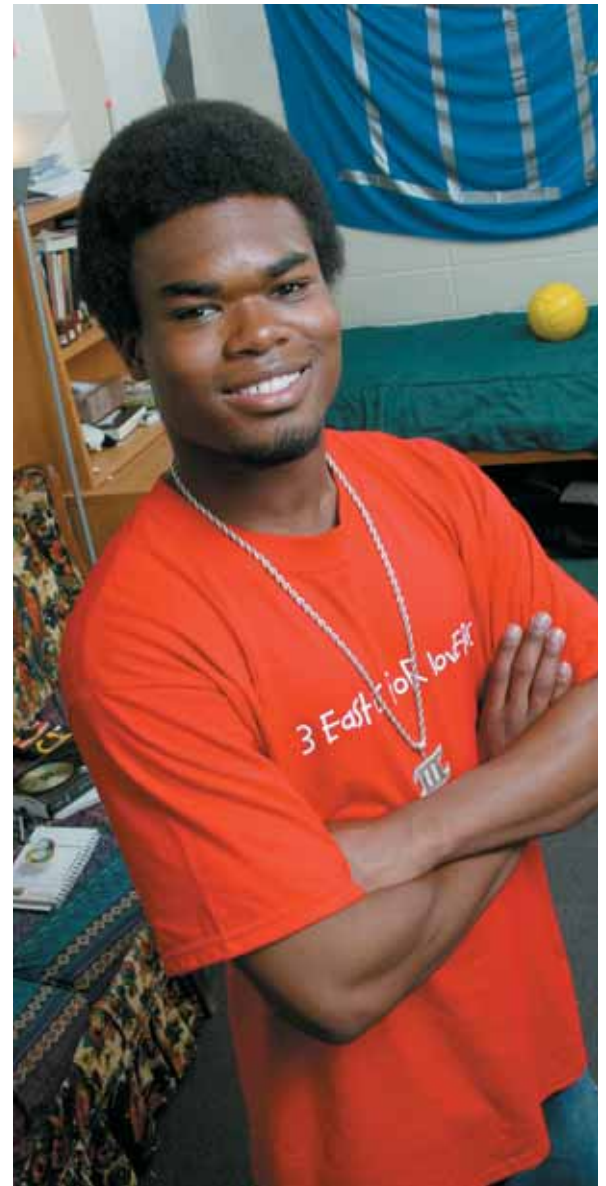
Jerry notes that these experiences have humbled him and helped bring his desires for the future into focus. Inspired to help others, he declined a great internship opportunity in order to spend the summer teaching English to high school students in China. Once he receives his degree in economics, he plans to return to China to teach, and eventually transition into economic development work in the country.

Why China? Not feeling a true sense of direction for his future, Jerry began to pray, and in the days and weeks that followed, heard and read about China constantly.

“I was bombarded by China,” he recalls. “And when I explored the opportunities, I found that it's an incredible fit for me. Now I have a deep sense of desire and purpose, and my parents are behind me 100 percent.”

Jerry has been teaching himself Chinese and learning a lot from Chinese friends, but it is the Christian community at Wheaton that has been the best preparation.

“Most of my spiritual growth has been in the context of relationship,” says Jerry. “As the body of Christ, we're striving toward godliness together. It's a huge part of my motivation; and the greater the Christian community, the more God is glorified.”



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Jerry Redfield '05

by Lena James Fenton '99

## Higher Learning in Eastern Europe

One Wheaton professor discovers a different approach to faith-based education.

Dr. James Halteman's three-week teaching experience at Lithuania Christian College in May 2003 was not only a first for the Hendrickson Endowed Chair of Business and Economics, it was also Dr. Halteman's first venture into teaching at a faith-based college run by westerners in a former Eastern Bloc country.

In accepting the assignment, he embraced the unique opportunity to instruct students who could possibly become future leaders of the European Union. At the time of his visit to the college (located in Klaipeda), Lithuania and nine other eastern European countries were anticipating their acceptance into the Union in May 2004.

Dr. Halteman, who has taught business and economics for 30 years, including 25 years at Wheaton College, had previously served as a lecturer and consultant at two other universities in the former Soviet Union toward the end of the Cold War. Since 1981 he and his wife, Jane, have helped lead nine groups of Wheaton students on business-economics study trips to the Soviet Union and Czech Republic.

As one of three small countries strategically located between Russia and the Baltic Sea, Lithuania offers great opportunities as an outlet to the world

for Russian resources, notes Dr. Halteman. He adds that its location has historically made Lithuania attractive to larger powers that have constantly threatened the country's independence.

For 50 years after World War II, Lithuania was a republic of the former Soviet Union, which turned the Lithuanian economy into part of the USSR's centrally planned program. The transition from that system to membership in the European Union in 2004 set the stage for what became a very meaningful experience for Dr. Halteman, as he interacted with LCC students who would soon be responsible for overseeing the new system as adult citizens.

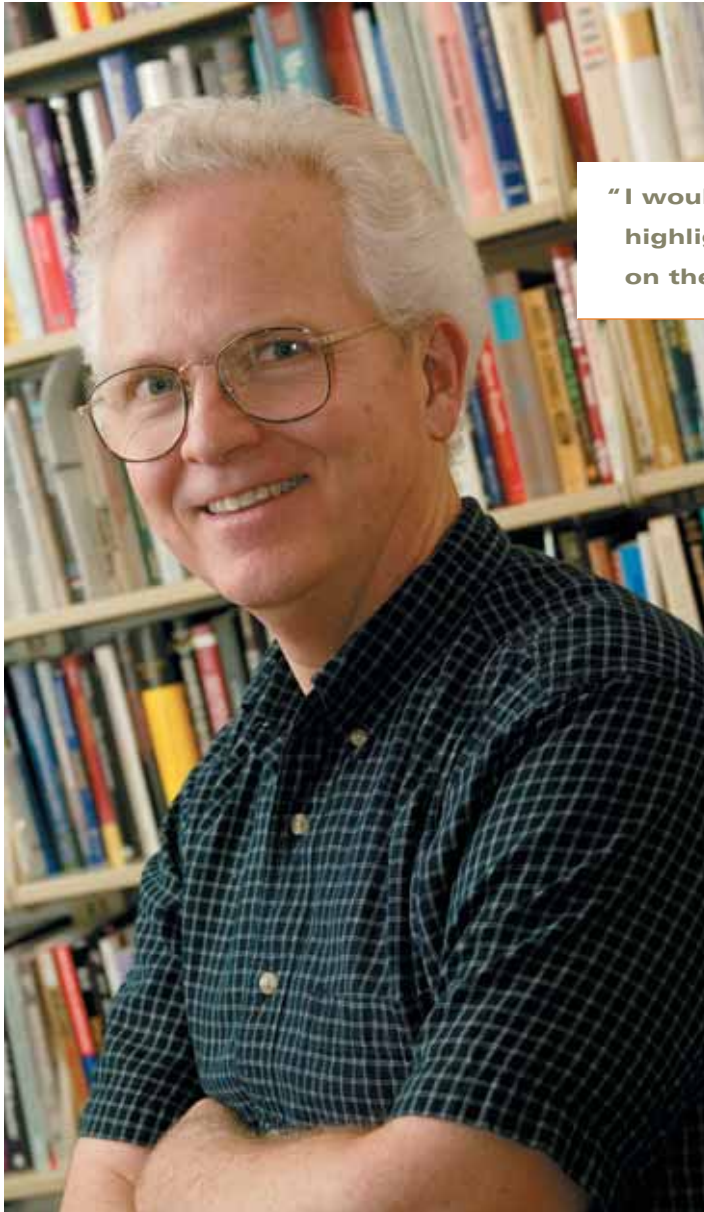
Because LCC primarily recruits professors trained in the west for short- or long-term faculty, these professors must volunteer their time and raise support, or else finance travel and living expenses with their own resources. For Dr. Halteman, an Alumni Association Faculty Missions Project grant covered the expenses. However, his subsequent challenge was packing his typical 13-week curriculum into an intensive three-week summer session.

In light of his Wheaton experience, Dr. Halteman was intrigued by the LCC environment. Contrary to what

the private college's name suggests, less than half of its 540-member student body come from Christian backgrounds, and profession of faith is not a prerequisite for admission. Drawn by the college's reputation for providing a quality western-style education taught in English, students report they find the close connection and interaction with professors an advantage that is not typically available in their countries' state-run institutions of higher learning.

Although his class had only indirect theological implications, Dr. Halteman often spoke of the connection between his faith and work to his 14 students, many of whom had ingrained prejudices about western Christianity and its alleged affiliation with greed and capitalism. As the class discussed the pros and cons of capitalism, he recalls, "I wouldn't hide the system's faults, but I did highlight the advantages. . . . I tried to put a human face on the markets."

Dr. Halteman adds that the average standard of living of LCC students is significantly less than that of western students. "For these students from formerly Eastern Bloc countries, a private education is highly prized," he explains. "Students are willing to make great sacrifices to take advantage of



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such an opportunity.”

During Dr. Halteman’s visit, the local city government held a debate between a spokesperson for the European Union and a Lithuanian professor. Prior to the debate, an official from the city of Klaipeda visited Dr. Halteman, requesting that LCC students attend because of their reputation for asking solid, thought-provoking questions. “The difference between our students and those from the state-run university was apparent,” Dr. Halteman says.

“Ours were well prepared and more engaged. People are starting to take notice that something significant is going on at LCC. These are students who want a good education.”

He firmly believes that LCC students, with their abilities and determination to seek a balanced view, will be the next leaders of their countries, and in turn, of the European Union. And as more countries move from centralized economies to market economies, Dr. Halteman says, “I hope my LCC

students realize that they can operate in transition economies as leaders with Christian values.”

The Haltemans also have a special interest in Rita, a young woman from Belarus who will begin her college career at LCC this fall. They met her father in the late 1980s, when he served as a Russian guide to a group of Wheaton students. The two families reconnected last May, and in June Dr. Halteman learned that Rita’s excellent scores and top-notch English had earned her a full scholarship to LCC.

Reflecting on his experience in Lithuania, Dr. Halteman expects that his most significant contribution to LCC may have been his attempt to reach beyond the campus to the business community. He attended a Rotarian dinner, toured a shipbuilding site, and spent half a day with the director of a large oil-shipping terminal, which transports Russian oil abroad through the Baltic Sea. All of the businessmen and women he met seemed eager for involvement with student interns, Dr. Halteman recalls. He is hopeful that these beginning connections between LCC and the business community will eventually develop into a meaningful part of the college’s business program.



Duane Litfin President

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“Through revelation we discover what things look like from the perspective of heaven.”

**W**e speak often in the world of Christian higher education of the integration of “faith and learning.” Do we ever find the Scriptures differentiating between these two? The answer is yes. In 2 Corinthians 4:16-18 Paul says,

*Though outwardly we are wasting away, inwardly we are being renewed day by day. For our light and momentary troubles are achieving for us an eternal glory that far outweighs them all. So we fix our eyes not on what is seen but on what is unseen. For what is seen is temporary, but what is unseen is eternal.*

The *unseen* versus the *seen*; this is essentially the distinction we are after when we speak of “faith and learning.”

We must not take the Apostle’s language here too literally, of course. By the *seen* he does not mean necessarily seen with the eye, though it certainly includes that. Paul is speaking metaphorically. By the *seen* he means all that for humans is independently discoverable, all we can learn on our own through the application of our own faculties. The *seen* for Paul is the

world of the ascertainable, the accessible, what we can establish for ourselves. It is the way things seem to us, how they appear from our efforts of investigation, examination, and analysis.

What, then, is the unseen? If it is not discoverable for us, how can we know it at all? Paul’s answer? Through special revelation, the testimony of God. The world of the unseen represents all we know is the case because God has told us it is so; otherwise we might not know it. In fact, central to this revealed knowledge, knowledge of the unseen, is insight about how we are to construe the seen. Through revelation we discover what things look like from the perspective of heaven. We learn what otherwise would be unavailable to us: namely, how things appear to God. From His revelation we gain “a view from above, expressed in language from below.”

I realize, of course, how outrageous such an idea sounds to our contemporaries. But note: it is outrageous only if we embrace the critic’s views of revelation, or his radically perspectivist assumptions, neither of which any

Christian need do. As philosopher Ralph McInerny observes, in our day “the search for truth has given way to pragmatic compromises based on the epistemological assumption that the mind is incapable of grasping a reality which would render its judgments true. But a mind incapable of the truth is not an apt subject for Christian faith.” If a critic’s assumptions rule out the possibility of gaining in any way any dimension of heaven’s view of anything, the Christian’s response may well be to call into question any epistemological stance that would do such a thing. Because gaining a God’s-eye view of things is precisely what an historically Christian concept of revelation promises.

As Christians, our conceptual starting point is the truth of special revelation, and in particular, the inscripturated Word of God, the Bible. With Christians of earlier ages we take our stand with the Scriptures, our ever-trustworthy “rule of faith and practice,” for it is here we discover what we could never discover on our own: the Gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ.

*This is the third in a series of President Litfin’s reflections on the nature of Christ-centered higher education, and what this means for the mission and future of Wheaton College.*



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## Art of the Frost



**Photo from *Glacier Panorama***

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**Will Landon '50** depicts the intricate delicacy of a morning frost in this photograph, taken in 1972 at the Glacier National Park in Montana.

"Nothing etches so sharply as the early mountain frost," he describes.

"It catches the leaves and immobilizes their color, all the while accenting every vein, every edge."

With large format and panoramic cameras, the veteran photographer captures scenes from the northernmost national park in the continental United States in his book *Glacier Panorama*, photographed over the course of 22 years (1968-1990).

Will, who has also photographed Mt. Rainier in Washington for the book *Rainier Panorama*, lives in Bellevue, Washington, with his wife, Pat (Wanvig) '49.